



# St. Peter Damian Parish

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**Congratulations to the  
First Communion Class of 2024!**



SPDCatholicChurch

May 12, 2024

# Announcements & Programs

PLEASE JOIN US  
AS WE CELEBRATE



*then*

# 50<sup>th</sup>



*now*

A N N I V E R S A R Y  
of  
O R D I N A T I O N

## *Father Curt Lambert*

MAY • 19 • 2024

**11:00 AM MASS**

ST PETER DAMIAN CHURCH  
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN HARDY HALL

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA-ROSARY CELEBRATION

Monday, May 13th at 7:00 PM in the church.

Everyone is invited to join us for a bilingual rosary devotion with outdoor candlelight procession (weather permitting), commemorating the 107th anniversary of the apparitions in Fatima, Portugal.

All are encouraged to bring fresh cut flowers.



## SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual Parish Picnic is scheduled for **Sunday, August 18th**. We are in need of volunteers to help with every aspect of the picnic. If you would like to help, please contact the planning committee at:

[socialministry@stpeterdamian.org](mailto:socialministry@stpeterdamian.org)



## SECOND COLLECTION MAY 18TH & 19TH

The second collection next weekend is for Catholic Charities. This collection ensures that women and children in need will have access to counseling services, food, housing, utility assistance, and more.

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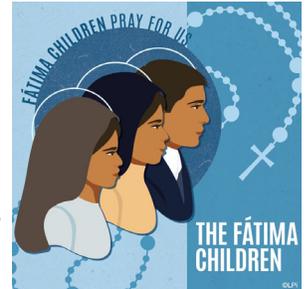
## HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!

Our most sincere prayers, blessings, and gratitude go out to all of the exceptional mothers and mother figures in our lives. May the Blessed Virgin Mary watch over each of you and forever serve as an example of how to love and nurture others unconditionally. God bless our mothers!



## THE FÁTIMA CHILDREN

The Fátima children, Francisco Marto, Jacinta Marto, and Lucia dos Santos, were three young shepherds, ranging in age from 7 to 10 years old, from the small village of Fátima, Portugal. On May 13, 1917, their lives changed when all three saw an apparition of Mary while tending to their flocks. The apparitions of Mary continued for six months, culminating in the famous Miracle of the Sun, or Miracle of Fátima, on October 13, 1917, which was witnessed by thousands of people.



During the apparitions, Mary conveyed messages to the children and asked them to pray the rosary. She petitioned the children to pray for world peace, the end of World War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia. She also gave them three secrets — predicting the end of World War I and the start of World War II, a vision of those suffering in Hell, as well as a prediction of the persecution of Christians and a man dressed in white, probably a Pope, being shot. The Church officially recognizes this as the assassination attempt on St. Pope John Paul II's life in 1981.

Tragically, both Francisco and Jacinta fell victim to the Spanish flu pandemic, with Francisco passing away in 1919 at age 10 and Jacinta in 1920 at age 9. Lucia, the eldest of the three, grew up to become a Carmelite sister. She spent her life spreading the messages of Fatima and authored six memoirs that detailed the apparitions and the secrets she and the others had received. She lived a very long life and passed away in 2005 at the age of 97. On May 13, 2017, the centennial of the first apparition, the Marto siblings, who died in their youth, were canonized as saints and Sister Lucia was declared a Servant of God. Lucia was elevated to Venerable on June 22, 2023. Saints Francisco, Jacinta, and Venerable Lucia, pray for us!

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## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

### **Question:**

Couldn't Jesus have done more good if he stayed on earth, rather than ascended into heaven?

### **Answer:**

This is an interesting question! During his earthly life, Jesus gave sight to the blind, healed paralytics, drove out demons, and fed thousands with only a few loaves of bread. Imagine what he could have done if he'd never ascended into heaven! Imagine what our world could be! It's an interesting thought to consider, especially as the world faces challenges that only seem to deepen and expand. Yet at the Last Supper, Jesus says, "It is better for you if I go." Why? His response must have seemed strange to the Apostles at the time. In his place, Jesus says, he will send the Paraclete, the Comforter, the Advocate. He promises to send the Holy Spirit.



Jesus' departure allows the Apostles to become the leaders he has formed them to be. Jesus is no longer situated in only one geographical location, and his Church will never be a political kingdom. Soon after the Ascension, we celebrate Pentecost — the descent of the Holy Spirit and the radical empowerment of the followers of Jesus. We share in that empowerment and in that mission. Jesus is present in the sacraments, and he is present in us.

Through our faith, hope, and love, we are called to be the good he does here on earth!

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# Events & Invitations

## TOTUS TUUS REGISTRATION IS OPEN

June 9<sup>th</sup> - June 14<sup>th</sup>

The **Grade School Program**: 1st-6th grade for the 2024-2025 school year  
There will be a limit of **50 children** for the day camp program.

**Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-2:30pm**

Cost: \$50.00 per child (includes a t-shirt, snacks, and lunch on Friday.)



The **Jr High/High School Program** is for students entering 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.

**Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:15pm.**

Cost: \$20.00 per teen (includes a t-shirt, snacks, bottled water and dinner on Thursday evening.)

There is no limit for registration for the evening program.

Register ASAP as **spots are limited** and we cannot accept additional students once camp is full. You must register in person or online. Sorry, phone registrations cannot be accepted. Spots are first come, first served. Payment is due to hold your spot. Registration is not refundable.

Register online: <http://tinyurl.com/TotusTuus2024> or in person at the Faith Formation Office..

## PREPARING FOR BAPTISM

If this is your first time bringing a child forward for baptism, or you haven't attended a baptism class within 5 years since your last child was baptized, parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation class held by our Deacon Dave Sattler and his wife Terry. Baptism preparation classes are held the third Tuesday of each month in the evening. Please contact the parish office at 630-837-5411 or [info@stpeterdamian.org](mailto:info@stpeterdamian.org) to schedule a date.



## 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.



*Catholic*  
**FUN FACT**  
DID YOU KNOW?

### What is a Marian apparition?

Marian apparitions are known as appearances of the Blessed Virgin Mary, coming down from heaven to earth. These appearances are often paired with some type of message Our Lady wants to communicate and can be anywhere from one short appearance to several over the course of years. Maybe the most well-known of all Marian Apparitions, Our Lady of Fatima appeared to three children - Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta - in early 20th century Portugal. She identified herself as Our Lady of the Rosary, urging the children to pray the Rosary frequently, for the conversion of sinners, and for the consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart. Source: Ascension Press

# Volunteering & Giving Back

## MINISTER OF CARE

Ministers of Care are needed to take the Eucharist to those who cannot leave their home or the hospital. Mandatory training sessions offer insight into the manner and procedures needed to exercise in individual circumstances.



If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact Joy Gallagher at [SPDMinisterofCare@gmail.com](mailto:SPDMinisterofCare@gmail.com).

## USHER

This ministry is for parishioners who are welcoming, courteous, helpful and friendly. They help enhance the worship experience and minimize distractions through seating parishioners, passing the collection baskets, and making parishioners feel comfortable.



If you are interested in joining this ministry, please email Jim & Linda Fatima at: [SPDUsherMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:SPDUsherMinistry@gmail.com).

## ART & ENVIRONMENT

This ministry enhances our worship space using various art and decorations to help celebrate Holy Days of Obligation and various liturgical seasons. Knowledge of the liturgical season is helpful for this ministry.



If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact [ArtAndEnvironment@stpeterdamian.org](mailto:ArtAndEnvironment@stpeterdamian.org).

## ALTAR SERVER

Students who are in 4th grade and above are eligible for this ministry. Altar servers assist by lighting candles, carrying the cross and candles in procession before and after Mass, and assist the presider during Mass. Training is required and is offered at the church.



If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact the Altar Server ministry at [altarserver@stpeterdamian.org](mailto:altarserver@stpeterdamian.org)



Donations to our **Food Pantry** are greatly appreciated. Please use the collection bin in the vestibule of the church or drop off at the Parish office M-F 9am-2pm. If you'd like to donate your time on Saturday morning, please email: [spdfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:spdfoodpantry@gmail.com)

## 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, May 13**

**8:30 am**

*Frances Fitzgerald †*  
*Maurice Fitzgerald †*

**Tuesday, May 14**

**8:30 am**

*Mimi Warwick †*

**Wednesday, May 15**

**8:30 am**

*Zofia Domogala †*  
*Javier C. Acosta †*

**Thursday, May 16**

**8:30 am**

*Chester Tryban †*

**Friday, May 17**

**8:30 am**

*Richard Rasmussen †*  
*George & Albert Havel †*  
*Vickie Sharp †*

**Saturday, May 18**

**5:00 pm**

*Richard Daudelin †*  
*Michael Sefcik †*

**Sunday, May 19**

**8:00 am**

*Kathy Paulsen †*

**9:30 am**

*Robert A. Langlois †*  
*Marek Kubasiewicz †*  
*Kristopher Gruszczynski †*

**11:00 am**

*Alex Czernik †*  
*Marian Szymanski †*  
*Maria Banach †*  
*Bill Leskanich †*



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

Anthony Arena, Maureen Berscheid, Courtney Christ, Deacon Bob Newton, John Sasso, John Smith, and Judi Zemaitis

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

## In Loving Memory †

For the families and friends of our parishioners.

## Wedding Banns

Please keep this couple in your prayers as they prepare for Holy Matrimony.

Kaitlin Wallace & David Dortmund Jr. (3)



## 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:** "Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection."  
(Acts 1:21-22)

**Psalm:** The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (Ps 103)

**Second Reading:** God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him. (1 Jn 4:16)

**Gospel:** "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one." (Jn 17:11)

## Observances for the week of May 12, 2024

**Sunday:** The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day; Mother's Day

**Monday:** Our Lady of Fatima

**Tuesday:** St. Matthias, Apostle

**Wednesday:** St. Isidore

**Saturday:** St. John I, Pope and Martyr; Armed Forces Day

**Next Sunday:** Pentecost Sunday

## Live the Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week

In his prayer to the Father, Jesus says it aloud to remind us, always and forever: if we belong to Him, we belong to the truth. Lord, may those words ring in our ears as we go into the world as Christ taught us. We are consecrated to the truth.



## Welcomed into the Catholic Faith

Congratulations to the following families who welcomed their child into our Catholic family through Baptism.

**Ella Emilia**

*Daughter of Timothy & Natalia (Fira) Czesak*

**Dithson Santiago**

*Son of Dithson Rosa & Karla Moreira Araya*

## Welcome to St Peter Damian Parish!

T.J. Lewis, Dena DeMauro, & Reid DeMauro-Lewis

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](mailto: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