

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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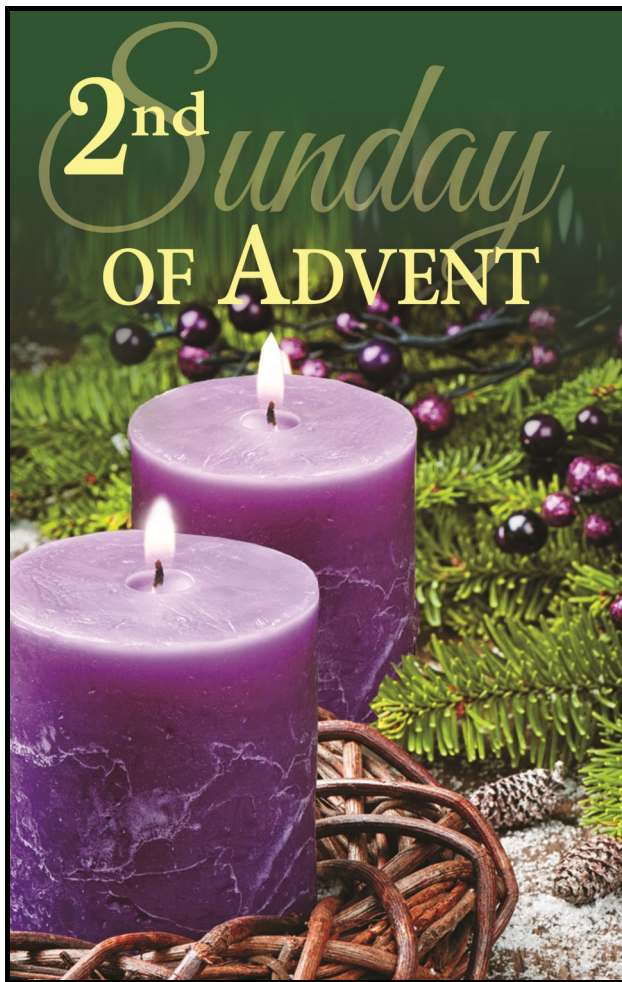
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Bulletin Deadline - Wed.-12 noon
(Dec 17 bulletin deadline Tues, Dec 12)

Eucharistic Ministry for Homebound

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



"John the Baptist was not tempted to conform to this world. He knew who was coming after him, and he wasn't afraid to shout it out.

He proclaimed an authentic baptism in the Holy Spirit -- a baptism we all share in!

In this baptism, we are not only called to be stewards of God's gifts, but we also hope to be found "without spot or blemish" at the end of time.

Advent season is a time to reflect on our baptismal promises, to clean up the blemishes, and look forward to the coming of the Savior who is already among us!"

-Office of Stewardship,
Catholic Diocese of Wichita

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday..... Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday..... 8 & 10:30 am

Daily Masses

Mon., Fri., & Sat.....8 am
Tues., Wed., Thurs8 am & 6:30 pm

Holy days - Check bulletin

Children's Adoration.....Sat 3 pm

1st Friday Devotions.....after 8 am
Mass

Sacraments

Reconciliation:

Weekdays - before 8 am Daily Mass, and 6-6:30 pm (Tuesday-Thursday)
Saturdays -3:30 pm, after every Sat. evening Mass, or by appointment

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 a registered and participating member.

Second Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 10, 2017



Readings/Gospel

Next Sunday, December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11

Resp: My soul rejoices in my God.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

JCYM-There will be NO JYCM this Wed, Dec 13 due to CYM Christmas Caroling at Dove Estates. We will resume JCYM on Dec 20 from 6:45-8 pm at the old school.

CYM-There is a change of time and location for CYM this Wed: Please meet at the Church of the Holy Spirit in Goddard by 6:45 pm. We will carol and then have cookies with Holy Spirit's youth group. Our meeting will conclude at 8:30 pm. We will not meet at St. Peter's at all on Dec 13.



Our next Confirmation class will be held Wednesday, **Jan 10, 8-9:30 pm.**

SAVE THE DATE: The mandatory Confirmation Retreat will be Sat, Feb 24, beginning at 9 am in Dominic Hall and ending with the Saturday evening Mass.



Schedule

Masses are at 4 pm and midnight Christmas Eve and 9 am Christmas Morning

Musical Prelude prior to Midnight Mass

The St. Peter Adult Choir would like to invite all parishioners to attend a "Musical Prelude" of religious Christmas songs starting at 11:30 pm before the Christmas Eve midnight Mass.

Church Cleaning and Christmas Decorating

Let's make the church shine for the Christmas season! We will have our "BIG CLEAN" on **Sat., Dec 16** beginning at 9 am.

Decorating the Church for Christmas will be **Thurs., Dec 21** beginning at 9 am. All are welcome, no matter how long you can stay. If your vacuum can be brought easily, feel free!

Lord's Diner Christmas Toiletry Drive-

Last Chance! St. Peter's STUCO has a collection box in the gathering space until Dec. 10 for items to distribute to Lord's Diner patrons. We need male deodorant, female deodorant, shampoo, bars of soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Eucharistic



To fill an open **Eucharistic Adoration** spot, **Tuesdays at 3 am, Saturday at 4 pm**, or to be a sub, please call Carol Siegrist at 524-6357 or Sherry Robben 794-2609.

Contribution Reminder

If you are making an end-of-year contribution to St. Peter Church and want it counted for your 2017 taxes, it **must be in the Parish Office by Sunday, December 31, 2017.**



Stewardship Packets

Thank you to the 207 parishioners/families who have turned in their Stewardship Packets! If you prefer the 4 pm Mass, please write it on the form. If you have a student attending St. Peter Catholic School or Bishop Carroll High School, your forms need to be submitted before Christmas.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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Mon., Dec 11- Advent Holy Hour 7 am; 8 am Mass; Harvest House Mtg 10 am; Little Flowers Mtg 3:30 pm

Tues., Dec 12 - Advent Holy Hour 7 am; 8 am Mass; 6 pm Confessions; 6:30 pm Mass; Tiger Scouts Mtg 6:30 pm; Men's Basketball 8:30 pm

Wed., Dec 13- Advent Holy Hour 7 am; 8 am Mass; 6 pm Confessions; 6:30 pm Mass; J/CYM 6:45 pm; St. Vincent de Paul Society Mtg 7 pm; Adult Choir 7:15 pm

Thurs., Dec 14- Advent Holy Hour 7 am; 8 am Mass; Mom's Group 9 am; 6 pm Confessions; 6:30 pm Mass; Knights of Columbus Mtg (Clonmel 8 pm)

Fri., Dec 15- Kapaun's Men 5:30 am; Advent Holy Hour 7 am; 8 am Mass; ENDOW mtg 9 am; 6:30 pm Mass

Sat., Dec 16- 8 am Mass; 3:30 pm Confessions; 4:00 pm Mass; Confessions to follow

Sun., Dec 17- 8 am Mass; KOC Breakfast with Santa; RCIA 9:15 am; 10:30 am Mass; KOC Free Throw contest, noon; Adorned Tables Mtg 3 pm; St. Peter Penance Service 4:30 pm; SPAC Mtg 7 pm

Weekday Advent Holy Hour & Additional Confession Opportunities

Starting Monday, Dec 4 through Friday, Dec 22, Fr. Bernie will be available for additional confessions and holy hour from 7 am - 8 am before weekday Mass. **St. Peter's Penance Service will start at 4:30 pm on Sun, Dec 17.**

Knights of Columbus Breakfast with Santa

The Knights will be serving breakfast after Sunday Masses on **Dec 17** with a special guest! But hurry if you want to get a picture with our jolly friend since he has to catch the next reindeer sleigh by 11:45 am!

The Knights are sponsoring a **Free Throw Contest** in the gym for children ages 9-14 years old. Registration starts at noon and free throw shooting begins at 12:30 pm.



Harvest House Dec Meeting-Dec 11

Come join Harvest House in Dominic Hall on Dec 11 at 10 am for the Christmas program. Bring light snacks and your Jesus in a manger statue if you have one.

Saint Vincent de Paul Meeting-Wed, Dec 13

SVDP meets in Dominic Hall at 7 pm monthly on Wednesdays. Come join us!

SCRIP Tips

Make your Christmas shopping easy this year. Order gift cards from the Scrip program. We have something for everyone. Does your company give gifts at Christmas? The Scrip program can make that giving easier for you. Some gift cards can be ordered in specific denominations and can usually be received within a week. Call Tara at 204-6155 to any questions.

Adorned Table Luncheon Planning Meeting

Attention all ladies of the Parish: The annual 2018 St. Peter Adorned Table Luncheon will be April 7, 2018. **There is a planning meeting scheduled Sun., Dec 17 in Dominic Hall 3-5 pm.** There will be a committee and volunteer sign up and food sampling. We also encourage anyone interested in hosting and decorating a table to attend. Please contact Tonia Nance 990-4005 or tnanec4@gmail.com for more information.



Thank you to **Jeff Heimerman** for all of your hard work. Jeff is the glue that keeps our Parish campus together.

Please keep Jeff, Brenda, and their family in your prayers as Jeff recovers from surgery to remove a brain tumor. Jeff is doing well and is in good spirits.

LIGHTHOUSE

Perfect material for Advent! 1) Dr. Scott Hahn has graced us with a special book, **Joy to the World**, and explains how Jesus' coming 2000 years ago still *changes things today!* He answers common questions concerning Jesus' birth, relates Christmas to Gospel passages and will astound you. You'll be excited about what you read! 2) EWTN author, psychologist, priest, Fr. Benedict Groeschel, now deceased, wrote of his many years of experience in helping and guiding people with their fears, anxieties, grief, loss, hurt, anger, tragedies, and darkness. In **Arise From Darkness**, he advises how to keep going and grow with God's grace, even when God seems distant.

WHY

Why do we celebrate the **Immaculate Conception**? The Church always gives us a day to rejoice in the midst of our reflection/penitential time! In December, it's remembering, rejoicing that our Blessed Mother was conceived in her own mother's womb without the stain of original sin on her soul. Did Jesus save her, then? Of course. By a singular grace and privilege, Almighty God preserved her, *by the foreseen merits of Jesus, our Savior and hers*. After all, she was to be the new Ark of the Covenant and must be pure to hold the God of the Universe in her womb!

FORMED

When searching for Advent related items, under 'Watch' you'll find many movies, like **Joseph of Nazareth**. For kids, there's **Nicholas and Brother Francis: O Holy Night**, **Altar Gang**, and **What's What in the Church**. They'll be entertained as they learn! (JKP2P)

1st Ever Michael Kors Purse & Wallet Raffle



Altar Society is sponsoring this raffle for a Michael Kors purse and wallet combination, valued at \$566, with the profits to benefit one or several charities listed on the ticket. Tickets are \$5 each or 5/\$20. Ticket sales are limited so hurry to be one of the 100 chances! This raffle is open to everyone so if you want to share it with family and friends, please do so!

The purse and ticket is available to view and print on the Altar Society webpage or stop at the Scrip table after each Mass to purchase your ticket. You can leave sold tickets at the Scrip Table but we ask you to turn these in ASAP so you will be one of the 100. 20 tickets left!

Altar Society Updates

Congratulations to Lynette Sundeen on winning the \$10 for paying her Altar Society dues. Thank you to all the ladies who paid their dues this year. We have 20 tickets left for the purse raffle. Our Christmas party is Dec 21 at Prairie Rose Chuck wagon. Cost to members is \$12, with Altar Society paying the rest. Must be registered and **paid by Dec 14**. Interested or need a ride? Call Tara 204-6155 or Deb 650-6642



God's Blessing and Happy 95th Birthday to Catherine Winter!

Spiritual Life Center Offerings

APOLOGIA: Defending the Faith in the 21st Century

Thurs, Dec 14, 7-8:30 pm. Join guest presenters for these sessions of apologetic dialogue. Each session features a topic pertinent to 21st century Catholics. \$10

To register, www.slwichita.org or call (316) 744-0167

Surviving Divorce Program begins Jan 8

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is hosting a 12 week program "Surviving Divorce" starting on Monday, Jan 8. The event will be from 7-8:30 pm in the multipurpose room of St. Catherine of Sienna Catholic School 3642 N Ridge Road. \$35 Register at 316-425-0595 or clista@saintcatherinewichita.com

Christmas Call to Sharing

One of the greatest blessings in the Wichita Diocese is that a young man is free to enter seminary without worrying about the cost of his private education. Please consider a gift this year for Christmas Call to Sharing, 2017. -Bishop Carl Kemme

Fiat Discernment Retreat

Fiat Ministries is devoted to encouraging your women to answer "yes" to the vocation to which God is calling them. Throughout this weekend of discernment, participants will receive wisdom through prayer, presentations by religious sisters, recreation and fellowship. Single women, age 18-26, who are seeking to do God's will, are invited to this retreat **December 15-17**, at the Spiritual Life Center. The cost of the retreat is \$25 which includes meals, lodging, and materials. Register online at www.fiatministries.org. For more information, please contact Emily Savage at esavage@stfranciswichita.com

2018 Catholic Faith Conference-Jan 19-20 Catholicism Beyond the Pew

Please join us at the Spiritual Life Center for the 1st Annual Catholic Faith Conference featuring national keynote speaker, Jon Leonetti, breakout sessions for all stages of life, an information fair, Adoration led by Wichita Adore Ministries, and a "Stump the Padre" panel. We explore all that is beautiful and inspiring about our Catholic Faith. If you've ever wanted to connect more deeply with your faith, THIS is the event for you! Please visit www.SLCWichita.org or call 316-744-0167 to register.

KFL Presents-KS Politics and KS Courts

The Supreme Court of the State of Kansas is considering whether or not there is a right to abortion in the KS Constitution and the Honorable Seth Rundle will be speaking on the court's upcoming decision at Kansans for Life 3301 W 13th 7-8 pm on Tues, Dec 12. This is FREE and refreshments will be served. Questions, call 687-5433.

Director of High School Finance Wanted

This position reports to the Superintendent of Schools and will be responsible for general supervision of the finances of the local Secondary Schools and their related food service operations. Deadline for resumes is noon on Dec 27. Check the job posting at CDOW Ministry & Offices, Human Resources: <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org>

Liturgical Ministers

December 16 (4:00 pm)

Lector Tom Butherus	Cantors Theresa Cooper-Walburn	Altar Servers Grace Simon Madeline Simon Autumn Trail Mark Voegeli Aiden Wright
Commentator Dylan Dishon	Accompanist Phyllis Butherus	Ushers Bo Newell Colton Ricke Norb Posch Markus Ristich Kit Russell Marvin Schauf
Greeters Dana & Charles Thronesbery (B) Michael Simon (N) Abbi Burleigh (S)	Euch. Min.- HOST Fr. Bernie Amy Ducote Diana Fredelake Tony Gormley	
Gift Bearers Darren Richuber Family	MC John McCosh	
Rosary Ruthann Santillie		

December 17 (8 am)

Lector Tom Bergkamp	Cantor Becky Kucera	Altar Servers Kory Schoenfeld Patrick Rowden Kevan Rowden Theodore Sponsel Michaela Baalman
Commentator Arlene Bergkamp	Accompanist Mike Sanders	Ushers David Sponsel Stephen Szczpanski John Thome Larry Thome Donald Wasinger Frank Blasi
Greeters Raymond & Colleen Youngers (B) Pat Dugan (N) Carol Dugan (S)	Euch. Min.- HOST Fr. Bernie Anne Martin Jennifer Myers Michael Pankratz	
Gift Bearers Volunteer Needed	MC Marshall Baalman	
Rosary Ralph & Helenruth Welsby		

December 17 (10:30 am)

Lector Volunteer Needed	Cantor 10:30 am Adult Choir	Altar Servers Nathan Forrest Kolby Girrens Noah Hegarty Blake Hansard Keaton Hansard
Commentator Marisol Larin	Accompanist Julie Riedlinger	Ushers Matt Weber Blake Weber Joaquin Zapata Brian Addis Jimmy Allen Clark Bolan
Greeters Joan & Mark Suffield (B) Ernie Sponsel (N) Vicky Sponsel (S)	Euch. Min.- HOST Fr. Bernie Bill Collier Lee Cotham Andrea Cotham Jennifer Eastman Rebecca Hegarty	
Gift Bearers Leo & Mary Welters	MC John Suffield	
Rosary Cathy Brady		

Please let the Parish Office know if you would like to serve at **any Christmas Masses 12/24 4 pm, Midnight Mass, or 12/25 9 am.**

Upcoming Mass Intentions

Saturday, Dec 9

8 am Special Intentions
4:00 pm †Terry McCuiston

Sunday, Dec 10

8 am †Albert Haag Family Members
10:30 am People of the Parish

Monday, Dec 11

8 am †Anselmo Maria

Tuesday, Dec 12

8 am Special Intentions
6:30 pm †Josephine Major

Wednesday, Dec 13

8 am †Joan Becker
6:30 pm Special Intentions

Thursday, Dec 14

8 am Kevin & Raelynn Martin Family
6:30 pm Special Intentions

Friday, Dec 15

8 am †Mary Strunk

Saturday, Dec 16

8 am Special Intentions
4:00 pm Dennis & Peggy Stolzenburg

Sunday, Dec 17

8 am Duwayne Robello
10:30 am People of the Parish

Weekday Servers

Mon., Dec. 11, 8 am Mass

Tues., Dec. 12, 8 am Mass (MC: Theodore Sponsel)

Grace Simon, Kacie Hulsey, Jersey McGee, Cailyn Knipp, Gianna Larin

Wed., Dec. 13, 8 am Mass (MC: Theodore Sponsel)

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Thurs., Dec. 14, 8 am Mass (MC: Theodore Sponsel)

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Fri., Dec. 15, 8 am Mass (MC: John Elliott)

Audrey Taylor, Emma Knipp, Sarah Ostrom, Cailyn Knipp, Gianna Larin



TREASURE REPORT

For Fiscal Year 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Gifts on December 3, 2017

Weekly Budget	\$42,000.00
Regular Offerings	39,980.80
Current Year Deficit	(104,944.74)

Building Fund for December

Monthly Loan Payment	\$20,700.00
Pink Envelopes	4,186.00
Current Year Deficit	(9,264.08)
Loan Balance (amount still owed)	663,316.62