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~ Christ Teaching in the Synagogue at Nazareth ~
~ Gerbrand van den Eeckhout ~ 1658 ~

Sunday, January 26, 2025 Third 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.



Calling All Prayer Pals!

On Saturday, May 10th, ten of our young parishioners will receive Holy Communion for the first time! The children are excited and they are hoping parishioners will pray for them until their big day arrives! **At the end of the 8:00 am Mass, on Sunday, February 2nd, Father Joe will invite everyone who is interested in being a "Prayer Pal" for one of these children, to stand.** The children will then choose their Prayer Pal by presenting them with a loaf of bread with a card attached. The card will have information regarding your new "Prayer Pal." In addition to praying for this child we ask that you connect via mail, Sunday Mass and more!

Thank you for giving this special request some prayerful consideration, and we hope that everyone will be willing to pray for our children!

The Angelus Prayer

V. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;
R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee...
V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
R. Be it done unto me according to Thy Word.
 Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee...
V. And the Word was made flesh:
R. And dwelt among us.
 Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee...
V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His passion and cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Did you make your reservation for our Annual Parish Spaghetti Dinner next Saturday, February 1st?

In order to comfortably accommodate all of our guests, there will be a seating at 5:00 pm and another one at 7:15 pm. Dinner will include salad, bread, our world-famous spaghetti & meatballs, wine, soda and a selection of desserts. **Now imagine getting all that for just \$16 per adult and only \$8 for kids who are 5-12 years old; children under 5 eat Free!** (Please Note: Identifying as a child when you are bearded, bald or have gray hair, will not get you a free meal!) The deadline for making reservations is past, but you can call the office to check if there are any cancellations.

If you know of anyone who would like to attend, but feels financially constrained please reach out to us at Stantqt4567@gmail.com or tomsfamilymail@aol.com.
Any information will be treated confidentially.

The Angelus, Explained

The Incarnation of Christ changed the life of every Christian person who ever lived. Reflecting on that moment in salvation history is opportunity for grace, Growth and peace. Who wouldn't want that every day, or even three times every day?

The Angelus is composed of three antiphons which narrate the Annunciation, each followed by the recitation of a Hail Mary (*a prayer that itself contains the "angelic greeting" of the angel Gabriel*). Its name is derived from the first words of the prayer in Latin.

This devotion was developed over the course of several centuries and is rooted in the ancient practice of saying the Hail Mary three times each evening. Historically, people were called to prayer by the ringing of Church bells—"the Angelus bells." Most people who recite the Angelus do so daily at noon, though it is often said in the morning, at noon and in the evening.



Sign-Up Today to Join a Sausage Soiree!

Sunday, February 2nd

Starting at Noon in the Parish Hall.

How better to spend a winter Sunday afternoon.

So, come get your grind on.

Learn the Culinary Art of Sausage Making!

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!

If you have never experienced sausage making, 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

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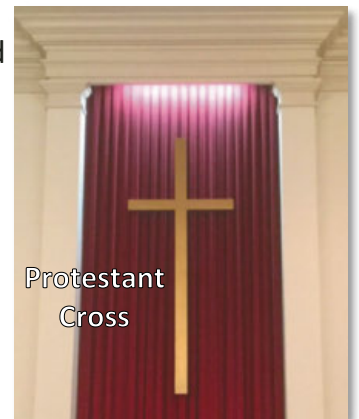
Why do Catholics Venerate Crucifixes?

Many mainline protestant churches will have a cross in their sanctuary. However, in Catholic Churches and homes, a Crucifix is displayed for veneration, which is a cross with an image of our Lord on it.



Its' not meant to remind us of something morbid or grotesque. Rather, its' a reminder of the greatest event that ever happened in the entire world: that God became man, died and rose, and opened the gates of heaven for all of us! So, next time you look at a Crucifix, pay attention to the wounds on Jesus' hands, His feet and side. Then remember what St. Paul says: **"We preach Christ crucified, the power of God. Do not allow the cross of Christ to be emptied of its' power."**

Even Bishop Fulton Sheen said, **"Keep your eyes fixed on the Crucifix, for Jesus without His cross, is a man without a mission. And a cross without Jesus, is a burden without a reliever."** So, next time someone tells you that they don't have a body on their church's cross because they believe that Christ has been raised, and they proceed to ask why you have the Lord's corpus on your cross, teach them that the Crucifix is intended for us, not Jesus! It is a daily reminder that we have to die to ourselves if we are going to rise with Jesus someday.



**God is so good to our St. Peter's community
And we are so happy to welcome two new families!**

**Andreas & Lissarda Rogoz and their sons,
Gabriel and Aksel,**

and

**Nestor & Sandra Teran
and their daughters, Martha, Sandra, Dana,
Hanna and Karla!**

Welcome

Registering at St. Peter's certainly has its' benefits! For example: registration is always needed before arranging a baptism or wedding. Should there be an emergency, we would have pertinent information readily available for us to help you. Beside that, it helps you personally feel that you "belong" to St. Peter's. **So, kindly register, just like the Rogoz and Teran families did!**

**THE SACRAMENT
OF RECONCILIATION
IS OFFERED**

Every Saturday

from 3:00 until 3:45 p.m.

Or call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.



(Practicing) Catholic These Evil Days

Mini Reflection: Jesus didn't come to fix the brokenness of the world. He came to fix *our* brokenness. He offers us not relief from the trials of life, but an answer to the question of how to live in joy, in love and in purpose in the midst of these evil days.

These Evil Days

"Alas, that these evil days should be mine."

If you've ever seen *"The Lord of the Rings,"* you might recognize this quote from *"The Two Towers."* The words are spoken by King Theoden at the grave of his only son and heir, as Theoden contemplates the coming war for Middle Earth, a war which has already claimed the life of his son, a war he wants no part of, a war that seems utterly hopeless and unwinnable.

These evil days.

You don't have to be a fantasy enthusiast or even a Tolkien fan to identify with Theoden here. We have all experienced this same feeling of despair, perhaps increasingly in this age of technology and social media, when the ills of the whole world — violence, injustice, moral disorder and chaos — are in our faces, on our phones, looming over our days.

But when we despair like this, we forget an important truth: this is the time of fulfillment, and we are lucky enough to be living through it.

Yes, the world is broken. It was broken two thousand years ago, too, when Jesus stood up in the synagogue on the Sabbath and read the words of the prophet Isaiah: *"He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives...and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."*

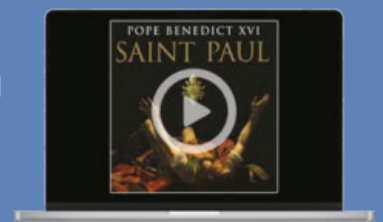
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~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ~

The Mass			For
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
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
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Eugene Jakubowski
Sun	8 am	†	Mark Mucek
	10 am	†	Lottie Carter

Saint Paul by Pope Benedict XVI

In this book, Pope Benedict XVI, a profound spiritual leader in his own right and a first-rate theologian and Bible commentator, explores the legacy of Paul. Pope Benedict follows the course of the Apostle's life, including his missionary journeys and his relationship with the other Apostles of Jesus such as St. Peter and St. James, and Paul's martyrdom in Rome.



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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 1/25 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Rich Wirch
Sunday 1/26 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
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD			
Saturday 2/1 4:00 pm	Kathy Rietschel	Deacon Mark	Gary Miller Deb Christian
Sunday 2/2 8:00 am	Karyn Leali	Paul Leali	Sean Gosselin Jeff Miller
10:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Marge Ladner <i>Sharon Ellicson</i> (Choir)	Tom Straley Mike Wyatt

Homebound Ministers

January 26th - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Seil, Peggy Neuman, Georgene Keim & Julia Francis

February 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

Kathleen Van Ella, Maria Sullivan, Paul Serio & Steve Besetzny



Keys For Love Dinner

Friday, February 14th

Where: St. John's Parish Hall/School Gym

Time: 6:00 - 11:00 pm

What: Dueling Pianos Fundraiser

Cost: \$55 per person or \$100 Two People

Includes: Entertainment (Pianos)

Food (Heavy Appetizers)

Cash Bar



Golden Ticket Raffle

\$100 Per Ticket

What: Raffle with Golden Ticket

\$2,000 Cash Prize to Winner

(2) \$500 and (4) \$250 Cash Prizes Also!

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Register: STJOHNSCHOOL.com/VALENTINE



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from January 26th through February 8th 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
Sandy Devine
Robert Fenrich
Carol Flatley
Gail Gagnon
Glenn Geske
Anthony Hodnik
Patricia Hodnik
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Jim Nowicki
John Paleka
Rachel Quinn
Debbie Schaff
Jacob Shapiro
Dorothy Scichowski
Nash Scichowski
Ray Starzec
Gloria Strzelczyk
Peter Tarnaris
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

Jesus is the fulfillment of the Scripture passage He reads in the synagogue, a missive of promise and hope from an ancient prophet. But He invites us to be part of His work, here and now, in our own lives, our own communities. Be part of the fulfillment.



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)

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Joseph Jarmoluk

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Sunday, January 26th - 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**

Monday, January 27th - Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, January 28th

• **K of C - Planning Meeting - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm**

Wednesday, January 29th

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

Thursday, January 30th

• **Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm**

Friday, January 31st - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, February 1st

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

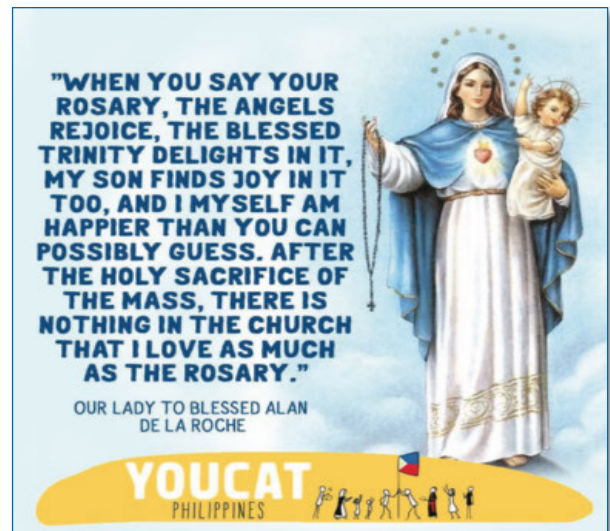
• **Spaghetti Dinner - 5:00 pm & 7:15 pm - Parish Hall**

Sunday, February 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

• **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**

• **Sausage Making Class - Parish Hall - 12:00 pm**

• **Faith Formation Classes: Grades 1/2 & 3/4 - 5:30 pm**



Recently, Aimee Thomas got lost while driving in a snowstorm! Thank goodness she didn't panic because she remembered something that her dad once told her. "If you ever get stuck in a snowstorm, just wait for a snowplow to come by, and follow it." Sure enough, pretty soon a snowplow came by and Aimee started to follow it. It was a very difficult and dangerous drive, but she managed to follow the plow for about 30 minutes. Finally, the driver of the truck got out and asked what she was doing. Aimee proceeded to explain how her father told her that if she ever got stuck in a snowstorm, to follow a plow. The driver nodded and replied, "Well, I'm done with the Walmart parking lot. Do you want to follow me over to Target now?"





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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Planning Meeting - Tuesday, January 28th

Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

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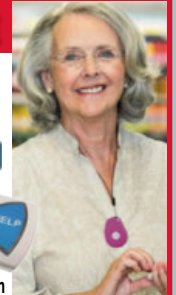
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