



St. Peter Damian Parish

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March 17, 2024

Announcements & Programs

CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMATION CLASSES OF 2024!

Congratulations to the Polish Academy and White Eagle Confirmation classes who were confirmed by Bishop Wypych on Sunday, March 10th. God Bless you on your continued Faith Journey!

Special thanks to their catechists and program leaders for preparing these students for this sacrament.



LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Prepare your soul for the Resurrection of our Lord by attending our Lenten Reconciliation Service on Monday, March 18th at 7:00 PM in the church. The prayer service will be followed by individual Confessions which will be heard in both English and Polish until 8:30 PM.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come join us in praying the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 22nd at 7:00 PM in the chapel. There will be adoration and reflection immediately afterwards.



PALM SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Confessions at 3:30 PM

Mass at 5:00 PM

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, & 11:00 AM

All Masses are in the Church Sat. & Sun.



TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday, March 24, 2024

7:00 PM in the Church

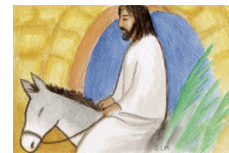
Taize prayer, adoration, and reflection on the last words of Jesus.



VISIT SQUIGGY THE DONKEY!

Make sure to bring the kids to visit our special guest, Squiggy the donkey. He will be here on Palm Sunday, March 24th, from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Children will be able to take pictures with Squiggy and pet him if they wish to do so.

Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem on a donkey. He came to be the Lord of Peace.



TEEN YOUTH MINISTRY

All teens are invited to the Teen Center on Sunday, March 24th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM for a night of fun. We will attend the Taize Prayer Service at 7:00 PM in the church.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

The Knights of Columbus are excited to announce that scholarship applications are now being accepted for the 2024-2025 academic year. There are four \$500.00 scholarships available. Scholarships may be used for any college related expenses, including incidentals.



Application information is available on the Knight's website, KOFC-8699.org, under the "Scholarships" tab.

Deadline to apply is April 7th.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG WOMEN

The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) has an opportunity for female high school seniors to earn a **four-year, \$1,000 scholarship**. The application and guidelines are available on accw.archchicago.org, and the application form can also be found on our website.

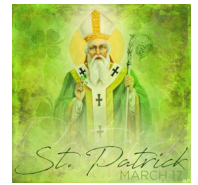
Please submit a 300-word essay titled, "How Would You, as a Young Catholic Woman, Navigate the Challenges we Face in the World Today?" The essay must be typed and double-spaced on a standard 8.5 x 11" page.

The submission **deadline is Tuesday, April 30th.**

For more information, call (312) 534-8325.

ST. PATRICK | MARCH 17

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world. St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family. His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ. ©LPi



LENT'S LITURGICAL SOMBERNESS

Just as we are called to fast and abstain from certain rich foods in Lent - in a spirit of penance and self-discipline - so, too, we "give up" for a time some of the more glorious and joyful aspects of the Liturgy: not only the Gloria - the joyous hymn the angels sang the night our Savior was born - but also the Alleluia (what could be more exhilarating than Handel's Alleluia chorus from the Messiah?). Moreover, we also omit floral decorations and instrumental music in our churches during those 40 days (see General Instruction of the Roman Missal, Nos. 53, 62, 305, 313). Why? Because all of those elements are external and exuberant expressions of joy; Lent is not a "joyful" season, it is a "penitential" season. While it is true that we should always rejoice (Phil 4:4), during Lent we are soberly and penitentially preparing for the passion and resurrection of Christ.

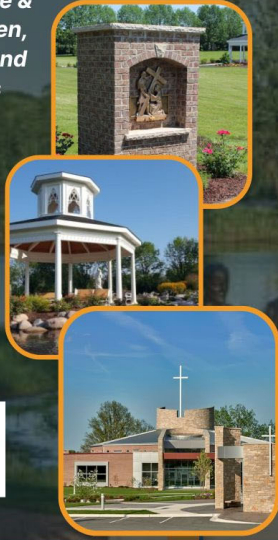


The 40 days of Lent offer us an opportunity to imitate what Jesus did in the desert for 40 days: He prayed and fasted in preparation for His public ministry. The Church asks the faithful to perform works of prayer, fasting and almsgiving during the Lenten season in imitation of Christ and for the good of our souls. This "spiritual spring training" makes us stronger if we embrace these practices with mindfulness and generosity.

Source: www.simplycatholic.com

Events & Invitations

Explore the beautiful shrine & museum, meditation garden, grottos, statue gardens, and beautiful prayer spaces



Join Deacon John

JOURNEY TO NATIONAL SHRINE & MUSEUM OF ST. THERESE

Saturday, March 23rd

9:00 am Bus departs St Peter Damian
4/4:40pm Bus arrives back at St Peter Damian

This is an excellent opportunity to learn about St. Therese and her "little way" as well as Carmelite Spirituality that will aid and enrich your prayer life.

\$55 registration includes:

- ✓ Guided Tour of museum
- ✓ Mass
- ✓ Lunch
- ✓ Time to tour the grounds and gift shop
- ✓ Transportation on motor coach with washroom

Register by Monday, March 18th:

In person: At the parish office M-F 9am-2pm
OR

Online: <http://tinyurl.com/ShrineBusTrip>
(online payment option as well)



HOLY THURSDAY CHURCH VISITATIONS & BUS PILGRIMAGE

With Deacon Mariusz

A traditional visitation of churches in the inner city of Chicago.
An evening of prayer and thanksgiving for the gift of the Holy Eucharist.

\$25 Registration

Includes transportation via deluxe motor coach with washroom

March 28th

8:15pm - midnight

(departure and return to SPD parking lot)

St John Cantis Church

Holy Trinity Mission Church

St Stanislaus Kostka

St Mary of the Angels Church

St Hyacinth Basilica



tinyurl.com/HolyThursdayBus

RSVP

OR

In Person at the Parish Office M-F 9am-2pm

CHICAGO CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER

Pick up a free copy of the Chicago Catholic in the vestibule of the church. Current news and offerings of the Archdiocese are included in this newspaper published every other week.



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FUN FACT
DID YOU KNOW?

How to Make a Good Confession?

Preparation for confession should include an examination of conscience, which means you think back on sins you have committed since your last confession. What happens during confession depends on the priest and the person. Most people start with the formula: "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (state the number of months or years) since my last confession." If you can't remember the words or don't recall how long it's been, don't worry. The priest will guide you through the process. What you will experience is the healing gift of God's love, the chance to start over with a clean conscience, and an overwhelming sense of gratitude.

Volunteering & Giving Back

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

Please help our Food Pantry by donating an item of food each day during Lent. If you cannot donate every day, try just 1 week or 1 item each week during Lent. Below is a suggested list of food that is needed. Please bring the items to Mass and place them in the food pantry bin, or drop them off at the parish office during regular office hours, M - F from 9AM - 2PM. Cash donations are used for perishable items bought weekly. We cannot accept expired foods or dented cans.

- 3/17 – flour or sugar
- 3/18 – Diapers (size 2-5)
- 3/19 – baby wipes
- 3/20 – white rice
- 3/21 – pancake mix
- 3/22 - syrup
- 3/23 – cleaning supplies



SHOE DRIVE FOR CHILDREN

Each year, Father Maina sends shoes to Kenya for children (Kindergarten to College ages). This year, our parish is collecting new and gently used shoes to send to Kenya for "From My Soul to Your Sole". Please place child and adult sized shoes in the labeled boxes in the vestibule from now until Easter Sunday. **Please do not donate any boots or high heels.**

**FROM MY SOUL
TO YOUR SOLE**

Shoe Drive for Kenya

MASS INTENTIONS

One should never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul, both for the living and the deceased.

Mass intentions refer to the particular purpose for which a specific Mass is offered. Most commonly, a Mass is requested for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Daily and Sunday Mass intentions to be offered here at St. Peter Damian are available. If you would like to remember a loved one in this way, please stop by or contact the parish office for more information.



St Peter Damian Councils

Parish Pastoral Council

This council serves to represent the St Peter Damian Parish Community.

Don Herweg, Chair
Susan Griseta
Bunny Koper
Nancy Radosky
Benjie Sabalvaro
Sharon Waters
Father Chris Ciomek, Pastor

Finance Council

This council serves to ensure good stewardship of the financial donations.

Rich Paulsen, Chair
Dirk Locascio
Jim Taylor
Father Chris Ciomek, Pastor
Kristen Dompke, Staff



If you missed giving at Mass, you can scan and donate online.

You can also set up recurring donations based on the payment schedule you prefer.

Access your E-giving history anytime and have it available for taxes without waiting for us to send your donation letter.

You can also make payments for: Mass Intentions, Baptisms, Faith Formation, and more.

Our Prayers & Intentions

Mass Intentions

Monday, Mar. 18

8:30 am

People of the Parish

Tuesday, Mar. 19

8:30 am

Robert A. Langlois †

Jerome Kallas †

Wednesday, Mar. 20

8:30 am

People of the Parish

Thursday, Mar. 21

8:30 am

People of the Parish

Friday, Mar. 22

8:30 am

George & Albert Hawel †

Robert A. Langlois †

Saturday, Mar. 23

5:00 pm

Richard Daudelin †

Sunday, Mar. 24

8:00 am

Kathy Paulsen †

9:30 am

Robert A. Langlois †

James Patrick Kelly †

Aimee Pablke †

George Evan †

11:00 am

Alex Czervik †

Marian Szymanski †



Mass Intentions are a wonderful way to remember your loved ones and celebrate special occasions. Contact the parish office to make a request.

Please Pray for Our Sick

Courtney Christ, David Dortmund Sr.,

Christine Johnson, John Smith, Rona Smith,

James Tyree, Janet Weidner, and Judi Zemaitis

**Please note that names are removed after one month.*

In Loving Memory †

William C. Niemeyer

Wedding Banns

Planning a wedding? Arrangements should be made with the Parish 6 months in advance. Call the Parish office to schedule.

Guests & Visitors

We're happy you've chosen St Peter Damian. We'd love for you to continue your faith journey with us and also become a registered parishioner. Please call the main office 630-837-5411 or visit our website.

Today's Readings

First Reading: All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more. (Jer 31:34)

Psalm: Create a clean heart in me, O God. (Ps 51)

Second Reading: Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (Heb 5:8-9)

Gospel: "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." (Jn 12:24)

Observances for the week of Mar. 17, 2024

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week

Jesus reminds us that the grain of wheat can never realize its potential without sacrifice. God has a plan for each one of us. May He give you strength to become who you were born to be.



Welcome to St Peter Damian Parish!

Are you registered?

Being registered will help when you need a letter for becoming a sponsor, godparent or in the event of marriage. Your financial contributions will also be recorded for you to receive a tax letter each year.

Submissions to the bulletin are needed at least 10 days prior to the requested weekend. All submissions are subject to approval. Please send your submission request to: info@stpeterdamian.org

Parish Information

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm in the Church
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am in the Church

Monday-Friday: 8:30 am in the Chapel with 8:00 am Rosary
First Saturday: Mass 8:30 am in the Chapel

Confessions

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm in the Church
First Saturday: 8:00-8:25 am in the Chapel

Parish Office Hours (Door B1)

Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Phone: 630-837-5411 Fax: 630-837-9424
info@stpeterdamian.org

Faith Formation Office (Hardy Hall)

Please call to arrange an appointment. Phone: 630-830-2295
faithformation@stpeterdamian.org

Precious Tots Preschool (Door A2)

Please call to arrange an appointment. Phone: 630-974-7733
preschool@stpeterdamian.org

St Peter Damian Clergy

Father Christopher Ciomek, Pastor
Father Curt Lambert, Priest in Residence

Dave Sattler, Permanent Deacon
Mariusz Kosla, Permanent Deacon
John Porter, Permanent Deacon

St Peter Damian Staff

Kristen Dompke, Executive Director
Karen Root, Bookkeeper
Kinga Smutek, Music Director
Kristen Sadowski, Receptionist
Joel Hendrickson, Facilities

Faith Formation

Wendy Hendrickson, Coordinator
Pat Juvingo, Administrative Assistant
Tobi Iott, Preschool Coordinator
Mary Doeseckle, SPRED

Sacraments & Ministries

Baptism

Celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. (No baptisms during Lent) A baptismal prep class must be completed before scheduling.

Holy Matrimony

To allow time for preparation, arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.

OCIA (formerly RCIA)

Want to become Catholic? Call the office for information on classes.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office to make arrangements with a priest.

Funerals

Please call the parish office once a funeral home has been chosen.

Ministry of Care

To make arrangements for the sick and homebound please call the parish office or email
spdministerofcare@gmail.com.

Altar Server

3rd grade and up
altarserver@stpeterdamian.org

Art & Environment

Help decorate the worship space
ArtAndEnvironment@stpeterdamian.org

Bible Study

Dive deeper into weekly readings
info@stpeterdamian.org

Children's Liturgy

Lead lessons for kids at 9:30 Mass
faithformation@stpeterdamian.org

Couples For Christ

Families renewed by the Holy Spirit
Lourdes_mercurio@sbcglobal.net

Eucharistic Ministers

Must be Confirmed
EM@stpeterdamian.org

Faith Formation Catechists

Teach Faith Formation Classes
faithformation@stpeterdamian.org

Food Pantry

Help serve Saturday Mornings
spdfoodpantry@gmail.com

For schedules or to participate in a ministry, use the contact email provided.

Knights of Columbus

Fraternal Service Organization
grandk8699@gmail.com

Lectors

Must be Confirmed
lectors@stpeterdamian.org

Music Ministry

Children & Adult Choirs
Music@stpeterdamian.org

Prayer Shawl

Help knit prayer squares
dntsatt@comcast.net

Simbang Gabi

Spiritual celebrations & fellowship
benjiesab@gmail.com

Ushers

Hospitality & help during Mass
spdusherministry@gmail.com

Women of Grace

Women's Spiritual Group
Rita.m.conrad@outlook.com

Youth Group

7th-12th grade students
YM@stpeterdamian.org