





May 16, 2021 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

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 (en Español)

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: 4:00 pm - 5:00 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

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 5:00 pm. If you need to talk to a staff member please call the office phone or email that person directly.

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

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St. Peter Interparish School

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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.

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 – Pews in the front of the church are now open. We strongly encourage everyone in the front pews to wear masks. The pews in the back of the church will remain in their current configuration of every other pew open to parishioners. Please follow the directions of our ushers and any signs or markings on pews and aisles.

HYMNALS & MISSALETTES – All hymnal have now been returned to the pews. Missalettes will be returned to the pews after Pentecost Sunday. A limited quantity of current Missalettes are available on the rectory porch for your personal use. If you pick up a Missalette please take it home with you. Weekly bulletins are currently available in the mailbox at the rectory porch. We will continue to post the song texts for Sunday Mass 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 04/29/2020)

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.

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.

WELCOME, FR. PASCHAL!

A very special welcome to Fr. Paschal, our new assistant pastor. Father arrived from Nigeria on Tuesday, May 11th. He is from the Diocese of Okigewa, Nigeria and was ordained on Septemer 2, 2006. He has a special devotion to St. Anthony of Padua. When Fr. Paschal was baptized the priest who performed the baptism declared that Fr. Paschal would become a priest.



Father has always had a desire to be a missionary priest. We are happy to help father realize his dream and welcome him as he begins his ministry at St. Peter Church in the Diocese of Jefferson City.

SLATE FROM CHURCH STEEPLE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

We still have slate tile from the original 1883 steeple available for a suggested donation of \$100.00. The full slate tiles come in a grey and measure approximately 16"h x 8"w. Each slate comes with the St. Peter Catholic Church emblem with rope for hanging and a certificate of authenticity on the back. Also still available are custom made Christmas ornaments which come in a variety of sizes, approximately 2" to 4". The suggested donation for each ornament is \$20.00. Crosses made from the nails that were used on the roof are available in limited quantity for a suggested donation of \$20.00. Order forms are available online on our website at www. saintpeterjc.org.









SATURDAY, MAY 15

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

ST. ISIDORE

†George & Pauline Rackers

SUNDAY, MAY 16

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

SOLEMNITY OF THE

TUESDAY, MAY 18

8:00 am 12:03 pm St. John I

†Carla Welch †Mary Hillen

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

8:00 am 12:03 pm †Rosemary Scheppers Joe & Zita Holterman

THURSDAY, MAY 20

8:00 am 12:03 pm ST. BERNANDINE OF SIENA

†June Renkemeyer †Julie Hentges

FRIDAY, MAY 21

ST. CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES

AND COMPANIONS†Pat Lieneke† Betty Buschman

8:00 am 12:03 pm

ST. ISIDORE

SATURDAY, MAY 22 5:15 pm Vigil Mass

†Herbert & Imogene Volmert and †Herbert & Mildred Kiesling

SUNDAY, MAY 23

7:00 am 9:00 am

11:00 am 2:00 pm **SOLEMNITY PENTECOST**

Pro Propulo

† Victor Lueckenhoff † Rosemary Scheppers Fr. Jeremy Secrist

MASS INTENTIONS

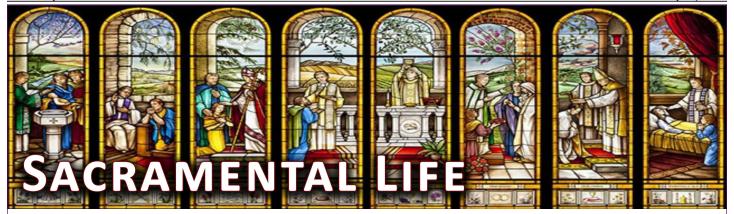
There is inestimable value in the offering of Holy Mass. Our Catholic faith has a long and wonderful tradition of having Masses offered for our loved ones living and deceased. If you wish to have a Mass or Masses offered for a loved one, contact our Parish Office at (573) 636-8159.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And you will renew the

face of the earth.



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.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

May 2, 2021 May 9, 2021 May 16, 2021 May 23, 2021 May 30, 2021	\$ \$ \$ \$	41,443.51 20,347.00
Budget for May	\$	170,833.34
Total Collected for May	\$	61,790.51
Difference	\$	-109,042.83
Budget Goal Fiscal Year To Date	\$	1,774,038.60
Total Collected Fiscal Year To Date	<u>\$</u>	1,812,905.21
Difference	\$	38,866.61
Facility/Property Maintenance: May	\$	3,124.00
Facility/Property Maintenance To Date	\$	76,608.48
Samaritan Center	\$	May 16
Communication/Education	\$	May 23
Society of St. Vicent de Paul	\$	May 30

Thank you for your continued tithing and support of St. Peter Parish & Interparish School! As of Wednesday, May 12, 2021.





ENGAGED ENCOUNTER is a weekend with other engaged couples where an atmosphere is created in which each couple can concentrate exclusively on one another, free of

the tensions, pressures

and interruptions of the world. It is designed to give engaged couples the opportunity to discuss honestly their future lives together — their strengths and weaknesses, desires, goals, ambitions, their attitudes about money, sex, family, children, their role in the church and society — in a face-to-face

way. Engaged Encounter is designed to deepen and enrich your relationship with each other. All engaged couples are welcome, including interfaith couples and those entering a second marriage. For a list of available weekends, to register and for more information, visit diojeffcity.org/marriage-preparation/engaged-encounter.

Many thanks to our parishioners who donated to help provide the beautiful flowers that adorn our altars this Easter Season. Donations were made in honor or memory of:

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Lady Crusader Basketball Camp



When: June 7th - June 10th

Where: Helias Catholic High School (FH and AUX)

Grades and Times: $K - 5^{th}$ 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

6th - 7th 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Cost: $K - 5^{th} 35 $6^{th} - 8^{th} 55



Instructors

Head Coach: Garrett Wiggans
Head Assistant Coach: Chris Wyrick

Assistant Coach: Ryan Bax

Current and Former Lady Crusader Alumni





WHAT IS LIFE ALL ABOUT? WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT?

How life-changing the Covid pandemic has been for all of us this

past year. It has challenged us to grow in unexpected ways. Active Catholics are invited to use this as a rare opportunity to explore the deepest meaning and purpose of human life by making a Cursillo (pronounced ker-SEE-yo), a Spanish word meaning a short course. It is a oncein-a-lifetime experience that starts on a Thursday evening. You will be guided step by step thru the weekend by a priest, deacon and a team of cursillistas (those who have already completed a Cursillo); in a place of seclusion and peace; with all of your needs taken care of; in order to explore the deepest meaning and purpose of life. Many Catholics finish their Cursillo weekend inspired to make changes, tweak their priorities and journey deeper into the mystery of life. So, if you are ready for a meaningful encounter with yourself, with others, and with God, then contact Marcia Doll at 573-999-5066 for more information or an application.

Mark your calendar for:

MEN's Weekend: September 30 - October 3 WOMEN's Weekend: November 4-7 both to be held in Moberly, MO at St. Pius X

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.



PRAYERS & VOCATIONS

Bishop McKnight's April Prayer Intention

May we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, our spiritual mother, this month by our support in charity for all mothers who struggle in poverty to raise their children.

Honremos este mes a la Santísima Virgen María, nuestra madre espiritual, con nuestro apoyo caritativo por todas las madres que luchan en la pobreza para criar a sus hijos.

NOT YET A PARISHIONER OF ST. PETER CHURCH?

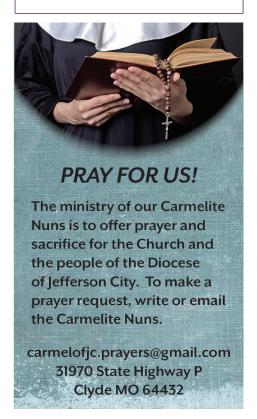
If you are interested, please complete and return the registration form found on our parish website at www.saintpeterjc.org



Our condolences to the Wilson and Kampeter families on the passing of Ardith Ann "Ardie" Wilson, the Deeken Family on the passing of Robert Deeken and the Woodland family on the passing of

Roxanna Woodland.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their sousl and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



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.

SEASONS OF HOPE

St. Peter parish is in the process of forming a grief support group, using a unique Christ-centered program by Ascension Press, "Seasons of Hope." We plan to begin the first session in the fall.

The team is looking for helpers to offer support in a variety of ways. If you are interested in being a part of this compassionate ministry, please contact Myra Rosskopf Wolfe, 573-634-7889 or mrosskop@centurylink.net.



Congratulations to Christopher Levi Witt who made his First Holy Communion on May 9, 2021.



Congratulations to Bentley Gerard Berendzen and Winston Michael Berendzen who were baptized into the Faith on May 9, 2021.

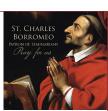
VOCATIONS SPOTLIGHT

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

Mr. Phillip Novotny

Home Parish: St. Thomas More Newman Center Parish (Columbia) *Birthdate: July 15*

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



EMPLOYMENT

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH IN JEFFERSON CITY IS SEEKING AN ORGANIST/DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND LITURGY. The primary functions of the Organist and Director of Music are to assure, direct and facilitate the continuous quality of the music ministry and to assist the Pastor in directing the liturgical functions at St. Peter Parish. For a detailed description please go to www.saintpeterjc.org/employment

St. Peter Interparish School Employment

St. Peter After School Care program is looking for an adult desk clerk; Monday-Friday 2:00 to 5:30 p.m. each day school is in session for 2021-2022 school year. The job entails keeping track of attendance, helping director supervise the staff and children grades K thru 8th and helping provide a safe, Christian environment. Great job for a stay at home mom, retiree, or college student. If interested please contact Betsy Bartow @ 573-636-8922 ext 322 or email bbartow@ stpeterjc.org.

St. Peter Interparish School is looking to

hire for the following positions: Art teacher, Preschool teacher and School Nurse. School Nurse would work three days a week. A 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 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 and contact the Principal, Mrs. Gayle Trachsel at Gtrachsel@stpeterjc.org.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

St. Peter Interparish School is currently accepting applications for PreK through 8th grade. Please follow the link to apply: https://sites.google.com/a/stpeterjc.org/st-peter-interparish-school1/. New families wanting a tour of the school please contact Mrs. Trachsel or Mrs. Garner at 636-8922 ext. 324 or 329

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.

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF CENTRAL AND NOTHERN MISSOURI is seeking a Refugee Services Program Manager who manages the delivery and coordination of refugee services. Provides ongoing training, supervision, and support to direct service staff. Maintains current knowledge of grant programs and ensures compliance with requirements and performance standards. More informaton can be found online at https://cccnmo.diojeffcity.org/.



Are you interested in changing the lives of children for the better? In giving them the best opportunity possible to succeed in school and life? If so, become a Houseparent at the St. Nicholas Academy! Houseparents are married couples who live at St. Nicholas Academy, a beautiful facility in Jefferson City, and care for boys aged 5 to 18.

The Academy partners with St. Peter Interparish School and works closely with its staff. You will be a supervising adult presence committed to providing a stable, loving and supportive home environment while ensuring the health and wellbeing of our boarding students. You are essential in managing each student's home away from home, by preparing them for school each morning, cooking dinner, providing transportation to school and enrichment opportunities, helping with homework, assisting them in their daily lives, and more. Houseparents are there for their students before and after school, ensuring they have the care, structure, and opportunities to thrive in all areas of life. They also serve as role models by guiding, correcting, encouraging, nurturing, and inspiring their students.

This is a year-round, full-time position. Each houseparent receives a salary plus a compensation package that includes a rent-free apartment, meals, utilities, and use of a minivan. Check us out and apply at stnick.org/jobs or call 573-634-5000 for more info.

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

ALICE KUEHN'S NURSE NOTES

You may wonder - What is Parish Nursing? It is a unique, specialized practice of professional nursing with a mission that focuses on promoting health and wellness of parish and community members. The parish nurse is a registered nurse who is certified after a specialized education program, and is prepared to tend to the "whole person" within the context of the values, beliefs and practices of a faith community. It goes back to the very beginnings of the church as seen in the many stories of how the early faith communities cared for their sick and needy.

As parish nurse of St. Peter parish I work

to assist parishioners to better understand the relationship between faith and health, recognizing that our parish community is a source of health and wellness for body, mind and spirit. The primary focus of the nurse's work is in prevention and health maintenance, helping parishioners understand that health care is part of the stewardship of our life. It is the role of the nurse to involve people in their own health care and in the care of their neighbors. Working with the pastor, deacons, parish staff and the Health Committee, I work to support and guide parishioners, their families and others in the community facing health-related situations and challenges.

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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