



# St. Peter's Church

*Franciscans of the Sacred Heart Province*

MAY 2, 2021

*A reservation is required to attend Mass. Please call 312-372-5111 to reserve a space at Mass.*

## **Weekend Masses**

**Sundays**

**9:00 am and 11:00 am**

## **Weekday Masses**

**Mondays through Fridays**

**11:40 am and 1:15 pm**

## **Confessions**

*Lower Level of the Church*

*No reservation required.*

**Mondays through Saturdays**

**10:30 am until 3:00 pm**

## **Devotions**

**Tuesdays**

**St. Anthony Devotions**

**After the 11:40 am and 1:15 pm**

**Masses.**

## **Office Hours**

**Mondays through Fridays**

**9:00 am until 6:00 pm**

**Saturdays**

**10:30 am until 4:30 pm**

## **Church Hours**

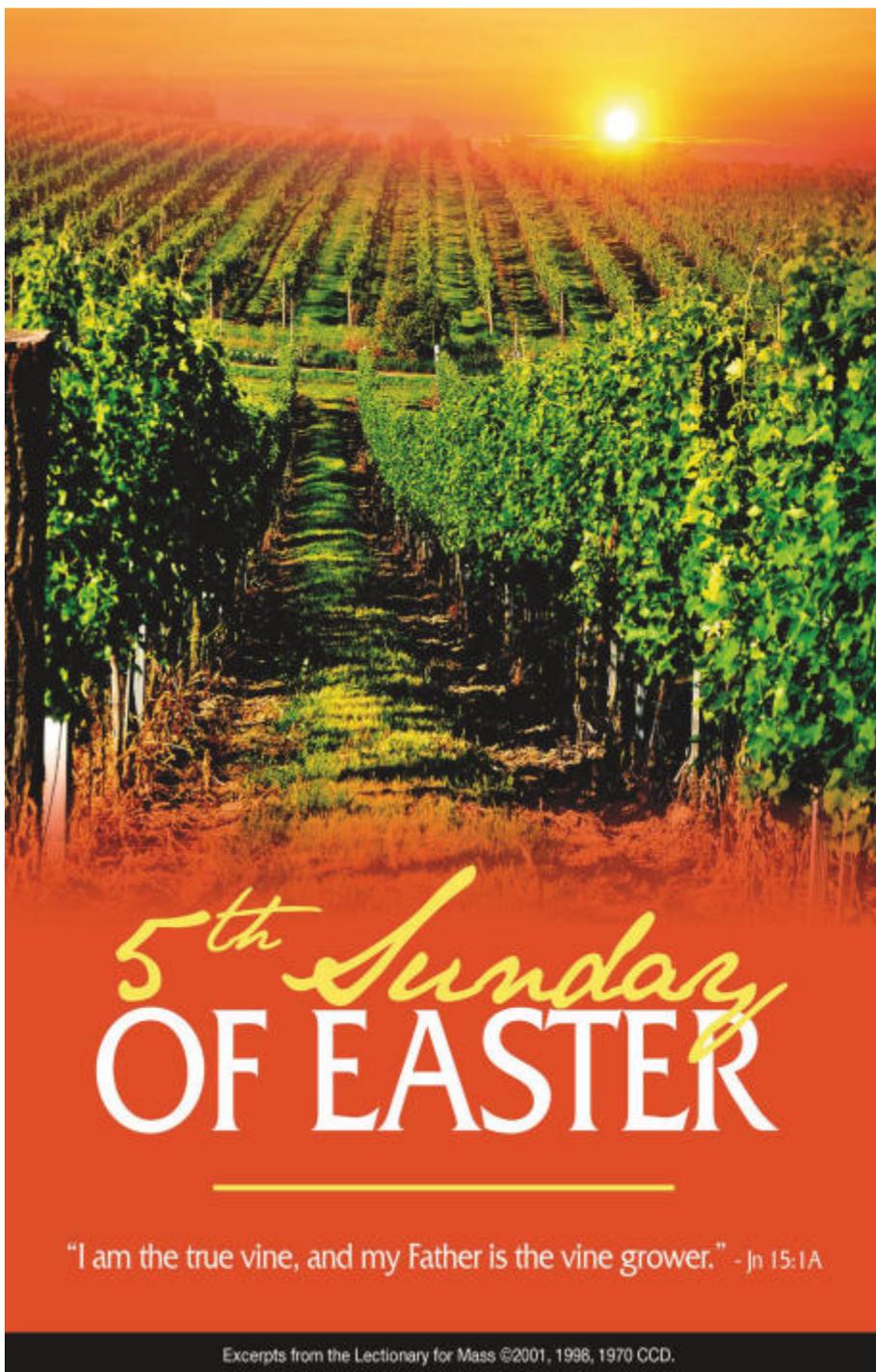
**Mondays through Saturdays**

**10:30 am until 3:00 pm**

**Sundays**

**8:30 am until 12:30 pm**

*Please wear a face covering and practice social distancing.*



*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**OF EASTER**

*"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower." - Jn 15:1A*

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**Catholic Resources**

Please view the following websites for daily Mass, prayers and spiritual support:

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- [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)
- [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)
- [www.catholicstv.org](http://www.catholicstv.org)
- [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com)
- [www.relevantradio.com](http://www.relevantradio.com)

**Saints' Days and Observances**

- Sun., May 2:** Fifth Sunday of Easter
- Mon., May 3:** Sts. Philip and James
- Tues., May 4:** Easter Weekday
- Wed., May 5:** Easter Weekday
- Thurs., May 6:** Easter Weekday
- Fri., May 7:** Easter Weekday
- Sat., May 8:** Easter Weekday

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**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

Many thanks to those of you who have contributed to St. Peter's collection this past week. Your gifts are essential to our ministry, and we are grateful.

<b>Weekly Goal</b> .....	\$ 12,000
<b>April 18-24</b>	<b>Total</b> ..... \$ 2,236
	<b>Difference</b> ..... \$ - 9,764

## THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR



As I wrote in the church bulletin last week, with more people receiving the vaccine for COVID, an increase of tourists, workers, etc. here in the Loop and the return of warmer weather, we will adjust our present COVID affected church

schedule a bit to better meet the needs of those coming to St. Peter's. The only change for now will be on Saturdays. We are returning to offering a Saturday evening Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm. With the addition of the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass we have also adjusted the times when the church will be open for confessions. The gift shop/book store hours are adjusted also for Saturdays. You will find the new hours (effective Saturday, May 8) for the book store elsewhere in today's bulletin, on our web site and also on posters displayed on the inside bulletin boards and in the kiosk in front of the church on Madison Street.

**St. Peter's Church & Sacrament Schedule Update**  
**New changes are effective May 8. Changes are listed in BOLD print.**

### MONDAY - FRIDAY

Church hours: 10:30 am - 3:00 pm  
Masses: 11:40 & 1:15 pm  
Confessions: 10:30 am - 3:00 pm

### SATURDAY

**Church hours: 12 noon - 6:00 pm**  
**Confessions: 12 noon - 4:30 pm**  
**Vigil Mass for Sunday at 5:00 pm**

### SUNDAY

Church hours 8:30 am - 12:30 pm  
No confessions  
Masses: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Remember that these changes will take effect beginning Saturday, May 8, unless health and safety concerns postpone these changes. We will continue to follow the guidelines and protocols of the Archdiocese and local health departments. As more of us receive the available vaccines, wear masks, wash hands frequently, keep safe distances in large groups and do all we can to promote safe health practices, we will continue to adjust our safe health guidelines and practices here at St. Peter's and hopefully be able to open the church up more for prayer and reflection.

We are close to completing the installation of new phones in the friary and church offices. The old system could not be repaired so before the entire system

stopped working we arranged for new phones. The switch from the old phones to the new phones has been mostly smooth but there have been a few "glitches" in the switch over. We are still getting familiar with the new system so we ask for your patience as we start using the new phones. We will try not to hit the wrong button and prematurely cut you off during a conversation or transferring your call to another phone. If you get disconnected just call back. Hopefully all the friars and lay staff will be "quick learners" with the new phone system!

While I am writing about phones I would like to ask for your assistance for those who work at the front desk answering your phone calls. If you are calling on a cell phone please be aware that sometimes hearing you is difficult. Please speak clearly and slowly when you call or when leaving a voice mail for us. While you know your name and phone number those of us who answer the phone rarely can identify callers. When giving your name or phone number we try to write it down quickly but sometimes we can't write the information fast.....so please be patient in case we have to ask you to repeat a name or give a phone number slowly. If you are leaving a voice mail it is very important that you not rush through your message or when leaving a call back number.

We are hoping in the near future to provide opportunities for those who wish to come into the church and spend a few moments in prayer. We will announce that further opportunity for quiet prayer as we review our present COVID protocols from the Archdiocese and City Health Guidelines.



I encourage you to check out our St. Peter's Gift/Bookstore for First Communion, Confirmation and Wedding gifts. I continue to be impressed with the wide variety of religious books, prayer books and religious items that our gift shop carries. Our gift shop also carries a variety of birthday, sympathy, get well, etc. cards that are less expensive than many of the commercial stores in the area. All proceeds from sale of items goes to support the ministry of St. Peter's Church. As with so many other businesses in the past months suffering from the COVID restrictions, our gift shop has also struggled to remain open. Your patronage is very much appreciated as the book store is one of many ways we provide support for our ministries and excellent quality Catholic materials to help each of us grow in our faith.



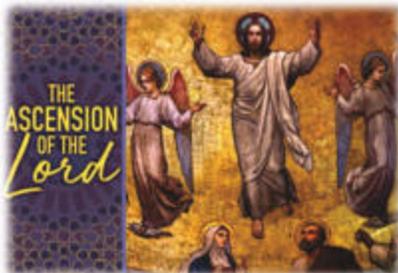
One hundred seven years ago, on May 9, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day "as a public expression of love and reverence for the mothers of our country." This day of honoring our mothers originally began as a church service to honor mothers. In the years since 1914, greeting cards, dining out, gifts, flowers and various other activities have become associated with Mother's Day. On Mother's Day we pray for our mothers, those living and those deceased. In this month of May we are also given an opportunity to recall the role of Mary, as the Mother of God. As we celebrate Mother's Day 2021 let us do all we can to provide support for mothers and create an atmosphere of respect for all of God's creation. Next weekend we will give a special blessing to mothers and those who show a mother's love to others at all the Masses (Saturday - 5 pm Mass and Sunday - 9 am & 11 am).



As is traditional in the Archdiocese next weekend will be the annual collection to support the work of Catholic Charities. This annual collection

helps bring relief and hope to mothers and children who make up the largest group of people served by Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese. Your support provides food, shelter, housing, counseling, maternity assistance, childcare, domestic-violence support and other life-changing programs. You can learn more or make a gift at [www.catholiccharities.net](http://www.catholiccharities.net) or text HOPE to 878787 with your phone.

Fr. Michael



### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Just a reminder that the celebration of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated in most dioceses in the USA on the seventh weekend after Easter. This year we celebrate the Ascension on Saturday, May 15 at the 5 pm Mass and on Sunday, May 16 at 9 am and 11 am. Pentecost is celebrated the weekend of May 22/23. The Easter season concludes after Pentecost and we return to green vestments at Mass and Ordinary Time in the Church on May 24.

### MEMORIAL MASS MONDAY, MAY 10, 11:40 AM



Fr. Jim Hoffman, OFM died on March 6, 2021 after a long illness. His funeral was celebrated at our retirement home of Bl. Giles Friary in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. He was buried in the friars' plot at Calvary Cemetery. Fr. Jim was raised in Quincy, Il. Fr. Jim spent many years in ministry at

Franciscan Outreach Association working with the poor and homeless. He lived here at St. Peter's Friary for many years. He would often spend his day off visiting our retired friars in Manitowoc. We will celebrate a special Memorial Mass for Fr. Jim on Monday, May 10 at the 11:40 am Mass to honor the memory of the many years of dedicated service Fr. Jim gave to the poor of Chicago. If you wish to attend the Mass please be sure to call and reserve a place for this Mass. May God grant Fr. Jim the blessings of eternal life for his faithfulness to the Gospel call, "Whatever you have done for the least of my people you have done for me."

### *Beginning Saturday, May 8* St. Peter's Church Changes



### SATURDAY

**Church Hours: 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm**  
**Confessions: 12 noon to 4:30 pm**  
**Vigil Mass for Sunday at 5:00 pm**



**New Saturday  
Book Store Hours  
Beginning May 8**

**Saturdays  
12 pm until 5 pm**

**Call 312-853-2341 for information.**



### St. Peter's Church Mass Schedule

**Mondays through Fridays**  
**Mass Times:**  
**11:40 am & 1:15 pm**

**Sundays**  
**Mass Times: 9 am and 11 am**

**A reservation is required to attend Mass.**  
**Please call the Church Office at 312-372-5111**  
**Monday-Friday between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm**  
**or on Saturday between 10:30 am and 4:30 pm.**

### Confession

**Mondays through Saturdays**  
**10:30 am until 3 pm**  
**Room B in the Lower Level Auditorium**

***No reservation is required.***

**For further information please view the website [stpetersloop.org](http://stpetersloop.org) or call 312-372-5111.**

### ***Please Note:***

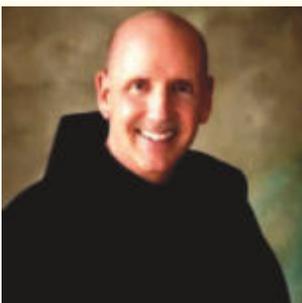
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### Reconciliation at St. Peter's Church

**Mondays through Saturdays**  
**10:30 am until 3 pm**

**Lower Level—No Reservation Required**



### St. Peter's Church ZOOM Mass Sundays at 5 pm

**Fr. Ed Shea OFM**  
celebrates Mass every  
Sunday at 5:00 pm via  
**ZOOM.**

**To access the ZOOM Mass,  
use the following Code and Password:**

**<https://zoom.us/j/7738924134>**

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## THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE STUDY

***Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; Jn. 15:1-8***

It was late in the afternoon when my friend called. She had just been diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. The prescribed treatment would be difficult – her days a blur of tests and scans, doctors,



nurses and more specialists than she had names for. A myriad of people doing the deeds that love does.

“Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth.” The dictionary defines “deed” as a “thing done intentionally or consciously”. We hear a lot of talk about love but this Scripture passage seems to say that talk’s not enough. We are to love in ‘deed’ if we are truly children of God. In other words, actions speak louder than words.

Jesus tells us that He is the vine onto which we must be grafted. “Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit...” How are we to bear this fruit? This fruit is the result of our deeds. For the healthcare professionals who cared for my friend the fruit of their deeds was the physical, emotional and spiritual wellbeing of their patients. Real estate agents bear good fruit when they are truthful regarding properties they represent. Factory workers bear good fruit when they put in an honest day’s work; employers, when they pay an honest day’s wage.

Jesus wasn’t interested in people who just talked a good talk. He expected his followers to love “...in deed and truth”. When Saul arrived in Jerusalem the disciples were afraid of him because, even though he was saying all the right things, his previous deeds had produced a very different kind of fruit. It was only when they were able to see that his talk was reflected in his deeds that they accepted him into their company. The same is true today. Actions still speak louder than words.

So what do our deeds say about us? Is our talk reflected in our deeds? Does our work bear honest fruit? Are we grafted cleanly to the vine that is Jesus? Or are there still some places where we need to be pruned?

***By Vinal Van Benthem ofS***

**May Programs  
Presented On  
St. Peter's Church**



**May 10**  
**Mary in the Writings of  
Francis and Clare**  
**Presented by**  
**Fr. Chris Shorrock, OFM, Conv.**



**May 24**  
**Joseph's Dreams:  
The Art of Listening**  
**Presented by**  
**Fr. Derran Combs, OFM, Ph.D.**



**Spiritual Direction** is a way of listening for God's wisdom and understanding in our daily life by talking about our relationship with God and others.

**Sr. Fran Sulzer FSPA, D. Min.** and **Br. Guillermo Morales OFM** will work with persons who contact them for an appointment. Sr. Fran is also a counselor for people who choose or need a more clinical approach. Appointments can be made for times between **10:30 am and 3 pm.**

To contact Sr. Fran email:  
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To contact Br. Guillermo email:  
[gamorales05@gmail.com](mailto:gamorales05@gmail.com)



**Psychology At Lunch**

**Mondays**

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Church in this time of need, please go to the  
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### VETERANS SUPPORT GROUP



Fr. Ed McKenzie, OFM  
a member of the staff of

St. Peter's and a Vietnam Veteran is in  
the process of developing a non-denominational  
group of men and women Veterans, *"who come  
together (at this time due to the COVID virus via  
e-mail, Zoom, etc.) to raise each other up and  
support one another, helping each other to move  
through the obstacles that life throws at folks like  
us."*

If you would like further information  
you may contact Fr. Ed at:

[friared@hotmail.com](mailto:friared@hotmail.com)



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