



St. Peter's Church

Franciscans of the Sacred Heart Province

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

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
Across from Book & Gift Shop*

Mondays through Fridays

10:30 am until 3:00 pm

Saturdays

12 noon until 4:30 pm

DEVOTIONS

St. Anthony Devotions on Tuesdays

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 BUILDING OPEN

Mondays through Fridays

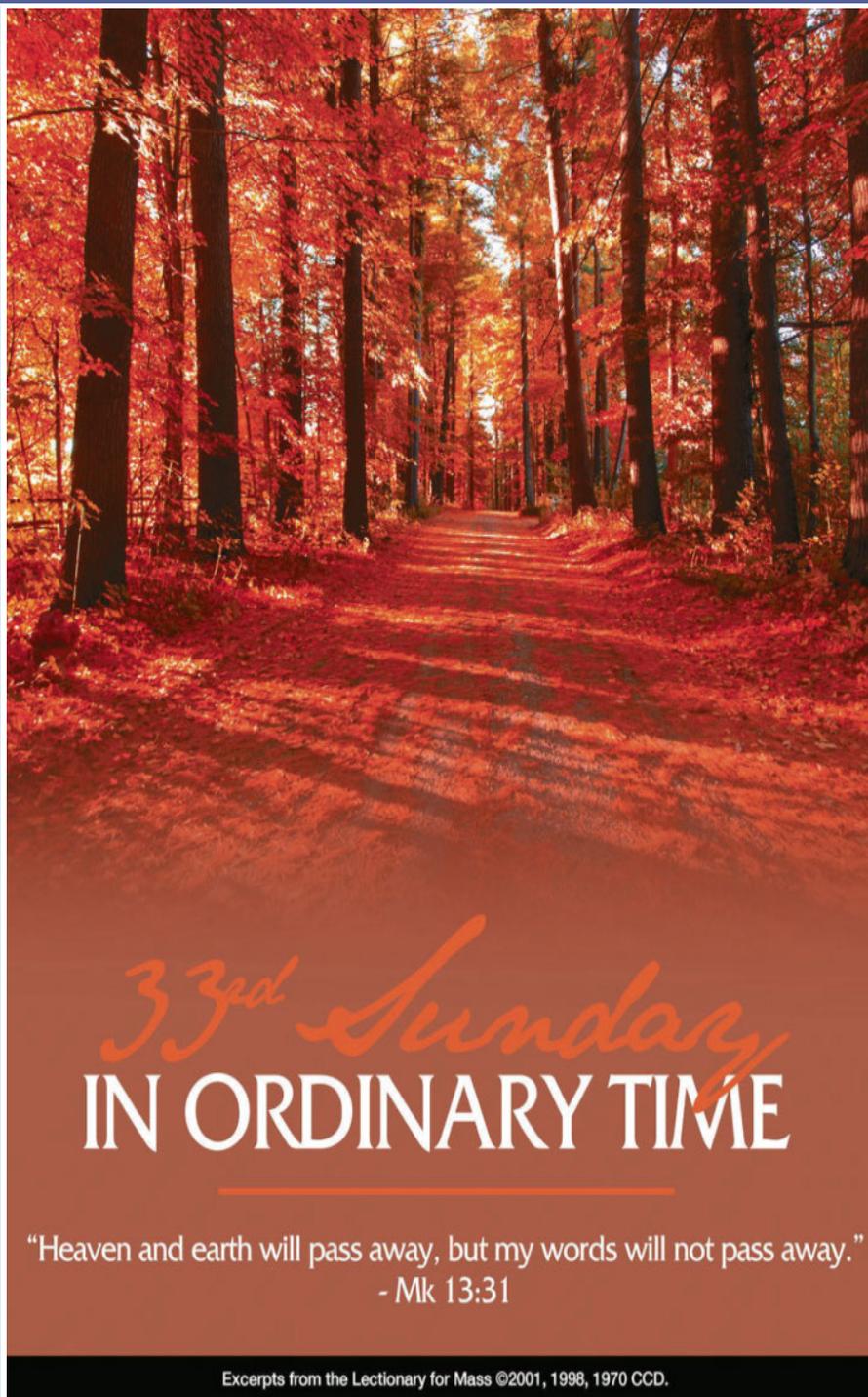
10:30 am until 3:00 pm

Saturdays

12 noon until 6:00 pm

Sundays

8:30 am until 12:30 pm



33rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."
- Mk 13:31

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Catholic Resources

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

- www.archchicago.org
- www.vatican.va
- www.usccb.org
- www.catholicstv.org
- www.ewtn.com
- www.relevantradio.com

Saints' Days and Observances

- Sun., November 14:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Mon., November 15:** Ordinary Time
- Tues., November 16:** Ordinary Time
- Wed., November 17:** St. Elizabeth of Hungary
- Thurs., November 18:** Ordinary Time
- Fri., November 19:** Ordinary Time
- Sat., November 20** Ordinary Time

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- Fr. Robert Hutmacher O.F.M.
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FRANCISCAN PROVINCE
OF THE SACRED HEART
ORDER OF FRIARS MINOR

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.

Weekly Goal.....	\$ 12,000
Oct. 31– Nov. 6 Total.....	\$ 6,124
Difference.....	\$ - 5,876

THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR



REVISED CHURCH SCHEDULE

Since the onset of the COVID pandemic in Spring 2020, we and the entire world have been confronted with this dangerous disease. We have endured significant disruption of our regular "normal" life and schedules. Many of us have been affected by changes in our work, our shopping, our daily home life and many other areas of our life. Some of us have been ill ourselves or had relatives or friends who have contracted COVID in the past year and unfortunately continue to suffer or even have died. We have experienced various and sometime significant changes in the schedule of Masses, Confessions, opportunities for prayer, etc. in most churches throughout the Archdiocese and the world.

The onset of COVID brought with it fear, false and misleading beliefs and with some a harshness in our relationship to others. We continue to face many unknowns about this disease. The willingness to trust in rumors, half-truths and false news has shaken the trust of many in one another. Living in a climate of fear of this disease has also brought often hidden biases and prejudices to the forefront and to the detriment of the trust a civil society needs to have to promote the good of all. It is my hope that as we open up the schedule for St. Peter's Church more and more, folks who are in the Loop will take a moment and come and pray for themselves and others in the peaceful presence of God here at St. Peter's.

Now, over a year since COVID began to change our lives, through major health and scientific efforts we are able to begin returning to some normalcy. With increasing numbers of people who have received the COVID vaccine, people wearing masks and practicing safe health practices, the cases of those getting COVID has decreased. In the past few months we have noticed an increase in the number of people attending daily and weekend Masses here at St. Peter's. There are also more people returning to work in the Loop as well as tourists and visitors to the City. We are hopeful that the danger of COVID will continue to decrease in the City.

In response to a number of inquiries from many of you who come to St. Peter's, we will begin on a trial basis adding another daily Mass to our schedule and providing more opportunities for people to pray in church. This addition to our Monday - Friday schedule will begin the first week of Advent on Monday, November 29. Please note that we will evaluate this addition to our schedule in January to determine whether to keep it as part of our regular schedule. If you

find the additional Mass and prayer opportunities works for your schedule please let us know.

As many of you know in the past couple of years, we have lost a couple of the friars who were living here at St. Peter's to Sister Death. This past week we received word that Fr. Bill Cardy, OFM (who was raised in Chicago) died in St. Louis, MO due to COVID and other health conditions. Fr. Bill served in a number of ministries in our Province and for many years has served as Chaplain at St. Anthony Hospital in St. Louis, MO until his death.

Here at St. Peter's we have also experienced the transfer of a couple of our friars and have not had any new additions to the Franciscan community. Also with aging and health concerns for a number of our friars, we are presently limited in the amount of ministry we can provide. As the danger from COVID decreases, we will continue to look at ways to provide more spiritual opportunities for all of you.

Again, I invite your response to this addition to our Monday - Friday ministry schedule for St. Peter's. As I mentioned above, we will evaluate this new schedule in January to determine if we should continue this addition church schedule. **REMEMBER this expanded ministry schedule for St. Peter's Church will begin on Monday, November 29.**

UPDATED MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MONDAY - FRIDAY

(Effective, Monday, November 29)

MASSES

7:30 am, 11:40 am, 1:15 pm

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRAYER

7:00 am - 4:30 pm [Please note that the church must close at 4:30 pm so please be aware of the time of the church closing.]

THE FRONT DESK WILL BE OPEN [For those calling the church for information, those requesting Masses, information about the church, times for services, religious articles to be blessed, etc.]

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

10:30 am - 3:00 pm

The Saturday and Sunday Schedule remains the same at this time.

SATURDAY

Church open from 12 noon until end of 5:00 pm Mass
Front Desk open from 12 noon - 4:30 pm
Confessions from 12 noon - 4:30 pm
Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm

SUNDAY

Church open from 8:30 am until end of 11:00 am Mass
Front Desk is closed.
No confessions on Sunday.

As always, we may need to adjust this new schedule due to other ministerial needs. We will continue to keep you aware of any changes or news of St. Peter's through the weekly church bulletin (which you also can access through our web site), on our St. Peter's web site and other social media sites. You can always call the Front Desk when it is open and speak to one of the friars for information.

**NATIONAL VOCATION
AWARENESS WEEK - 2021**

Last week (Nov. 7-13) throughout the USA, dioceses and religious communities asked that all members of the Church pray that young people of the Church may respond to God's call to serve as priests, deacons or consecrated religious priest, sister or brother. As we all are aware, there is a shortage of young adults entering studies to serve others as sister, brother or priest. Please continue to pray for vocations.

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
FOR HUMAN DEVELOPEMENT**

The Archdiocese of Chicago played an integral role in the creation of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), founded in 1969 as the official anti-poverty, social justice program of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Half a century later, CCHD Chicago remains true to its mission of empowering low-income Americans to participate in the decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. CCHD accomplishes this by:
1) Providing economic and community development grants to grassroots nonprofits that are working to bring permanent, positive, and systemic change to their communities. 2) Providing educational opportunities to help Catholics encounter, learn, and act to address root causes of poverty. 3) Building bridges of solidarity between communities of different racial and socioeconomic backgrounds. A Second Collection for CCHD will be taken up next weekend, November 20-21.

Fr. Michael



St. Peter's Church
Thanksgiving Day Mass
Thursday, November 25
10:00 am
Church Open 9 am to 11 am

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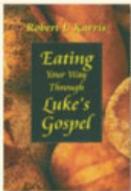
Supply is limited.

Eating Your Way Through Luke's Gospel



Presented by
Fr. Robert Karris, O.F.M., Th.D.

Wednesday, November 17
12:15-1 pm
Lower Level Room A



Fr. Bob Karris describes the food and drink popular in Jesus' day. He also documents the social, political, and general contexts in which the food was prepared and eaten. He outlines the social roles Jesus assumes in Luke's Gospel in relation to food and meals, as well as the relationship between women and food. Karris also examines the Eucharistic implications of the way food and drink are portrayed.

Book available at St. Peter's Book & Gift Shop.

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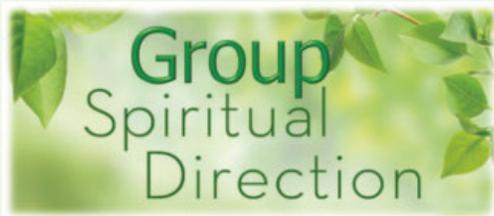


What is Group Spiritual Direction?

Group Spiritual Direction is based on the belief that when we come together to reflect on our lives and the varied ways God works in ordinary day to day experience that we are encouraged to become more aware of God as an active partner with us. Group Spiritual Direction, like individual Spiritual Direction is a process of learning to listen for the needs and longings of our souls. Instead of individuals listening and sharing with a director, a group of individuals come together and share the ways each notices God's activity. It is natural that we are not always aware of what we need. In Group Spiritual Direction a group meets with the help of a director who focuses their time around a theme and shares what each notices about God's activity. The gift of hearing one another share their experience increases ways of understanding God; it expands our awareness of the different ways individuals notice and respond to God.

GSD is not a prayer group, although each of the meetings has a component of prayer: It is not a Scripture or study group or a committee meeting or an education class. The core elements of GSD include personal prayer, attendance and a willingness to participate by listening and sharing at weekly meetings. Participants agree to pray for each other and to keep confidential what individuals personally share.

In previous years GSD met monthly. This year we would like to see if there is benefit to meeting more frequently for a specified number of times. Sister Fran and Brother Guillermo are planning to co-direct GSD on six consecutive Tuesdays which began November 9 through December 14 from 1:30 to 2:45 pm.



Presented by
**Br. Guillermo Morales O.F.M.
and Sr. Fran Sulzer FSPA**
Meets in Lower Level—Room A
Tuesdays
Nov. 16, 23, 30; Dec. 7, 14

GDS is not a study, discussion or prayer group, but it is conducted in a prayerful context.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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CATHOLIC FILM SERIES

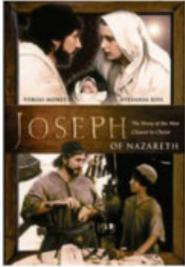
JOSEPH OF NAZARETH

PART TWO OF VIDEO

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

12:15-1 pm

Lower Level



The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph - carpenter, husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a "just man", and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man - to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah, and the father and protector of this Holy Family, the man closest to Christ.

Series discussion questions after viewing. All are invited to attend. Free will offering.



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Psychology At Lunch

Mondays
12:10-12:55 pm CDT

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Nov. 15: Sanity in Difficult Family Relationships

Dec. 6: Pace, Not Race: A Healthy Relationship With Time—Part Two



Psychologist Dr. Jerry Hiller and Marilyn Rochon MA, LCPC guide participants in the pursuit of stress relief, self-acceptance, self-efficacy, and developing a sense of purpose. Participants learn to increase self-confidence, navigate through loss and depression, and improve relationships with themselves, others and God. The sessions combine practical psychology with the life-giving ways of St. Francis of Assisi.



Healing Hearts ~ Mending Lives

Why Forgive?

Tues., Nov. 16, 12:15-1 pm

Lower Level Auditorium

Presented by

Fr. Derran Combs, O.F.M., Ph.D.



For decades, St. Peter's Church has been known as the place to go in the Loop for a prayerful celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Spiritual healing and the mending of relationships with God and others occurs when the sacrament is celebrated well. However, the challenge is to continuously strive to maintain good relationships with people on a daily basis. The reality is that in our daily interaction with people—whether at the workplace, at school, at home, or in the public arena—people experience breached trust among colleagues or schoolmates, shattered friendships, and painful disassociation with family members.

Our monthly *Healing Hearts* presentations attempts to help individuals restore such broken relationships with family, friends, co-workers, and associates with the hope of reestablishing heartfelt trust and affection.

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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:
fmsulzer@gmail.com

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Book of Remembrance

Please remember deceased relatives and friends by adding their names to the Book of Remembrance in the rear of the church. It will remain there for the month of November.

Memorial Votive Candles



St. Peter's is currently accepting reservations for the memorial votive candles within the Church. Once lit, the candles burn 24 hours a day for one year. A plaque in front of your candle notes who it is lit in honor of. Applications are available at the front office of St. Peter's. The cost is \$150. Please call 312-372-5111 for further information.



St. Peter's Church ZOOM Mass Sunday at 5 pm

Please Join us!

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

November 28

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

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

Password: EdSheaOFM



If you would like to contribute to St. Peter's Church in this time of need, please go to the website stpetersloop.org and click on the **Online Giving** link. Thank you for your generosity!



St. Peter's Church Safety Guidelines

The Archdiocese of Chicago requires wearing a face mask or face covering when inside St. Peter's Church. Visitors should sanitize their hands upon entering the building. Please maintain social distancing. Thank you.



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