

April 25, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter

PASTOR

Fr. Jeremy Secrist jsecrist@diojeffcity.org

DEACONS

Deacon Enrique Castro Deacon Thomas Fischer Deacon Ric Telthorst Deacon David Thompson Deacon Tom Whalen

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:15 pm Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 2:00 pm (Spanish)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday-Friday 8:00 am, 12:03 pm

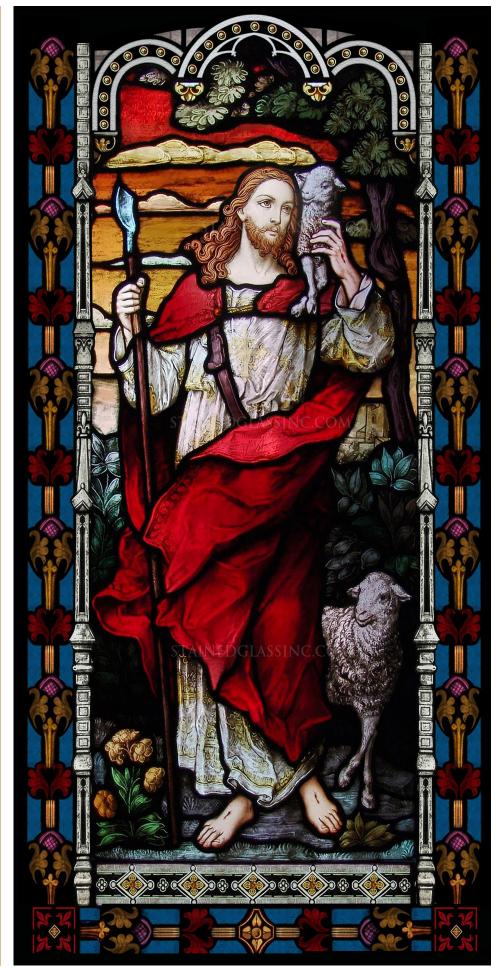
PRIEST ON THE PORCH (RECONCILIATION)

Tuesday-Friday: 10:30 am-11:45 am Saturday: 4:15 pm - 5:00 pm Between Sunday Masses celebrated at 7:00 am., 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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Office currently closed to the Public due to COVID, however the office is staffed Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you need to talk to a staff member please call the office phone or email that person directly.

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Am I My Brother's Keeper? Yes, We Are!

Following the release of Bishop McKnight's August 21 Decree, the following REVISED protocols are now in effect for all Masses — Weddings and Funerals included — at St. Peter Parish until further notice.

Please know that we are carefully monitoring all directives and guidelines issued by state and local governments, as well as by the Diocese of Jefferson City, and will re-evaluate and adjust these protocols as warranted.

HEALTH – All the faithful are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice provided the Lord's Day is kept holy by participating in the live-streamed Sunday Mass; praying with the readings of the Sunday Mass; and/or reciting the rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet. Those with underlying health issues are encouraged to avoid the risk of large public gatherings such as Sunday Mass. Please check your temperature and general well-being before coming to church. Those who are symptomatic for COVID-19 are not permitted to enter church. Pews and hard surfaces are sanitized after each Sunday Mass.

SEASONAL GATHERINGS – In-person seasonal gatherings outside of Mass, such as penance services or vespers are discouraged.

MASKS – Masks are strongly enouraged upon entering the church, throughout the Mass, and while moving in the Communion Procession to receive Holy Communion. If approaching to receive Holy Communion, please remove your mask just prior to receiving Our Lord, and moving it to cover your mouth and nose while returning to your pew. Please bring a personal mask with you. Ushers will have a limited supply for those who forget to bring a mask and would like to wear one.

DISTANCE – Everyone must maintain a distance of six feet from family groups and/or other individuals. Please follow the directions of our ushers and any signs or markings on pews and aisles.

HYMNALS & MISSALETTES – All hymnals, missalettes and other paper materials are stored until after the pandemic protocols are lifted. We encourage you to bring your smartphone to reference prayers, songs and other devotions that are available through various mobile apps. Printed missalettes and weekly bulletins are available on the rectory porch for your personal use. If you pick up a missalette, please take it home with you. The song texts for Sunday Mass can be found on our parish Facebook page and parish website.

HOLY COMMUNION – Please follow the directions of the ushers and any floor marking to maintain the six-foot distance between the faithful in the line. Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand or on the tongue. For those wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, a kneeler is also provided for your use. The Ministers of Holy Communion will sanitize their fingers after distributing Holy Communion on the tongue of each individual.

TITHING – Thank you for your continuing generosity in this challenging time. Please continue to make use of automatic bank drafts, mailed contributions, or placing envelopes in the slot on the rectory porch. There will also be a stationary basket placed in the center aisle during Sunday Masses so that you may leave your contribution there.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK— If at all possible please seek the anointing of the sick from the parish priest before going to the hospital. We cannot guarantee that a priest will either be available or allowed into the hospital because of pandemic protocols.

Fr. Secrist, Pastor, St. Peter Parish (Revised 11/11/2020)

A NOTE REGARDING THE 8:00 AM WEEKDAY MASS ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

Please note that the 8:00 am Weekday Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday is when the children from St. Peter Interparish School attend Mass. Due to COVID restrictions the children are required to sit in certain pews and next to designated individuals. This is to mitigate the spread of COVID among the students.

If you are an adult attending the 8:00 am Weekday Mass please sit in the back of the church to ensure the students are able to follow the necessary protocols for them to attend Mass and remain safe.

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RETURNING TO MASS

As more people receive the COVID-19 vaccine and the number of infections decrease more parishioners are returning to Mass. As a result our church is filling to capacity for many of our weekend Masses. To accommodate those who wish to attend Mass in person, in the church, St. Peter will be relaxing the social distancing in church effective this weekend by opening the pews in the front of church.

The back pews of church will still be half closed to allow for social distancing. Masks are strongly encouraged throughout the Mass, especially in the front pews where social distancing is not possible.

Overflow is available in the chapel, with social distancing still in place. We are happy to see so many of our parishioners who have been attending Mass and who are returning to Mass in person! Please be patient and respectful of others during this transition.

Other changes parishioners will notice is the return of holy water in the holy water founts and hymnals in the pews. We will continue to post online the music for the weekend Mass but now those in the pews will be able to pick up a hymnal and participate more fully in the Mass.

As the majority of the Missals have been picked-up by individuals who bring them to Mass we do not have enough on hand to put pack in the pews. Parishioners can expect Missals to be placed back in the pews after Pentecost Sunday.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our annual election to select parishioners to serve on the St. Peter Parish Pastoral Council will be held soon. We will be electing THREE at-large representatives for a three-year term. The Parish Pastoral Council is an advisory group which works collaboratively with our pastor on issues affecting the life of our parish. Council meetings are about eight times a year.

If you are interested in being a candidate for the St. Peter Parish Pastoral Council please email Terri Haake at cthaake@ mediacombb.net

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)

PSR Closing Mass will be Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 7:15 pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome to attend and support our PSR students, teachers and volunteers.



SATURDAY, APRIL 24 5:15 pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 25 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 2:00 pm

TUESDAY, APRIL 27 8:00 am 12:03 pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28 8:00 am 12:03 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 29 8:00 am 12:03 pm

FRIDAY, APRIL 30 8:00 am 12:03 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 1 5:15 pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, MAY 2 7:00 am 9:00 am

11:00 am 2:00 pm FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Pro Propulo †Tom Peak †Rosemary Scheppers Holy Souls in Purgatory

Barry & Clara Rowan family

Priests of the Diocese † Terri Iven

ST. LOUIS GRIGNION DE MONTFORT [†]Ben Luechtefeld [†]Mary Pat Prenger

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA Doctors, nurses, & healthcare workers †Bill Horvath

ST. PIUS V †Roman Borgmeyer †Mary Manon

[†]Jane M. Riddle

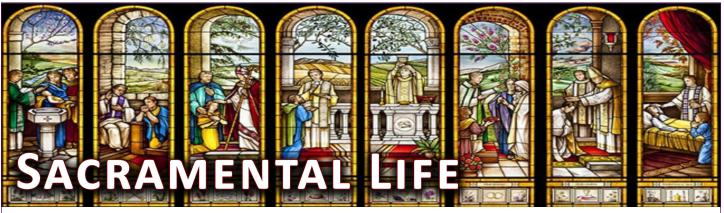
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Pro Propulo †Victor & Pauline Bernskoetter, Jerry Bernskoetter, Shelley Haynes †Julie Hentges Holy Souls in Purgatory

Our Parish School of Religion (PSR) program raises money each year with a breakfast and poinsettia sale for "birthday bags" for Samaritan Center. This year students were able to purchase supplies for, put together and donate 125 "birthday bags" to Samaritan Center. Our PSR program is the only donor citywide to this important gift. The bags are handmade by one of the PSR teachers and filled with ingredients for a birthday cake! These are donated to ensure that each family client of Samaritan Center can make each child, 12 and under, a cake for his/her birthday. Thank you for your support of the PSR fundraiser each year!



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Holy Matrimony

The first step in planning a wedding at St. Peter is to contact the Pastor. You may call to check available dates beforehand, but the wedding can only be scheduled after approval by the priest and at least a minimum of six months prior to the proposed wedding date. Any Catholic being married needs to have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Baptism

Parental preparation is required for a child to be baptized. Please plan to attend the required class prior to your child's birth. Sessions are usually held once a quarter. Please call the Parish Office to sign up.

STEWARDSHIP

April 4, 2021 April 11, 2021 April 18, 2021 April 25, 2021	\$ \$ \$	51,318.27 20,765.33* 88,167.45
Budget for April	\$	170,833.34
Total Collected for April	<u>\$</u>	160,251.05
Difference	\$	-10,582.29
Budget Goal Fiscal Year To Date	\$	1,655,769.36
Total Collected Fiscal Year To Date	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,731,444.70</u>
Difference	\$	75,675.34
Facility/Property Maintenance: April	\$	5,193.60
Facility/Property Maintenance To Date	\$	71,997.36
Easter - Infirm Priest Fund (assessed) \$ 5,197.60 The amount our parish is assessed for this fund is \$20,554.00 for 2020-21.		
Samaritan Center	\$	2,613.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$	April 25

Thank you for your continued tithing and support of St. Peter Parish & Interparish School! As of Wednesday, April 21, 2021. *Adjusted number.

Anointing of the Sick

If you are preparing for surgery, please let your priest know before you go to the hospital. Because of COVID-19, the possibility of receiving the Anointing of the Sick after you've been admitted to hospital is not guaranteed.

RCIA–Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Inquiry sessions for those interested in joining the Catholic Church and receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist will begin in September 2021. Please call Deacon Ric Telthorst at (573) 690-0730 or deacontelthorst@gmail.com for more information.

Ordination to the Priesthood

Please mark your calendar for the ordination of Deacon Derek James Hooper to the priesthood on June 5, 10:00 am, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. More information will be forthcoming. Please continue to pray for him, our seminarians



and deacon aspirants, and all who are discerning a vocation.

NOT YET A PARISHIONER OF ST. PETER CHURCH? If you are interested, please complete and return the registration form found on our parish website at www.saintpeterjc.org



The Vitae Foundation's 29th Annual Jefferson City Pro-Life Event will be on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel and Conference Center. The featured speaker is Jason Chaffetz, former Congressman and current Fox News Contributor. Luncheon & Program Noon – 1:30 PM. Registration is \$50 (\$20 tax deductible).

Dinner & Program 6:30 PM. Registration is \$100 (\$70 tax deductible).

For reservations, visit our website at www. VitaeFoundation.org/events or call 573-634-4316.

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PRAYERS & VOCATIONS

Bishop McKnight's April Prayer Intention

Let us pray for a renewed understanding of our baptismal dignity as sons and daughters of God the Father, and a commitment to living in peace with our sisters and brothers in Christ.

Oremos por una renovación de nuestro entendimiento de nuestra dignidad bautismal como hijos e hija de Dios Padre y por nuestro compromiso de vivir en paz con nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo.



Congratulations to the following First Communicants who made their First Holy Communion on April 17 & 18, 2021.

> Kinley Hagen Cooper Heimericks Carter Heislen Harper Hummel Hope Kemple Sophie Morasch Natalya Mosha Claire Norment MaryJane Oakes Aubrie Pitts Brynn Stegeman Veronika Stegeman Eliza VanOvershelde



PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY FOR PROTECTION FROM THE CORONAVIRUS

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, we entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

Patroness of the Diocese of Jefferson City, you know what we need.

We are certain of the power of your intercession, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who taught us to "love one another, as I have loved you" took our sufferings upon Himself and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Bring under your mantle of protection all who provide care for the sick and minister to their needs, as your Son implores us to do for one another.

V. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

R. Do not despise our pleas and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

VOCATIONS SPOTLIGHT

Please pray for the men who are studying and discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. This week, please pray for:

Mr. Gage Neisen Home Parish: Queen Peace (Ewing) Birthdate: March 20 ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PATRION OF SEMINARIANS Pray. for us

Please send any seminarian correspondence to the Office of Vocations at: 2207 West Main Street, Jefferson City, MO 65109



DEFINITION OF AN ACTIVE

PARISHIONER

- Is registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the Sacraments
- Is actively tithing to the parish
- Is involved in parish activities and ministries as noted on the annual Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure form

Congratulations to the following Confirmandi who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 21, 2021.

Lucas Luke Bloomer Wyatt James Boessen Jackson Bernard Briesacher Addisyn Bernadette Bryant Aleksandr Joseph of Cupertino Careaga Mason Patrick Coy Foster Augustine of Hippo Dunlap Evan Sebastian Dunn Jackson Pio English Katherine Rose Faherty Jill Genevieve Faherty Braden Sebastian Fann Payton Bernadette Fann Samuel Peregrine Fick Ethan Michael Foucheaux Samuel Dymphna Grothoff Jonathon Florian Hasty Emma Joseph Heimericks Caleb John Heimericks Nikolaus Micheal Hull



Calen Michael the Archangel Iones Ioseph Augustine Iones, Ir. Alora Bernadette LePage Alexzander Pio Libbert Iseballa Ioan Libbert Lauren Maria Goretti Mathews Ellayna Kateri Tekakwitha Morasch Grant Thomas Aguinas Moreland

Nickolas Anthony of Padua Petty Loriann Lucy Rettstatt Anna Gianna Sanchez Antonio Isidore Sandoval Adamaris María de Guadalupe Sandoval Dawson Benedict Schnieders Archer Anthony Schnieders Maddox Agatha Schrimpf Jacob Jose Sanchez del Rio Smith Hailey Therese of Lisieux Stock Aidan Anthony Surface Jaymee Sebastian Szumigala Landon Dymphna Thomas Paul Paul Truesdale Randell Sebastian Vassos Connor Joseph of Cupertino Wekenborg Jace Christopher West Zachary Michael Wieberg Addisyn Bernadette Wilson Lane Sebastian Wilson

EMPLOYMENT

ST. PETER PARISH has a job opening for Church Cleaner. Duties include cleaning and sanitizing the church, bathrooms, sacristies and entry ways of church each week. It will require 5 - 10 hours each week. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested in learning more about this important position.

ST. PETER PARISH IN FULTON is seeking a Director for our Early Childhood Learning Center. The successful candidate is a practicing Catholic in good standing who can minister to students regardless of subject area or a teacher who, consistent with the Mission of St. Peter Catholic School, promotes and teaches the Catholic faith as reasonably determined by the principal. Applicants should hold the appropriate Missouri teaching certification, or its equivalent. All interested persons should complete the application on the Jefferson City Diocesan website at: https://diojeffcity. org/blog/2019/06/17/employmentin-our-catholic-schools/ and contact

the Principal, Mrs. Erin Polson, at 573-642-2839 or via email at epolson@ stpeterfultonmo.org.

THE DIOCESE OF JEFFERSON CITY is seeking an Associate Director of Stewardship, to support the Stewardship Office through comprehensive communications and development programs for the Diocese of Jefferson City, ensuring an integrated development strategy involving all entities of the diocese. Through personal contact, print and non-print media and technology, the associate director, under the supervision of the stewardship director, is instrumental in assisting the bishop in his mission to teach and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. The primary focus of this position is to assist the Director of Stewardship in moving the diocese to a tithing model. In order to be successful, the candidate must be a practicing Catholic with excellent communication skills. He/she will be an inspiring leader and will facilitate discussions that lead to an increased knowledge and

understanding of the activities and roles of the diocesan and parish organizations. Qualified candidates should send letter of interest and resume to HRDir@diojeffcity. org.

ST. THOMAS MORE NEWMAN CENTER

PARISH in Columbia is seeking a Director of Pastoral Counseling to serve the college students who attend the University of Missouri-Columbia, Stephens College, and Columbia College and 700 households in our parish. The Director of Pastoral Counseling tends to the spiritual, mental, and emotional health of all parishioners (both students and residents). The Director is responsible for coordinating spiritual direction and providing counseling for students and residents. This position also coordinates faith formation for resident parishioners and pastoral care for the homebound. More information can be found at www. comonewman.org/job-openings.

Hurrah! You're fully vaccinated. Now you can go back to normal activities, etc. Right?

Hold the phone; back up the train: That's not quite true, at least not just yet. Why? Because the coronavirus is still spreading and a majority of Americans aren't vet vaccinated. So until we can reach "herd immunity", which means over 70% to 85% are vaccinated, here are a few things from the CDC you NEED TO KNOW after being fully vaccinated for COVID-19:

You need to continue to wear the mask in public places to slow the spread of coronavirus , and minimize the emergence of new variants.

You CAN visit friends and family. Fully vaccinated people can gather indoors with others who are also fully vaccinated without wearing masks or physical distancing because the chance of anyone getting infected would be remote. You can also spend time inside with unvaccinated people from a single household without wearing

masks or distancing as long as no one is at increased risk for severe COVID -19 or lives with someone at increased risk for COVID. However, the key is to keep two unvaccinated households from mingling. (for example, if fully vaccinated grandparents are visiting with unvaccinated daughter and children and unvaccinated neighbors also come over, then move outside with masks and 6 ft. distances). CDC still recommends avoiding medium-size and large gatherings.

You don't have to guarantine or get tested after exposure as long as you don't have any symptoms.

Good time to visit doctor, dentist or have a procedure if due. Being vaccinated makes it much safer. However, avoid a mammogram for 4-6 weeks after fully vaccinated to avoid a false reading due to possible temporary swelling in lymph nodes in underarms.

Return to normalcy depends on "herd immunity".

LOCATION OF PARISHIONERS WHO ARE HOSPITALIZED OR

HOMEBOUND: Please call or email to let us know if you or a family member is hospitalized or homebound and/or if you would like the parish nurse to call, pray with you and/or assist you with questions and health care concerns. Remember that if you or a family member moves from hospital to home or rehab center or nursing care facility, the hospital cannot tell us your location due to HIPPA regulations. Please let us know their new location. Thanks! You may contact me at 636-8159x369 or via email akuehn@saintpeterjc.org.

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