

SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

THROUGH OUR VIBRANT FAITH COMMUNITY, SAINT PETER PARISH FORMS DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.







The September 2023 Women's ACTS Team spends time together each week preparing for the retreat. See page 5 for information about registering for the retreat.



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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Satisfies Sunday obligation)

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am*, 5:00 pm *Livestream on stpeterlive.com

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:45 am, 8:15 am*

Saturday: 8:15 am*

*Livestream on stpeterlive.com

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Check the bulletin or stpeterkirkwood.org.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Monday nights at 9:00pm in the church and takes less than 30 minutes. Bring your rosary and enter through the Northeast door by the parking lot.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

Join us to pray this devotion every Tuesday at 7:15am (after 6:45am Mass) and at 7:30am (before 8:15am Mass), and 8:45am (after 8:15am Mass).

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH REGISTRATION

For information about registering as a new parish member call 314.966.8600 or visit stpeterkirkwood.org.

BULLETIN

Submit bulletin articles to communications@stpeterkirkwood.org by Monday at 3:00 pm.

PARISH WEBSITE

Visit www.stpeterkirkwood.org for Mass times, ministries information, Calendar of events, online giving and more.

FLOCKNOTE

Sign up to receive email notifications from the parish by visiting stpkirkwood.flocknote.com/everyone.

FACEBOOK

St. Peter Church - @STPKirkwood St. Peter School - @stpschoolkirkwood

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 11:30 am. Expectant parents are encouraged to make arrangements for the program a few months prior to the birth of their child.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

In accordance with Archdiocesan policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date to schedule your wedding date and for details regarding the preparation program.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Angela Merici Chapel is located in Ursuline Hall and is open 24 hours a day. Enter through the Garden Courtyard (0822).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is held on Saturdays from 3:45 pm-4:45 pm

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anointing of the Sick is held on the third Sunday of each month after 8:00 am Mass for those in a terminal condition, about to undergo surgery, receiving treatment for a life-threatening illness, and persons weakened by old age. Anointing of the Sick can be scheduled in an emergency or at an arranged time in a parishioner's home or care facility.

HOLY ORDERS AND CONSECRATED (RELIGIOUS) LIFE

Contact the Archdiocesan Office of Vocations at 314.792.6460 for information.

For information about baptisms, weddings, anointing of the sick, reconciliation and Holy Orders, call 314.966.8600.

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O FELIX CULPA A Word from Our Pastor | 3

In 1917, former president Theodore Roosevelt wrote in the Ladies Home Journal on the reasons one should go to church on Sundays. He lamented the declining attendance at Sunday services. (One hundred years later we still are!) Theodore Roosevelt critiqued the reasons people make for not attending a house of worship on the Sabbath:

"Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator and dedicate oneself to good living in a grove of trees, or by a running brook, or in one's own house, just as well as in church. But I also know as a matter of cold fact the average man does not thus worship or thus dedicate himself. If he stays away from Fr. Matt O'Toole church he does not spend his time in good works or in lofty meditation. He looks over the colored supplement of the newspaper."





These days, non-churchgoing people are not necessarily atheists; rather, they are more likely to explain that they prefer not to attach themselves to a single creed with specific obligations. While still believing in a higher power or transcendent being, a lot of people find traditional faith to be too confining for their personal needs. Moreover, some will cite their distaste for organized religion based on their judgment that it has caused wars, encouraged prejudices and stifled human progress. Today, it's an often-heard mantra in our western culture: "I'm spiritual but not religious." So for them, God is found on one's own through experiences and reflection that is solitary.

Not to be dismissive, but honestly, anybody can go watch the sun set over the ocean or take in the panorama of the Grand Canyon and "feel God." So what, then? (This is the point Teddy Roosevelt was making.) The real question is: how does an imprecise spirituality respond when your spouse walks out the door, or when you find out your kid has cancer? Spirituality is important, but it is only half the equation. Religion provides spirituality with definition. It gives it form, an outline, legs on which to walk. If spirituality is heaven, then religion is earth. It is where you live your spirituality. It is how you practice your spirituality. After all, aren't we always teaching our children that 'Practice makes perfect'? Reading the Bible, ritual prayers, singing hymns, kneeling, crossing yourself. They're part of the machinations by which we do spirituality. I mean, really: what practice is there in watching sunsets?

Ours is a culture that encourages being dubious of those who claim to possess the truth. It seems a shame, however, that people should leave it to themselves to go searching for meaning on their own, by themselves. The solitary pursuit of answers is lonely. Moreover, it may be just a little too confident of one's self. A lot of non-religious types are particularly protective of their autonomy – that self-governing, self-directing state where there is moral independence and decision making.

Religion shouldn't threaten autonomy, but it does connect us with one another. Each of us in different ways have those mysterious or awesome encounters with the holy that happen in both ordinary and extraordinary ways. While they bind us together as human beings, they also long for explanation and meaning. Understanding them through the lens of a religious tradition brings some clarity to our purpose for existence and our place in the world. It's in community that we live our life, and it's inside a household (whether family or otherwise) that we grow and are nourished. That's what "doing church" provides. We share our mutual desire for something greater than ourselves and by gathering in God's presence we learn that we are not alone. We are loved! Not by some nebulous feeling of something transcendent but in a real, incarnate way!

I'd like to hear a new mantra get started: "I'm spiritual and religious." In fact, that would make a good bumper sticker: "I'm spiritual and religious. Follow me to church!"

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LET US PRAY FOR

WEDDING BANNS

Nichole Potter and Donald Marschall

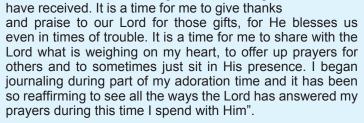
THE SICK

Molly Cantonwine, Anna Chott, Sheran Cronin, Ceres Dbritto, Katie Feise, Vic Frome, Louis G., Lisa Heaps, June Hochberg, Rena Girard, Kristi Hueseman, Gail Jacus, Heather Jacus, Trey Kirtian, Natalya Klump, Conner Knell, Mary Kay Kopp, Pam and Ken Kopp, Kevin Lavin, Annette Leatherman, Trish Martin, Margaret McDonald, Jerry Meier, Betty Appelbaum-Meier, Eileen Morrison, Dianne Pecha, Pat Pollman, Charlie Smith, Chris Smith, Nick Sudekum, Jane Sulze, Marguerite Wuebker

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The following is a testimonial from St. Peter parishioner, Dana Trokey.

"For the past 2+ years, I have been participating in Eucharistic Adoration on a weekly basis. What began as part of a Lenten promise has become a permanent part of my prayer life and grown into one of my most favorite times of the week! It is a time for me that I can pause, focus and be reminded of all the gifts and blessings I



The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel entrance is in the Prayer Garden located on the east side of the church next to Ursuline Hall. It is accessed from the sidewalk between the church and Ursuline Hall. (0822) Go to stpeterkirkwood. weadorehim.com or contact Susan Martin at (314) 221-3104 or Jane Shea at (314)761-3425 for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday June 24

8:15 am Society of St. Vincent DePaul

5:00 pm People of St. Peter

Sunday June 25

8:00 am Mary Reilly + 10:00 am Mark McCoy + 5:00 pm Jack Eckles +

Monday June 26

6:45 am Lil Klump + 8:15 am Richard Mueller +

Tuesday June 27

6:45 am James Singer 8:15 am Dr. Eliot Casey +

Wednesday June 28

6:45 am Charles Jellinek + 8:15 am Joe & Mary Rudy +

Thursday June 29

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

6:45 am Msgr. Jerome Billings + 8:15 am People of St. Peter

Friday June 30

6:45 am Virginia Reilly

8:15 am Kathryn & Joesph Darpel +

Saturday July 1

8:15 am Peter Schmit + 5:00 pm Russell Belcher +

Sunday July 2

8:00 am People of St. Peter 10:00 am Donald Joseph Smith + 5:00 pm Giulio Bernardo +

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Total for June 17-18 \$ 35,890.00 Month-To Date Total \$ 103,942.00 Year-To-Date Total \$ 1,712,224.00

Collections versus Budget

vs. YTD 21-22 Collections Adjusted - 0.8% vs. YTD 20-21 Collections Adjusted + 3.2% vs. YTD 19-20 Collections Adjusted + 2.6%

Donate online: saintpeterkirkwood.weshareonline.org

Mail or drop off envelopes: Saint Peter Church 243 West Argonne Dr., Kirkwood, MO 63122



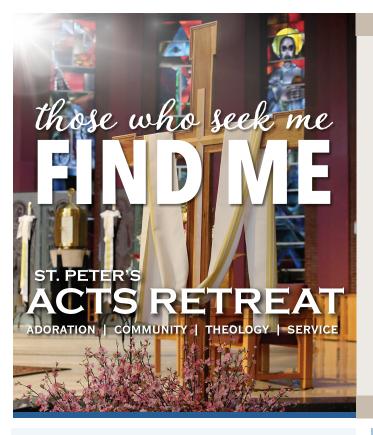
OUR FEAST APPROACHES!

This Thursday, June 29 is the Church's celebration of the great apostles Saints Peter and Paul. It is the patronal feast of our parish's namesake.

In honor of the occasion, everyone attending either the 6:45 a.m. or 8:15 a.m. Mass is welcome to gather for coffee and donuts in the church gathering space.

Happy Feast Day to Us!





FALL 2023 ACTS RETREATS

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH

Women's Retreat: 9/7/23 - 9/10/23 Men's Retreat: 9/28/23 - 10/1/23

ACTS has allowed me to see Christ through so many amazing women - I am in awe of the community. It helps me stay connected to Jesus.

-Gina Riney, Fall 2023 Women's Retreat Co-Director

The St. Peter Parish Community has welcomed the Warriner family beyond my wildest imagination for which Tiffany and I greatly credit our individual ACTS experience! - Richard Warriner, Fall 2023 Men's Retreat Co-Director

The ACTS retreat is an opportunity to renew and strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ. Take time to meaningfully connect with others in the community and rejuvenate your faith in a profound way! Seek and you shall find.

Go to stpacts.psrenroll.com or scan the QR code to sign up now.

LEARN MORE AT STPETERKIRKWOOD.ORG/ACTS-RETREATS



PSR ENROLLMENT 2023-2024

Enrollment for the Parish School of Religion 2023-24 academic year is **now open.**

Our program is available for students in grades K-8 attending public or non-Catholic private schools. Space is limited for Kindergarten.

We offer two sessions on Tuesday evenings. Limited space in each session.

Session One from 4:30-5:45pm Session Two from 6:30-7:45pm

To register, visit stpkirkwood.psrenroll.com. If you are a non-parish family, contact Mrs. Susan Lueker prior to enrollment. For more information about our program, please contact Susan Lueker at 314.821.0460 ext. 4212 or email slueker@stpeterkirkwood.org.

EARLY HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please note that bulletin article submissions for the July 9 bulletin will be Wednesday, June 28, due to the holiday on July 4. Thank you in advance for sending your bulletin articles early!



SAINT PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL KIRKWOOD

JOIN US ON MISSION! St. Peter School Seeking Middle School Math Teacher

Join our team at St. Peter School, Kirkwood! We are seeking a dynamic and engaging Middle School Math Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. The role is full-time, but we're open to having two qualified candidates share the role.

To apply, please email your cover letter and resume to Dr. John Freitag, Principal, at jfreitag@ stpteach.com or call 314.821.0460, extension 4121. We look forward to hearing from you.

ST. PETER PARISH GUIDE BOOK DIRECTORY



Your Guide Book Directory will be arriving in the mail soon. This handy booklet serves as a quick reference guide to our parish, including contact information for all parishioners. It is designed to help you stay connected with our St. Peter community. Whether you're looking to reach out for fellowship, coordinate a ministry meeting, or simply get to know your

fellow parishioners better, the Guide Book Directory will prove invaluable. Look out for your copy and let's keep our St. Peter family strong and connected.

ONLINE DIRECTORY

In addition to our printed directory, parishioners now have access to our new member portal that includes password-protected logins to an online parish directory. By signing into your profile, you can add a new picture, update your contact information, and find contact information for fellow parishioners.

How do I access the Member Portal?

- servantkeeper.com/member-portal/stpeterkirkwood
- Click "haven't registered yet" to set up your account.
- Bookmark this page in your browser for easy access.

Once logged in, change your contact information, upload a picture and customize your settings. You can control what fellow parishioners see in the online directory. For example, if you prefer your phone number to be unlisted, you can simply check the box that says "unlisted" in your profile. This information is ONLY viewable by your fellow parishioners via the online directory.

How do I access the Online Directory?

You will use the same login and password as you used to create your member account:

servantkeeper.com/directory/stpeterkirkwood

The online directory contains contact information for parishioners of St. Peter Church. This directory is password protected, only your fellow parishioners can view the information. Contribution records are NOT viewable. If you wish to be removed from the directory, contact Susan Darby, sdarby@stpeterkirkwood.org, or log-in to the member portal and update your settings.



Scan the STP QR code or go to stpeterkirkwood.org/ links for quick access to bulletin links.





FOOD | MUSIC | GAMES



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KIRKWOOD COUNCIL 2117

FUNDRAISER BENEFITING

St Louis Fisher House (at VA Medical Center)

Our Lady's Inn

Saturday **July 8, 2023**

4:00 to 8:00 pm

St Peter School 200 Block of W Adams

(Enter school yard off Adams)

PLACE ORDER BY JULY 1!

ALL MEALS - PREORDERS REQUIRED



Use QR Code or visit www.kofc2117.org for link to preorder



ST. PETER RACIAL UNITY SPOTLIGHT

Parish Discussion Group June 26 at 7:00 pm in Ursuline Hall

We will discuss an episode of the Hello Monday Podcast in which the host, Jessi Hempel, talks with Kwame Christian, the author of How to Have Difficult Conversations About Race. To listen go to:

Youtube.com/watch?v=nx2XpMgW1nQ Contact Joan Turnure, jsturnure@gmail.com.

Recommended Books/Movies

Read the book or watch the movie "Just Mercy." (A young adult version of the book is available). It is the story of a young lawyer hired to defend a young Black man for a crime he insists he didn't commit. This will be discussed in the August Parish Discussion Group.



St. Peter's Grief Ministry is hosting GriefShare, a support group program which includes 13 faith-based sessions. Whether your grief is recent or ongoing this program can help. It addresses all forms of loss including spouse, parent, child, friend or other family member. The sessions include professionally produced videos, discussion, faith sharing and a workbook.

Our next session is Thursday, July 6 at 6:30 pm in the Westhoff Room in Ursuline Hall. For more information, contact Mary Doehring, medoehring@gmail.com or 314.712.1342, or learn more on the Grief Share website at griefshare.org.

EMBRACING A CULTURE OF LIFE

A message from the Pro-Life Committee

Earlier this month, the US National Center for Health Statistics reported that the total fertility rate in the United States was 1.7 children per woman in 2022, an over 50% decline compared to the early 1960's. There are many reasons for this staggering decline, but Pope St. John Paul II summed up this cultural phenomenon, long ago, as being a byproduct of a "culture of death." In this culture, most everyone, especially the vulnerable, are viewed as a burden to the well-being and life-style of others. However, the papal Saint encourages us to be counter-cultural by living a culture of life!

In your St. Peter community, there are endless opportunities to do this. The culture of life can take the form of supporting single mothers by donating talent, time and/or treasure to organizations such as Birthstone. Blood donations at our regular ImpactLife blood drives are another great way to give the joy of life to someone you might never meet. Maybe you can reach out and offer free, unsolicited, periodic childcare to new parents struggling with a newborn. Or a quiet, personal daily prayer affirming "that we are all made in the image and likeness of God," while contemplating your children, brothers, sisters, parents, neighbors, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, friends, or even your enemies.

The key to a culture of life is that everyone has an important role to play, including you.





ONE STEP CLOSER TO A WORLD WITHOUT HUNGER

RISE AGAINST HUNGER

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 11:30AM - 3:30PM ST. PETER PARISH CENTER

Have you ever wanted to make a direct impact on global hunger? Now's your chance! We are on a mission to pack 42,768 nutritious meals for distribution through the Rise Against Hunger network. But we need YOU to make it happen!

The goal: 600 volunteers will pack 42,768 nutritiously sound meals for distribution through the Rise Against Hunger network while also raising \$18,000 to cover all costs associated with the meals and their distribution, ensuring that every single cent of your donation goes straight to those in need. Stay tuned for more details on how to sign up and donate!

If you're interested in coordinating this event and helping us to make it a success, contact Anne LaBarge at labargeanne@yahoo.com.

Let's join together and rise against hunger!

ST. PETER ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Date: Friday, August 18, 2023

Tee Time: 10AM Registration: 9AM

Cost: \$125/person (lunch/golf and cart included)

Format: 4 Man Scramble

Location: Forest ParkGolf Course

*Appetizers, drinks and awards to follow at course

Register: Scan STP QR code below or go to

stp.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1767032

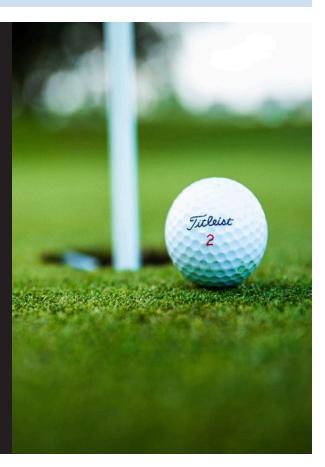
Sponsorship opportunities available.



Questions:

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Paul Ardekani at paul.ardekani@gmail.com

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

In the Gospel today, we hear Jesus say: "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."

The St Peter Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provides clothes, shelter, utilities, food, medicine and more for people in need throughout our own neighborhood of Kirkwood. Our personal, one-on-one approach gives people the help they need for today and frees them to see a better tomorrow.

This week, know that you will bringing hope to the poor by your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you.

The number to call for information about our St. Peter conference or to direct brothers and sisters in need of help with utility, rent, or food assistance is 314.289.6101 ext. 2220.

SOCCER REFEREES NEEDED

If you are interested in Refereeing CYC Soccer this Fall and you are either in or going to be in High School this coming semester please contact Dan Imig at deimig@sbcglobal.net for the requirements and training schedule.

FOR YOUR QUILTING NEEDS...

Rely on St. Peter Quilters! We do patchwork and embroidered tops. If necessary, we can assemble embroidered blocks into beautiful quilt tops. We also have baby quilts for sale. For more information, call Marla at 314.412.1454.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." Matthew 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

We have over 50 ministries and organizations at St. Peter Parish. There are groups centered in prayer and learning, in nurturing community, and in serving our neighbors. Find a group that you can share your gifts and talents by visiting stpeterkirkwood.org.

HOW CAN I HELP MY NEIGHBOR?

STS. TERESA AND BRIDGET FOOD PANTRY

Food donation drop off location: Candy and John Behl, 319 East Adams, Kirkwood (block and a half east of the YMCA). Please donate cans no larger than 30 ounces.

Contact: Kristen and Tim Figge, 314.402.6739.

PERSON TO PERSON

We Are Here To Help. Parishioner volunteers are ready to assist you with special needs you may have due to illness or other emergencies.

Types of help offered: Transportation, meals, yard work, light housekeeping, laundry, grocery shopping, rides to church, rides to the doctor. Please call and we will try to make the necessary arrangements to assist.

Contact: Deacon John Komotos, 314.984.0054. All requests remain confidential. Please leave a message and your call will be answered.

ST. PATRICK CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

Donations requested: Breakfast bars, granolatype bars, chips, cookies, water, and individual drinks accepted daily. The Health Department requires that all food items come pre-packaged. **Drop offlocation:** 450 Burns Ave, Kirkwood. (Green tub on side of house on driveway).

Contact: Jennifer Moritz, 314.909.6756

STS. PETER AND PAUL MEALS PROGRAM

How can you help? Volunteers help when they can. Families welcome. Meals are served on the 3rd of each month at the Sts. Peter and Paul dining hall in Soulard.

Contact: Mary Raizman, 314.458.6895 mraizman@lauramccarthy.com

ROOM AT THE INN

How can you help? Donate online at roomstl. org/DONATE.html. or items from the Room at the Inn wish list can be dropped off at 240 W Argonne Drive (House is across street from the rectory). Collection box on porch. Paper towels, paper plates, paper cups, rolls of bath tissue, cleaning solvents. Clorox laundry bleach, liquid dish detergent, trash bags (13, 44 & 55 gallon), umbrellas, foil and plastic wrap, thumb drives, Vaseline, storage baggies (qt, g, 2g), men's white and colored t-shirts (M-3x), men's sweatpants and pajama bottoms (M, L, XL, XXL), women's colored t-shirts, sweatpants, pajama bottoms (M, L, XL, XXL), storage containers (regular and microwave)

KIRKCARE DONATIONS

Donations for Kirk Care of nonperishable food are accepted in the Rectory Office vestibule. Donations go directly to families in the Kirkwood R-V11 School district attendance area. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer McCoy 314.960.9873.

10 News from Around the Archdiocese

SUMMER BUNCO AT ST. RICHARD PARISH

St. Richard Parish is hosting SUMMER BUNCO on June 27, in O'Brien Hall. Starting with an Ice Cream Social at 6:00PM, game begins at 7:00PM. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY - Bunco is a fast-paced, easy-to-learn game and ALL ARE WELCOME! Win cash prizes and enjoy some ice cream!

Register at bit.ly/Bunco-June2023 or text Carolyn at 314.489.2358.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS - VISITORS CENTER

Journey to Nicaea:
The Evolution of Christianity from Gospel to Creed
Presenter: Mark Etling, PhD
Saturdays, July 1, August 5 and September 2
10:00 am - Noon

The first four centuries of the Christian era saw an incredible evolution – from a tiny movement in Israel to a vast, thriving institution in much of the Roman Empire. In its earliest days the Christian movement was a disorganized network of communities with no Bible, no central authority, and no unified system of beliefs. But by the year 400 the Church had adopted a universal statement of faith – the Nicene Creed. In this three-part series we will explore Christianity's historical and theological journey from Jerusalem to Nicaea.

Cost: \$10 per session / \$30 for the series. For more information, call 618-394-6281. Register online at https://snows.org



PARISH AMBASSADOR NEWS



GO TO BAT FOR KIDS

Go to Bat for Kids is a Catholic Charities tradition that makes a memorable night at Busch Stadium possible for many children and families who might not otherwise have the opportunity. At each of the four Go to Bat for Kids games, a

child will experience the thrill of throwing out a ceremonial pitch. Children served by our family of nine ministries will walk in a pregame parade on the field.

We invite you to step up to the plate and **Go to Bat for Kids** by sponsoring a child for just \$26. Your donation provides admission to a game, a hot dog, and a soda. Help create a memory for one or more children!

To donate or for more information, go to at ccstl.org, or contact your Parish Ambassadors, Natalie Orlando, orlando1318@sbcglobal.net or Jen Moritz, jenmoritz@gmail.com.



Celebrating God's Loving Design for Marriage, Families, and Life

Mass and Picnic Lunch

Sunday, July 16, 2023 11:00 a.m. (Sunday Mass)

Bishop Mark S. Rivituso, Celebrant

St. Peter Catholic Church, St. Charles

221 1st Capitol Dr. St. Charles, MO 63301

R.S.V.P. bit.ly/NFP-LL-2023



R.S.V.P is appreciated for planning purposes.

WORDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

worldwide marriage encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next three weekend experiences are listed below. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314.649.7317.

8/4/2023 - 8/6/2023- St. Peters, MO 9/29/2023 - 10/1/2023 - St. Peters, MO 12/1/2023 - 12/3/2023 - St. Peters, MO

FRIENDS OF KIDS WITH CANCER

3v3 Soccer Tournament

Saturday, July 22, 2023 Vetta Concord 12320 Old Tesson Rd St. Louis, MO 63128

Join us for day of indoor soccer for all the kids! Registration includes a minimum of 5 high-paced games per team, a commemorative water bottle, and snow cones, snacks, and fluids all provided the day-of for the participants.