

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Established 1846

The Fourth Sunday of Advent: Peace



*The "Angel's Candle"
reminds us of the
message of the angels:
"Peace on Earth, Good
Will Toward Men."*

DECEMBER 20, 2020 - THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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: 4:30 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: 3:30-4:15 pm
Between Sunday Masses celebrated
at 7:00 am., 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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Parish Website: www.saintpeterjc.org
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/
saintpeterchurch](https://www.facebook.com/saintpeterchurch)

PARISH STAFF

Telephone: 573-636-8159

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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St. Peter Interparish School

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Facebook: Facebook.com/
StPeterInterparishSchool

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 — Everyone must wear a mask 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.

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 & MISSALETES — 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.

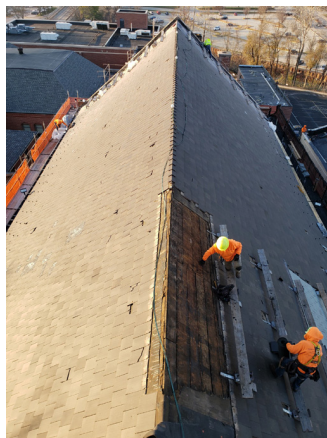
A NOTE FROM YOUR PASTOR

Dear friends in Christ,

The Lord has blessed us with many dry days this December, even if chilly some days. The cooperative weather has allowed crews from the various trades to accomplish lots of work. The new copper through-wall flashing on the west parapet wall has been installed. More stainless steel pins will be installed in order to hold the new limestone capstones. Tuck pointing work continues on that part of the church.



On the nave roof of church, the removal of the clay tile continues. Having removed the numerous layers of tar paper, some rotted 1 x 10" have been replaced on the roof deck. Once all of the roof deck is firmed up, felt / ice & water guard will be laid and then a batten system will be installed. The use of batten systems is almost universal in Europe on slate roofs and it consists of both vertical and horizontal 1" members to be installed in order to level out the undulations of the roof deck so that the slate will rest level across the whole of the roof. There are other benefits in using a batten system including providing an air space between the decking and the roof, adding in the longevity of the underlayment and wood decking. Because the slate will be nailed to the battens - at the average of 34 nails per square vs. 390 directly nailed per square through the 40# felt / ice & water guard, there would be many fewer penetrations.



When you drive by church on a sunny day, you might have noticed the new copper hips and valleys on the steeple shining through. Slate installation on the steeple has begun and will take some weeks to complete.

Keepsake portions of the roof and steeple are available for you and your families to obtain for a suggested donation. Kindly note that all are unique, hand-selected from the steeple by yours truly and limited in number.



Finally, many sincere thanks for all the cards and notes that you have sent my direction in preparation for our celebration of the Lord's Incarnation.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19**

4:30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass

†Mary Hillen

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

7:00 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

2:00 pm

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

8:00 am

12:03 pm

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

6:00 am (Rorate Caeli)

12:03 pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

3:00 pm

5:30 pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

12:00 am

10:00 am

2:00 pm

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

4:30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

7:00 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

2:00 pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

†Pauline Bax

Pro Populo†Cliff Bond (*Anniversary*)

Vocations

†James, †Ronald, †Janet, &
†Evelyn Borgmeyer
Rowan & Huhman families

†Frances Kaiser

†Helen Schnieders Cook (*Anniversary*)**CHRISTMAS EVE***Pro Populo*

†Fred Lueckenhoff

NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

†Ferrell & †Margaret Eads

†Alex & †Emma Rehagen

Health Care Workers

ST. STEPHEN

†Mary Pat Prenger

SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY*Pro Populo*†Robert & †Derek (*Anniversary*)

Schrimpf

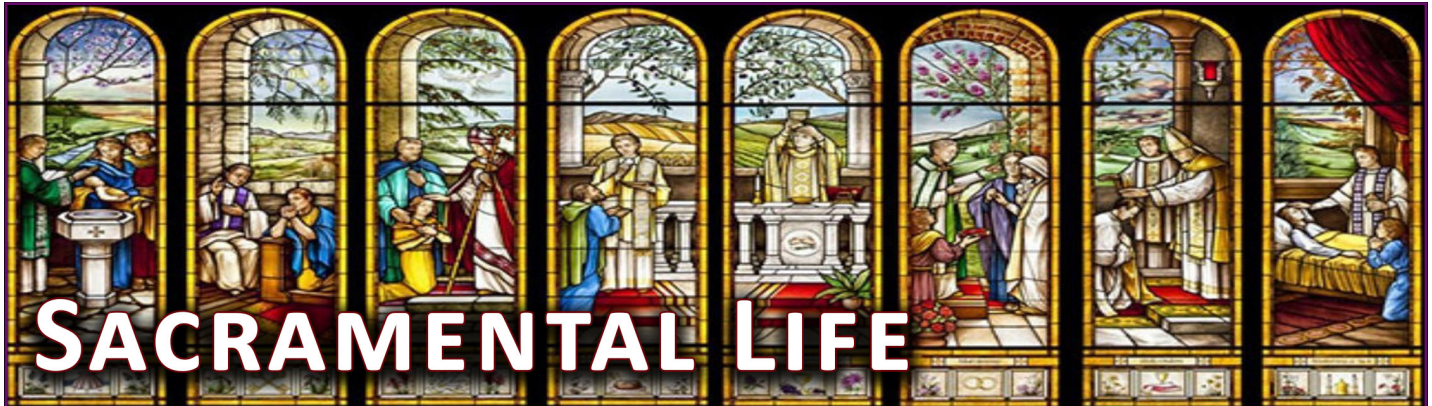
†Aaron Allen Family

Protection from Illness

Christmas blessings to each and every one of you!

Sincerely Yours in Christ Our Lord –
Fr. Secrist





SACRAMENTAL LIFE

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. Next classes will be in February 2021.

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 are held every Tuesday for those interested in joining the Catholic Church and receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. Sessions are held every Tuesday beginning at 6:30 pm via Zoom until further notice. Please call Deacon Ric Telthorst at (573) 690-0730 for more information.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2020

3:00 pm - Mass will be live streamed on our Facebook page & available on our YouTube Channel by 5:00 pm
5:30 pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2020

12:00 am - Mass will be live streamed on our Facebook page & available on our YouTube Channel
10:00 am
2:00 pm - en Espanol

STEWARDSHIP

December 6, 2020	\$ 82,522.14
December 13, 2020	\$
December 20, 2020	\$
December 27, 2020	\$

Budget for December	\$ 170,833.34
Total Collected for December	\$ 82,522.14
Difference	\$ - 88,311.20

Budget Goal Fiscal Year To Date	\$ 906,730.84
Total Collected Fiscal Year To Date	\$ 884,739.09
Difference	\$ - 21,991.75

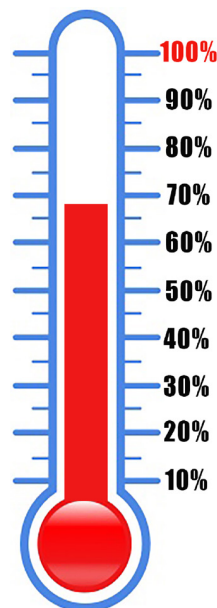
Facility/Property Maintenance: November	\$ 3,806.00
Facility/Property Maintenance To Date	\$ 30,921.00

Samaritan Center	\$ December 20
Seminarian, Clergy Education & Priest Retirement	\$ December 25

*Thank you for your continued tithing and support of
St. Peter Parish & Interparish School!*

*Due to early bulletin deadline there is no financial information
available for this week.*

ST. PETER
PARISH CSA GOAL:
\$125,000.00



Catholic
STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

*"For I know well the plans
I have in mind for you,
plans for your welfare
and not for woe,
so as to give you
a future of hope."*

JEREMIAH 29:11

We are near the end of this year's Catholic Stewardship Appeal. For each one of you who chose to give back gratefully to God through a contribution to the CSA, we are deeply appreciative. Each gift, when combined with the gifts of thousands of other parishioners throughout the diocese, makes a very real difference. For those who have not yet joined your fellow Catholics in support of the CSA, we urge you to pray about it. You can also make a pledge by going online to diojeffcity.org and clicking the "Donate Now" button.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, December 24, 2020

Vigil Masses at **3:00 pm** in the Church (live streamed)

To ensure proper social distancing there will be a second Mass at **3:00 pm** in Selinger Centre Gym

5:30 pm in the Church

Friday, December 25, 2020

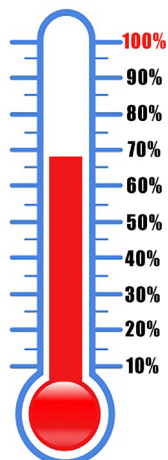
12:00 am (Midnight Mass) in the Church (live streamed)

10:00 am in the Church

2:00 pm (in Spanish) in the Church

STEWARDSHIP

December 6, 2020	\$ 82,522.14
December 13, 2020	\$ 59,694.29
December 20, 2020	\$
December 27, 2020	\$
Budget for December	\$ 170,833.34
Total Collected for December	\$ 142,216.43
Difference	\$ - 28,616.91
Budget Goal Fiscal Year To Date	\$ 946,153.92
Total Collected Fiscal Year To Date	\$ 944,433.38
Difference	\$ - 1,720.54
Facility/Property Maintenance: December	\$ 5,903.00
Facility/Property Maintenance To Date	\$ 33,018.00
Samaritan Center	\$ December 20
Seminarian, Clergy Education & Priest Retirement	\$ December 25



**ST. PETER
PARISH CSA GOAL: \$125,000.00**

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*Alone we can do little but together
we can do so very much!*

Due to an early bulletin deadline the financial information could not be placed in the regular bulletin but is being provided here. Numbers as of Thursday, December 17, 2020

COVID-19 IS STILL HERE:

DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!

Despite the presence of a vaccine, the high level of infection will not suddenly turn around. A "surge upon a surge" is predicted over the holidays. The next two months are predicted to be the worst yet, and cases of COVID continue to climb. In addition, the FLU (influenza) season is actively underway and the same safety precautions apply to both.

To keep ourselves and others safe while at St. Peter Church, we will continue to adhere to the following health safety measures:

Wear A Mask coming into church, throughout Mass, and while leaving.

Why? COVID-19 spreads easily from person to person, mainly by the following routes:

- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within 6 feet).
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, breathes, sings or talks.
- Respiratory droplets cause infection when they are inhaled or deposited on mucous membranes, such as those that line the inside of the nose and mouth.
- People who are infected but do not have symptoms can also spread the virus to others.
- A mask will protect both you and others around you.

Maintain Social Distance (6 feet apart) coming into church, throughout Mass, and while leaving.

Why? COVID-19 spreads mainly among people who are in close contact (within about 6 feet) for a prolonged period.

- Spread happens when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks, and droplets from their mouth or nose are launched into the air and land in the mouths or noses of people nearby.
- The droplets can also be inhaled into the lungs.
- Recent studies indicate that people who are infected but do not have symptoms likely also play a role in the spread of COVID-19.
- Since people can spread the virus before they know they are sick, it is important to stay at least 6 feet away from others, even if you—or they—do not have any symptoms.
- St. Peter pews (and chairs in Selinger center) are marked or arranged to provide for the 6-foot distance.
- We thank you for following these safety measures and hope you have a blessed and safe Christmas time.

St. Peter Staff.

Sources:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/social-distancing.html>

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases <https://www.niaid.nih.gov/>



ST. PETER CATHOLIC PARISH

216 Broadway, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101





(573) 636-8159 | parish@saintpeterjc.org

Steeple Slate Order Form

Please download this form, fill it out, save it to your computer and then email it to parish@saintpeterjc.org or mail it to St. Peter Catholic Parish, 216 Broadway, Jefferson City, MO 65101

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Picture	Description	Quantity	Minimum Suggested Amount	Total
	Grey Slate from church Steeple installed in 1883. Approximate dimension 16"h x 8"w. Contains engraved emblem of St. Peter Catholic Church with rope for hanging on wall.		\$100.00	
	Red Slate from church Steeple installed in 1883. Approximate dimension 16"h x 8"w. Contains engraved emblem of St. Peter Catholic Church with rope for hanging on wall.		\$150.00	
	Christmas ornaments from church Steeple installed in 1883. Sizes vary and come with a decorative hanger to hang on your Christmas tree.		\$20.00	
	Crosses skillfully made of the nails from the church Steeple installed in 1883. Perfect for the tree or wall decoration.		\$20.00	
Grand Total:				



Parroquia San Pedro





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(573) 636-8159 | parish@saintpeterjc.org

Forma para ordenar placa/adornos

Favor de llenar esta forma y mandarla por correo electrónico a parish@saintpeterjc.org or por correo a St. Peter Catholic Parish, 216 Broadway, Jefferson City, MO 65101

Nombre: _____ Teléfono: _____

Correo electrónico: _____

Imagen	Descripción	Mínimo costo sugerido	Cantidad de artículos deseada	Total
	Placa gris del campanario de la iglesia instalado en 1883. Dimensión aproximada 16 " largo x 8" ancho. Contiene emblema grabado de la Iglesia Católica San Pedro con cuerda para colgar en la pared.	\$100.00		\$ 0.00
	Placa roja del campanario de la iglesia instalada en 1883. Dimensión aproximada 16 " largo x 8" ancho. Contiene emblema grabado de la Iglesia Católica San Pedro con cuerda para colgar en la pared.	\$150.00		\$ 0.00
	Adornos navideños del campanario de la iglesia instalados en 1883. Los tamaños varían y vienen con una percha decorativa para colgar en tu árbol de Navidad.	\$20.00		\$ 0.00
	Cruces hábilmente hechas con los clavos del campanario de la iglesia instalado en 1883. Perfecto para la decoración de árboles de navidad o paredes.	\$20.00		\$ 0.00
Total:				\$ 0.00

PRAYERS & VOCATIONS

Prayer for a Communion of Desire

My Jesus, I believe You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, renew my heart now with the power of Your Spirit. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Unite me more closely to Your Body, the Church. And never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Oración para la Comunión de Deseo
 Jesús mío, creo que estás presente en el Santísimo Sacramento. Te amo por sobre todas las cosas y deseo recibirte en mi alma. Como no puedo recibirte en



este momento sacramentalmente, renueva mi corazón con el poder de tu Espíritu. Te recieglesia y nunca permitas que me separe de ti. ibo y me uno completamente a ti. Úneme más a tu cuerpo, la Amén.

Bishop McKnight's December Prayer

Intention

For the sons and daughters of the Church: that we may be the light of God's love for the world by our sacrificial gifts for those in need, especially the children of our world.

Por los hijos e hijas de la Iglesia. Para que seamos la luz del amor de Dios para el mundo a través de nuestra caridad sacrificial por aquellos en necesidad, especialmente los niños del mundo.

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.

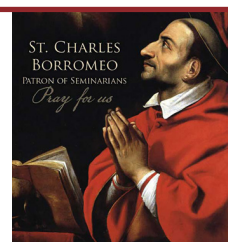


VOCATIONS SPOTLIGHT

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

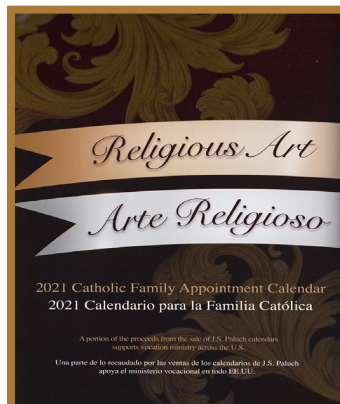
Mr. Erick Chinchilla
 Home Parish: St. Mary (Milan)
 Birthdate: November 12

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



Rorate Caeli Mass in Honor of Our Lady will be held on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at 6:00 am.

The Rorate Caeli Mass is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn.



2021 Calendars are now available and can be picked up on the porch of the Rectory. A special thank you to **Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home** for paying for the calendars and providing them to our parish!

EMPLOYMENT/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Immaculate Conception Parish in Jefferson City is accepting applications for a part-time position at the rectory. The position involves meal planning, cooking, grocery shopping and very light house-work. Hours are flexible. If interested call the parish office at 573-635-6743.

The Diocese of Jefferson City is seeking a bi-lingual Director of Faith Formation/ Youth Ministry to provide direct support for and development of parish-based youth ministers in the outreach and evangelization to faith formation and pastoral care of their youth.

Two administrative assistant positions are available at the Chancery and there are several openings in our Catholic schools. For more information, visit diojeffcity.org/employment.

Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri has the following career opportunity available: Housing Counselor - The Housing Counselor provides comprehensive education through one-on-one or group education counseling sessions. Application details can be found at ccnmo.diojeffcity.org/about-us/careers/

Helias Catholic High School has an opening for a Head Softball Coach. The ideal candidates will possess the ability to become a part-time member of the school community for the 2021-2022 academic year, or the position could be tied to a full-time teaching position with our school based on the candidate's qualifications. Application details can be found at <https://heliacatholic.com/employment-opportunities/>

Are you a Catholic young adult

interested in bringing the Gospel to kids and teens across our diocese? Please consider applying to be a Totus Tuus missionary. Download the materials at diojeffcity.org/totus-tuus/ and return your application to khartman@diojeffcity.org. We do hire on a rolling basis, so the earlier the better! The application packet includes a job description, application, and instructions for a letter of recommendation. Totus Tuus Missionaries serve from May 27 – Aug 1. This is a full-time, paid position.

Ushers and Cleaners Needed

We are in need of new people to volunteer to assist at Mass as ushers. We are also in need of people, perhaps an individual, a couple, or a high school student to assist with sanitizing the pews after Mass. Two people are scheduled after each Mass and it takes 2 people about 15 minutes. If you can assist with either of these ministries, please contact Lisa Fender at 573-821-1111 or send an email to stpeterorganist@saintpeterjc.org.

St. Peter Interparish School has several volunteer spots open for the Cafeteria. With changes and COVID restrictions, we are in need of more volunteers. If you are interested and available to help out 10:45 AM - 12:30 PM any weekday, please contact Andrea Summers at andreasummers933@gmail.com. Please consider this, it is a great way to help out our school!

The Diocese of Jefferson City Women's Ministry is partnering with the Jefferson City Salvation Army to Feed the Hungry. If you are interested in being a part of this opportunity to serve others, please contact Virginia Shetler, 573-619-0104, or email vibrantvj@gmail.com.



Common Ground is a community service agency located in the heart of Jefferson City at the corner of Clark and Atchison Streets. They are dedicated to helping neighbors in the Jefferson City area reach their full potential. What started as a small ministry of churches in downtown Jefferson City, has grown into a vital community partner offering solutions surrounding homelessness and homelessness prevention. Common Ground provides financial assistance in the form of rent, utilities, bus passes, gas vouchers, medical copays, and more. They also have a housing program that pairs housing assistance with advocates and financial education. Common Ground works regularly with other agencies in town including Catholic Charities, Salvation Army, Rape and Abuse Crises Services, and Central Missouri Community Action. For more information check out their website at www.cgcb.org or call 573-522-4314.

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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP

Are you a practical Catholic? A Catholic man in search of other Catholic men to serve the community and experience the true meaning of Charity, Unity and Fraternity? Think about joining the Father Helias Knights of Columbus Council 1054.

We are an active council of 400 members engaged in acts of charity benefiting the community we live in. We support St. Peter and Immaculate Conception schools, the Special Learning Center, the Samaritan Center, Pregnancy Help Center, the Red Cross, and many local charities.

We are actively seeking new members and it has never been easier to join. An in person gathering to experience the virtual exemplification is scheduled at our hall a 1822 Tanner Bridge Road Sunday January 17 for 1st – 3rd degrees starting at 1:00. Contact any Knight for more details, or email Grand Knight Kevin Stegeman at gkkevin1054@gmail.com. We look forward to calling you our Brother Knight.

ALICE KUEHN'S NURSE NOTES

MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020 AND WELCOME 2021!

May you have a holy, healthy, and happy Christmastime and a blessed New Year! I wish to thank you for allowing me the privilege and opportunity to serve you as parish nurse here at St. Peter Parish for the past 12 years. I thank those who serve on the Health Committee; the many Caring Neighbors who assist me with home and nursing home visits (although they're connecting by phone or mail during this pandemic); the Prayer Angels who help so much with their prayer ministry for those who are sick,

hospitalized or who have other special needs; and those who send greeting cards to the homebound and those in nursing homes and residential care at holidays, birthdays and other special events. I look forward to continuing to serve you in 2021. Let us be thankful together as a parish for the goodness and kindness we find in each other and thank God for the gift of Jesus. May we walk in his way as we pray

"Our Father in heaven, grant that we who are filled with good things from Your open hand, may never close our hearts to the hungry, the homeless, the suffering, the

sorrowful and the poor; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (adapted from the abbey of New Clairvaux, Viña, California).

Please let us know if you or a family member is hospitalized or homebound and if you would like me to call, pray with them and/or assist you and them with questions and health care concerns. You may contact me at home 573-636-5674, leave a message at the office 573-636 8159x369 or via email akuehn@saintpeterjc.org. And if you would like to consider becoming a parish nurse, please call. More are needed!

All Catholics have been dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in person by the bishop until further notice. However, Sunday is and will always be the Lord's Day and should be observed as such by prayer and reflection, even if not attending Holy Mass in person. The Sunday Vigil Mass is live-streamed at 4:30 pm on Saturday and available on our Parish Facebook page at Facebook.com/SaintPeterChurch.

PRAYER REQUESTS

"Prayer Angels" is a group of parish volunteers, mostly homebound, who pray for the needs of the parish. This is one of our prayer chains. There is also an email prayer list handled by Mary Dayton at prayerline@saintpeterjc.org. Anyone can send a prayer request to Lisa or Mary. Please use first name only and what the prayer need is. It is always good to hear of a continued need for this prayer request, or hear about prayers answered! Contact Lisa: stpeterorganist@saintpeterjc.org or call her at 573-821-1111.

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