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St. Peter Church



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SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • 15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday:	6:15 AM Latin*		8:00 AM English	
Tuesday:	6:15 AM Latin*		8:00 AM English	
Wednesday:	6:15 AM Latin*		8:00 AM English	7:00 PM Latin*
Thursday:	6:15 AM Latin*		8:00 AM English	
Friday:	6:15 AM Latin*		8:00 AM English	
Saturday:	8:00 AM Latin*		5:00 PM English	
Sunday:	7:00 AM Latin*		8:30 AM English	10:00 AM English
	11:30 AM Latin*		1:00 PM Spanish	
1st Friday:	6:15 AM Latin*		8:00 AM English	7:00 PM Latin*
1st Sunday:	7:00 AM Latin		8:30 AM English	10:00 AM English
	11:30 AM Latin		1:00 PM Spanish	

**The Mass according to the liturgical books of 1962*

FR. NATHAN CASWELL, SJC PASTOR
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Confession Times

Listed below are Confession start times.

SUNDAY: 6:50 AM | 8:15 AM | 9:45 AM | 11:15 AM | 12:45 PM
WEEKDAYS: 8:35 AM **WEDNESDAY:** 6:30 PM
SATURDAY: 7:45 AM | 4:30 PM

Divine Office

SUNDAY: 6:25 AM Matins & Lauds | 2:15 PM Rosary & Vespers | 6:00 PM Compline
WEEKDAYS: 7:15 AM Matins & Lauds | 11:45 AM Mid Day Prayer | 4:45 PM Rosary & Vespers | 6:45 PM Compline *(when no other events)*
SATURDAY: 7:15 AM Matins & Lauds | 11:45 AM Mid Day Prayer | 4:00 PM Rosary & Vespers | 5:45 PM Compline

Adoration



THURSDAYS: 4:30 PM - 9:00 PM
1ST FRIDAY: 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Parish Office Hours

Weekdays: 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, Holy Days, & legal holidays.

Welcome New Parishioners

We're very pleased to welcome you to St. Peter's in Volo! If you are interested in joining the parish, you may register quickly and easily by visiting the parish website at www.stpetervolo.org/registration.

Sacraments

Do you have a newborn to be Baptized? Are you a couple ready to be married? Do you know someone who wants to become Catholic? If so, visit us at www.stpetervolo.org/sacraments for more information on how to obtain the Sacraments at St. Peter's.

Blessing of Sacramentals

Items such as Rosaries, St. Benedict medals, Miraculous medals, water, salt, images, etc. will be blessed at the communion rail on **Saturdays only** (after the Mass and Rosary), or by appointment.

2026 Mass Intentions

The Mass Intentions Book will reopen on **October 1st**. Details are forthcoming.

The Canons Regular also offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for those individuals enrolled in the Perpetual Mass Society. Visit www.canons-regular.org.

Offertory Collection

The total Collection from last Sunday was \$35,123.95.



This active group for teens (age 13-18) celebrates all life and seeks to put an end to abortion. Members meet at St. Peter's on the **first Saturday** of every month, at **7:30 PM**. For more information, please visit:

www.stpetervolo.org/crusaders or www.facebook.com/volocrusaders

Mass Intentions**Monday, September 22nd** - *St. Thomas of Villanova (T), St. Maurice & Comps. (T)*

- **6:15 AM** - Kristine Richter
- **8:00 AM** - † Donna Goodwin

Tuesday, September 23rd - *St. Pio (N), St. Linus (T), St. Theclas (T), St. Constantius the Sacristan (H)*

- **6:15 AM** - Warner and Elin Hewson
- **8:00 AM** - Joseph & Bethany Grzenia Family

Wednesday, September 24th - *Our Lady of Ransom (T), St. Pacific of San Severino (H)*

- **6:15 AM** - Kristine Guzick
- **8:00 AM** - Sarah Wilson
- **7:00 PM** - Paula Sigurnjak

Thursday, September 25th - *Bl. Herman the Cripple (H), St. Finbar (H), St. Cleophas (H)*

- **6:15 AM** - Patrick & Danette Benoit & Family
- **8:00 AM** - Isabelle Branche

Friday, September 26th - *Sts. Cosmas & Damian (N), Sts. Cyprian & Justina (T), Sts. Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf & Comps. (T)*

- **6:15 AM** - Michael Jahaske
- **8:00 AM** - Brooke Lareau

Saturday, September 27th - *St. Vincent de Paul (N), Sts. Cosmas & Damian (T)*

- **8:00 AM** - Edward Kumon
- **5:00 PM** - Marta Wroblewski

Sunday, September 28th - *26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 16th Sunday after Pentecost*

- **7:00 AM** - † Teresa Drrewonko
- **8:30 AM** - Janine Laurenti and Family
- **10:00 AM** - † St. Peter's 6th Resident Pastor, Fr. Charles J. Heaney (1973-83)
- **11:30 AM** - Celestina & Krzysztof Biernat
- **1:00 PM** - Pro Populo

*Our calendar of Intentions includes both New (N) Sundays and feast days as of 1970,
as well as Traditional (T) Sundays and feast days as of 1962.*

Prayer Requests

Gianna & John Raimondo
 Samuel Barnette
 Mary Jane Pfister
 Jonathan Masterson
 Waide Miller
 Elaina Verdung
 Jason LaGrippe
 Mel Probst

Robley & Karen Thomason
 Brian Anderson
 Ron Cacioppo
 Tony Moran
 Margaret Benoit
 Richard Borman
 Di Paige
 The Grant Family

Angelo Fantucchio
 Elitania Tellez
 Margaret Benoit
 Brandon Stoy

And for the repose of the souls
 of George Sullivan, José
 Placencia and Jessica Depner

Names will remain for 1 month, as space permits. Please send all requests to bulletin@stpetervolo.org.

Propers for Sunday

10:00 AM

Introit—I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord; from whatever tribulations they cry out to me, I will give heed to them; and I will be their Lord for ever. Attend, O my people, to my law; incline your ear to the words of my mouth.

Gradual—Let my prayer ascend like incense in your presence, O Lord. May the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

Alleluia—Give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his name; declare his deeds among the nations.

Offertory—If I walk in the midst of tribulation you shall preserve my life, O Lord; you shall stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand has delivered me.

Communion—You have ordered that your commandments be kept diligently; O that my ways may be guided towards the keeping of your statutes.

Baptismal Announcements

Please join us in welcoming . . .

Cecilia Rose

Daughter of Steven & Chelsea Divito
Born 6/4/2025 & Baptized 9/13/2025



Lucy Rose

Daughter of Joe & Haylee Sowa
Born 8/29/2025 & Baptized 9/13/2025



Wedding Banns

James Cummings & Izabela Kurp

Matthew Schroettner & Kathleen Lee

James Augustyn & Rebecca Rell

Ordinaries for Sunday

Mass XII, #375-379
Credo I, #435

Hymns for Sunday

8:30 AM Mass

Communion: #245

Soul of My Savior

Recessional: #170

Now Thank We All Our God

10:00 AM Mass

Communion: #245

Soul of My Savior

Recessional: #170

Now Thank We All Our God

11:30 AM Mass

Recessional: #170

Now Thank We All Our God

Support the AMDG Foundation, an Apostolate of the
Canons Regular of St. John Cantius, in their fundraising
for a new organ, the Opus II at St. Peter's.



The AMDG Foundation is working alongside Saint John's Abbey Organ Builders to build this brand new organ specifically designed for St. Peter's Church. The Opus II will allow our music program to continue the dedicated work in the restoration of the sacred and a commitment to excellence in sacred music.



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Update on Organ Project

We've raised **\$318,645.51** to date (70.81% of goal)! The Abbey Organ Builders have begun building a magnificent organ specifically designed for St. Peter Church. The organ is scheduled to be installed next summer, which is also our church's 100th anniversary.

The Future of Life

In 1965, *Life* magazine featured a remarkable series of photographs by Swedish photojournalist Lennart Nilsson, taken from his book, *A Child is Born*. In them, people saw for the first time the development of an unborn baby from conception to birth, which created a sensation. The magazine's print run of eight million copies ran out in four days. Some readers described the images as "awe-inspiring," "haunting," even "eternal," suggesting that they moved people on an almost spiritual level.

When serious debates on abortion began only a few years later, supporters notably avoided talking about the fetus, and instead focused on matters of conscience. They talked about civil rights, bodily autonomy, and the social and economic consequences of forcing women to carry pregnancies. The arguments were very effective, partly because the pro-life movement championed something harder for people to grasp – the idea that a fetus had rights equal to the mother's.

In fact, abortion was so widely promoted as "a matter of conscience," separate from any other consideration, that most of our society came to regard it as a moral good. This remains a very strange state of affairs, especially since the consequences of abortion have been so obviously terrible.

There's little doubt that casual attitudes towards abortion worldwide have laid the groundwork for evils like assisted reproductive technology, euthanasia, "gender-affirming" medical procedures, and even the promotion of war. That's because once we dehumanize the unborn, we eventually treat everyone else the same way. This is how elderly or disabled people become burdens, and are pressured into ending their lives. Poor women in India get exploited as surrogates. Enemies in war (or even just people with opposing viewpoints) are seen as animals, undeserving of compassion.

Not all is negative today: there have been significant advances in the crusade for life. Scientific progress gave us ultrasound technology, which has proved to be an excellent tool in helping pregnant women reconsider abortion. Organizations like Rachel's Vineyard and others have brought much-needed attention to the physical and psychological realities of the procedure, which for decades were minimized. All these things have strengthened the effectiveness of the pro-life movement.

On the national level, the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* was helpful, but abortions have still increased by almost 10% since then, including late-term abortions, once considered unthinkable. Suffice it to say that the battle over abortion remains fierce, and requires active participation on the part of all who cherish life. The enemy does not rest.

The future of the pro-life movement involves constant prayer and public witness. It may require new political strategies. But, above all, we need to help people everywhere reimagine the unborn, just as Nilsson's photographs did 60 years ago. Now, more than ever, Christians must lead the discourse on what it means to be human.

Fall Events Celebrate Life

October is **Respect Life Month**, but in NW Illinois there are already many events taking place in support of the most vulnerable members of our society. Here are a few ways that you can make an impact:

- **Go Public 4 Life Prayer Vigils**, September 20th
- **Step Up For Life 5K**, September 27th
- **Holy Hour For Life at St. Peter's**, October 2nd
- **Baby Bottle Fundraiser for TLC Pregnancy Services**, starting October 4th



For more information on these and other upcoming events, visit www.stpetervollo.org/life.



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