

# St. Peter in Chains

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## **REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS**

### **Pastoral Council**

Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

*Oct., Dec., Feb., April, June, August*

### **St. Vincent DePaul Society**

First & Third Mondays, 8:15 p.m.  
*Every Month*

## **MASSES**

### **Weekend: St. Peter in Chains**

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

*Please check inside of bulletin for any changes to regular Mass schedule*

### **Holydays: St. Peter in Chains**

Day: 8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

### **Tuesday & Wednesday:**

Mass at St. Peter in Chains, 8:00 a.m.

### **Monday:**

Mass at St. Julie Billiart, 12:05 p.m.

### **Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:**

Mass at St. Julie Billiart, 8:00 a.m.

### **Thursday & Friday:**

Mass at St. Joseph, 8:00 a.m.

### **BINGO—Friday Evening:**

Preliminary ..... 7:00 p.m.

Regular ..... 7:30 p.m.

For assistance, call ext. 311

### **EPIC (Educator Parent Improvement Council)**

Meets every other month. Check website for dates.

*Sept., Nov., Jan., March, May*

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Please contact the Parish office to make arrangements. For pre-baptism class, please call for an appointment.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Anytime on request or by appointment call 863-3938.

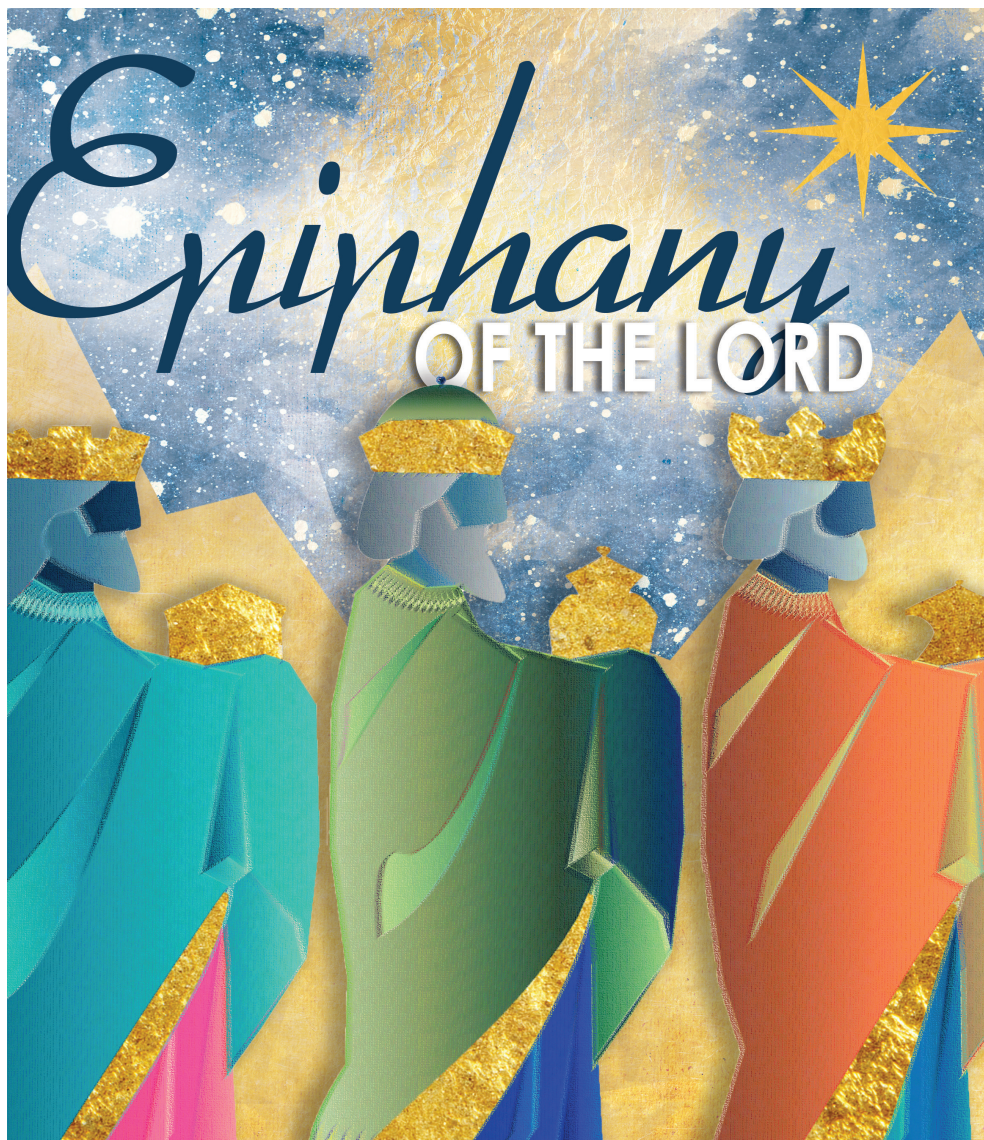
### **SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

A communal celebration of the Sacrament is celebrated annually in October at one of the Sunday Masses. Individuals may request the Sacrament any time by calling the church office.

### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:**

Couples contemplating marriages should call the church office at least nine months prior to the desired date.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** We welcome all new families and/or individuals moving into our territory. Please register at the church office as soon as possible.



## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

### CLOW

For primary-aged children and held during the 11:00 Mass. The children participate in the Liturgy of the Word with age appropriate material, then join their families for the remainder of the Mass. Have your child attend Mass with you and Father will dismiss the children after the Opening Prayer.

### 2016-2017 PREP Sign Up!

Sign ups for our joint PREP program are now being taken. PREP is designed for public school/home school children grades K-12.

PREP takes place on Sunday mornings at the Fenmont (St. Julie's) 9:45AM - 10:45AM.


**Registration Forms/Medical Waivers** are on the parish website or you can contact Deacon Jeff

at [merrellj@stpeterinchains.org](mailto:merrellj@stpeterinchains.org). 863-3938 Ext. 302

All forms should be turned into Deacon Jeff or Mary Pat Austing (CRE, St. Julie's)

### Parish Religious Education Program

If you would like to help with our PREP program for next year, please contact Deacon Jeff or Mary Pat Austing [mpausting@stjulie.net](mailto:mpausting@stjulie.net).



**Consider On-Line Giving with WeShare**  
Please consider giving online through **WeShare**. This platform makes it easier for our parishioners to manage their online contributions and will save our parish time and money. To utilize this new platform, please go to our website – [www.stpeterinchains.org](http://www.stpeterinchains.org) – click on the **WeShare Online Giving** button located at the top right of our webpage.



**The Community Meal Center** at Front Street Presbyterian Church on the 3rd Friday of every month at 3:30 P.M. is St. Peter's Night. Help is always needed. A great family expression of our faith. Hope to see you there!



## The Shepherd's Call

Today we celebrate the Epiphany – a Greek word that could be translated to English as “manifestation” or “appearance.” At every Mass Jesus is truly present, and even if He does not appear to our senses, he does appear to eyes of faith. For four weeks, beginning next week, my homilies and Shepherd's Call will aim to strengthen our eyes of faith to better recognize His presence and better recognize what is really happening when Mass is celebrated. The real payoff is that once you better understand what the Mass is, you then better understand the valuable part you play in it.

As part of this effort, you will see incense for the next four weeks and begin to hear bells rung at Mass. (The bells will continue as long as I am celebrating Mass.) The incense and the bells call attention to certain moments of the Mass that are important to our understanding of the Mass. Over the course of the next four weeks I will point out the significance of those moments, though, I do not have the time to develop it on this page.

As you come to a deeper understanding of the Mass, consider ways you might use your imagination during Mass or during the proclamation of Gospel. The imagination forms images; in itself it is not a bad thing. If the images we allow distract us from the Mass it is bad. But if the images we form correspond to what is really happening, then it is good and a help to our prayer and participation. For example, when the Gospel is read you might imagine the scene playing out in your mind. Or else, at the singing of the “Holy, Holy, Holy,” it is the song of all the Saints and angels in heaven. So you might imagine angels, Saints, or even loved ones who have died gathered above the altar. Such an image corresponds to reality – so long as it doesn't deprive your loved ones of your prayers should they be in purgatory. Because it reinforces what is really happening, it would be a good use of your imagination – so long as it doesn't replace hearing the words of the priest who is praying in the person of Christ. It's always a challenge having your mind wonder during Mass. I get that; I struggle with it, too, at times. But one of the best remedies or safeguards is to apply one's mind to *what is really happening* – or even to employing the imagination in a manner that corresponds to what is really happening.

It is a joy to know, love, and serve the good God...and to be so near to Him in the Most Holy Eucharist.

Your servant in Christ,

*Fr. Rob*



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### January 7, Saturday - Vigil

8:30 Priest Intentions  
4:30 Rudy Schwartz (*Ellie Nartker*)

### January 8, Sunday - The Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 Sosimo & Anicia Bolanos (*Fe & Jim Frierdich*)  
11:00 For the People of the Parish

### January 9, Monday - The Baptism of the Lord

12:00 Mass at St. Julie Billiart

### January 10, Tuesday - Weekday

8:00 Mary June Stang (*St. Ann's 500 Tournament*) Church

### January 11, Wednesday - Weekday

8:00 Gene Lawson (*Mary & Family*) Chapel

### January 12, Thursday - Weekday

8:00 Mass at St. Joseph

### January 13, Friday - Weekday

8:00 Mass at St. Joseph

### January 14, Saturday - Vigil

8:30 John Santos (*Family*)  
4:30 Peggy Beer (*Karen & Kathy*)

### January 15, Sunday - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 For the People of the Parish  
11:00 Mary Goins (*Eckert Family*)

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, January 9

2:15 - 3:15 P.M. Daisy Scouts Mtg.  
6:00 - 8:30 P.M. Basketball practice

### Tuesday, January 10

6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Basketball practice

### Wednesday, January 11

6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Basketball practice  
7:00 - 8:30 P.M. Bible Study

### Thursday, January 12

2:15 - 3:30 P.M. Boy Scouts Mtg.  
6:00 - 8:30 P.M. Basketball practice  
6:00 - 9:00 P.M. Handbell / Adult Choir practice

### Friday, January 13

7:00 P.M. Bingo

### Sunday, January 15

6:00 - 8:00 P.M. Vespers / Faith Formation

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### Saturday, January 14

#### 4:30 P.M.

Lector: Joe Schneider

Eucharistic Ministers:

Nina Edwards, Jacob Meece, Jake Myers,  
Joe Schneider, Richard St. John, Mary Ann  
VonDerHaar

Servers: Marshall Flaig, Eli Halverson, **Not Filled**

### Sunday, January 15

#### 9:00 A.M.

Lector: Lauren Barnhorn

Eucharistic Ministers:

Deacon Jeff, Don Austing, Tess Barreto,  
Shaun Higgins, Donald McDulin, Barbara  
Roof, Jay Wander, Janet Winter

Servers: Teagan Hickey, Ryan Kirkendall, **Not Filled**

#### 11:00 A.M.

Lector: Carla Fiehrer

Eucharistic Ministers:

Deacon Jeff, Andy Cochran, Libby Crank,  
Colin Crank, Carla Fiehrer, Sydney  
Rawlings, Herb Schmidt, Kathy Snyder

Servers: Jacob Collins, Katie Fischer, Anna Phan,  
Grace Warner

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2017

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12  
Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29/Mt 3:13-17  
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and  
2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28  
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105/Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95/Mk 1:40-45  
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78/Mk 2:1-12  
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19/Mk 2:13-17  
Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION *Bible Study/Formation Opportunity*

### **The Lamb's Supper book study**

*During the months of January through March we will read/discuss the book "The Lamb's Supper" by Scott Hahn. This book was the gift of the parish this Christmas.*

*Our sessions will be in the evenings on Wednesdays:*

*Evening: 7PM to 8:30PM (Lent 7:30 start)*

*Sessions will be held in the Parish Center*

**We will start on January 11th.**

*This unit is 11 sessions long and runs through Wednesday, March 29th.*

*There is no need to sign up, and there is no cost.*

### **Sunday Evening Prayer (Vespers) w/ Faith Formation and Fellowship**

### **Our Sunday/Evening Prayer and fellowship will resume on Sunday, January 15th**

We will start with Evening Prayer in the Chapel

**Of course we have to have a food theme!! For  
January bring a favorite *muffin/cupcake/  
bread* themed food!!**

**No need to sign up, just show up.**

**Time: 6PM in the Chapel, followed by Faith  
Formation to 8PM**



**St. Peter in Chains**

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

**In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul envelopes so that comfort and peace can once again be given to our neighbors in need.**

***Church Open for Prayer***—The main church will be open for visits and quiet prayer from 2:30pm – 8pm each day. It's a place for quiet to pray before the presence of the Lord. Note that cleaners will be in the church on Monday evenings from 5-7 PM.

**Young Adults Group Forming.** As a pastoral region, we would like to invite people in their 20s and 30s to social events, service events, and faith formation events. If you or someone you know would be good at helping to plan an event, please provide the name, a phone number or email address to Fr. Rob at [muhlenkampr@stpeterinchains.org](mailto:muhlenkampr@stpeterinchains.org)



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### **COLLECTION December 25, 2016**

#### **Weekly**

Offerings .....	\$ 19,331.00
Offering Goal .....	\$ 12,450.00
Over/(Under) .....	\$ 6,881.00

#### **Year-to-Date**

Offerings.....	\$ 257,975.00
Offering Goal .....	\$ 323,700.00
Over/(Under) .....	\$ (65,725.00)

### **Christmas 2016**

#### **Weekly**

Offerings .....	\$ 19,077.00
Offering Goal .....	\$ 19,000.00
Over/(Under) .....	\$ 77.00

#### **Year-to-Date**

Offerings.....	\$ 277,052.00
Offering Goal .....	\$ 342,700.00
Over/(Under) .....	\$ (65,648.00)

### **January 1, 2017**

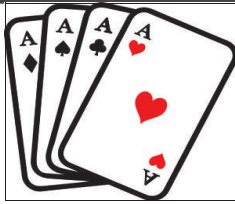
#### **Weekly**

Offerings .....	\$ 8,605.00
Offering Goal .....	\$ 12,450.00
Over/(Under) .....	\$ (3,845.00)

#### **Year-to-Date**

Offerings.....	\$ 285,657.00
Offering Goal .....	\$ 355,150.00
Over/(Under) .....	\$ (69,493.00)





## ACES

Active Christian Enthusiastic Seniors  
St. Julie Billiart Church

"ACES" was formed in September 2006. We saw a definite need for a forum where seniors could meet, greet, share activities and grow as an energetic and valuable group in the Catholic Church. Members from all Churches are welcome to attend the meetings.

You are invited to join us as we enjoy our time together.

We have designed what could be a very exciting year for us. It is a promise to draw you, refresh you, and to give you a bit of hope! Please, invite a friend or two to join us at the meetings.

### IMPORTANT

We are asking for a \$5.00 donation per person for the year. We are also asking if you could help (at least once) with the refreshments for the meetings. Mary Ann Barton and Pat Gordon are the contacts for snacks!

The meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month and begin at 1:00 pm in the Fenmont UNLESS other noted.

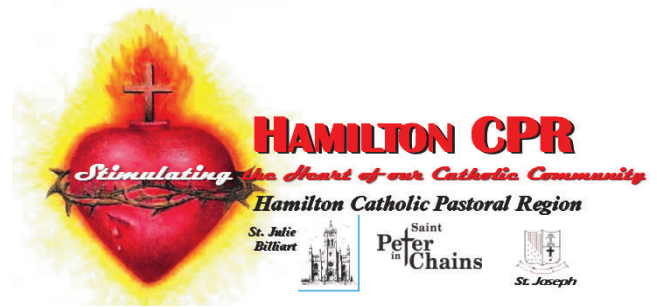
## JOE NUXHALL MEMORIAL SPORTS STAG

Father Butler Council 968 is pleased to announce that tickets are now on sale for the Joe Nuxhall Memorial Sports Stag. The stag will be held on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Hamilton, Ohio. The doors open at 5:00, Dinner at 6:15 and the speakers start around 7:30.

Proceeds from the stag support many local charities including the Father Butler Education Foundation that provides \$5,000 in scholarships for member families at local parishes and Badin High school.

Tickets are \$40 and include dinner, two drinks, and a night of entertainment. Raffles and split the pot will also be available the night of the event. Reserve a table for 10 for \$400. Reserve a table for 9, plus one of our celebrity speakers for \$450.

Contact Tom Mitchell (513) 484-5240, Dave Senger (513) 374-2131, or Bob Hunter (513) 867-9534.



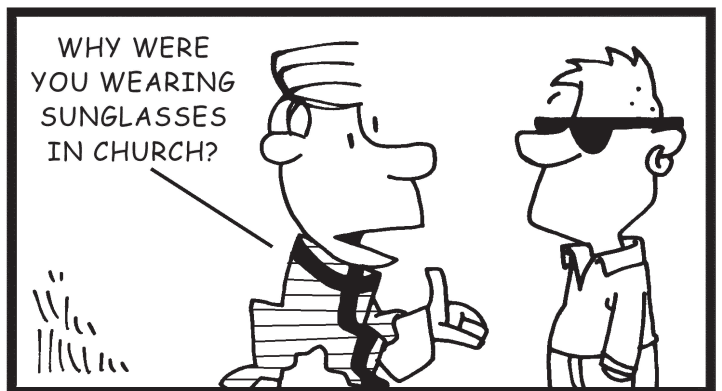
The pastoral region committee met on January 4. More info in next week's bulletin. Below are the new Mass times that begin on February 19:

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00PM - St. Julie Billiart  
5:15 PM - St. Joseph

**Sunday Mass:** 8:00 AM - St. Peter in Chains  
9:15 AM - St. Julie Billiart  
10:30 AM - St. Joseph  
11:00 AM - St. Peter in Chains  
11:45 AM - St. Julie Billiart  
(Hispanic)

## KOMIC KORNER

### EPIPHANY



## ST. PETER IN CHAINS SCHOOL SCOOP

### Looking for a School? Know Someone Who is?

St. Peter in Chains School will hold its annual *Open House on Sunday, January 22, 2017, from 1-3 p.m.* School parents, staff, and students will be available to offer tours and answer any questions you may have.

Please join us to find out how SPS might benefit your child and your family. If you know someone who is searching for a school, extend an invitation. Flyers with more information are available in the vestibule. To schedule a private tour, call Kathy Hart at 863-0685.

### Help Us Spread the Word!

Yard signs advertising St. Peter in Chains School Open House are available in the vestibule. Please take one to display in front of your home or business.



### CALLING ALL ST. PETER ALUMNI!

Are you an alumnus/a of St. Peter in Chains School, or did your parents, grandparents, or children graduate from SPS? We are in the early stages of building an alumni database and would love to know! Please fill out the following and drop it in the collection basket, send it to the parish office or school office, or email [jhengehold516@gmail.com](mailto:jhengehold516@gmail.com) with your name, address, phone number, email address, and graduation year. Thank you!

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ADDRESS

PHONE

EMAIL

YEAR OF GRADUATION

## St. Peter's Christmas Program 2016

