



# St. Peter's Church

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## Sunday, January 19, 2025

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**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.

## ORDINARY TIME

Wasted time is not a prized commodity in American society. We are people ruled by the clock. Time is money because time is to be filled with purposeful controlled activity which is productive of things which can be sold. We are convinced that we must be in control of time. The last thing the productive American would want to do is waste time playing around with realities that do not produce a saleable commodity.

But the Creator of heaven and earth is described by the scriptures as the original and the best of players. Creative activity is playful, and creative people do not feel that what they do is a job. Creative people also have a sense that their creativity and all that they fashion in the creative spirit are gifts they have received. The Christian can speak of this and the contemplative vision which sees all reality as gift or grace. Our thankful response we call worship or eucharist.

We cannot speak of Ordinary Time without speaking of Sunday. The every seven-day celebration of the Lord's Day is the basic structure upon which the Church Year is built. The great liturgical seasons of Advent-Christmas and Lent-Easter are more expansive celebrations of particular aspects of the one Paschal mystery which we celebrate every Lord's Day. These special seasons focus our attention upon critical dimensions of one mystery, a mystery so overwhelming that we are compelled to separate out its various elements for particular attention. These seasons in no way minimize the critical importance of the Sunday celebration throughout the rest of the year. Ordinary Time is not very ordinary at all. Ordinary Time, the celebration of Sunday, is the identifying mark of the Christian community which comes together, remembering that on the first day of the week the Lord of Life was raised up and creation came at last to completion. Sunday as a day of play and worship is a sacrament of redeemed time. How we live Sunday proclaims to the world what we believe about redeemed time now and for ever.

What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of the week past is the beginning of the week to come. Sunday, like all sacraments, is simultaneously a point of arrival and departure for Christians on their way to the fullness of the kingdom. This is not ordinary at all. This is the fabric of Christian living.

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**Mark your Calendars  
Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Two Seatings (5:00 & 7:15 pm)**

**Dinner will include salad, bread, spaghetti and meatballs, wine, soda and a selection of desserts.**

**Adults - \$16 per person**

**Kids 5-12 - \$8**

**Kids under 5 eat for FREE!**

Seating is limited, so please return the registration form you received in the mail no later than Saturday, January 25th.

**Many hands make light work!**

To help, sign-up on the bulletin boards in the vestibule before or after Mass.

*This is a great chance to earn service hours too!*



**"We must learn to live together as brothers or we will perish together as fools."**  
~ Martin Luther King, Jr. ~

**I HAVE A DREAM**

**MARTIN  
LUTHER  
KING JR. DAY**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH**



## A Sausage Soiree

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a winter Sunday afternoon.

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**Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Starting at Noon  
in the Parish Hall.**

**Suggested Offering: \$25 per person**

**Adults Only—  
please, no one under 18!**

**Advance Reservations Required.**

**Space is limited so get your spots early.**

**Once we are full—we are full!**

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rest assured that it will be a good afternoon  
working alongside and socializing  
with fellow parishioners and friends.***

*For information and to reserve your place,  
please contact fellow parishioner*

**Lee M. Jones - l.jones@mchsi.com**

## Live the Liturgy

### Inspiration of the Week

We are all the servants at Cana. Each of us, at various times, finds ourselves confused and unsure, empty where we should be full, unprepared where we should be ready.

When we falter, Mary's words give us direction: "Do whatever He tells you."

## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A friend invited me to an invitation-only wine-tasting event. There were over two hundred varieties of wine. Having no idea how to approach such a massive selection, I wandered aimlessly among the tables, sipping this and that. At the end of the evening my friend asked if I had tried some of the exceptionally expensive wines. I hadn't. "The really good stuff disappears first," he said. "My man, you missed out on some amazing vino." I was so disappointed. I wasted my chance for amazing once-in-a-lifetime wine. The wine I tasted was, well, *blah*.

Don't we often feel a similar disappointment in life? I missed this or that opportunity. If only I had known. Optimism sputters and fades. The glory days are gone. The chances, it seems, for the really great things in life come and go so quickly. Then they are gone forever. The good stuff goes first. Then life is just *blah*.

Not so with the Lord Jesus. In Jesus' miracle at the wedding at Cana, the steward of the feast says, "**Everyone serves good wine first, and then... an inferior one**" (John 2:10). That's the natural downward progression of life. The good stuff disappears quickly. But he says of the groom (*who symbolizes Jesus*), "**But you have kept the good wine until now.**" This is the ever-improving trajectory of the realm of God's grace. With Jesus, the "good wine" of divine love, hope and peace gets better as our journey of faith progresses. Where are your greatest disappointments? Don't give in to the lie that the really good stuff is gone. Tell Jesus you've run out. Then learn how to taste *that* amazingly good wine, because he saves the best until now.

— Father John Muir



## Holy Simplicity

Holy Simplicity, or "Spiritual Childhood," starts with being who you are and not trying to be who you're not—even in prayer. When we're open-hearted with God, His grace can change our hearts. We grow in humility, trust, and love—the roots of "tough" virtues like courage, perseverance and faithfulness.

Love your enemies and pray  
for those who persecute you,  
that you may be children  
of your Father in heaven

Matthew 5:44-45

## (Practicing) Catholic Do Whatever He Tells You

**Mini Reflection:** Sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is—as if we could handle anything on our own.

### Do Whatever He Tells You

I once ran out of pizza at my kid’s birthday party.

Everyone told me it wasn’t a big deal but come on. It was a disaster. I had invited all these people over. They showed up with presents and sang “Happy Birthday” and stood around patiently while my kid ripped through his cache of gifts. The very least they were expecting was to be fed sufficiently.

I’ll tell you what, I sure could have used the Blessed Mother that night.

I love the story of the wedding at Cana because it’s such a silly little miracle. I don’t mean to be disrespectful—of course it’s an incredibly important moment in Christ’s public life. But it’s not healing a leper. It’s not raising the dead. It’s not even walking on water. It’s saving a young couple from embarrassment.

I think sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is—as if we could handle anything on our own. It’s so fitting that Mary, ever the observant Mother, is the one to bring the matter to Jesus’ attention. He asks her what this problem has to do with him. She doesn’t answer him, because, between you and me, I don’t think he’s asking her. I think he’s asking us. All she does is tell the waiters what I consider to be the best piece of advice in all of Scripture: “Do whatever he tells you.”

I’m so quick to throw up my hands and feel sorry for myself when I encounter a barrier in my life. What I should be doing is taking the matter to God, and then doing whatever He tells me.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ~

The Mass			For
<b>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY’S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Gerald Baumann
Sun	8 am	†	Les Barycki
	10 am	†	Joe Carey
<b>THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
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	†	Rita Chinni
	10 am	†	LeRoy & Shirley Harms

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<b>2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
<b>Saturday 1/18</b> 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Susan Straley	Maureen Terry Denise Wahls
<b>Sunday 1/19</b> 8:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Deacon Mark	Larry Hauser Paul Leali
10:00 am	Mary Yager	Carol Rygiel <i>Mike Rygiel</i> (Choir)	Stan Tinsley Dave & Kathlene Harms
<b>3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
<b>Saturday 1/25</b> 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Rich Wirch
<b>Sunday 1/26</b> 8:00 am	Ardie Arnold	DeAnne Besetzny	Stan Tinsley Vince Desecki
10:00 am	Peggy Mack	Deacon Mark <i>Marge Ladner</i> (Choir)	Mike Gordon John Ellicson

## Homebound Ministers

### January 19<sup>th</sup> - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nancy Piggot, Don Piggot, Eddie Wells & Thomas Gough

### January 26<sup>th</sup> - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Seil, Peggy Neuman, Georgene Keim & Julia Francis

## A Proven Way to Grow in Friendship with God

*Do you long to feel God's love more deeply but find something holding you back?* St. Ignatius of Loyola shared this struggle, inspiring him to create a transformative daily practice. This practice can help you live with greater joy in your journey with Christ:

- Give Thanks:** Reflect on the blessings of your day. Pause to savor them and offer heartfelt gratitude.
- Seek Clarity:** Ask God for the grace to recognize your sins and remove them from your heart.
- Examine Your Day:** Review your actions from waking until now. Reflect on how sin crept in, the virtues you may need to cultivate, and areas of your life that need God's healing touch.
- Ask for Mercy:** Come to God in repentance. His mercy welcomes you back, and Scripture assures us that Heaven rejoices over every contrite heart (Luke 15:7).
- Resolve to Grow:** Commit to loving God and others more fully tomorrow. Plan how to resist temptation, make an effort to amend relationships, or prepare for Confession if needed.



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from January 26<sup>th</sup> through February 8<sup>th</sup> for

† **Scholle - Sompel Families**

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

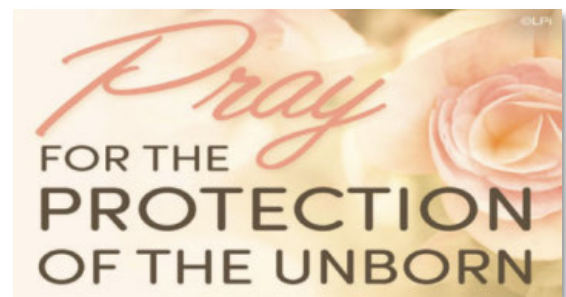


*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into your hands, all fellow parishioners we know and love, who are ill or injured and in need of Your healing touch. Jesus, be with them all, especially:*

Marguerite Baranov  
Debra Cooke  
Phyllis Ehlers  
Deacon Eugene Damian  
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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](http://StPeterCatholicChurch.org) and after clicking where it reads **CONTACT US**, simply follow the directions under **PRAYER REQUEST**.





# PARISH CALENDAR

**Website:** StPeterCatholicChurch.org

**Email:** SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com

**Office Hours:** Tue. - Thu. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.,  
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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

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**Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **SVdP Meeting - Parish Hall - 11:00 am**
- **NO Faith Formation Classes**

**Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> - Parish Office Closed**

**Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

- **Spiritual Warfare Rosary - 6:00 pm**

**Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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

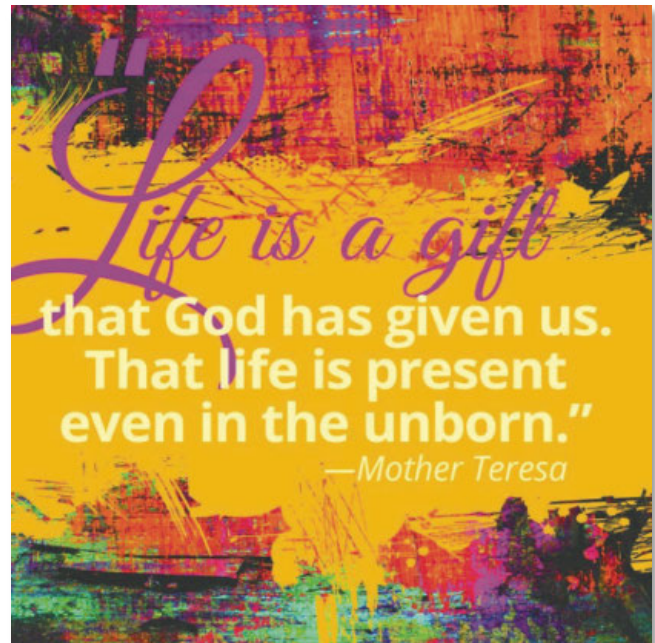
**Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup> - Parish Office Closed**

**Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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



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## 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](http://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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### WE ARE ALL CALLED TO SERVE

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Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

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