

# ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

*La Iglesia de San Pedro es una comunidad catolica romana que evangeliza por el poder del Espiritu Santo, lleva a otros a un encuentro gozoso con Cristo y experimenta el amor misericordioso de Nuestro Padre.*

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### Daily Masses

Monday—Friday 7:00AM English  
Saturday 8:00AM English  
Wednesday & Friday 6:30PM Spanish

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00PM English  
6:30PM Spanish  
Sunday 7:30AM, 9:30AM English  
11:00AM English— at Parish Pastoral Center  
12:30PM Spanish

### Holy Days of Obligation

Please check bulletin or website for Mass times.



## BAPTISMS

**English:** Please contact the parish office.

**Spanish:** Please request the "Baptismal Orientation Document" from the parish office and follow the instructions.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples must be at least nineteen and meet with the priest 6 months in advance. Must be registered and active member of St. Peter Parish 6 months before the wedding date.

## ANointing OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL CARE

If you anticipate hospitalization or require sacraments, please call the parish office. For emergencies call 815-206-9201 leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

## ENGLISH CONFESSIONS

Tuesday—Friday after 7AM Mass  
Saturday after 8AM Mass & 3:45-4:45PM

## SPANISH CONFESSIONS

Thursday: 7:00-8:00PM during Spanish Family Adoration  
Friday: 6:00PM-6:30PM, also after 6:30PM Mass  
Saturday: 6:00-6:30PM, also after 6:30PM Mass

## FAMILY ADORATION

**Spanish:** Thursdays 7:00-8:00PM

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office to register

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, September 11**

*Patriot Day*

7:00AM † Judith Schmitt

**Tuesday, September 12**

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*

7:00AM Marta & Antoni Sadko

**Wednesday, September 13**

*St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

7:00AM Janina & Sylwester Nowak

6:30PM Living & † Deceased Members of St. Peters Church

**Thursday, September 14**

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

7:00AM Krystyna & Krzysztof Gasior

**Friday, September 15**

*Our Lady of Sorrows*

7:00AM † Shirley Stien

6:30PM Living & † Deceased Members of St. Peters Church

**Saturday, September 16**

*Sts. Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

8:00AM † Ruth Heffernan

5:00PM † Steven Pulkrabek

6:30PM † Javier y † Wuiever Martinez

**Sunday, September 17**

*24th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Catechetical Sunday)*

7:30AM † Duane Hackbarth

9:30AM Kateri Beck

11:00AM † Judith Schmitt

12:30PM Living & † Deceased Members of St. Peters Church

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

**Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/  
Mt 16:21-27

**Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday:** Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

**Friday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

**Saturday:** Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

**Next Sunday:** Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/  
Mt 18:15-20

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS CHAPEL HOURS NEEDING ADORERS

SUNDAY	3PM, 5PM
MONDAY	10PM
TUESDAY	4AM
WEDNESDAY	2AM, 4AM
THURSDAY	1AM, 2AM
SATURDAY	9AM, 5PM

Call Junie Pospischil (815) 494-9237.



## FROM THE DESK OF FATHER PAVINO

While driving on their way to the province, a couple stopped for lunch at a restaurant along the highway. After a quick meal, they resumed their trip. After travelling for half an hour, the woman realized she left her glasses in the restaurant. When the husband learned about it, he was very angry. But he had no choice. They had to return to the restaurant to retrieve her glasses. All the way back, the husband complained and berated his wife relentlessly. Finally, when they arrived at the restaurant, the woman got out of the car and as she hurried inside, the husband called out to her, "While you're in there, you might as well get my wallet and my credit card!"

Nobody is perfect. We all have our weaknesses and mistakes. We are sinners. This is the reality of our human nature. But it is precisely because of our sinfulness that the Incarnation took place. God became man to save us from sin and restore us to His grace. Indeed, according to St. Thomas Aquinas, "God allows evils to happen in order to bring a greater good therefrom". St. Augustine referred to original sin as "felix culpa" or "happy fault". The Church sings this in the Exultet during the Easter Vigil: "O happy fault that merited such and so great a Redeemer."

We now see the rapid and unrelenting spread of evil, immorality and sin in our world. Shall we continue being passive and impervious to all these? Unless we do something now, we may find ourselves the next victims. As the famous quotation from Edmund Burke says, "ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR EVIL TO TRIUMPH IS FOR GOOD MEN TO DO NOTHING." Let the Gospel this Sunday inspire and empower us to proclaim the truth courageously, to denounce evil and sin resolutely, and to correct wrongdoers in truth and charity.

## WALK FOR THE POOR

The annual St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) 'Walk for the Poor' is scheduled for Saturday, September 16th. Sponsored by the Rockford area Conferences of the Society of SVdP: St. Rita's, St. Bridgets, Holy Family, St. James, and the Cathedral of St. Peter's.

### Schedule for the event:

The Walk is Saturday September 16th at the Y Log Lodge, 200 Y Boulevard

### Mass

9:00 am Fr. David Beauvais

### Registration

10:00 am

### Walk

10:30 am along the Rock River Recreation Path

For more information or making a pledge, you can visit [www.fopwalk.org](http://www.fopwalk.org).





## PADRE LOAIZA

### CORRECCION FRATERNA

Iniciamos hoy -en las lecturas evangélicas- una extensa serie dedicada a la vida comunitaria (casi hasta final del año litúrgico). Hoy se nos presenta la comunidad cristiana como lugar de corrección fraterna y de oración y el próximo domingo como lugar de perdón. La fraternidad es, pues, la primera consigna constitucional para la Iglesia. La constitución de la Iglesia tiene -podríamos imaginar- este artículo fundamental: "Todos somos hermanos.

Comportemonos como hermanos". Una fraternidad no sentimental o puramente humanista, sino fruto de lo que constituye la fe cristiana: "Todos somos hijos de Dios.

Comportemonos como hijos del Padre que es Amor.

No podemos llamarnos hijos de Dios -decir que Dios es nuestro "Padre"- si no hay una práctica de fraternidad entre nosotros. Es quizá la enseñanza básica del evangelio de hoy. Si somos hermanos no podemos desentendernos unos de otros. Debemos reconocer que lo fácil es desentenderse o limitarse a una crítica insolidaria, a espaldas del afectado. Debemos ayudarnos mutuamente a vivir como cristianos. A través del "buen ejemplo" -o con palabras más actuales- a través de un real testimonio de vida cristiana; todos sabemos por propia experiencia que lo que más nos ha ayudado a seguir el camino de JC es ver hermanos que vivían la fe, el amor, la esperanza de JC. Pero también -cuando convenga- esta ayuda debe concretarse en un saber "corregir al hermano". ¿Corregir al hermano? "Si tu hermano peca, repréndelo a solas entre los dos. Si te hace caso, has salvado a tu hermano". Es un consejo difícil el que nos da aquí Jesús.

### Hand-Carved Olive Wood Gifts from the Holy Land

Proceeds benefit Catholic schools in the Holy Land.



Did you know that 600 Christian families living in Bethlehem are completely dependent on carving olive wood figurines for their livelihood? The recent clashes in the Middle East and the pandemic have stopped the tourism industry in Bethlehem, causing most of those families serious harm in earning their living and forcing many of them to leave their homeland. In addition to the pandemic, the local government didn't offer any help for the families who make these holy items, simply because they are Christians. As a result of these actions by the local government, the Christian families are devastated. Emptying the land of Christ from Christians can have tragic consequences on the Holy sites. Issam from "Star of Bethlehem Group" came to the United States with a mission to help those families by selling their beautiful religious handicrafts. The cost of goods goes to benefit the Christian carvers to keep them working in the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, the profit from sales goes directly to the needy Catholic schools and clinics in the Holy Land. The Star of Bethlehem has been approved by many bishops and dioceses of Jerusalem.

Please take a look at those beautiful artifacts  
September 16th & 17th.

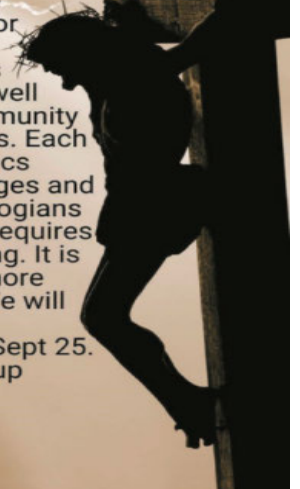
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Collection data for 9/3/2023 will be in the next bulletin.

### SANCTUARY COURSE FOR CATHOLICS

**Sacred Heart Parish  
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The St. Dymphna Ministry will be hosting The Sanctuary Course For Catholics. This is an 8 week course that explores the realities of mental health and illness, as well as the need for faith-based community conversations about these topics. Each session includes films of Catholics living with mental health challenges and insights from archbishops, theologians and psychologists. This course requires no previous mental health training. It is for anyone who wants to learn more about faith and mental health. We will meet for 8 consecutive Monday evenings at 6:30PM starting on Sept 25. For more information or to sign up please contact Annette Koch [annettepkoch@gmail.com](mailto:annettepkoch@gmail.com) or 815-382-9028.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Bonnie Anderson, Gerald Anderson, Jill Barron, Bradley Brewer, Mary Brittnacher, Vivian Dillett, Beverly DeMarb, Linda Eddie, Thomas Figueroa, Tom Gasiorowski, Marie Karczewski, Kerry Muldowney, Peter Rossi, Christopher Walsh, and Pauline Wergin.

To add or remove the name of a sick person, please call the parish office at: (815) 525-3400, ext. 3, or email [stpeter-sbeloit@RockfordDiocese.org](mailto:stpeter-sbeloit@RockfordDiocese.org)

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE HOMEBOUND OR IN NURSING HOMES / ASSISTED LIVING

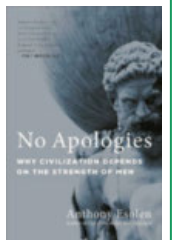
Agnes Brewer, Marcela Hale, Susan Parham, Alice Robison.

### St. Peter's Keys Book Club

The book of the month for September will be:

**No Apologies: Why Civilization Depends  
on the Strength of Men**

By: Anthony Esolen



### Religious Ed- Pastoral Center-Important Dates

#### Grade 1 to 5

Sep 10..... 11:00AM Grandparents day Mass/RE Registration  
Deadline

Sep 17..... 10:00AM Mandatory Orientation Day

Sep 24..... 9:30AM First Day of Classes

#### Grade 6,7,8

Sep 10..... 11:00AM Grandparents Day Mass/RE Registration  
Deadline

Sep 17..... 11:00AM Catechetical Sunday Mass  
12:00PM Mandatory Orientation


Sep 27..... 6:30PM First day of Classes

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