

St. Peter

Catholic Church
JANUARY 3, 2021

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Associate Pastor..... Reverend Paul J. Hamilton

Senior Priest in Residence
..... Reverend Monsignor Gregory L. Schmidt

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..... Deacon Richard Renard

..... Deacon Joseph Sulze
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St. Peter Mission Statement

Built on the rock of St. Peter, the Apostle of faith, love and forgiveness, we are a Catholic parish dedicated to live, witness and proclaim the good news of Christ through worship, education and loving service to each other and our community.



Visit us on the Internet at
www.stpeterkirkwood.org
or send your comments to:
info@stpeterkirkwood.org

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Rectory (966-8600) for details regarding participation in the preparation program.

We encourage expectant parents to make arrangements for the preparation program at least a few months prior to the birth of their child.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the rectory office (966-8600) to schedule your wedding date and for details regarding the preparation program. In accordance with Archdiocesan policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

Holy Orders and Consecrated (Religious) Life

If interested, please call the parish rectory or the Archdiocesan Office of Vocations at 792-6460

Rectory/Parish Office

243 West Argonne Drive
Saint Louis, Missouri 63122
966-8600 (Phone)
966-5721 (Fax)

Saint Peter Elementary School

Pre-K thru Eighth Grade
215 North Clay
Saint Louis, Missouri 63122
821-0460

Parish School of Religion

Susan Lueker, 821-0460, ext. 4212

Religious Education Offices - Rectory Offices of Faith Formation

Linda Doyle, 966-8600, ext. 1011

St. Peter Youth Ministry - Ursuline Hall

Trisha Lombardo, 822-1347, ext. 3003

Pastoral Council

Ron Jensen
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John Modder, Chairperson, 303-502-4564

St. Vincent de Paul Society

314-289-6101 Ext. 2220 (Voice Mail)

Parish Center/Cafeteria

821-0460 ext. 4500

Bulletin Deadline!!

Articles intended for publication in the Bulletin must be submitted to the rectory (ably@stpeterkirkwood.org) by **Monday, at 3:00PM for the following Sunday's Bulletin. All announcements must be in writing with a name and telephone number attached.**

Please remember St. Peter Catholic Church in your will.

WELCOME TO ST. PETER

St. Peter Parish Prayer

Lord, thank you for the rich history you have bestowed on our family of St. Peter in Kirkwood.

Blessed by your grace, we ask that you be present in our parish today. Guide us as we celebrate our gifts through worship, education and loving service.

Holy Spirit, create within us a vision for the future that we live, witness and proclaim the good news of Christ.

Amen

Sunday Mass Schedule (During COVID-19)

Saturday: 5:00PM - In Person
(Satisfies Sunday obligation)

Sunday: 8:00am - In Person
10:00AM - In Person & Livestream
and 5:00PM - In Person

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Monday - Friday: 6:45AM - In Person &
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Holy Day Mass Schedule

Consult the bulletin for Mass times
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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sacrament of Reconciliation is held before 5:00pm Mass on Saturday from 3:45-4:45 pm in the Eucharistic Minister's Room across from the Sacristy. Enter the front doors of Church to be guided to the Eucharistic Minister's Room.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - Friday, 6:00AM to 10:00PM
St. Angela Merici Chapel in Ursuline Hall
Enter through the Garden Courtyard

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday of the month at 12:30PM.

Please call the Rectory (966-8600) for details regarding participation in the preparation program. We encourage expectant parents to make arrangements for the preparation program at least a few months prior to the birth of their child.

Anointing and Prayer

Please call the rectory office (966-8600) to schedule a time to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

This is meant to include such concerns as upcoming diagnostic tests, surgery, limitations of aging, anxiety, depression, undue stress, addiction, etc. for all ages.

Sun from Cloud...

The twelfth day of Christmas is the solemn feast of the Epiphany, January 5th. The word *epiphany* comes from the Greek and means “revelation,” and so we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the magi, who were gentiles and did not belong to the people of Israel.

Learn this Appalachian folk song in honor of the star that guided the magi to the Christ child. Find out if anyone you know is familiar with it and could teach it to you. (Take the time! Or check a local music store’s folk section. (If that fails, try shopping on the Internet.) The words are:

*Bright mornin’ star’s arisin’
Bright mornin’ star’s arisin’
Bright mornin’ star’s arisin’
Day is breakin’ in my soul.*

The daily prayer of the Orthodox churches gives us these lovely verses for the solemn feast of the Epiphany:

*The magi who had been led on their way by a divine star
stood before you in wonder at your marvelous birth;
And bearing gifts they see the sun who rose from the
virgin cloud. Let the people who sat in darkness see shining forth
the light that knows no evening,
him whom the stars once manifested to the fire-
worshipping Persian kings.
Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever!*

Bless Your Door on Epiphany...

The gospel tells us that the magi found Christ “on entering the house.” The door to your home is a holy threshold. You can bless those who come in and go out by inscribing above the door in chalk the first two numbers of the year +C+M+B+ the last two numbers of the year. Thus “20+C+M+B+21” will appear on our doorways leading to the outside of the home this year. Tradition tells us that the letters stand for the names of the magi: Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar. Adolf Adam points out that it may also mean “*Christus mansionem benedict*” or “*May Christ bless this home.*” It is appropriate to bless your door in January – *janua* means “door” and the first month is the door to the new year.

After inscribing the doorways, say this prayer:

*God of Bethlehem and Cana, God of Jordan’s leaping
waters, in baptism you bring us into your family.*

You wed us and embrace us as your beloved.

*May we fill this place with kindness to one another, with
hospitality to guests and with abundant care for every stranger.*

*By the gentle light of a star, guide home all who seek you
on paths of faith, hope, and love.*

*Then we will join the angels in proclaiming your praise:
Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever.
Amen.*

Then sing a Christmas Carol...like “*We Three Kings*”.

At all the Masses today we will be blessing chalk for you. Some of the chalk will be white chalk and some will be colored chalk depending upon your needs at your home. Please take a piece of blessed chalk home with you and inscribe your doorways with the “Epiphany Blessing.” In today’s world we need all the blessings we can get. This is an ancient tradition and a beautiful one. Take and enjoy.



From Bethlehem to Jordan

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is the last day of the Christmas season. At daily prayer this day, the Orthodox churches pray:

Let us assemble in spirit, O faithful,
at the streams of the Jordan
that we might behold
a great and mighty wonder.

We shall see the Creator of all
made manifest
as he comes to be baptized.
Let us pass, O faithful,
from Bethlehem to Jordan.
For behold, the Light
which came into the darkness
there begins to overcome the night.

Find out the date of your baptism. Ask a relative, or write to the parish that baptized you. Write the date on the new calendar. Celebrate the anniversary this year by participating in the eucharist. Spend some time reflecting on your Christian mission — your part in spreading God’s love.

When Jesus was baptized, he came out of the water and heard a heavenly voice say, “You are my beloved; with you I am well pleased.” Listen for this voice today whenever you “come out of the water” — the shower, the snow or rain, the swimming pool, the sudsy kitchen sink. Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever! Alleluia! Amen!

I’ll see you in church...in person or livestream.

Monsignor Jack
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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 4

6:45AM Jean Fronck
8:15AM Frances Wessels

Tuesday, January 5

6:45AM Tom Hurley
8:15AM Frank Tubbesing

Wednesday, January 6

6:45AM Mary Schildz
8:15AM Ron Stillman

Thursday, January 7

6:45AM Greg Wieck
8:15AM Mary Katherine Townsend

Friday, January 8

6:45AM Gary Brimer
8:15AM Richard & Mary Phillips

Saturday, January 9

8:15AM Rick Kolodgie
5:00PM Joan Abeln

Sunday, January 10

8:00AM James Mannion
10:00AM People of St. Peter
5:00PM John Macke

SCHOOL LITURGY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Jan. 6 Epiphany Mass 8:15am 2nd Grade
Wednesday, Jan. 13 Weekday 8:15am 1st & 3rd Grades

WE ARE HERE TO HELP

Person To Person volunteers are ready to assist you with special needs you may have due to illness or other emergencies. We are ready to assist with transportation, yard work, light housekeeping, grocery shopping or meals. If you could use a ride to church or to the doctor, or if you are too ill to do laundry or fix a meal, please call and we will try to make the necessary arrangements to assist you. We have over 100 parishioners available to help you or help someone you know who cannot find help elsewhere. Call Deacon John Komotos at 314-984-0054. All requests remain confidential. Please leave a message and your call will be answered.



Restore, Rekindle, Renew Enrichment (3RE)

7-Session Virtual Enrichment Experience

Mon/Thur Evenings:
January 18-February 8
Starting at 7:00 p.m.

Apply online: <https://stl-wwme.org>

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/events/s/restore-rekindle-renew-enrichm/289517819094470/> More Info Call: 314-649-7317.

ST. PATRICK CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

Please keep this important ministry in mind on your next shopping trip. Breakfast bars, granola type bars, chips, cookies, water, and individual drinks are some of the suggested donations. The Health Department requires that all food items come prepackaged. Donations are accepted every day.

Drop off location: 450 Burns Avenue, Kirkwood. Look for the **green tub** along the side of our house on the driveway. Call Jennifer Moritz 909-6756 with any questions.

The ultimate goal of the Mobile Outreach Program is to encourage persons who are chronically homeless to access agency programs that will lead them to permanent housing and financial stability. Thank you for supporting this ministry!



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

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 continue to donate to the St. Vincent de Paul Society so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child.

Special request: We have a neighbor in need of a car. If you are thinking of donating a vehicle at this time, please contact us by calling the number below and leaving a message including your phone number. We will get back to you.

The number to call for information about our St Peter conference or to direct brothers and sisters in need of help with utility, rent or food assistance is (314) 289 6101 ext. 2220.

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Jigsaw puzzles are fun. Solve a puzzle with your whole family, and it comes together even faster. God helped the wise men solve a puzzle. They wanted to find the newborn king. Together the wise men read God's promises, did their homework, and followed the star. When all of their answers fit, they found baby Jesus.

PRAYER

God, thank you for all the people who helped me find Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Solve a puzzle together with your family. Work together like the wise men did.

KIDS CORNER

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

WISE MEN
STAR
HEROD

MESSIAH
WORSHIP
EXCITED

GIFTS
WARNED
DREAM

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

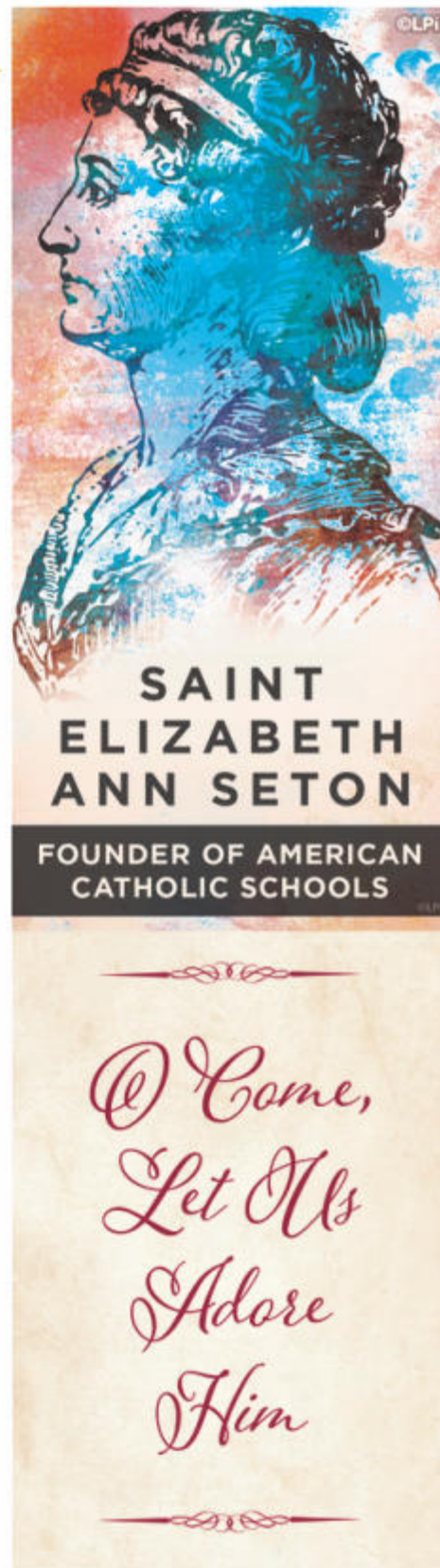
SUN 1/03	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
MON 1/04	1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
TUE 1/05	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44
WED 1/06	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52
THR 1/07	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a
FRI 1/08	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16
SAT 1/09	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30
SUN 1/10	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Tuesday:	St. John Neumann, Bishop
Wednesday:	St. André Bessette, Religious
Thursday:	St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Even the slightest flicker of a light helps to properly orient us when we find ourselves in total darkness. Being in darkness can be unsettling and even a bit unnerving. We lose our focus and struggle to find our bearings and achieve balance. On life's journey we may think we are walking in the light but are really lingering in darkness. We do not see the full picture, either because we are distracted, disinterested, or even apprehensive. Sometimes, we even choose to close our eyes when the light is readily available to illuminate our path. Do we really desire to know the truth of who we are? In Jesus Christ, a light has been given to those who dwell in darkness. God's revelation gives us the light to see where we come from, who we are and where we are going. It also tells us that this Good News is not meant for just a privileged few but is intended to go out to all the world. Is this something we want to see?





FIRST READING

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)



PSALM

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.
(Ps 72)



SECOND READING

It was not made known to people
in other generations
as it has now been revealed
to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:
that the Gentiles are coheirs, members
of the same body,
and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus
through the gospel. (Eph 2:5-6)



GOSPEL

They were overjoyed at seeing the star,
and on entering the house
they saw the child with Mary his mother.
They prostrated themselves and did him homage.
(Mt 2:10-11)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

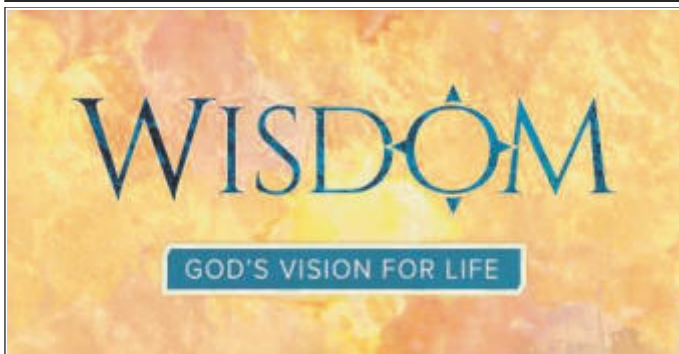
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"Where is that thing?" mumbled Bob as he searched frantically on his dimly lit desk for the current electric bill. "I know I put it right on top of these papers this morning!" Growing in frustration and bordering on anger, he flies stuff around, moves books and opines why simple tasks need to be so hard. Enter his wife, who calmly says, "Maybe it would help if you put the light on, dear." The desk light goes on and lo and behold, there is the electric bill right where Bob left it earlier. All it took was a little light!

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was." The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God's tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God's salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God's healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for!



ST. PETER MEN'S GROUP
PRESENTS
WISDOM:
GOD'S VISION FOR LIFE

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. In this eight-part study, Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith examine biblical wisdom as it relates to daily life. Drawing on the wisdom literature of the Bible - Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes - Wisdom: God's Vision for Life will teach you

how to actively seek sound guidance and increase your sense of peace in navigating life.

In everything from friendships to finances, from making decisions to attaining peace of mind, Scripture offers a vision for happiness and well-being. With this program, you will learn how to gather, gain, and grow in wisdom, and you will experience the joy it brings to your life.

Program Format: Light home reading of scripture: Ascension Press lessons (featuring Jeff Cavins) delivered via Zoom followed by group discussion. Program extends for **8 sessions** and meets every other week.

Join us:

When: We meet **every other Monday** beginning Jan. 11, 2021

Where: Via **Zoom** (a meeting notice will be sent to those who sign up)

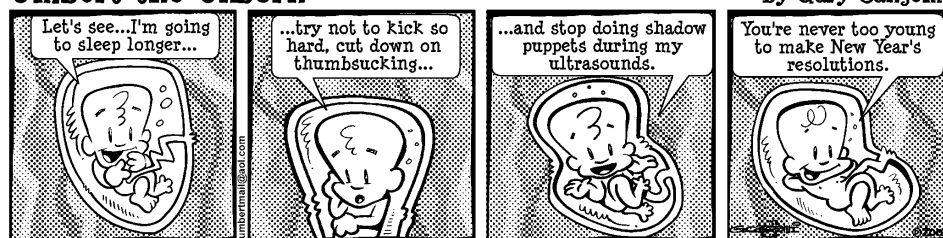
Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Coordinators: Steve Witthaus and Terry McHugh

If you plan to attend, please let us know. Email us at: mchugh.marketing.leader@gmail.com

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donated in Memory of and in Honor of:

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CIRCLE OF CONCERN FOOD PANTRY . . .

Circle of Concern has an ongoing need for disposable diapers (especially size 3, 4 and 5) and wipes. Please drop off your donations on the front porch of Angela and Randy Dalton, 328 W. Washington Ave. Diapers and wipes are collected throughout the month and delivered to Circle of Concern about mid-month.

**Please donate diapers and wipes ONLY.
Thank you for supporting parents and babies in need.**

**APOSTLES VS. DISCIPLES****Question: What is the difference between apostles and disciples?****Answer:**

When we look at the gospel accounts of the life of Jesus, we see two special titles applied to his followers: *apostles* and *disciples*. At first glance, we might think that these two words are interchangeable, but when we look at what each one means, we quickly see that the evangelists were using them very specifically. When we look more closely, we see that while Jesus had many *disciples*, the group of *apostles* was much more limited and referred to Jesus' closest collaborators.

The word *apostle* essentially means "one who is sent forth" or, as we might think of it today, "an ambassador." The group of apostles — sometimes called the Twelve — included those twelve men who formed Jesus' inner circle (see Mark 3:13-14; Luke 6:12-13). It was this group that received the gift of the Holy Spirit and who were sent out by Jesus with the special mission of forgiving sins on that first Easter Sunday (see John 20:19-23). In time, the Catholic Tradition also recognizes Saint Paul and Saint Barnabas as apostles, recognizing that they also shared the mandate of going out in the Lord's name to pray, to bless, and to preach. In 2016, during the Jubilee of Mercy, Pope Francis raised the liturgical celebration of Saint Mary Magdalene to the rank of feast, recognizing that she also received a special mandate to proclaim the good news of Jesus' resurrection to the Eleven, becoming the "apostle to the apostles." In a particular way, the bishops continue the mission of the apostles in our own time.

When we think of the word *disciple*, we see that it has a very different meaning. Rather than referring to those who were sent out to carry on the mission of Jesus, disciple literally means "student" or, more specially, an "apprentice learner." The task of the disciple is to learn and integrate into their lives the teachings, values, and way of life of their master teacher. Although a disciple might be called on to explain or represent aspects of their life, in light of the teachings they receive from this master teacher, Christian discipleship is ultimately about living our lives with faith and integrity, guided by the life and mission of Jesus, our Master Teacher. The call to discipleship is the common vocation of all Christians.

This Ministry reaches out to members of our parish family who are ill, in nursing homes, having surgery, or in need of comfort in any way by providing them with a prayer shawl representing the prayers and support of the parish community. New members are always welcome to knit or crochet these shawls or donate yarn or monies for purchasing supplies. If you are interested in helping with this ministry or would like a Prayer Shawl for a family member or friend please contact Karen Frome, 314 965-7975 or kjfrome@swbell.net.

**STS. TERESA & BRIDGET FOOD PANTRY**

"For I was hungry and you gave me food".

The Sts. Teresa and Bridget Food Pantry has shelves full of food for those that need to feed their hungry families along with bags full of food to hand out to the usual long line of homeless individuals. They all rely on the pantry to feed them and the numbers keep growing. St Peter Parish will continue to serve those in need.

This year the Pantry Team has worked hard to make sure we gather enough food each month to help keep the pantry full. The money donations have been very generous; all we had to do is purchase the food.

Through our FAMILY SHOPPER program, Kristen Figge has found many willing people to help the pantry purchase food. On the 3rd Monday of every month several men fill their vehicles with tons of food for the trip to Sts. Teresa and Bridget Parish. They are Bill Biele, Fr. Greg Schmidt, Mike Thomas, Steve Meskill, George Metzger, John Strebeck, Dan Koskivich, Ray Buehler, John Behl and Jack Figge. The men of the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS have been a major supporter of the pantry the past few years but without their time and talent the year of "2020" would have hit on hard times. Thanks to all these giving people that just want to SERVE others.

St Peter's Pantry Team are all devoted to making sure Sts. Teresa and Bridget Food Pantry have the food needed to feed Jesus' hungry people.

We are already collecting food for 2021. Donations are welcome all month long. St. Peter Parish, keep up the good work! We can't do any of this without your generosity.

DROP OFF LOCATION ~

Candy and John Behl, 319 East Adams, Kirkwood (block and a half east of the YMCA). **Please donate cans no larger than 30 ounces** as anything larger is difficult for all of us to carry. **Or call 314-965-3390 for food pick up. (Yes, happy to do this.)**





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SANCTUARY LAMP CANDLES CONTINUING THE TRADITION

On November 2nd we held our annual Mass of Remembrance where we remembered and honored all those who had died the previous year, especially those buried from St. Peter. Beginning at the end of this month we will continue the tradition of remembering and honoring them. Each week a new sanctuary lamp candle will be placed in the lamp. On each candle will be written the name of one of those buried from St. Peter during this last year. We will communicate in the bulletin each week the upcoming dedications.

Please remember all our faithful departed in your prayers.



SANCTUARY LAMP CANDLES

Below are the scheduled dedications for the months of November and December:

January 4	Seamus O. Calkins
January 11	Brian William Bradshaw
January 18	Betty Jean Wehner
January 25	Robert T. Purk

Please remember all our faithful departed, in your prayers.

KIRK CARE

The Kirkwood Community Food and Financial Assistance Organization has been lending a helping hand since 1982.

Kirk Care serves families in the R-VII school district boundaries with food and utility bill assistance.

A basket has been placed in the entrance of the rectory for non-perishable food donations. Thank you for helping the families of Kirkwood. For more information contact Jennifer McCoy, 314-960-9873.

Please pray for the safety and well being of the following loved ones of our parishioners who have been called to military service: US Army Chief Warrant Officer 2, Cpl. John R. Weber, III, USMC, Major Matthew Kelly, Michael C. Wood, Army, Lt. Joseph Sidlo, M/Sgt Don Haga, A/C Christine Haga, Sgt. Erik Thompson, Warrant Officer Alicia G. Mejia-Adkins, Sgt. 1st Class Michael Adkins, US Army, Chief Warrant Officer 2, Mark Nitz, USMC, Lt. Col. Mark Jackson, IV, Captain Jeremy Reynolds, US Army, Pfc. Josh P. Stack, Capt. Christopher Mosko, US Army, Captain Robert Winkler, US Army, Capt. Kevin Jackson, Lt. CPL. Thomas Weber, USMC, Major Joseph G. Skryd, USMC, Mason Barnett, USMC, Command Master Chief, Maria Strader, USN, SGT Corey Hill, US Army, Jon Detling-Nusser, Navy, Lauren Young, Ensign U.S. Navy.



Please Pray For All The Sick

Names will remain on the *Pray For The Sick* list for 4 weeks then are automatically deleted. To be included on this list, please call the Parish Office at (314) 966-8600. A call to the Parish Office is necessary to request additional weeks.

Annette Leatherman (1)	Oliver Hults (1)
Kristi Hueseman (2)	Louis G. (1)
Heather Jacus (2)	Kathy Kelley (1)
Dick Dietz (1)	Rosemary Wensley (2)
Dave Nockels (1)	Vic Frome (2)
Jackie Brown (1)	Jim Ponder (1)
Mike O'Reilly (2)	Marguerite Wuebker (2)
Pat Pollman (1)	



DECEMBER 20, 2020

Quinn Sophia Huggins, daughter of Matthew & Megan Huggins.

Stanford Douglass Grossman, Edward & Anna Grossman.

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Colette Frances DeWulf, daughter of Michael & Katherine DeWulf.



Please remember the deceased and their loved ones in your prayers: **Bill Bina, husband of Nancy Bina.**





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