



# St. Peter's Church

*Franciscans of the Sacred Heart Province*

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

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FOR CURRENT SCHEDULE**

## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday:** 12:00 noon

**Saturday evening:** 5:00 p.m.

(Sunday obligation satisfied)

**Sundays:** 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,  
12:30 p.m., and 6:00 p.m.

## WEEKDAY MASSES

6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 11:40 a.m.,  
12:15 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

Consult bulletin for special Holy Day and  
Holiday Schedules.

## CONFESSIONS

**Weekdays:** 7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

**Saturdays:** 12:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Consult bulletin for special Holy Day Schedule.

## DEVOTIONS/PRAYER

**Mondays & Wednesdays:**

Evening Prayer after 5:00 p.m. Mass

**Tuesdays:** St. Anthony devotions after  
every Mass

**Friday:** Marian devotions after 1:15 p.m. Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Monday - Friday 1:45—4:45 p.m.

**Benediction:** Monday - Friday , 4:45 p.m.

## OFFICE HOURS

**Weekdays:** 9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

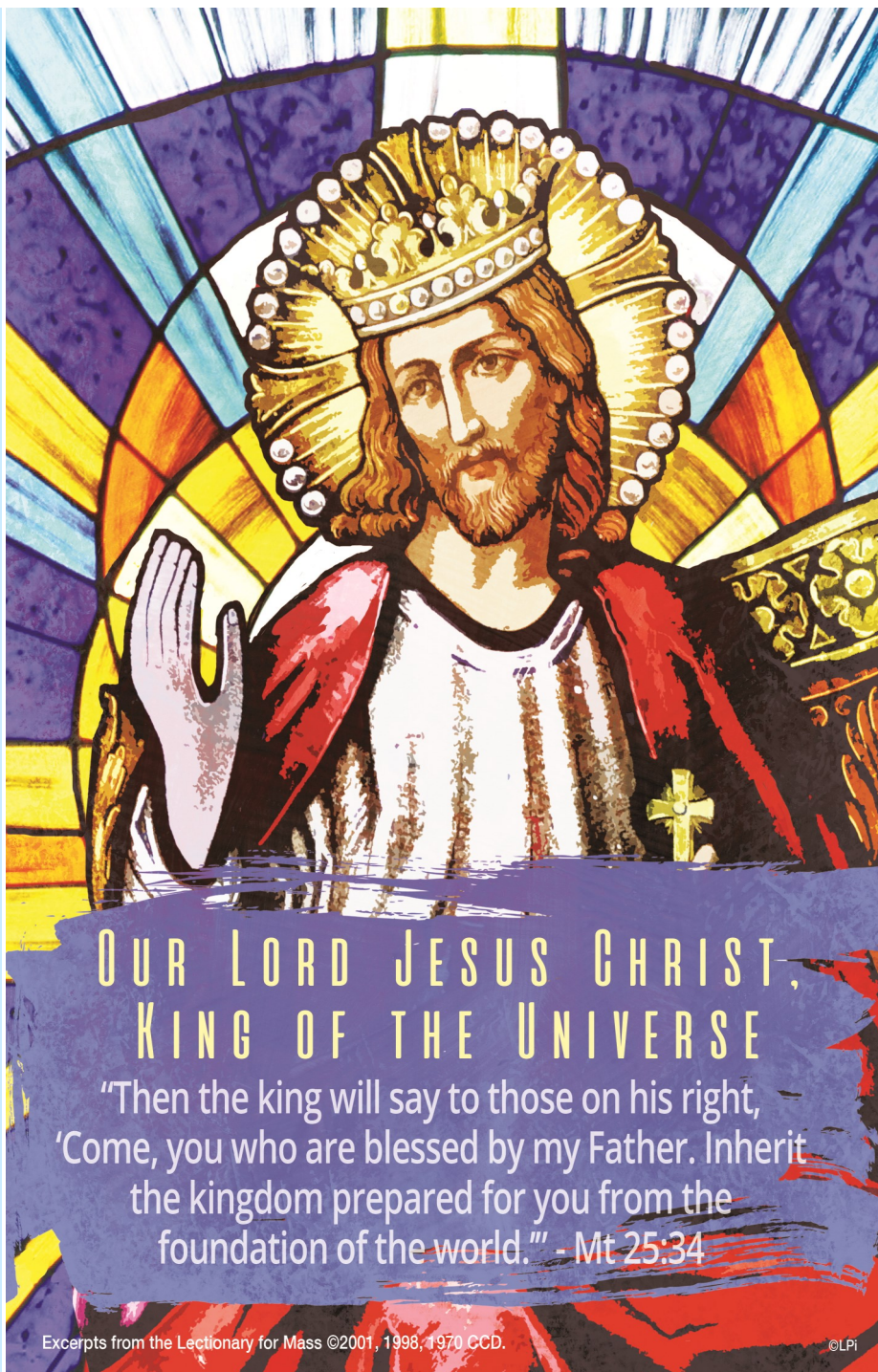
**Saturdays:** 12 noon - 6:00 p.m.

## CHURCH HOURS

**Weekdays:** 5:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Saturdays:** 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Sundays:** 8:30 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Then the king will say to those on his right,  
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit  
the kingdom prepared for you from the  
foundation of the world.'" - Mt 25:34

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

[www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org)

[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., November 22:** Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe

**Mon., November 23:** Ordinary Time

**Tues., November 24:** St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc

**Wed., November 25:** Ordinary Time

**Thurs., November 26:** Thanksgiving Day

**Fri., November 27:** St. Francis Anthony Fasani

**Sat., November 28:** St. James of the Marches

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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

**November 1-7**                      **Total** .....\$ 2,142

**Difference**.....\$ - 9,858



## THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR



This weekend, throughout the USA the annual Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is taken up in parishes. CCHD was founded in 1969 by the US Bishops to end the cycle of poverty in the

United States by funding organizations that help people help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact on communities throughout the country. Your contribution helps defend human dignity and helps those living on the margins of our society. Envelopes for this collection will be found in the Sunday bulletin. Or you may make a donation by placing your offering in the boxes found at the exit to church marked, Catholic Campaign for Human Development.



This weekend we also celebrate the feast of Christ the King and the end of another Liturgical Year. On Thursday this week, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day with a special Mass at 10:00am. What

better way to begin a day of thanksgiving than to come and participate in this special Mass of Thanksgiving here at St. Peter's. If you plan on attending be sure and call the church office and reserve a place for you at the 10:00am Mass on Thanksgiving. The church will open at 9:00am and close for the day at the conclusion of the Mass. There are no confessions or other services scheduled on Thanksgiving Day.

Next Sunday, November 29, we begin a new Church year with the season of Advent. The purple of Advent is used to remind ourselves to prepare for the coming season of Christmas. This Advent and Christmas season will be very different than what many of us remember from previous years. The continuing threat of the COVID-19 virus and the need to implement safe guidelines for the health of everyone means significant changes in the schedule for Advent/Christmas programs and liturgical services here at St. Peter's.

Please note that the Archdiocese of Chicago, due to the on-going danger from the COVID-19 virus pandemic, continues the dispensation from the obligation of Sunday and Holy Day Masses for all Catholics within the Archdiocese of Chicago. Those of the faithful who are unable to participate in-person at Masses, due to age, health reasons, travel difficulties, etc. are encouraged to participate via a livestream/broadcast and offer an Act of Spiritual Communion, in union with the entire People of God in

the archdiocese and throughout the world in this time of stress and difficulty.

Here is some advance information for Advent and Christmas services that we will be able to offer here at St. Peter's Church during December.

**CONFESSIONS** - Because of City and Archdiocesan virus and health safety restrictions we will NOT be able to offer Penance Services during Advent as we have in previous years. Beginning Monday, December 14 we will have two reconciliation rooms and two priests available for confessions. Confessions are scheduled Monday-Saturday from 10:30 am until 3:00 pm the week of December 14-19 and from 10:30 am until 3:00 pm from December 21-23. Please note there are no confessions scheduled for December 24. On December 24 the church is closed for cleaning and decorating and will open at 3:00 pm for the 4:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass. If you plan to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Peter's during Advent be sure to mark these days and times in your calendar.

**FEASTS OF MARY** - Tuesday, December 8 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of our country. We will celebrate the feast with Masses at 11:40 am and 1:15pm. On Saturday, December 12 is the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and Respect Life. We will celebrate this feast with a special Mass on Saturday, December 12 at 12 noon.



As with all Masses celebrated in churches at this time, you are asked to call and reserve a place in church before coming to church. All churches are required to have seating spaces designated with social distance and are capacity limited for the

number of people who may attend Mass. Even though St. Peter's Church is a large space we can only admit 25% of our capacity of people for Masses. Please remember that even with the holiday season Masses we can only allow a certain number of people in to church in order to help stop the spread of the corona virus. So remember to tell your friends who might be planning on attending Mass during the holidays to plan ahead and reserve a space in whatever church they plan to worship in during the Christmas season.

The annual **Friars and Friends Christmas Concert** will be "Live Streamed" on You Tube this year on Thursday, December 10 from 5:00-6:00 pm. Though we can't open our doors to have you present for this concert we hope you will join us virtually as we share holiday music and reflections to help foster the holiday spirit. More details



elsewhere in the bulletin.

We are hoping to offer some Advent reflections via You Tube or Zoom before Christmas. Details will be found in coming bulletins and on our web page and Facebook page. During Advent you will also find a brief insert in the Sunday bulletins that offer reflections and ideas for the Advent season.



If you are looking for some books to read during the Advent/Christmas season visit our bookstore/gift shop for some good reading materials. If you are wondering what to read ask Lisa or Steve in the store for some suggestions. The gift shop also has a number of Christmas items that would make an excellent gifts for someone you know.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES** - Due to the COVID restrictions we will be offering a modified schedule for Christmas Masses here at St. Peter's Church. Though we are not able to have a choir and many of our other traditions this year we will have Christmas songs at Masses and a cantor. Our Christmas Masses will be celebrated as noted below.

Thursday, Christmas Eve, December 24 at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm. We are hoping to be able to live stream the 4 pm Mass, especially for the elderly and those who health will prevent them from attending Mass.

Friday, Christmas Day, December 25 Masses will be at 9:00 am and 11:00 am. The church will be closed after the 11am Mass for the day.

Thursday, December 31, New Year's Eve Mass at 5:00 pm

Friday, January 1, 2021, New Year's Day Mass at 10:00 am

We will share more with you about Advent and Christmas in the coming weeks. In light of the rapid rise in the spread of the COVID virus please remember to wear a mask, wash your hands frequently and maintain a safe & healthy distance from others. Please keep in your prayers those who are suffering because of this virus and those who have died. Say some extra prayers for our health care workers and all who work in hospitals and nursing homes or those taking care of their loved ones at home.

The upcoming Advent/Christmas Season will be unlike any most of us have ever experienced. However, may we each keep in mind what Christmas is all about..... God becoming human and offering to us eternal life. May the Christmas lights that are sure to appear and twinkle in the night, remind us that in the darkness of this pandemic, the disruption of our lives

and the pain of a dangerous illness, our God comes among us in shining light as a defenseless infant and shows us how to live. May each of us do all we can this Advent/Christmas season to show the true Christmas spirit to one another....that of the love of Jesus.

**Fr. Michael**

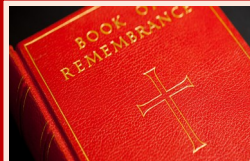


**St. Peter's Church  
Thanksgiving Day  
Mass**

**Thursday, November 26  
10:00 am**

**Church Open 9 am to 11 am**

**Please call 312-372-5111  
to reserve a space at Mass.**



### **Book of Remembrance**

**Please remember deceased  
relatives and friends by  
adding their names to the  
Book of Remembrance in the back of the  
church.**

### **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.**





### **ZOOM Mass Schedule Sundays at 5 pm**

As we continue to face the coronavirus pandemic, we will also continue to celebrate a weekly Mass on ZOOM here at St. Peter's. **Father Ed Shea OFM** will celebrate the Mass every Sunday at 5:00 pm until further notice. **To access the ZOOM Mass, use the following Code and Password:**

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

**Password: EdSheaOFM**

### **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**

**Church Open for Mass 8:30 am until 12:30 pm**

**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**

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

***Everyone entering the building must wear a face mask at all times and practice social distancing.***



## **THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE STUDY**

### **Mt. 25:31-46**

“Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.”

This verse from St. Paul (*Heb. 13:2*)

was the basis for the title of a movie chronicling the life



of Dorothy Day, founder of Catholic Worker Houses of Hospitality during the Great Depression. Dorothy Day knew about hospitality – and about entertaining angels.

In these days of Covid-19 the number of unemployed individuals continues to rise. And as that number rises so does the number of people who, because they do not have the money to pay their rent or make their mortgage payment, now find themselves looking for a place to live, and the possibility of homelessness has become their sad reality. At the same time, as winter brings with it cold days and colder nights, shelters that once housed the poor now find themselves without sufficient funds or volunteers to keep the shelters open even as people who once welcomed the poor or stayed overnight to protect those vulnerable because of the economy now find themselves vulnerable because of the pandemic.

In some places local hotels are setting aside space for those who have no home to go to, and food pantries are putting out pleas for contributions of food to be handed out to those who have had to choose between buying groceries and paying their rent. “For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink...a stranger and you welcomed me...” “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink; when did we see you a stranger and welcome you...?”

It's not likely that those people who are packing and distributing bags of food in church parking lots or cleaning hotel rooms for the homeless think of what they're doing as serving the Lord. The fact of the matter is that they, and most of us as well, don't know Jesus when we see Him. Perhaps, if we did, we would treat the stranger differently. And who knows – we might even find ourselves entertaining angels...

***By Vinal Van Benthem ofs***



*Coming Soon!*  
*St. Peter's Church*  
*4th Annual*

***FRIARS & FRIENDS***  
***CHRISTMAS CONCERT***

*Thursday, December 10th ~ 5-6 pm*  
*Live Streamed on YouTube!*

**Purchase a "ticket" for \$10 by clicking the online giving link on the website [stpetersloop.org](http://stpetersloop.org).**



**St. Peter's Church**  
***Virtual Advent Lecture Series***

*Advent Before Christmas:*  
*Celebrating the Incarnation in Word and Song*

**December 1, 8, 15, 22**  
**More information coming soon!**



***Mass Schedule***

***Christmas Eve***  
***Thursday, December 24***  
***4 pm & 7 pm—Church Opens at 3 pm***  
***4 pm Mass Live Streamed on YouTube***

***Christmas Day***  
***Friday, December 25***  
***9 am & 11 am***  
***The church will be closed after the 11 am Mass for the day.***

***New Year's Eve Mass***  
***Thursday, December 31***  
***5 pm***

***New Year's Day Mass***  
***Friday, January 1, 2021***  
***10 am***

***Reservations are required to attend all Masses.***  
***Call 312-372-5111 to reserve a space at Mass.***

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

**Celebrated at St. Peter's**

**Tuesday, December 8**

**Masses**

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

***Reservation Required***

**Please call 312-372-5111 to reserve a space at Mass.**



**Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**Saturday, December 12**

**Mass ~ 12 pm**

***Reservation Required***

**Please call 312-372-5111 to reserve a space at Mass.**



**Please wear a mask or face covering when entering St. Peter's Church. All visitors must have their temperature taken and hands sanitized prior to entering the church. Thank you.**



**Reconciliation at St. Peter's Church**

**Beginning Monday, December 14 through December 19**

**and**

**December 21 through December 23**

**Two Confession Rooms will be available Monday through Saturday 10:30 am until 3 pm**

***No Confessions on December 24.***





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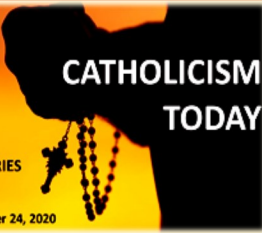
**Monday to Saturday 10:30 am to 2:30 pm**  
**Sunday 8:30 am to 12:15 pm**

***Special Sale ~ Purchase \$100 or more of items and receive 15% off if some items are Christmas and/or Advent.***


**Advent Wreaths • Christmas Cards • Nativity Sets**

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***View on St. Peter's***


 **YouTube**

A fall lecture series that explores the question, "What does it mean to be 'Catholic' today?"

**It addresses contemporary concerns for Catholics struggling to navigate their faith through difficult times and changing values in society.**

**CATHOLICISM TODAY**

FALL LECTURE SERIES  
St. Peter's Church  
October 6 – November 24, 2020




**St. Peter's Young Adults**  
**SPYA**

**Meets Mondays, 5:30-7 pm**  
**Via ZOOM**

**To access the ZOOM Meeting, use the following Code:**

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



**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 resume this 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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