

Welcome to the Catholic Community of

ST. PETER PARISH

Petersburg, IL

PARISH INFORMATION

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Ann Bova652-5495

GENERAL INFORMATION

New Parishioners

We welcome you to St. Peter Church and invite you to call the Parish Center to register.

Baptisms

Anyone interested in having their infant baptized is asked to attend a pre-baptismal class. Call the Office (632-7118) to register.

Matrimony

Couples planning to marry are to contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick

Notify the parish office when a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound. Communion is available.

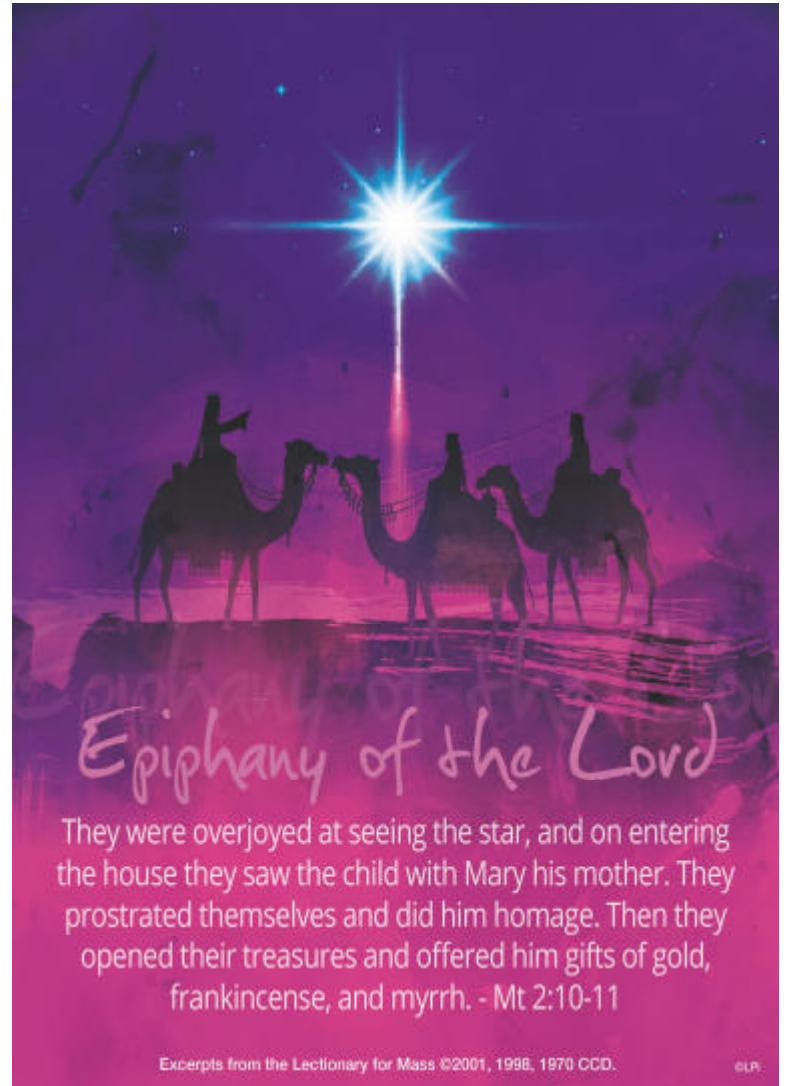
GIFT (Growing in Faith Together)

Contact Monique Sullivan (971-1704)

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Anyone wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith or to join our Catholic faith call 632-7118.

Prayer Line Call Paulette 636-7227



MASS SCHEDULE

St. Peter Church

Saturday4:30pm Tuesday.....8:00am

Sunday.....8:00am Wednesday.....8:00am

Reconciliation

Saturday.....3:45--4:15pm

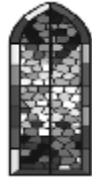
JANUARY 5, 2020 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, 1/6	NO MASS
Tuesday, 1/7 8:00am	† Glenn Knous
Wednesday, 1/8 8:00am	† Lynn Serena
Thursday, 1/9	NO MASS
Friday, 1/10	NO MASS
Saturday, 1/11 4:30pm	† Bill & Elaine Rogers
Sunday, 1/12 8:00am	Intentions of Parishioners

Liturgical Ministers



JAN. 11th & 12TH, 2020

Coordinator

Sat 4:30pm Vicky Stuber
Sun 8:00am Teresa Pillsbury

Eucharistic Minister

Sat 4:30pm Jacki Williams, Charlie DeHann
Maryanna Crow
Sun 8:00am Teresa Pillsbury & Angela Foley

Hospitality

Sat 4:30pm David Churchill & Carol Lex
Sun 8:00am David & Patty Allen

Lector

Sat 4:30pm Tom Reiser
Sun 8:00am Joe Meister

Servers

Sat 4:30pm Kinsley Davis & Katherine Kuehl
Sun 8:00am Molly Zimmerman & Maggie Zimmerman

SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. PETER: 12/22/2019	ACTUAL	NEEDED
Envelopes (43) & Loose Cash	\$2577.00	\$2885.00
Capital Campaign	85.00	

The bulletin had to be sent to the publisher early because of the New Year's Holiday schedule. The "Sacrificial Giving Summary" for Christmas and 12-29-2019 will be in the January 12th bulletin.

The Epiphany of the Lord

We may walk many roads when we search for God, and He leads us all the while. The men we honor today were not Jews. The Messiah wasn't coming for *them*, not in the minds of Jesus' contemporaries. These men were astrologers. They were adept at reading portents in the sky, a practice condemned in the Mosaic covenant. Still, to the best of their knowledge and awareness, they were seeking the truth. This truth led them to journey from their own homeland to honor a king they'd never met, one they couldn't be sure truly existed. "We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." Who do you know seeks God so tenaciously?

"Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem," the Gospel tells us. Who are the seekers in your own life? Maybe it's your cautiously curious co-worker, the neighbor who unexpectedly found peace on a yoga retreat, or your desperately angry child who has chosen, for now, to go their own way. Perhaps they're not overtly headed for Jesus now, not yet. But they may well be seekers of truth in ways we didn't expect. Our invitation is to listen, inquire, and give directions when appropriate.

The magi and modern-day seekers can inspire us as well. When is the last time you sought God's truth so tenaciously? As believers, it can perhaps be easy to become desensitized to the Christmas season and to the miraculous reality we recently celebrated. Mass may have been lovely, but so was the succulent roast beef, the crisp smell of evergreen, and the warm glow of family. Consider asking yourself, "God, do I know you as well as I should? Would I journey as far as the magi to meet You, if I could? Do I journey to meet You daily in prayer? What do those answer say about me, and about our relationship?" Perhaps we, like the magi, can once again be "overjoyed" at seeing the Light of the World. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Penance and Prayers

*God's glory, now, is kindled gentler than candlelight under the rafters of a barn: Eternal Peace is sleeping in the hay, and Wisdom's born in secret in a straw-roofed stable.**

When I was younger, I wrote music to and recorded Thomas Merton's poem, "Epiphany Carol." If you have never read it, search it out on the internet. Merton's words are profound and paint a picture of the awesomeness of Jesus, the newborn King of Kings, lying in a simple straw bed. The shepherds and Wise Men are drawn to pay homage to the One who has been born above all others and brings with him hope for a broken world.

As Merton correctly points out, the gifts we are called to bring to this baby and lay at his feet are our prayers and penances, next to those gifts of worldly wealth. What is it that you have to bring to the stable on this feast of the Epiphany of the Lord? Unless those prayers and penances lead to a new way of living, our gifts will be void of meaning. What we lay before him speaks to the change in us that he has given to us by his birth. Our daily stewardship is resembled in those gifts. If we are to truly echo the kingdom of God in our lives and actions, what we ultimately offer to him is no less than our entire selves. This baby will give his entire self for us, and his work must continue through our hands and feet.

*While we unnumbered children of the wicked centuries
Come after with our penances and prayers,
And lay them down in the sweet-smelling hay
Beside the wise men's golden jars.**

*Excerpts from "Epiphany Carol" by Thomas Merton
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

MON 1/6 6:30PM	ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE
TUE 1/7 8:30AM	ADULT SCRIPTURE STUDY
SAT 1/11 9:00AM	RECONCILIATION RETREAT
SUN 1/12 4:30PM	“GIFT” PROGRAM K-6

REST IN PEACE

Prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Lois Glynn whose funeral was Tuesday, December 31st.

FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT & CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 9:00AM-11:30AM

Retreat begins in the St. Peter Parish Center.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception hosts a weekly bereavement group, Grief Share, on Thursdays from 1:00-3:00pm in the Cathedral School Library. Grief Share offers a faith filled opportunity to grieve and heal in company of others. You are most welcome to join us at any time. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Berni Ely at 217-899-6637 or jacknberni96@yahoo.com

TRIVIA NIGHT

The Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc. and Trivia Workshop invites you to attend **Trivia Night on January 11, 2020 at the Prairie Heart Dove Conference Center from 7:00-10:00pm.** Doors open at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$160 for a table of 8. Bring your own snacks. There will be soda, water, beer and wine available for purchase. Registration for the event can be done by calling the Center at 525-5630.

SPRINGFIELD RIGHT FOR LIFE SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN

Springfield Right to Life will be collecting signatures for the annual Respect Life Signature Ad after all Masses on 1/4/20-1/5/20 and 1/11/20 – 1/12/20.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SUNNY ACRES NURSING HOME MASS TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 10:30AM MASS.

Come celebrate our sacred mass with the residence.

ST. PETER TRIVIA NIGHT FEBRUARY 1ST, AFTER THE 4:30PM MASS

Fundraiser for youth community service projects.

PARISH SOUP LUNCHEON MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 11:30AM

Come join us for a meal and fellowship.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you for all the ways you make this world a brighter one. Thank you all so much for such a generous donation. I am in awe of all the community support. Craig and Rachelle Reincke, “ROOTS” Thanksgiving Meal.

**BUILDING ON THE PAST..... INTO THE FUTURE
NEW ADDITION UPDATE**

Thank you for your interest and support.

GOAL	\$ 625,256
Amount received to date	\$ 592,102
Church Windows	\$ 22,750
Bricks	\$ 11,750

Includes Capital Campaign donations and Diocesan Investments, Fundraisers and Memorials

Thank you to those who have supported this campaign. If you wish more information contact the parish office at 217-632-7118.

‘GIFT’ PROGRAM K-6TH GRADE

Next “GIFT” Class is January 12th, Contact Monique Sullivan (217-971-1704) for more information.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

As of December 1, 2019 our details for the Annual Catholic Services Appeal are as follows:

Goal:	\$23,739.00
Pledged:	6,558.00
Balance Remaining:	17,181.00
Parish Households:	217
Participating Households:	35
Suggested Pledge:	\$98.91
Average Pledge:	\$187.37

Many thanks to those who have made a pledge! If you have not yet made your pledge, please do so soon!

ALPHA COURSE AT CATHEDRAL

A chance to explore a relationship with Jesus

Are you someone who might enjoy learning a little more about Christianity? Have you or a friend drifted away from the faith? Why not try Alpha? It’s an opportunity to explore the faith with warm hospitality, with a meal, a talk and conversation. No cost or obligation. If you or someone you know is interested the next course begins on Monday, January 13 at 6:30pm in the Cathedral school basement. Please RSVP to 522-3342 or ycompton@cathedral.dio.org

PARISH INFORMATION FORM

_____ **Change of Name/Address/Phone #**

_____ **Send New Parishioner Registration**

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ **Cell#** _____

EMAIL _____



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