

# ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER

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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 católica romana que evangeliza por el poder del Espíritu Santo, lleva a otros a un encuentro gozoso con Cristo y experimenta el amor misericordioso de Nuestro Padre.



## Weekly Happenings

### Tuesday February 20th

Lectio Brevis: 6:30PM (Pastoral Center)  
EMAUS meeting: 6:30PM (Pastoral Center)

### Wednesday February 21st

Altar & Rosary Sewing Group: 10AM (Pastoral Center)

### Thursday February 22nd

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive: 2PM (Didier Hall)  
Here For You Perishable Food Pantry: 12PM (Didier Hall)  
Mary Undoer of Knots: 3PM (Pastoral Center)

### Friday February 23rd

Stations of the Cross (English): 5:30PM  
Comunidad Misionera: 6PM (Pastoral Center)  
Saturday Choir Practice: 6:30PM (Church Hall)  
Sunday Choir Practice: 6:30PM (Pastoral Center)  
Stations of the Cross (Spanish): 7PM

### Sunday February 25th

RCIA English: 10:45AM

## 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.

## ANOIDNTING 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

Monday—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

## PARISH OFFICE

Open Mon—Thurs 9AM-3PM, Fri 9AM-Noon

## 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.



## Stations of the Cross Viacrucis

Join us every Friday of Lent at 5:30PM in English  
and 7PM in Spanish

*Acompaña nos todos los Viernes de Cuaresma a las  
5:30 p.m. en inglés y 7 p.m. en español*

### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 19

*Presidents Day*

7:00AM Cassie & Nevin Smith

Tuesday, February 20

7:00AM Esther Horrigan

Wednesday, February 21

*St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

7:00AM Ida Ciarpaglini

6:30PM †Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, February 22

*The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle*

7:00AM Sherry Hall

Friday, February 23

*St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr*

7:00AM †Ed Skwarlo

6:30PM †Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, February 24

8:00AM Adam Sadko

5:00PM †Steve Hatch

6:30PM Sr. Ruth M. Jimenez

Sunday, February 25

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

7:30AM Nina Rallo

9:30AM Living & †Deceased Members of St. Peters Church

11:00AM †Steve Hatch

12:30PM Clara Fragozo

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

2/11/2024

Collection \$ 6,040.63

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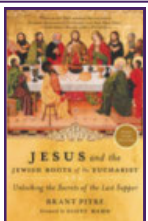
Total \$ 7,275.63

### St. Peter's Keys Book Club

The book of the month for February is:

*Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist:  
Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper*

By: Brant Pitre



### Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes

Please join us on a pilgrimage with Fr. Charles Robinson, F.I. to Fatima and Lourdes, with a stop in Avila Spain, as well as Azpeitia, Spain where St. Ignatius of Loyola was born, and more! Daily Mass. September 10-19, 2024.

\$3595/per person. \$150 early bird discount if registered by Feb. 15th, 2024. For more information please visit [www.QoHTours.com](http://www.QoHTours.com) or call us at 1-800-213-4295

### FROM THE DESK OF FATHER PAVINO



Last Wednesday, February 14th, we celebrated Ash Wednesday and entered into a new season in the Liturgical calendar – the Season of Lent. Lent is the solemn Christian religious observance in the liturgical year commemorating the 40 days Jesus Christ spent fasting in the desert and enduring temptation by Satan, according to the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, before beginning his public ministry.

In Biblical sense the number 40 signifies the end of an old era and the beginning of a new era, or simply, it implies “change of season.” Lent is an invitation to allow our sin and darkness and wounds come to the surface so that we can deal with them and allow them to be healed by the grace of Jesus. During these forty days of Lent, we do not hide from our sinfulness or prevent God speaking to us or healing us during this Lent.

The Church requires us to do some discipline and sacrifices, and fulfill the 3 pillars of Lent, namely prayer, fasting and alms giving. These exercises make us truly united in Christ and thereby realizing our being a Christian.



Our Parish office will be closed on  
**Monday February 19, 2024** in observance of  
President's Day. We will be **open at normal  
office hours Tuesday February 20, 2024.**



During Lent we will once again focus our almsgiving on supporting the work of Hope for Haitians as continue their 18th village. Based in the Rockford diocese, this charity serves the poorest of the poor in Northeast Haiti. Your gifts this Lent will be joined with the gifts from other Catholic faithful in our diocese and be transformed into 40 homes for families, clean water for the entire community. These live changing blessings provide hope and an opportunity for self-sufficiency for the residents of “St Joseph Village” located in Acul-Samedi Haiti.

There are boxes {and/or envelopes} available for your donations. Please help this worthy cause that provides works of mercy to families in desperate need.

If you would like to find out more about this ministry, or donate online, scan the code with your phone, call 815-847-0656, or visit [hopeforhaitians.org](http://hopeforhaitians.org).

Thank you for opening your hearts to generously help the poorest of the poor.

## DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PADRE LOAIZA



### CONVIERTE AL SENOR

Al comienzo de esta Cuaresma Dios quiere renovar con nosotros su Alianza. Como lo hizo con la familia de Noé: después del diluvio, como hemos escuchado en la primera lectura, Dios le dijo: "Yo hago un pacto con vosotros". Esta Alianza era renovación de la primitiva que ya había hecho Dios con Adán. Ahora era como una re-fundación de la humanidad, después de la catástrofe purificadora del diluvio. Más tarde volverá a sellar su Alianza con Moisés y el pueblo de Israel, tras los años de la esclavitud de Egipto. En verdad, como nos ha invitado a cantar el salmo, "el Señor es bueno y recto", es nuestro "Dios y salvador", "su ternura y misericordia son eternas"

A los contemporáneos de Noé Dios le indicó un signo muy sencillo y fácil de aplicar: cuando vieran el arco iris, que sale después de la tormenta, les invitó a que recordaran su indestructible bondad. A nosotros, los cristianos, es Cristo Jesús, con su Muerte y Resurrección, o sea, con su Pascua, el que mejor nos recuerda este amor de Dios. Ha sido El, Jesús el Salvador, el que "murió por los pecados una vez para siempre, el inocente por los culpables, para conducirnos a Dios. La Alianza ahora es "la Nueva Alianza en la sangre de Cristo". Ha habido algo más que un diluvio o un período de esclavitud: Cristo, nuestro Hermano, se ha entregado hasta la muerte, por solidaridad, y ha restablecido de una vez por todas la alianza entre Dios y la humanidad. Es lo que vamos a celebrar en todo este tiempo de Cuaresma/Pascua.

## The Paschal Mystery & The Eucharist



**St. Peter Lent Mission—March 5, 2024**  
**7:00 P.M. St. Peter Church**  
**Presented by Fr. Brian Grady**



Fr. Brian Grady, a priest of the Diocese of Rockford, was ordained on May 20, 2000 by Bishop Doran. Fr. Grady attend Mount Saint Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD.

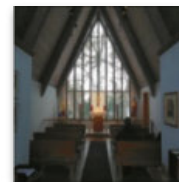
He served as Parochial Vicar at Holy Cross Batavia and Holy Family Rockford. He was Parochial Administrator of the parishes St. Joseph Lena, St. Ann Warren and St. Joseph Apple River. He was pastor of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Crystal Lake and is currently pastor of St. Rita Rockford.

Fr. Grady also currently serves as the Director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese of Rockford. In addition, Fr. Grady is a Third Order Carmelite, making his final profession in 2017, and serves as the Spiritual Director for the St. Joseph Lay Carmelite Community that meets at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Crystal Lake.



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

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>12PM</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>4AM, 5AM</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>2AM, 4AM,</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>1AM, 2AM, 2PM, 11PM</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>2AM, 3AM</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>5PM</b>



**Call Junie Pospischil (815) 494-9237.**



**ST. PETERS ROSARY PROGRAM**  
 Rosaries Prayed the week of Jan. 28

**418**



### **SAVE A LIFE! GIVE BLOOD!**

The St Peter Knights of Columbus Annual Blood Drive will be Thursday, February 22 at Didier Hall from 2 pm till 6 pm. Please contact Karl Zoller at 815-222-2399 for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome!

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