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Catholic Church

620 Blackhawk Blvd. South Beloit, IL 61080 Phone (815) 525-3400 Fax (815) 525-3409 Email: stpeter-sbeloit@rockforddiocese.org 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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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Compassionate Ministry, call Parish Office....(815) 525-3400

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Written submissions are due Monday at noon.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Please check bulletin or website for Mass times.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

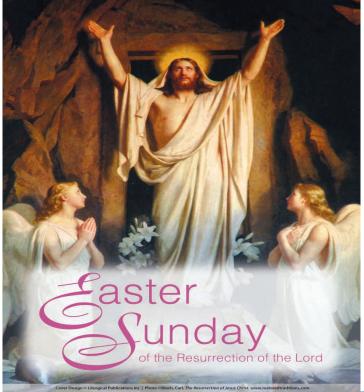
First Saturday Mass is at 8:00 AM. Anointing of the Sick takes place after Mass. Please join us for breakfast and fellowship in the church hall after Mass.

FAMILY ADORATION

English: Tuesdays at 7:00 PM with confessions



Parish website: www.st-peter-church.com



RAPTISMS

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, April 2nd

7:00PM Christine Hunsberger

†Harvey Newcomb II

Tuesday, April 3rd

7:00AM †Charles Qualizza

Wednesday, April 4th

7:00AM †Karen Lewis

Thursday, April 5th

7:00AM Alex Hunsberger

†Diana D'Hanis

Friday, April 6th

7:00AM †Charles Qualizza

Saturday, April 7th

8:00AM †Deceased Members of the Weeks Family

5:00PM Addie Beck

†Krissann Cerrentano

6:30PM †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, April 8th

2nd Sunday of Easter

7:30AM Pro Populo

9:30AM Christine Hunsberger

†Anthony Rallo

11:00AM †Fr. Brian Olson

12:30PM †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Please note there will not be a 8:15 Mass on April 3,4,5 and 6th.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 1, 2018

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15 ©Liturgical Publications Inc.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

HAPPY EASTER!!!

It is wonderful in our eyes! —Psalm 118

Do you want to see God? The promise of seeing God surpasses all beatitude ... Whoever sees God has obtained all the goods of which he can conceive (St. Gregory of Nyssa). *Blessed* are the pure of heart, for they shall see God (St. *Matthew 5: 8)*. This Solemnity is the perfect cause of celebration for every pilgrim who has washed and been made clean in the Blood of the Lamb of God! There is nothing more ridiculous than being incredulous about the historical reality of the bodily Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! St. Paul says it best: *If we do not* believe that the Lord has been raised then our *preaching is in vain.* The purpose of our penitential practice is to prepare our hearts for the indescribable joy of the Resurrection and our hope for heavenly glory! Bishop Sheen 's famous words still ring true: the skeptics most serious wound is the empty tomb!

The Catechism of the Catholic teaches us: desire for true happiness frees man from his immoderate attachment to the goods of this world so that he can find his fulfillment in the vision and beatitude of God (#2548). Our heaven on earth is found by faith, at every Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and whenever we come before our Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist! Imagine every Sunday and Solemnity if every Godfearer could see what the senses fail to fathom. What a sight indeed it would be: St. Peter directing Catholics as St. Paul is declaring: Here is the hope that doesn't disappoint! At the Consecration, St. John the Baptist would break the silence and shout out: Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the *sin of the world!* While the sight of adoring angels with bowed heads would lead the adorers in right worship at every Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, throughout the world and throughout all time!

In order to experience a *Happy Easter*, we need the grace of *the Most Holy Eucharist*! This is your Easter duty, to confess your sins at least once a year and receive our Lord in Holy Communion. The Easter Sequence is meant to encourage us: Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia!!! *By the Lord has this been done!* :)

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS' SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS:

Russ Belcher, 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, Beverly Burke, Matilda De Falco, Pat Heiderscheit, Julie Kulawinski, Virginia Madru, & 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 FRIDAY 12AM, 2AM, SATURDAY 3AM



SUNDAY IAM, 2AM

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

MARRIAGE IN CHRIST SEMINAR

Five week seminar for couples who desire to strengthen their marriage. Saturdays from April 21, 2018—May 19, 2018 7:00PM –9:00PM Church Hall Cost \$85.00 per couple

To register contact John Spiritosanto @ 815-315-7529 or immaculatavineyard@gmail.com

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

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Peter Parish has a Rosary Making Ministry? We invite anyone who is interested in learning to make a knotted cord or beaded Rosary to call Janene McCollough at 815-270-1072. She would be more than happy to teach a person or a group. This is a Ministry you can do at home in your spare time or get together and spend some time with friends crafting a Rosary. An experienced person can make an entire Rosary in approximately one hour. The rosaries are distributed to individuals and groups.

If you have been saving crucifixes from broken rosaries, and want to donate them to a good cause, we would be happy to accept and repurpose them.

DIOCESAN STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2017

Goal \$70,255.00 Pledges \$<u>70,027.52</u> Still Needed \$<u>227.48</u>

We have almost met our goal! Any amount pledged over the goal comes back to the parish.

MEET OUR PARISH FAMILY



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VOCATIONS CORNER: CALLED TO LIVE!

REJOICE FOR THE LORD HAS RISEN! Today is the Church's greatest celebration because we rejoice in the fact that Christ has conquered sin and death and that He lives! The best part about all of this is that He shares every last fruit of His victory with us. Because of this great gift, we too are called to live! By this I don't simply mean that we are called to continue to eat, breath, and possess a beating heart. We are called to LIVE!!! We are called to allow the grace, joy, peace, and dynamic power that comes forth from the risen Christ to flow through our very being! He holds nothing back. But in order for us to be fully alive in Christ, we need to do our part to open up our hearts to receive this life. This requires living the life that Jesus has laid out for us. This requires daily asking Him to guide us so that we can remain fully alive. Straying from His path distances us from the life that we have been given. On this Easter Sunday more than ever we ought to trust in the promise of joy that comes when we live out our Godgiven vocation. So let us take time to fully appreciate the fact that today is the greatest day to rejoice that God has a unique plan for each of our lives, and lets strive our best to following His voice so that we can receive His life to the fullest and so that we can in turn radiate the glory of the resurrection to the world! - Fr. Keith Romke

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With Christopher West
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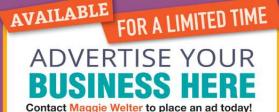
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