

JANUARY 28, 2018

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# SAINT PETER

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*St. Peter Church is a Roman Catholic community, evangelizing by the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to a joyful encounter with Christ and experiencing Our Father's merciful love.*

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Father Steven M. Sabo, Pastor  
In case of emergency, please call (815) 321-9990  
Father Robert J. McClellan, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Ignacio Badillo

### PARISH STAFF

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 9 AM to 4 PM, Friday 9 AM to 4 PM

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Written submissions are due Monday at noon.

### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Please check bulletin or website for Mass times.

### FIRST SATURDAY MASS

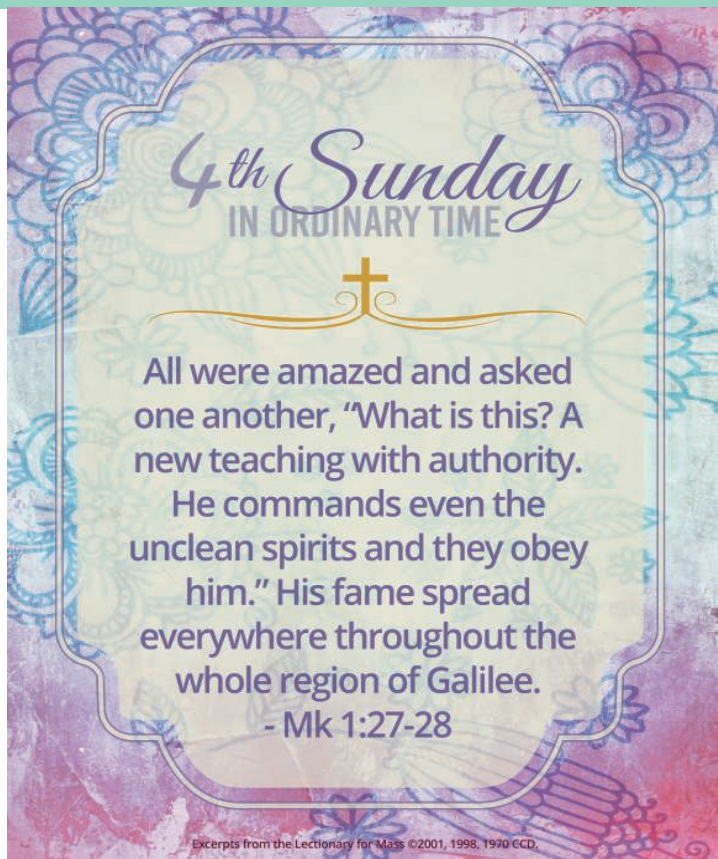
First Saturday Mass is at 8:00 AM. Anointing of the Sick takes place after Mass. Please join us for breakfast and fellowship in the church hall after Mass.

### FAMILY ADORATION

English: Tuesdays at 7:00 PM with confessions



Parish website: [www.st-peter-church.com](http://www.st-peter-church.com)



### BAPTISMS

English: Baptisms are on Saturday mornings. Please call the office to set a time and date with Fr. Sabo.

Spanish: Kindly request the "Baptismal Orientation Document" from the parish office and follow the written instructions.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples must be at least nineteen and meet with the priest six months in advance.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL CARE

If you anticipate hospitalization or require sacraments, please call the parish office. The sacrament of the Anointing is on 1st Saturdays after the 8:00 AM Mass. You may also call the parish office.

### CONFESSIONS

Mon: after the 7:00 PM Mass, Tues-Fri: after the 7:00 AM Mass  
Tuesday: 7:00-8:00 PM during Family Adoration  
Sat.: 3:45-4:45 PM & after 6:30 PM Mass (Spanish and English confessions are offered.) Sunday: after the 9:30 AM Mass

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Please contact the office to register.



# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



## Monday, January 29th

7:00PM Alex Hunsberger  
†Marie Gaska

## Tuesday, January 30th

7:00AM †Marvin Mauel  
8:15 AM Steve Hatch  
†Ralph & Florence Shumaker

## Wednesday, January 31st

**St. John Bosco, Priest**  
7:00AM †Marie Gaska  
8:15AM †Larry Justman

## Thursday, February 1st

7:00AM †Grace Ingoglia  
8:15AM School Grandparents & Special People

## Friday, February 2nd

**The Presentation of the Lord**  
7:00AM †Kay Heimann  
8:15AM †Christopher Justman

## Saturday, February 3rd

**Sts. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr & Ansgar, Bishop**  
8:00AM Alex Hunsberger  
†Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00PM †Stephen Varner

6:30PM †Holy Souls in Purgatory

## Sunday, February 4th

### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Christine Hunsberger  
†Deceased Members of the A&R

9:30AM Pro Populo

11:00AM †Debra Stone

12:30PM †Poor Souls in Purgatory

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*f today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.  
Psalm 95*

Theme for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time: **Obedience.** What is best for believer's: an obedience that is (A) blind, (B) beautiful or (C) bold? It is interesting to note that as children we are prone to trust everything our parents tell us is true. This relates to offering them at most times, **blind obedience**, with the assertion: *yes Mommy or yes Daddy.* As we get older and begin to discover things for ourselves by reading, studying and praying, thus allowing the truth to inform our conscience, so as to fine-tune our moral compass. This enables the budding believer to differentiate more easily between right and wrong.

Also, in those matters that relate to what the Church teaches to be True, Good and Beautiful, namely what helps us to get holier and reach our goal of heavenly glory: this is **beautiful obedience.** Another example is provided using the witty words of G. K. Chesterton: *We do not really want a religion that is right where we are right. What we want is a religion that is right where we are wrong.* This applies to those areas of life that we are not currently offering our full consent. For example, how many newly married couples are practicing NFP (*Natural Family Planning*) accepting every child as a gift from God? When it comes to the conflict between the Church and the State and its definition of marriage, between a man and a woman (*free to marry, without prior bonds, no force or fear*): what happens to those so-called Catholics who disagree with the Church? They lack the grace of **beautiful obedience!**

Bold obedience is best illustrated by those who justify their actions by a simple exhortation: *because I said so!* Secularized sinners love to say such things, without providing proof for our obedience to their disqualified authority, due to their disobedience to God's Laws! Don't give all politicians credit for this crime, without catching them in an apparent contradiction: *do as I say, not as I do!*

Beautiful obedience and proof of love! St. John stated without apology: *If you love God, you will obey His commandments.* Love is proof of obedience and conscience has a central function to play in our Catholic faith! To use such a term requires a clear definition. St. Thomas Aquinas taught: *conscience is the mind of man passing moral judgments.* Fr. John Hardon believes: *we cannot reduce conscience to an emotional state without emptying it of all authority. If conscience were only emotional, it becomes a matter of personal taste. That conscience must always be obeyed is a Christian innovation. What is it? This is a teaching with authority. —St. Mark 1:25-26 : ) }*

## PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS' SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS:

Ron Duda, John Dwyer, Cindy Fogarty, Tom Gasiorowski, Theresa Hans, Vicki Howard, Gary Janowski, Courtland Long, Vivian Candace Mitchell, Charlie Roemer, Cal Scott, Ronald Scott, Jenny S., Patrick Stuber, Diane Varner & Peggy Widmar.

## PRAY FOR THOSE HOMEBOUND & THOSE IN ASSISTED LIVING OR NURSING HOMES:

Nancy Aiello, Matilda De Falco, Pat Heiderscheid, Julie Kulawinski, Virginia Madru, Charles Qualizza & Meda Qualizza.

**For a priest visit or sick call, call the parish office (815) 525-3400.** For the prayer chain, please call Ed and Linnea Van Barriger: (815) 629-2405. If you have a loved one who should be added to the sick or homebound list, please call the office.

## CHAPEL HOURS NEEDING ADORERS

TUESDAY 8:00PM  
WEDNESDAY 12AM, 2AM  
THURSDAY 3AM  
FRIDAY 2AM,  
SATURDAY 3AM  
SUNDAY 1AM, 2AM, 8PM



Call Junie Pospischil (815) 389-3065 or (815) 494-9237.  
Weekend coordinators are needed. Prayerfully consider volunteering as a coordinator.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE PARISH

### ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

January 31, 2018 5:30PM  
Church Hall

Wisdom: God's Vision for Life

### SCHEDULED PARISH EVENTS

- ◆ ALTAR & ROSARY 2nd Thursdays 6:30pm Parish Center
- ◆ CHOIR Thursdays 6pm to 7pm Choir Loft
- ◆ ESCUELA DE LA CRUZ Sun. 9:30 & 11:30am Church Hall
- ◆ MARIAN PRAYER Monday 5:15pm Church
- ◆ MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS CROCHET & KNITTING 1st & 3rd Thursdays 3pm to 5:30pm Parish Center Beginners welcome!
- ◆ LITURGY OF THE HOURS Mon. 6:30pm Church
- ◆ SEWING GROUP Tues. 9:00am Church Hall
- ◆ SANCTUM FECIT 20's and 30's Group Meets 1st Sunday of month after 11:00 am Mass in Church Hall

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Mark your calendar for MARDI GRAS!  
Saturday, February 10, 2018—Didier Hall  
Doors open 5:45pm Social Hour and Appetizers  
Be one of the first 100 ladies and receive a corsage.  
Dinner follows at 6:45am

### SILENT AUCTION!

Dancing rounds out the evening.  
Tickets on sale after all Masses  
\$30 per person (adults only)  
All proceeds benefit our local parish area.

### INVEST IN KIDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The new Invest in Kids Act allows for families to choose a Catholic school by granting scholarships to families who cannot afford tuition and fees. The scholarship money comes from private donors and corporations who want to help families afford Catholic schools. Are you in a position to donate to this new program? Find out more from [www.empowerillinois.org](http://www.empowerillinois.org).

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

1-21-18

Collection \$ 7,929.00 School Envelopes \$415.00  
\$ 590.00  
\$ 8,519.00

## MEET OUR WOMEN OF THE YEAR



JANENE MCCOLLOUGH

## NEW PARISH APP COMING SOON!

In the upcoming week St. Peter will launch our own app for iPhone and Android smart phones. This will allow us to better communicate with you throughout the week and keep you updated with relevant parish news or updates. The app is well designed and very intuitive. It will be a great resource for parishioners by providing daily Mass readings, Catholic news and prayers, convenient prayer and Confession reminders, our bulletins and more. We hope for our new app to be a tool for fostering stronger parish life at St. Peter and better engaging the New Evangelization.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Moises & Elena Munoz-Aldape Family  
Josue Munoz-Aldape  
**JANUARY BAPTISMS**  
Delilah Mae Chappell  
Killian Chase Sabo  
Adalynn Claire Rancingay

## OPEN HOUSE

### ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Sunday, January 28, 2018  
1:30AM—3:00PM

## OLA FISH FRY

Friday, February 2, 2018 from 5—7PM in Assumption Hall. All you can eat baked and fried cod, baked potatoes, fries, coleslaw, applesauce, bread and beverage. Adults \$11, children 6-12 \$5, 5 & under free. Carryouts available. Desserts and sodas offered at an additional charge.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Antoinette "Toni" Weber. Eternal rest grant upon her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2018

Mon: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20  
Tues: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30--19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43  
Wed: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6  
Thurs: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13  
Fri: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32  
Sat: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34  
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