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Franciscans of the Sacred Heart Province

JANUARY 16, 2022

SCHEDULE UPDATE

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Sundays

9:00 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Mondays through Fridays

NEW—7:30 am, 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

No Confessions on Sunday

DEVOTIONS

St. Anthony Devotions on Tuesdays

**After the 7:30 am, 11:40 am and
1:15 pm Masses.**

OFFICE HOURS

Mondays through Fridays

9:00 am until 4:30 pm

Saturdays

12 noon until 4:30 pm

Sundays

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CHURCH BUILDING OPEN

Mondays through Fridays

NEW—7:00 am until 4:30 pm

Saturdays

12 noon until 6:00 pm

Sundays

8:30 am until 12:30 pm



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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

Saints' Days and Observances

- Sun., January 16:** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Mon., January 17:** St. Anthony
- Tues., January 18:** Ordinary Time
- Wed., January 19:** Ordinary Time
- Thurs., January 20:** Ordinary Time
- Fri., January 21:** St. Agnes
- Sat., January 22:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

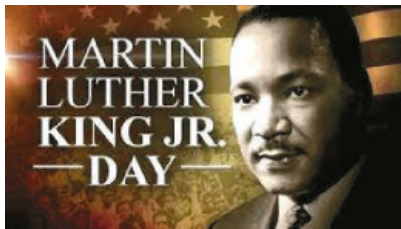
Many thanks to those of you who have contributed to St. Peter's collection this past week. Your gifts are essential to our ministry, and we are grateful.

| <u>Weekly Goal</u> | <u>\$12,000</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Dec. 26-Jan. 1 | \$ 3,278 |
| Difference | - \$ 8,722 |
| Jan. 2-8 | \$ 2,163 |
| Difference | - \$ 9,837 |

THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR



Tomorrow, Monday, January 17 is a national holiday as we celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Though great progress has been made in tolerance throughout our country since the 1960's, there is still much work to do. As tragic attacks on other human beings, shootings and hate filled language that have become more prevalent in the past couple of years has shown, we still have much work to do to make equality for all people a reality. Let us join in prayer and work daily so that all people of the world might realize the "Dream" of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. that we are truly brothers and sisters to one another in the human family.



Dr. King was an eloquent speaker and champion for the rights of all people. As he noted, *"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in*

moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. The true neighbor will risk his position, his prestige, and even his life for the welfare of others. In dangerous valleys and hazardous pathway, he will life some bruised and beaten brother or sister to a higher and more noble life." Among his many writings, speeches and marches perhaps his legacy is most remembered in the powerful "I Have a Dream" speech he gave at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington DC on August 28, 1963.

On April 4, 1968, while in Memphis, Tennessee to support striking sanitation workers, Rev. King was shot and killed by a sniper. Though our country has made significant hopeful changes in racial equality the past fifty-four years, there is a growing undercurrent of racism present in our society today. As we celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. we are reminded that it is up to us, who live in our great country today, to carry on the work of assuring that every man, woman and child who lives within the USA is treated equally.

On Monday, I encourage you to listen to and read the entire speech that Dr. King gave on that hot August day in Washington in 1963. And let each of us be reminded of the powerful words and challenge he spoke at the end of that speech, *"...and when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all God's children, black men [& women] and white men [& women], Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of that old Negro spiritual, "Free*

at last! Free at last! Thank God almighty, we are free at last!"

The past couple of years have not been easy ones for anyone who lives here on Planet Earth. The COVID virus continues to disrupt the life of many individuals and their families. The tremendous sacrifices that medical people have been giving to try and keep us all healthy deserves the highest praise and thanks that we can give to these heroic people. Though increasing violence has taken the lives of far too many innocent people and especially the death of young people, we need to commend those who are working to try and stem this increase of violence. Each of us who live in this great city we call Chicago must not only condemn this violence we need to help one another find creative ways of bringing peace to not only the Loop but also our neighborhoods.

Children are shot and killed in their own yards, while travelling in a car with their parent(s) or even killed by stray or intentional bullets in their home while watching TV or even sleeping in their beds. When adults getting out of their vehicle are carjacked, injured or even shot, when more and more people fear riding a CTA bus or "L", we cannot lament these terrible tragedies and then do nothing. The words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., spoken in the 1960's challenge us today..... *"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."*

Last weekend, we celebrated the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In my homily I said, *"Can we make a difference in our world? YES! we can make a difference. If we want to have a more loving world, a world free from war, violence and hatred.... then we who have been baptized have to live what being baptized calls us to be..... children of God and not of Satan..... children of compassion and not of hate. Children who speak and act with concern not only for ourselves, our family, for those whom we know..... but who speak and act with care and compassion toward others."*

No one who has been baptized and considers themselves a member of the Church can say it really doesn't concern me.... I have enough things myself to worry about let alone worry about others. However, Baptism is not a solitary act. Baptism is the great welcoming into the family of God... into the embrace of God's Church. Baptism is the great summons to follow in the footsteps of Christ. The feast of the Baptism of the Lord reminds us that after his own Baptism in the Jordan ... Christ began his own ministry. And our Baptism calls us



as brothers and sisters of Jesus to support and safeguard one another."

In these winter months of January, February and March, I would like to suggest a couple of books I encourage you to read. My suggestions are:

The Soul of America by Jon Meacham An insightful look at our past and the present reality of our country today.

His Truth is Marching on: John Lewis and the Power of Hope by Jon Meacham A powerful narrative of congressman, John Lewis, and the battle for civil rights in the USA

Children Under Fire by John Woodrow Cox An important look into the violence gripping our country today.

A Life of Jesus by Shusaku Endo A unique perspective of Jesus from one of the leading Catholic authors of Japan.



January 22 has been designated, by the US Bishops' Conference as a **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**. January 22 is the 49th anniversary of the decision of the US Supreme Court regarding the legality of abortion. Through these 49 years since that decision, many words, arguments and various actions have been taken by those on both sides of this

crucial issue. As Catholics we are called by our faith and belief in Jesus Christ to promote respect for all of life from conception to natural death. If we say we are for Respect for Life then we need to work, act and pray as people who respect all of God's creation. The solution to the sometimes, difficult arguments in regard to respecting all of life will not be easily attained however, we must try with all our might to promote life through our own actions, words and prayers.

Finally, I ask that you keep all our First Responders, Medical people, and necessary workers in your prayers. We too often take our police, firefighters, medical staff and others for granted. The recent death of Chicago firefighter, MaShawn Plummer while fighting a fire reminds us of the danger our First Responders face every time they go to work. Fireman Plummer had attended Hales Franciscan High School and was a graduate of Quincy University (a Franciscan school) in Quincy, IL. Please keep him, his family and all who mourn his passing in your prayers. May each of us here at St. Peter's pray for the safety of all our First Responders and Civil workers.

Fr. Michael

ST. PETER'S CHURCH MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays through Fridays

Mass Times:

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

Saturdays

Mass Time: 5:00 pm

Vigil Mass for Sunday

Sundays

Mass Times: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

CONFESSION

Mondays through Fridays

10:30 am until 3:00 pm

Saturdays

12 noon until 4:30 pm

Lower Level—Room C

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For further information please view the website stpetersloop.org or call **312-372-5111.**

A Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.



O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console;

To be understood, as to understand;

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Pray

FOR THE
**PROTECTION
OF THE UNBORN**



**St. Anthony
Devotions**
Tuesdays
After the
7:30 am,
11:40 am &
1:15 pm
Masses.



Reconciliation at St. Peter's Church

Mondays through Fridays
10:30 am until 3 pm

Saturdays
12 noon until 4:30 pm

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St. Peter's Church Safety Guidelines

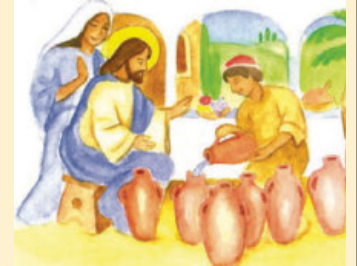


The Archdiocese of Chicago requires wearing a face mask or face covering when inside St. Peter's Church. Visitors should sanitize their hands upon entering the building. Please maintain social distancing. Thank you.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE STUDY

John 2: 1-11

The waiters at the wedding only did what they were told to do. It was their job to keep the six stone water jars filled and that's what they did. They were just doing their job...yet water was turned into wine.



Bernice is a clerk in one of the stores at the mall. Her job is to handle returns. It's a difficult job, especially right after Christmas. All the things that are the wrong size or the wrong color or that someone just doesn't like come back. And even though they might not have any receipt or other proof that the items were purchased at her store, the people who bring them back fully expect Bernice to refund their money. Unfortunately, Bernice's job requires that she ask some tough questions. And sometimes she has to refuse to give someone a refund (like when the item has obviously been worn or when the store hasn't carried that brand in years!). But somehow, even when she says "No", Bernice says it in such a way that the customer leaves feeling like she said "Yes". Bernice is good at turning the 'water' of their frustration into the 'wine' of satisfaction.

On the other hand Joe, who works in the hardware section of the same store, rarely says "Yes". And even when he does it usually comes out sounding more like "No". He never has time to check an item number or to see if there's a replacement in stock. And he's far too busy to try to explain that the reason something doesn't work might simply be that it needs to be plugged in. "It's not my job" is his motto and turning 'wine' into 'water' is what he does best.

Like Joe and Bernice, the waiters probably had plenty to do without having to keep filling water jars. Most of the guests had already arrived and there would have been little need for water to bathe a traveler's feet. But they did what Jesus told them to do. They did their job...and water was changed into wine. Funny how that can happen sometimes...at a wedding...or even at the mall.

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Living a Spirituality of Unity So That All May Be One




Presented by
Fr. Tom Ess, O.F.M.

**Fridays, 12:15-1 pm
January 21 & 28
Lower Level Auditorium**

This topic sheds light on Pope Francis' desire for a synodal church in contrast to a clerical church. The topic of unity (spirituality of unity) also compliments this year's January 18-25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Pope St. John Paul II told us: "To make the Church the home and school of communion [unity]: that is the great challenge facing us in the third millennium...Let us have no illusions: unless we follow this spiritual path, external structures of communion will serve very little purpose."

Fr. Tom Ess, who has lived the spirituality of unity-communion for more than forty years, will conduct the sessions which will include presentation and participation.

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LIVING A SPIRITUAL LIFE IN A MEDIA CULTURE



Presented by "Media Nun"
Sr. Tracey Matthia Dugas, fsp

**Thursday, January 27
12:15-1 pm**

Lower Level Auditorium

Thank God for our devices! They connect us, entertain us, inform us and help us to be productive. But deep down we know we're made for more than always staring at screens. What can we do to cultivate depth and an interior life in the midst of our tech-crazy world? Together, we'll explore three principles for developing our relationships - with others, with ourselves and with God - so that we learn to engage the real world even better than we do the virtual one.

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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**.

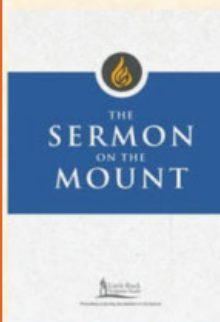
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Fr. Derran Combs, O.F.M., Ph.D. will facilitate the ZOOM sessions.

Registered participants are asked to prepare by reading the assigned lessons in advance from the textbook.

Meeting Time and Dates:

ZOOM Sessions

Fridays, 12:00 pm-1:00 pm—Jan. 21, 28; Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25; March 4

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May 20-June 5, 2022



Holy Land and Jordan
September 2-19, 2022



Turkey Part Two and Dubai
October 7-23, 2022




For information contact Fr. Mario at 312-888-1331 or email at mmdicicco@gmail.com

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.



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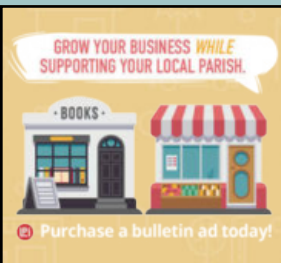
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