

ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

“...to encounter the face of Jesus Christ on our heavenly journey through prayer, education, the Eucharist and discipleship”

Parish Family Bulletin

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Eucharistic Ministry for Homebound

For details on Communion for homebound, please call the Parish Office at 522-4728.



3rd Sunday of Advent

John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." *Lk 3:16*

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Mass Schedule

Weekend

Saturday.....Vigil 5:30 pm
Sunday.....8 & 10:30 am
Mon. & Fri.8 am
Tues., Wed., Thurs. .. 8 am & 6:30 pm
Holydays - Check bulletin

Children's Adoration.....Saturday 3 pm
1st Friday Devotions after 8 am Mass

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Weekdays - 7:30-8:00 am before Mass
Saturdays - 4-5:30 pm or by appointment
(On first weekend of the month - before & after all Masses)

Baptisms-Parents must meet with Fr. Bernie prior to baptism. To schedule an appointment please call the Parish Office.
Marriages-Nine months notice to pastor; must be registered and participating member.

Third Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 13, 2015



Readings/Gospel

Next Sunday, December 20, 2015

Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a

Resp: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and be saved.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Christmas/New Year Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses - 4:30 pm & 12 Midnight

Christmas Day (*Nativity of the Lord*) Mass - 9 am only

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass - 6:30 pm

New Year's Day Masses - 8 & 10:30 am (*Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God*)

Adult Religious Education (A.R.E.)

NO A.R.E. classes in December.



Christmas Penance Service

This Advent let us approach Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation joyously with a renewed heart on Christmas day! The Penance Service at St. Peter is **THIS Wednesday, December 16 from 7-8:30 pm. NO 6:30 pm Mass on December 16.**

CYM & Confirmation News

ATTN:CYM TIME CHANGE!

Beginning on January 6th, 2016, Junior High Catholic Youth Ministry (JCYM) will meet on Wednesdays from **6:45-8pm**. The High School Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM) will meet on Wednesdays from **8-9:30pm**. **Confirmation classes** will also begin at 8 pm on the scheduled days to ensure that sufficient time is allotted to each of the ministries in order to maximize the partial formation of the youth of the parish. Additionally, there will be NO CYM this Wednesday, December 16 due to the Penance Service - which I highly encourage all the youth to participate in to prepare for Christmas! Peace be in your hearts!

John Linnebur, Youth Director

Christmas Church Cleaning & Decorating

It's time to make our Church shine for the Christmas season! We will have our "big clean" next Sunday, **December 20** beginning at 1:30 pm. Decorating the church begins at 4 pm. Everyone's help is welcome. Questions on cleaning? Contact Kristi Hulsey at kristi.hulsey@gmail.com. Questions on decorating? Call the parish office at 522-4728.

2016 Tithing Envelope Update

All registered members of St. Peter parish will now receive their tithing envelopes quarterly through the mail for 2016. If your address changes during the year, please contact the parish office so we can update your information.

Contribution Reminder

If you are making an end-of-year contribution to St. Peter Church and want it counted for your 2015 taxes, it **must be in the Parish Office by Thursday, December 31, 2015.**

Jesus is Waiting For You

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." Open Adoration hours: Sundays at 10 am and 11 am, Mondays at 11 am, Thursdays at 1 pm and 4 pm and Saturdays at 6 pm. To fill an hour or be a sub, please call Carol at 524-6357 or Sherry at 794-8039.

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Coffee and Rolls THIS Sunday!

You are invited to come to the cafeteria after Masses this Sunday and enjoy a warm delicious breakfast casserole, a sweet treat, and beverage!

St. Peter STUCO Collecting Diner Items

St. Peter Catholic School's STUCO is again collecting items to distribute at the Lord's Diner on Christmas Eve. Please consider donating to this worthy cause. You may place your donations in the collection box in the church gathering space. This year we need 274 men's deodorant and 294 women's, 638 bottles of shampoo, 430 bars of soap, 534 tubes of toothpaste and 345 toothbrushes. **Donations needed by December 15.** Questions? Contact Amy Ducote at aducote@stpeterschulte.com.



Knights of Columbus "Breakfast with Santa"

Knights "Breakfast with Santa" in the cafeteria at St. Peter next Sunday, December 20 after Masses; **Free-Throw Contest following.**

Natural Family Planning Classes

For class dates and times please call the NFP office at 685-5240, ext.1610.

Scrip Tip

Getting ready for the holidays and have a Kohl's credit card? If so, you can purchase gift cards from Scrip to pay off your Kohl's credit card and still receive Kohl's rewards! Questions? Call Tara at 721-0700 or Deb at 650-6642. Please visit the Scrip table in the church gathering space after all weekend Masses.

Adorned Tables Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE for a fundraiser in the school cafeteria hosted by the St. Peter Altar Society on **Saturday, April 9, 2016!** Watch the bulletin for more information on this new and exciting event!



Holiday Concert at St. Peter THIS Tuesday!

St. Peter parish will again host the Senseney Community Band comprised of local musicians. Bring your family and friends and experience their spectacular *Holiday Concert!* The concert will be in the church

THIS Tuesday, December 15 at 7 pm and benefits the *Lord's Diner*. We ask you to bring a can of food (per person) to the concert and place in boxes provided. **NO 6:30 pm MASS December 15.**



This week we highlight Dorsey Burgess and the St. Peter Adult Choir. Sacred music is an integral part of the worship experience in a church; it can lift you up, set the mood, and prepare your heart for the Word of God. We are blessed to have such an awesome choir!

Altar Society Annual Christmas Lights Tour!

Attention All Ladies of the Parish - St. Peter Altar Society is sponsoring the 3rd Annual **Christmas Lights Tour** this Thursday, December 17 from 6-8 pm. Bus seats are limited so please contact Suzy Wright at 554-0810 or suzy5@cox.net ASAP to reserve your spot. Sign up sheets are also in the back of church this weekend. We will meet in the south parking lot of the Church by 5:50 pm and return to St. Peter around 8 pm. All snacks, beverages (including adult) are allowed. The Altar Society covers payment of the bus but it is suggested you bring a tip for the driver. What a fun evening this is to celebrate the season with other members of our parish! Hope you can join us! Questions? Please contact Suzy Wright.

Lord's Diner Needs Your Help!

St. Peter works the Lord's Diner on Christmas Eve this year. If you want to help for Christmas, Carolyn Elmore **must** know ASAP. Please contact Carolyn at 721-9491 or elmore5x@sbcglobal.net.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

See the new booklets in the kiosks in the church gathering space.) Now that the year of Mercy is underway, note especially "Divine Mercy Explained" and "Ways of Forgiveness" and "Mother Teresa," who promoted mercy. Have you seen the new movie "Letters" about Mother Teresa? The trailer looks beautiful! Also, see the movie about Mother Teresa on Formed.org!



Why Do We Do It?

Why do the altar servers carry candles to the ambo for the Gospel? The reading of the Gospel is the high point of the first part of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Word. Great reverence should be shown to the Gospel by setting it apart from other readings with marks of honor. One of the marks of honor is the use of candles which are signs of pure light, a fitting symbol for God, All Pure, Source of all enlightenment. They also represent Christ, the Light of the World, Who speak in the Gospels. Pay special attention to the words of "The Word!"



Magdalen Chancel Choir Advent Concert

"Fantasia on Christmas Carols" and selections from the Messiah THIS Sunday, December 13 at 5 pm at Church of the Magdalen, 12616 E. 21st Street. Free will offering to Magdalen Charity Board.

Catholic Charities Cana Counseling

Is grief, loss, stress or depression getting you down this holiday season? Cana Counseling at Catholic Charities can assist you through our counseling services and serve those with and without insurance. For an appointment please call 263-6941



This Week in Our Parish

Mon., Dec. 14: Mass at 8 am

Tues., Dec. 15: Mass at 8 am; NO 6:30 pm Mass or A.R.E. class; Christmas Concert 7 pm

Wed., Dec. 16: Mass at 8 am; NO 6:30 pm Mass; Penance Service 7-8:30 pm

Thurs., Dec. 17: Mass at 8 am and 6:30 pm

Fri., Dec. 18: Mass at 8 am

Upcoming RCIA Lesson Topics

Please pray for and encourage those going through our RCIA program at St. Peter. This is what their next few weeks lesson topics are:

Dec. 13-Third Week of Advent-Catechesis: Eucharist.

Dec. 20-Fourth Week of Advent-Catechesis: The Mass
Know someone who has questions about the faith? Invite them to join us! For details contact Dillon Cott at dcott212@gmail.com.

VIRTUS Update

A VIRTUS will be on Monday, January 11 from 6-9 pm in the school library. Questions? Call the school office at 524-6585.

Spiritual Life Center Offering

New Year's Eve Marian Retreat: Dec. 31-Jan. 1. This annual retreat focuses on Our Blessed Mother. Schedule includes conference, Eucharistic Adoration from 10-11 pm, Mass at 11 pm followed by processional to a Shrine of Our Lady prepared indoors. \$20 per person; overnight is an additional \$40.

For more information or to register for this offering, please call the Center at 744-0167.

Fiat Discernment Retreat

Fiat Ministries is devoted to encouraging young women to answer "Yes" to the vocation God is calling them to. The discernment retreat is an opportunity for young women to ask questions, pray, listen and open their hearts to the Lord's will. Participants will receive wisdom through prayer, presentations by religious sisters, recreation and fellowship. The retreat is December 27-29 at the Spiritual Life Center and open to women ages 17-25 who are wondering if God might be inviting them to serve Him and His Church as a religious sister. If interested or want more information please contact Emily at savage@stfranciswichita.com. Cost is \$25 per person.



Marriage Encounter Weekend

The M.E. weekend will be February 19-21 at the Spiritual Life Center. For more information please contact Leon and Loretta Brittain at 719-387-9842 or brittleloretta@msn.com.

To register for the weekend, please call Clay and Aida Morrow at 562-331-4905.

Liturgical Ministers

Dec. 19 (5:30 pm)

Lector	Euch. Min.-HOST	MC
Elaine Steinke	Fr. Bernie	Luke Linnebur
Commentator	Preston Barger	Altar Servers
Tom Hoffman	Lisa Bosley	Jacob Foulk
Greeters	Phyllis Butherus	Chloe Knipp
Sheila Gable & Deb Gowing (B)	NO CUP	Eleighny McKim
Gift Bearers	Rosary	Emma Landwehr
Collin Snyder Family	Darren & Rene Huslig	Abby McCown
Cantor		Ushers
Doug Patry		Scott Eilert
Sarah Thome		Kevin Crabtree
Accompanist		Dan Duling
Betty Hunt		Nick Duling
		Nicholas Duling
		Tom Nance

Dec. 20 (8:00 am)

Lector	Euch. Min.-HOST	MC
Gary Hoppe	Fr. Bernie	Dalton Fox
Commentator	Tony Brandt	Altar Servers
Jeannie Zeller	Kelly Brandt	Greta Meyers
Greeters	Tyler Dandel	Haley Moravec
Charles & Linda Duke (B)	NO CUP	Dannielle Racine
Gift Bearers	Rosary	Ethan McMullen
Volunteer Needed	Bryan Urban	Hunter Trail
Cantor		Ushers
Nichole Giefer		Ron Ketzner
Accompanist		Ron Komp
Mike Sanders		Tony Kucera
		Bob Robben
		Mike Oberle
		Tom Peterson

Dec. 20 (10:30 am)

Lector	Euch. Min.-HOST	MC
Robbie Robben	Fr. Bernie	Christian Hegarty
Commentator	Anne Martin	Altar Servers
John Potts	Matt Noble	Phoenix Smith
Greeters	Dena Noble	Rebecca Leonard
Donnie Akin & David Gehlen (B)	Marcie Renyer	Thomas Pankratz
Gift Bearers	Dan Schoenecker	Theodore Sponsel
Volunteer Needed	NO CUP	Maria Robben
Cantor	Rosary	Ushers
Adult Choir	Renee Bockover	David Pankratz
Accompanist		Mark Scriven
Jan McGregor		Scott Shaw
		Mitchell Simpson
		Ernest Sponsel
		Eric Sponsel

Masses for the Coming Week

Saturday, Dec. 12	
8:00 am	Special Intention
5:30 pm	+Bernice Neises
Sunday, Dec. 13	
8:00 am	Kevin & Raelynn Martin Family
10:30 am	People of the Parish
Monday, Dec. 14	
8:00 am	+Greg Clamons
Tuesday, Dec. 15	
8:00 am	+Allie Thimesch
NO 6:30 pm Mass	
Wednesday, Dec. 16	
8:00 am	+Ed Welters
NO 6:30 pm Mass	
Thursday, Dec. 17	
8:00 am	+Henry & +Leona Baalman
6:30 pm	Special Intention
Friday, Dec. 18	
8:00 am	+Ernest Robben
Saturday, Dec. 19	
8:00 am	Special Intention
5:30 pm	+Dwayne Schlund
Sunday, Dec. 20	
8:00 am	People of the Parish
10:30 am	+Chuck Hadsell

Weekday Servers

Mon., Dec. 14 - 8:00 am

Tues., Dec. 15 - 8:00 am (MC: Luke Lubbers)

Greta Meyers, Hope Voegeli, Hunter Baalman, Ryan Addis, Solana Vargas

NO 6:30 pm Mass-

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6:30 pm

Friday, Dec. 18 - 8:00 am (MC: Luke Lubbers)

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TREASURE REPORT

For Fiscal Year 7/1/15 - 6/30/16 Gifts on Dec. 6, 2015

Weekly Budget	40,000.00
Regular Offerings.....	49,824.42
Current Year Deficit.....	(123,981.31)

Building Fund for December

Monthly Loan Payment.....	20,700.00
Pink Envelopes.....	10,645.00
Gifts & Memorials.....	100.00
Current Year Deficit.....	(47,280.00)
Loan Balance (amount still owed).....	1,109,096.43