

Welcome to the Catholic Community of

ST. PETER PARISH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Petersburg, IL



ALL SAINTS

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." - Mt 5:12a

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Peter Church

Saturday4:00pm	Monday.....8:00am
Sunday.....8:00am	Tuesday.....8:00am
	Wednesday.....8:00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....3:00-3:45pm



MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 7th & 8th

Sat. 4:00pm † Intentions of Parishioners

Sun. 8:00am † Imogene Sanders

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

November 2nd — November 6th

Mon., 8:00am † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Tues., 8:00am † Glenn Knous

Wed. 8:00am † Lynn Serena

Thu. NO MASS

Fri. NO MASS

ANNUAL BLESSING OF GRAVES

CALVARY CEMETERY, PETERSBURG

NOVEMBER 1ST, 3:00PM

One of the best ways to remember the dead is to pray at the graves of our loved ones.

Attendance at Mass will be on a first come, first seated basis. If you arrive for Mass after we have already reached our seating limit of 58 people, you will not be able to enter for that Mass. We hope you understand and have patience with the changes.

All Saints, Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. (Rev 7:9)

Psalm:

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face. (Ps 24)

Second Reading:

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure. (1 Jn 3:2b-3)

Gospel:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven." (Mt 5:3)

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Observances for the week of November 1, 2020

Sunday: All Saints; Daylight Saving Time ends;
National Vocation Awareness Week
Blessing of Graves, 3:00pm, Calvary
Cemetery, Petersburg

Monday: The Commemoration of All the Faithful
Departed (All Souls' Day)

Tuesday: St. Martin de Porres, Religious;
Election Day

Wednesday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MESSAGE FROM FR. DAREN

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we enter into the cold and flu season, I must beg you: **If you are not feeling well, stay home.** Even if you have "just a cold," please, stay home. While you might get over that cold in three or four days, those of us with weakened immune systems will likely take three or four weeks to overcome the same cold. I say this based on personal experience; I spend at least half of every winter sick with a cold because people who are not well will not stay home from Mass until they are back in good health.

Some of you might be arguing with me raising concerns about the Sunday obligation to attend Sunday Mass. First, I remind you that Bishop Paprocki's dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is still in effect until further notice. Second, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, in its discussion on the Sunday obligation, notes that there are occasions when one is excused from the Sunday obligation and provides the examples of illness and the care of infants (see paragraph 2181). I recognize this may not be what your parents or Sister Cunegunda taught you when you were younger, but this has been the longstanding teaching of the Church and even taught by the Sainted moral theologians.

In considering whether to come to Mass or not when we are not at full health, we are likely seeking to fulfill the commandment to "love the Lord your God" (Matthew 22:37). At the same time, however, we must also keep in mind the commandment to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:39). Certainly, one aspect of loving my neighbor is not causing my neighbor to become ill.

If you wake up with a severe cough, or a stuffy nose, or a runny nose (or any other symptoms that suggest it is "just a cold"), please think about the health and well-being of your neighbor whose immune system may not be as strong as yours. Even outside of COVID time, there is no sin in staying home from Mass if you are ill, even with just a cold (neither the law of the Church nor her *Catechism* has a degree of illness of chart). Please, love your neighbor by staying home and not spreading your germs, let your body rest, and join us again when you are well.

Peace and Joy,

Fr. Daren

2020 OCTOBER COUNT

The October Count (a national attendance count of all Catholic Churches in the United States)

See below for average October Count in 2019 & 2020 for all four October weekends at St. Peter.

2019—Saturday (81) Sunday (111)

2020—Saturday (43) Sunday (51)

**'GIFT' FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM K-7th GRADE
NO CLASS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST,**
Call Monique, (971-1704) with any questions or concerns.

**POPCORN FUNDRAISER FOR "READING ROCKS"
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phone call when your order is ready for pickup. Your
purchase will help any student in Menard County seeking a
tutoring program.

**SESSION ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
CATHEDRAL ATRIUM, SUNDAY, NOV. 1ST, 6:15-7:15PM**

Baptism has been called "the door of the Church", for
receiving this sacrament introduces us into the Body of
Christ, which is the Church. During this session, Father
Peter Chineke will unpack some of the great images of the
baptismal liturgy, and reflect on how an awareness of our
baptismal dignity can renew our appreciation for this gift
and inspire us to draw from the graces of this gift in our
daily lives.

**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER
NEW SALEM ROOTS—CARRY OUT AND DELIVERY ONLY
NOVEMBER 26, 2020, 11:00AM-2:00PM**

Volunteers are needed and appreciated,
call Rachelle (217-710-1901) or Ann Smith (217-652-1519)
with any questions.

PROJECT THANKSGIVING BASKET

We will be accepting donations for the Thanksgiving Dinner
hosted by "ROOTS". See details for the dinner above. This
free event provides a Thanksgiving meal for anyone who
would like a meal on Thanksgiving Day. Donations to help
cover expenses can be placed in the "Project Thanksgiving"
envelope in the offertory basket at church entries or sent
to the parish office.

SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP: The time to respond to God
calling on you is here! This week you received a commit-
ment card in the mail to respond to how God is calling you
to greater participation whether it be through prayer, litur-
gy, service, talents, formation or financial giving. We need
each of us to help bring or parish into a new vision for
stewardship as a way of life. This Season of Stewardship
calls us to pray, discern, change, and grow. We hope you
will respond this week and send the parish office your
Commitment. Let us challenge each other, grow together,
and remember that "there are many parts, yet one
body" (1 Corinthians 12:20).

MICRO FOOD PANTRY.. St. Peter Church would like
to fill the shelves at the Micro Food Pantry. Food and mone-
tary donations can be placed in the food pantry baskets in
the back and south entrances of St. Peter Church or at the
parish office. Write checks to St. Peter Church with memo
Micro Food Pantry.

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

Total Construction Cost	\$ 655,928
Amount received to date	\$ 641,839
Diocesan Loan Balance	\$ 6179.36

Thank you to all who support this campaign. If you
would like more information contact the parish
office at 632-7118.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY CONTRIBUTIONS
OCTOBER 25, 2020**

	ACTUAL	NEEDED
Envelopes (24) & Loose Cash	\$1619.00	\$2802.00
Capital Campaign	125.00	
Building Fund	20.00	
Votive Candles	2.00	
World Mission Sunday	35.00	

New Parishioners

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

Baptism

Anyone interested in having their infant baptized is
asked to attend a pre-baptismal class. Call the Parish
office 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 hospital-
ized or homebound. Communion is available.

"GIFT" (Growing in Faith Together) Faith Formation
Contact Monique Sullivan (217-971-1704) to register.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Anyone wanting to learn more about the Catholic Faith
or to join the Catholic Church call the Parish Office.

Prayer Requests

St. Peter Prayer Chain is composed of members of the
parish. Contact Meggann Bell by E-mail at
(twobells32@hotmail.com) to make a prayer request.

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