

ST. PETER'S PARISH

2224 30TH AVENUE—KENOSHA, WI 53144

Mass Schedule:

Sunday Vigil: Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:15 am
10:30 am
7:00 pm

Monday—Saturday: 7:30 am Rosary 8 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday 3:00-4:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Reconciliation: Week days 7:30 am—7:50 am
Saturdays 3-4 pm

Marriage: Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the date you wish to request.

Baptism: Pre-baptismal class for parents is required
Class is held 2nd Sunday of the month, 9:30 am in Deacon Terry's office. No need to pre-register.
Baptisms held during weekend Masses (your choice of Mass) on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.
Regular Church attendance is required.

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Feast Days of the Week

Tuesday, December 6: St. Nicholas 4th Century

The best known story about St. Nicholas was that he gave a poor man gold to provide a dowry for his 3 daughters. Over the centuries this legend prompted the custom of giving gifts on his feast day—further expanding the example of generosity portrayed by this holy bishop.

Wednesday, December 7: St. Ambrose c.340 – 397

Along with Sts. Jerome, Augustine, and Gregory- Ambrose is seen as one of the most illustrious Fathers and Doctors of the Church. A civil administrator, he was sent to Milan as Roman governor and while yet a catechumen, was chosen by popular acclaim to be the people's bishop. Within a week, he received baptism and ordination and was duly installed as Bishop of Milan where he served from 374 to 397. He had a major influence on St Augustine whom he baptized in 387.

Thur., Dec. 8: Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary

The doctrine of the Immaculate Conception was proclaimed as infallible by Pope Pius IX in the formal proclamation, 'Ineffabilis Deus', in 1854: 'We declare, pronounce and define that the doctrine which holds that the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the first instant of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace of the Omnipotent God, in virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of mankind, was preserved immaculate from all stain of original sin, has been revealed by God, and therefore should firmly and constantly be believed by all the faithful.' Bernadette's vision at Lourdes in 1858, where Mary revealed herself as the Immaculate Conception, was seen as divine approval of the proclamation.

Friday, December 9: St. Juan Diego c.1474-1548 a native

Mexican, Juan Diego lived a simple life as a weaver, farmer, & laborer. One day he was visited by Virgin Mary. She said, "I vividly desire that a church be built on this site, so that in it I can be present and give my love, compassion, help, and defense, for I am your most devoted mother . . . to hear your laments & to remedy all your miseries, pains, and sufferings." Soon after, a church was built on the site where our Lady appeared, and thousands converted to Christianity. Our Lady of Guadalupe was declared the patroness of the Americas.

2nd Sunday of Advent
December 4, 2011

St. Peter Church

Sunday, December 4 *2nd Sunday of Advent*

8:15 †Tony Depa (Francis & Karen Nayes)

10:30 †Laurie Faraone (Anita)

7:00 †Laura Bianchi (daughters)

Monday, December 5

8:00 †Vernia Farmer (Alexis Land)

Tuesday, December 6 *St. Nicholas*

8:00 †Don Field & Wilfred Barth (family)

Wednesday, December 7 *St. Ambrose*

8:00 A Special Intention (Human Concernns)

10:30 (Wash. Manor) †Babe & Marge Pinigis

Thursday, December 8 *Feast of Immaculate Conception*

8:00 Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception

12:10 †Laurie Faraone (Anita)

6:00 †Helen Hrupka (Rick Tunkieicz)

Friday, December 9 *St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatzin*

8:00 †Marie Schaefer (Therese Kawa)

11:00 (Saxony) The People of St. Peter Church

Saturday, December 10

8:00 †Bertha Beckmann (Lloyd & Pat Barber)

5:00 †Anthony P. Montemurro (wife, Emily)

Sunday, December 11 *3rd Sunday of Advent*

8:15 †Jill Kaiser (family)

10:30 †Leo Fliess (family)

7:00 †Laurie Faraone (Anita)

November 20, 2011

Regular Collection: \$5,598.00 Maintenance: \$35.00

November 24, 2011

Collection for Human Concerns: \$697.00

November 27, 2011

Regular Collection: \$6,012.75 Maintenance: \$95.00

La Sagrada Familia Next weekend, there will be a second collection for La Sagrada Familia parish, our archdiocesan sister parish located in the Dominican Republic. This 2nd collection will take place in all the parishes in our archdiocese this weekend. Please be generous if you are able.

Advent Communal Penance Services

Saturday, December 17 at St. Mark Church at 10 am
Tuesday December 20 at St. Elizabeth Church at noon

As always, Confession is offered here on Saturdays from 3—4 pm and week days at 7:30 am. Confessions will also be heard daily after all the Immaculate Conception Novenas.

Readings for the Week of December 4

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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We welcome Rylee Jarencio who was baptized here last Weekend.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

December 8

Lectors

8:00 am Marlene Schlecht

12:10 pm Marianne Kraus

6:00 pm Rhonda Hemming

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

8:00 am Deacon Maack, Gerda Fleming, K. Dosemagen

12:10 pm Anne Marie Venn, George G. Linda Juzenas

6:00 pm Cathy Harvey, M. Schlecht, K. Baumann

Altar Servers

6:00 pm Ashleigh Labuy

Greeters

6:00 pm Karen Nayes, Rosemary Sepanski

December 10 & 11

Lectors

5:00 pm Marie Salzman

8:15 am Ken Malsack

10:30 am Steve Harvey

7:00 pm Marlene Shlecht

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

5:00 pm Marianne Kraus, Wayne & Paula Thomas

8:15 am Deacon Maack, Doris Carney, K. Gumbinger

10:30 am R. Kessenich, B. Kaczmarek, Ron Mlodzik

7:00 pm Karen Nayes, Kurt Baumann, Cathy Harvey

Altar Servers

5:00 pm D. Shanahan

8:15 am M. Balenkowski, A. Maerzke

10:30 am B. Jeanmaire, R. Hermanson

7:00 pm J. Pounders

Greeters

5:00 pm Peter & Joann Fritz

8:15 am Daniel & Karen Paura

10:30 am Dan & Denise Nedeau

7:00 pm Karen Nayes, Lynn Thurston

Counters Twigg/Tunkieicz

****Important Changes on the Calendar****

Bishop Hying will be here this Monday, December 5th for the Novena instead of Wednesday.

Parish Council will be held next Monday December 12th at 6:30 pm.



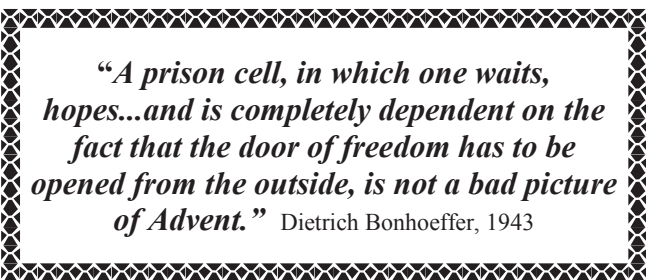
Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 8

Masses at 8 am, 12:10 pm & 6 pm.

This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mitten Tree—Food Drive Please remember to bring your gifts to Mass next weekend or drop off during the week. Also, we could still use more non-perishable foods for our food drive. Thank you for your generosity.



Bulletin Announcements for December

12/18 bulletin due by noon on Friday 12/9

12/24 bulletin due by noon on Thursday 12/15

Oplatki

is now available for purchase in the lobby.



Blessing for Pregnant Women On Sunday, December 18 at the 10:30 am Mass, we will host a Blessing for Pregnant Women. All women in any stage of their pregnancy as well as those awaiting adoption of a child will be invited forward to receive a special Blessing. If you have someone you would like us to send an invitation to, please call 551-9004 or email us at rectory@stpeterskenosha.com.

Our obligation is to do God's will, but not our own. We must remember this if the prayer that our Lord commanded us to say daily is to have any meaning on our lips.

How unreasonable it is to pray that God's will be done, and then not promptly obey it when he calls us from this world! Instead we struggle and resist like self-willed slaves and are brought into the Lord's presence with sorrow and lamentation, not freely consenting to our departure, but constrained by necessity. And yet we expect to be rewarded with heavenly honors by him to whom we come against our will! Why then do we pray for the kingdom of heaven to come if this earthly bondage pleases us? What is the point of praying so often for its early arrival if we would rather serve the devil here than reign with Christ.

The world hates Christians, so why give your love to it instead of following Christ, who loves you and has redeemed you? St. John is most urgent in his epistle when he tells us not to love the world by yielding to sensual desires. Never give your love to the world, he warns, or to anything in it. A man cannot love the Father and love the world at the same time. All that the world offers is the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and earthly ambition. The world and its allurements will pass away, but the man who has done the will of God shall live forever. Our part, my dear brothers, is to be single-minded, firm in faith, and steadfast in courage, ready for God's will, whatever it may be. Banish the fear of death and think of the eternal life that follows it. That will show people that we really live our faith.

We ought never to forget, beloved, that we have renounced the world. We are living here now as aliens and only for a time. When the day of our homecoming puts an end to our exile, frees us from the bonds of the world, and restores us to paradise and to a kingdom, we should welcome it. What man, stationed in a foreign land, would not want to return to his country as soon as possible?

Well, we look upon paradise as our country, and a great crowd of our loved ones awaits us there, a countless throng of parents, brothers and children longs for us to join them. Assured though they are of their own salvation, they are still concerned about ours. What joy both for them and for us to see one another and embrace! O the delight of that heavenly kingdom where there is no fear of death! O the supreme and endless bliss of everlasting life!

Let all our longing be to join them as soon as we may. May God see our desire, may Christ see this resolve that springs from faith, for he will give the rewards of his love more abundantly to those who have longed for him more fervently.

Women's League Bake Sale and Raffle

Next weekend the Women's League will hold their Christmas Bake Sale & Raffle in the lobby. You may receive a call from one of the ladies to donate baked goods. Tickets for the raffle are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. There are many nice prizes.

Christmas Decorating Tree set up will be held Tuesday, December 13 at 6:30 pm and the rest of the Church will be decorated on Thursday, December 22 at 6:30 pm. This would be an excellent opportunity for confirmation students to get service hours.

Youth Choir News The Youth Choir will meet on Sundays, December 4th & 11th at 10:10 am to rehearse and then sing for the 10:30 am Mass. All youth ALL between grades 2 and 8 are invited and encouraged to participate. Please see/contact Tami if you have any questions. What a great way to get your child "involved" in the Mass!

Children's Christmas Eve Mass St. Peter Youth are invited to attend the ONLY rehearsal for the Christmas Eve program/Mass on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17th from 9 am - 12 pm. We need readers AND singers. For questions, please see Tami after any Mass, contact her at tnpmusic@yahoo.com or (262) 930-1067. Christmas blessings!

All High School students:

8th annual Steubenville Summer Youth Conference
Franciscan University of Steubenville Ohio

Date: June 29 – July 1st, 2012

Cost: \$200 includes registration fee, motor coach bus, housing, meals at the conference, 3 t-shirts, and partial chaperone cost.

To register contact Kurt Baumann at 886-2229 or kgbauman@scj.com or see bulletin board in lobby.

Another Student Reflection: What I got out of this trip is that no matter what I go through God will always be there every step of the way, to take one day at a time, and everything happens for a reason. By going I learned how to trust Him more. I'm going to use this when I'm going home, that just thinking what I was feeling and the emotions while at the second time of Adoration. This is a huge turning point in my life; I can also become a better person, and even help people I know and love that are going through the same as I am. I would recommend teens to go on this trip because it makes you open your eyes and has you realize how much God loves you, even if you sin.

Calling All Crafters/Artisans! This is a call to all Parishioners 18 & older (14 - 18 are welcome to join with the understanding that a parent or guardian must be present at all times) for an opportunity to join a new group at St. Peter's. The name of this group is GOSPA, which means Virgin Mary in Croatian, or Blessed Lady in Slovenian. The purpose of the group is to use our God-given time, treasure & talents in producing artistic or useful crafts for sale to benefit our parish mission. This is an excellent opportunity for those with skills in painting, knitting or crocheting, jewelry-making, paper crafts, sewing, quilting, wood-working, glass making, or any other craft to contribute to their parish. Please contact Suzette Lambin @ 598-8147 for more information. Our first meeting time will be announced at Masses soon.

Kenosha Women's Club Our Christmas Luncheon will be Monday, December 12 at Bombay Louie's (Corner of 60th St. & 23rd Ave.) 11 am Cocktails—cash Bar, 11:30 am—Luncheon. \$16 includes tip. Reservation deadline December 6. Call Sue 697-9416 or Pat 553-1311. A short business meeting will follow lunch. Installation of new members. Don't forget mittens for the needy.

"Living Our Faith" Archbishop's television show back for 5th season. The next episode looks at poverty and homelessness within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. St. Mary and St. Francis Cabrini parishes are just two parishes that provide homeless families overnight lodging, meals and hospitality for one week, on a continuous rotation throughout the year. Just as the Holy Family looked for a place to stay the night of Christ's birth, so too do today's families search for safe and secure lodging. This episode is a perfect way for parents to help their children prepare for Christmas by teaching them about the true spirit of the season. Watch "Living Our Faith with Archbishop ListECKI," Saturday, December 10 at 2:30 pm on WISN TV 12. Can't watch it? Record it or view it at www.livingourfaith.net.

www.thinkpriest.org

Lithuanian Kucius Celebration

St. Richard Church, 1509 Grand Ave., Racine
Sunday December 11 at 1 pm

Lithuanian caroling and Traditional Kucius food. Tickets \$12 for adults, \$6 youth 6-12, under 5 eat free. Call Marian 909-7283 after 7 pm by December 7.

The Testimony of Catalina on the Holy Mass (9)

Continued ...I am compelled to kneel here.”

My God, how much dignity, how much grace the Lord pours out over the priestly souls. And neither we, nor perhaps some of them, are aware of it. There began to appear in front of the Altar some shadows in human form, gray in color, and they were raising their hands upwards. The Holy Virgin said:

“These are the blessed souls of Purgatory who wait for your prayers to be refreshed. Do not stop praying for them. They pray for you but they cannot pray for themselves. It is you who have to pray for the blessed souls in order to help them depart [from Purgatory], that they may go to their encounter with God and enjoy Him eternally. “As you see, I am here all the time. People go on pilgrimages and look for My apparition sites, and that is good because of all the graces that they receive there. But during no apparition, nor in any other place am I present longer [over time] than at the Holy Mass. You will always find Me at the foot of the Altar where the Eucharist is celebrated. At the foot of the Tabernacle, I remain with the angels because I am always with Him.”

To see that beautiful countenance of our Mother at that moment of the “Sanctus”, together with all the others with their resplendent faces, their hands placed together, awaiting that miracle which repeats itself continuously, was to be in Heaven itself.

And to think that there are people, that there are some of us who can be distracted, talking at that moment ... I say with sorrow that many men, more than women, stand with their arms crossed, as if paying homage to the Lord from one equal to another.

The Virgin Mary said: **“Tell everybody that never is a man more a man than when he bends his knees before God.”**



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