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Catholic Church

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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.*

### PASTORAL STAFF

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

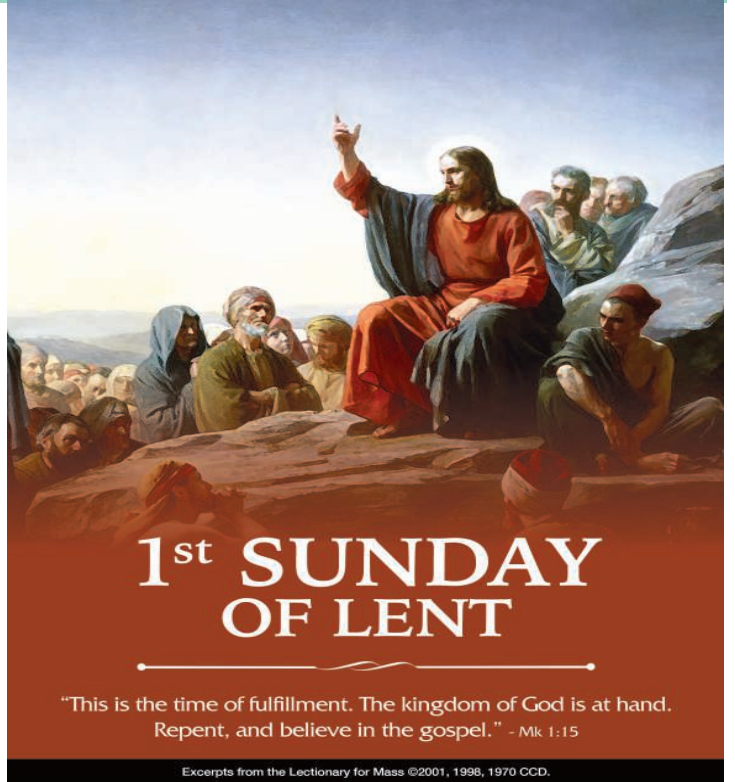
First Saturday Mass is at 8:00 AM. Anointing of the Sick takes place after Mass. Please join us for breakfast and fellowship in the church hall after Mass.

### 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.



Monday, February 19th  
 7:00PM Fr. Brian Grady  
 Tuesday, February 20th  
 7:00AM †Larry Justman  
 8:15 AM Marie Madden  
 Wednesday, February 21st  
 St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Dr. of the Church  
 7:00AM †David Niemann  
 8:15AM †Mary Mills  
 Thursday, February 22nd  
 The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle  
 7:00AM †Geraldine McCarville  
 8:15AM Lauren Groeper  
 †Souls in Purgatory especially the  
 unprayed for  
 Friday, February 23rd  
 St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr  
 7:00AM †Tom Ambler  
 8:15AM †Anthony Rallo  
 Saturday, February 24th  
 8:00AM †Tom Ambler  
 5:00PM †Patricia Reed  
 6:30PM †Holy Souls in Purgatory  
 Sunday, February 25th  
 2nd Sunday of Lent  
 7:30AM Pro Populo  
 9:30AM Sr. Ruth M. Jiminez  
 †Geraldine McCarville  
 11:00AM †Glenn De Mars  
 12:30PM †Holy Souls in Purgatory

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

*Repent and believe in the Gospel. —Jesus Christ*

One of the fatal fruits of modernism is a hypersensitivity to any criticism, and a lack of appreciation for the examined life. What would such a person say to the first public sermon of Our Lord Jesus Christ in today's Gospel? Perhaps the following: *Hey that's rude! I find that comment offensive! This conversation is over!* King David offers an ideal response to this initial rebuke from the King of Glory: *Good and upright is the Lord, thus He shows sinners the way—Psalm 25.* To better understand what it is our Lord Jesus Christ is trying to accomplish by preaching this to the people, please begin by looking at one word: *Repent.*

Webster's dictionary provides the following definition: *to turn from sin and dedicate oneself to the amendment of one's life; to feel regret (sorrow) or contrition; and to change one's mind.* While our Lord Jesus Christ freely offers forgiveness for sin to anyone who repents, it is still the responsibility of the sinner to change their life (amendment). Hence the meaning of the act of contrition: I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance and amend my life. Amen.

Like any good parent who disciplines their naughty child, it is necessary to look and listen, before we can learn our lesson! Why doesn't this happen all the time? The enemy is often less obvious to the *naked eye.* Scripture testifies: *The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and He remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan — St. Mark 1:12.* The tempter is intent on placing obstacles in the way of virtue and reduce our fervor for the things of God. St. Theresa of Avila exclaims: *Can this be of little consequence?* May we never underestimate the seriousness of sin. St. Augustine warns: *Everyone who sins dies.* This is deadly or mortal sin. Fr. John Hardon adds: *When a man sins mortally, he is dead twice over, once because he loses the gift of divine life, and once again because he is no longer moving toward the consummation of that life in heaven.*

There is a simple solution to this sin thing: *in the days of Noah, a few persons, eight in all were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now—1 Peter 3:20-21.* These six weeks of Lent are a perfect opportunity to renew one's baptismal promises: to renounce the devil, and all his works and all his empty promises. It is also a perfect time of the year for: *the Stations of the Cross,* to meditate on *the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary,* and to pray for those men and women preparing for *the Rite of Christian Initiation into the Catholic Faith* at the Easter Vigil. : ) }

**PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS' SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS:**

John Cychosz, Ron Duda, John Dwyer, Cindy Fogarty, Ed Godawski, Tom Gasiorowski, Theresa Hans, Vicki Howard, Gary Janowski, Courtland Long, Vivian Candace Mitchell, Charlie Roemer, Ronald Scott, Charlotte Spangler & 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

WEDNESDAY 12AM, 2AM  
THURSDAY 3AM  
FRIDAY 12AM, 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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, February 22 from 2PM—7PM

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### BASEMENT BATHROOM BEAUTIFICATION

St. Peter Church is embarking on a Diocese-approved project to remodel the basement bathrooms and bring them up to code. Please prayerfully consider an additional donation to this project as part of your Lenten sacrifices this year. All amounts are welcome, but please consider a weekly contribution of \$20, \$50, or even \$100 each week during Lent in addition to your normal weekly Church donation for the next six weeks. Your generosity in this project is appreciated as these improvements are an investment in our future and the first step in making the Church handicapped accessible. Envelopes are available in the back of the Church and online giving is also available through the Parish App. Please contact the Parish Office or Karl Zoller at 815-623-2145 or Kerry Cloyd at 815-566-1012.

### 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

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

2-11-18

Collection \$9,066.08 School Envelopes \$120.00  
Egiving \$ 557.00  
Total \$9,623.08

## MEET OUR PARISH FAMILY



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## FAST & ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

## OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BELOIT,

will have a Fish Fry, February 23, and every Friday during Lent. Serving takes place from 5:00-7:00PM in Assumption Hall. All you can eat baked and fried Cod, baked potatoes, fries, coleslaw, applesauce, bread and beverage. Adults: \$11.00; Children 6—12: \$5.00; 5 & under FREE. Soda & desserts offered at an additional charge. Carry outs available.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18, 2018

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46  
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15  
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32  
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19  
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26  
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48  
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