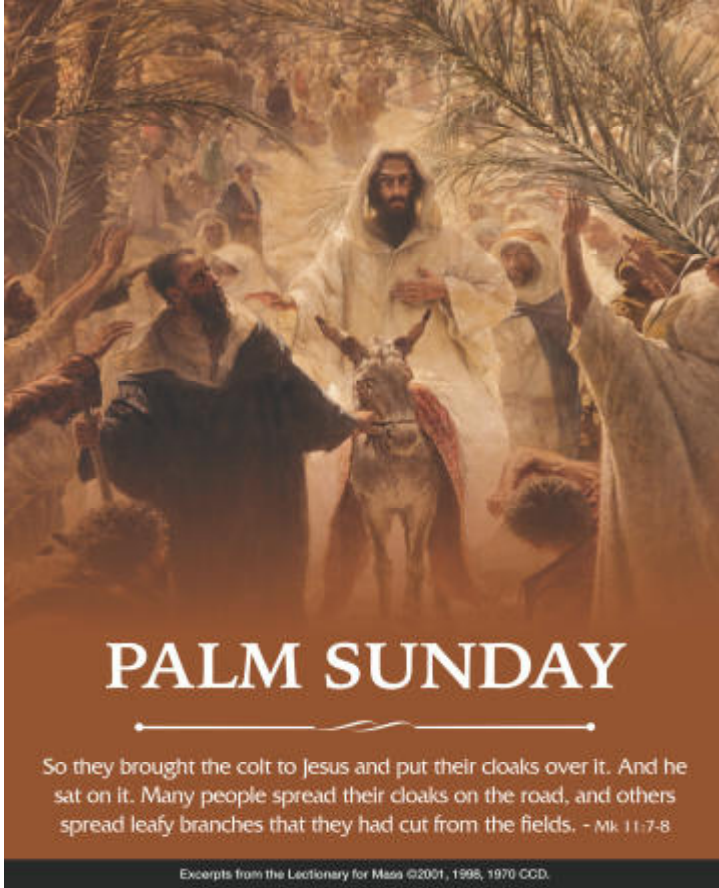


Welcome to the Catholic Community of

ST. PETER PARISH

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

Petersburg, IL



PALM SUNDAY

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Peter Church

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

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

RECONCILIATION

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





MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 3RD & 4TH

Sat. 8:00PM † Megan & Nick Reeves
Sun. 8:00AM Intentions of Parishioners
Sun. 10:00AM † Alexis Pillsbury

MASSES THIS WEEK—MARCH 29TH-APRIL 2ND

Mon. NO MASS
Tues. 8:00AM † NO MASS
Wed. 8:00AM † James Lutchka
Thu. 6:00PM † Msgr. Tom Holinga
Fri. 3:00PM Intention of Parishioners

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.

TRIDUUM AND EASTER LITURGY SCHEDULES

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, 6:00PM
GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION, 3:00PM
HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL, 8:00PM
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION
8:00AM (Seating is Full) AND 10:00AM

Registration is required for all Triduum and Easter Services. Contact the Parish office to register: (217-632-7118) or Email:stpeter234@sbcglobal.net). If your plans change after you register please inform the office of the change to allow seating for additional Parishioners.

PALM SUNDAY THE PASSION OF THE LORD MARCH 28, 2021

FIRST READING

The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)

PSALM: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
(Ps 22)

SECOND READING

Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; (Phil 2:7)

GOSPEL

They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him. They began to salute him with, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting upon him. (Mk 15:17-19)

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MESSAGE FROM FR. DAREN

Dear brothers and sisters,

We live in a very noisy world, both of our own making and that of society as a whole. It seems everywhere we go something beeps at us, a gasoline pump blares music and news at us, music plays above our heads. Silence can be difficult to find and, once found, difficult to enjoy because someone uncomfortable with it begins to cough.

It was once commonplace for Catholics to observe silence in the home on Good Friday from Noon until 3:00 p.m., if not longer. Those specific three hours were chosen because those are the hours when Jesus hung upon the Cross for us. It would be fitting and helpful for us to return to this custom wherever possible.

Saint Thomas More used to spend every Friday in his private chapel in prayer and meditation. He did this every Friday, not just for an hour or two, but for the entire day. He did this while he was a husband, a father with children in his home, and Lord Chancellor of All England. If he did it then, then surely we can find a way to spend a few hours in silence – or as near to silence as we can – on one Friday of the year.

If three hours of continual silence is too much for you – or for your children – considering listening to George Freiderich Handel's *Messiah*. Well, not all of it, parts one and two; part three should be saved for Holy Saturday night or for Easter Sunday. Or you could listen to Johann Sebastian Bach's *St. Matthew Passion* or *St. John Passion*. Both can be easily found on YouTube.

Purposefully putting aside distractions and entertainments this week can help us enter more fully into the mystery of Holy Week and help us to experience more profoundly and intimately the depth of Jesus' love for us, for each and every one of us.

A prayerful Holy Week and a happy Easter to you all!

Fr. Daren

ROOTED IN FAITH-GROUNDED IN LOVE— ALIVE WITH THE SPIRIT...

In gratitude for God's gifts of time and talent to us, we gratefully acknowledge and salute:

- * All those who delivered Meals on Wheels to the homebound in our community.
- * To the Knights of Columbus for the 40 Cans of Food Fund Drive to help the less fortunate celebrate Easter and for volunteering to move furniture and remove carpet at the Rectory.
- * For all those who continue to support the Micro Food Pantry especially Claudia McEvers for keeping the shelves stocked.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

Parishioners are invited to bring food and money for the poor to be taken up at the offertory collection at the Holy Thursday Mass.

EASTER EGG HUNT ON EASTER SUNDAY

St. Peter will host an Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday after the 8:00am and 10:00am masses. All children are invited to participate. Plastic eggs and candy donations are needed for this event. Please leave Easter egg donations in the container in the south entrance of the church.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Friends in Christ,

We look forward to the liturgical celebrations of Holy Week, through which the Lord draws us more fully into the mystery of His death and resurrection.

I am writing to ask your financial support of two collections to be taken in all our parishes during these coming days. I know that I can count on you to be generous.

Each year, the Holy Father asks each Catholic parish around the world to take up a Good Friday Collection to keep Christians in the Holy Land. The Collection supports the work of the Franciscans in the sacred shrines and allows them to receive pilgrims, minister to the parishes, provide formation and education in the communities and schools, and care for the basic needs of the people in the Holy Land. During such a difficult season, your support is essential to their ministry. We hope that soon, travel to the Holy Land may resume safely and pilgrims once again will be able to experience walking in the footsteps of Christ and our Blessed Mother.

At the Easter Vigil Liturgy and the Easter Sunday Masses, another special collection, the Seminarian Collection, will help our diocese to educate and form future priests. Our diocese has been blessed with an increasing number of young men who have generously said yes to God's call. We now have fifteen seminarians, one of whom at this time will be ordained a priest for our diocese in June. You can take a personal role in their formation by a generous gift in the special Easter collection.

With best wishes and prayers for a blessed Holy Week and Easter,

I remain sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

CHRISM MASS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHEDRAL TUESDAY, MARCH 30TH, 6:30PM

The Chrism Mass manifests the unity of the priests with their bishop. Here the bishop blesses three oils: the oil of catechumens, the oil of the infirm and holy chrism, which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year.

PARISH COMMUNITY TITHE (FORMERLY ACSA)

GOAL	\$24,989.00
Pledges (24)	3,145.74
Total Paid	3,910.74
Goal Balance	\$21,078.26

HELP US MEET OUR PARISH GOAL

Any contribution amount would be greatly appreciated. If each household could contribute \$104.12 towards the Parish Community Tithe we can meet this assessment without it affecting our current budget. Thank you to all households that have already contributed. Make checks payable to the Diocese of Springfield and write Parish Community Tithe on memo line.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS

March 14, 2021	ACTUAL	NEEDED
Envelopes (17) & Loose Cash	\$1315.15	\$2802.00
Building Fund	105.00	
Votive Candles	3.50	
Micro Food Pantry	100.00	
Wayne & Dolores Bussa Memorial	200.00	

"GIFT" FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM KINDERGARTEN – 7TH GRADE

March 28, 4:30pm-5:30pm, FAMILY NIGHT
April 4, **NO "GIFT" Program**

Call Monique, (971-1704) with questions or concerns.

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 hospitalized 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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