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Sunday, December 29, 2024

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

ST. PETER'S MISSION STATEMENT
As parishioners of St. Peter's Catholic Church, we strive to imitate Jesus' example of prayer, fellowship, love and service.

Mass Schedule
Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
(10:00 a.m. Mass livestreamed)
Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Sunday 7:45 a.m.

St. Peter's Church
4:00 p.m. on Dec. 31st
9:00 a.m. on Jan. 1st

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

A Holy Day of Obligation



Welcome

We are pleased to welcome
two veterans of the US Air Force,
Allen & Romi Curnutt,
to St. Peter's!

We are grateful for their service and glad
they want to be a part of our community!

If you actively participate in the practice of your
faith, we encourage you to be registered, too.
Visit us online at StPeterCatholicChurch.org
Or, simply call the parish office at 815-675-2288.



The tiny, sleeping angel is ***Izabella Elena***
and she was just baptized on
December 15th.

Holding her are her proud parents,
John & Aneta Meyer. We are so happy
and pleased to welcome our newest
member and we congratulate the
Meyer family!

Is It Too Much to ask Catholics to Attend Mass Every Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation?

Let's do the math! Assuming that a person is in Mass for 1 hour every Sunday and holy day, that comes out to 58 hours spent in church every year. If there are 8,760 hours in a year, that means only 0.662% of your year will be spent praying the Mass! Compare that to the average American who spends 4.5 hours each day on their phone and 3 hours watching television.

So, if you truly believe that God the Father created the heavens and the earth and that He gave you the opportunity at life and love; if you believe that Jesus Christ died for your sins and offered you the chance of salvation through Him, then 58 hours per year in worship, prayer and communion with the Lord should be the absolute bare minimum that we can dedicate.

A blind pilot walks onto a plane waving his white cane. All the passengers look at each other in disbelief! Well, the flight attendant gets on the PA and says *"Ladies and gentlemen, as you can see, the captain is legally blind, but rest assured, he is one of the best pilots in the world with over six thousand successful flights."*

Next, the co-pilot makes his way to the plane and he is also blind and uses this walking stick to make his way to the cabin. The flight attendant gets on the PA and says, *"Ladies and gentlemen, as you can see, the co-pilot is also blind, but rest assured, he is the second best pilot in the world with over five thousand successful flights."*

At this point, the plane begins to travel down the runway. As it gains speed, the passengers grow more and more tense. The plane keeps accelerating more and more as it approaches the end of the runway, and it still hasn't left the ground. As it nears the end at a high speed, the passengers scream, *"O Lord, we're all gonna die!"*

Suddenly, the plane takes off and begins its' ascent. The pilot turns to the co-pilot and says, *"The day they stop screaming, we're in deep trouble."*



UPLIFTING QUOTES FROM SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS THAT WILL HELP STRENGTHEN YOU AMID TRIAL!

"Strive to preserve your heart in peace; let no event of this world disturb it."

"Never give up prayer, if should you find dryness and difficulty, persevere in it for this very reason. God often desires to see what love your soul has, and love is not tried by ease and satisfaction."

"The endurance of darkness is the preparation for great light."

"Contemplation is nothing else but a secret, peaceful, and loving infusion of God, which if admitted, will set the soul on fire with the Spirit of love."

"In tribulation immediately draw near to God with confidence, and you will receive strength, enlightenment, and instruction."

"If a man wishes to be sure of the road he treads on, he must close his eyes and walk in the dark."

"Whenever anything disagreeable or displeasing happens to you, remember Christ crucified and be silent."

"Have a great love for those who contradict and fail to love you, for in this way love is begotten in a heart that has no love."

"It is great wisdom to know how to be silent and to look at neither the remarks, nor the deeds, nor the lives of others."

Parish Office Holiday Hours

Monday, December 30: the office will be open from 8:30 a.m. - noon and 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

December 31 - January 3
the office will be closed.

(Practicing) Catholic Where is Jesus?

Every mother who has ever lost sight of her child in a crowd, even for a few seconds, knows the panic.

I think of Mary living with that level of anxiety for three straight days. I doubt she slept, but I'm sure Joseph forced her to lie down at night, imploring her to think of her health, to rest while he kept on searching the streets of Jerusalem. I imagine her lying there, eyes open and staring at the ceiling. Mary, full of grace. Mary, spotless of sin. Weeping in the dark, whispering, "Where is he?"

It's an experience that we all have at one point or another. Running through the world, desperate and confused, just trying to find God and failing so miserably that we wonder if He's purposefully eluding us.

If Mary couldn't even find Him, do we stand a chance?

Why didn't Mary think to look in the temple? She had wisdom beyond anyone else who ever lived, at least when it came to Jesus. But I think God purposefully dropped a veil over her reasoning for these three days, so that He could show us it's okay to lose our way.

He isn't eluding us. In fact, He's trying to make it easy. He's staying put, in one place, the very place we should know to look. But the streets of our life are so crowded and loud, so full of distraction.

The Christmas season is about God revealing to us who and what and where He is. He has told us. The question is, have we listened?

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



FOR THE WEEKENDS
12/28/2024 - 1/5/2025

The Mass		For	
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	John Popelka
Sun	8 am	†	Stephen Kramer
	10 am	†	Roza Licheniak
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST			
SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD			
	4 pm	†	Lenard Geraci
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST			
	9 am	†	Theresa Schaffner
Thur	8 am	†	Linda Rassino
Fri	8 am	†	Kristin Popelka
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Jack Schmitt
Sun	8 am	†	Peter May
	10 am	†	Joseph Vavrina

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If someone you know is experiencing emotional pain due to a past abortion, there is healing available



Rachel's Vineyard offers weekend healing retreats. The next one will be Jan. 3-5, 2025.

To register, call 815-354-7241 or email info@rachelvineyardrockford.org. For more info, visit: rockforddiocese.org/life/hope-after-abortion.

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH			
Saturday 12/28 4:00 pm	Jerry Bodden	Nettie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls
Sunday 12/29 8:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Deacon Mark <i>Chris Chinni</i> (Choir)	Sean Gosselin Tom Fanella
10:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Mike Rygiel <i>Carol Rygiel</i> (Choir)	Stan Tinsley John Ellicson
NEW YEAR'S EVE			
Tuesday 12/31 4:00 pm	Stan Tinsley	DeAnne Besetzny	Chad Franckowiak Maureen Terry
NEW YEAR'S DAY			
Wednesday 1/1 9:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark <i>Mary Seil</i> (Choir)	Paul Leali Stan Tinsley Tom Fanella
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD			
Saturday 1/4 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Susan Straley	Gary Miller Deb Christian
Sunday 1/5 8:00 am	Jeff Kelley	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim Vince Desecki
10:00 am	Sandi Wesinger	Deacon Mark <i>Marge Ladner</i> (Choir)	Mike Gordon Rich Yager

Homebound Ministers

December 29th - The Holy Family

Don Piggot, Mary Seil, Julia Francis & Paul Serio

January 5th - The Epiphany of the Lord

Maria Sullivan, Peggy Neuman, Georgene Keim & Eddie Wells



"At least we can say He was brought up in a stable home."



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from December 29th through January 11th for

† Geri Stack

May this light which reminds us of Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary Welcome him into eternal peace.



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into your hands, all fellow parishioners we know and love, who are ill or injured and in need of Your healing touch. Jesus, be with them all, especially:

Marguerite Baranov
Debra Cooke
Phyllis Ehlers
Deacon Eugene Damian
Sandy Devine
Robert Fenrich
Carol Flatley
Gail Gagnon
Glenn Geske
Anthony Hodnik
Patricia Hodnik
Edward Johnson
Diana Kattner
Joseph Keim
Nancy Klein
Ronald Klein
Lawrence Lord
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Denise Meyers
Larry Meyers
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Norma Moretti
John Mueller
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John Paleka
Rachel Quinn
Debbie Schaff
Jacob Shapiro
Dorothy Scichowski
Nash Scichowski
Ray Starzec
Gloria Strzelczyk
David Thomas
Mark Vallango
Fred Zahn

If you know someone who is sick and asking for prayer, but they are not registered members of our parish family, please allow us to solicit support for them by adding their names to our Prayer Chain Ministry. Just visit StPeterCatholicChurch.org and after clicking where it reads CONTACT US, simply follow the directions under PRAYER REQUEST.

Live the Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

For three days, Mary and Joseph search and worry before finding Jesus in the temple. "Didn't you know where I was?" He says to them, in so many words. We, too, look for Jesus. We, too, know where to find Him. Let us never forget and never despair.



PARISH CALENDAR

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Confessions: Sat. 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. (or by appointment)

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Bereavement & Grief Counseling

Marie Arnold (Call the Parish Office)



Sunday, December 29th - The Holy Family

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **No Faith Formation Classes**

Monday, December 30th - Parish Office Open

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

NEW YEAR'S—Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 31st - 4:00 p.m.

Parish Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S DAY—MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 1st - 9:00 a.m.

Parish Office Closed

NO Rosary

Thursday, January 2nd - Parish Office Closed

- **Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm**

Friday, January 3rd - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, January 4th

- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 7:45 am**

Sunday, January 5th - The Epiphany of the Lord

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **Faith Formation Classes - Grades 5/6 & 7/8 - 5:30 pm**

SHAPE: A SHEPHERD'S STAFF
This symbolizes the **shepherds** who noticed the bright star of Bethlehem on the night of Christ's birth. It can also be a nod to Jesus as the **Good Shepherd**.

RED AND WHITE COLORS
The red symbolizes the **blood** Jesus shed for our sins and the white represents His **purity**. It is also said to be a nod to Mary's **virginity**.

THE LETTER "J"
If you flip the candy cane upside down it reveals the letter "j" for Jesus! This reminds us that **Jesus is the reason for the season**.

THE HARDNESS OF THE CANDY CANE
This represents the **solid foundation** of Christ's Church.

THE SWEETNESS OF THE CANDY CANE
The tasty peppermint flavor is a reminder that **life is sweet when Jesus is in your heart**.



PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS - Msgr. Jarmoluk is eager and happy to baptize children whose parent(s) are practicing the Catholic faith and registered members of St. Peter's Parish. Please call the Parish Office for additional requirements and information.

MARRIAGES - Please contact Father before you set a date, at least six months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION - Parishioners confined to their homes, for an indefinite length of time due to illness or advanced age, may call the Office and request that the Holy Eucharist be brought to them on Sunday mornings.

REGISTRATION - New members should register by either calling the Parish Office or visiting us online at StPeterCatholicChurch.org

HOSPITAL VISITS - If you wish Father to visit during your stay in the hospital, please call him at the Parish Office and he will be happy to do so. Likewise, if you wish to be added to our Prayer Chain, let us know by calling 815-675-2288

FUNERALS ARRANGEMENTS - are to be made in consultation with Father.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - If you or someone you know is sick, injured or being admitted to a hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office without delay.

Should there be an emergency after normal business hours, please call 815-675-2339

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