

Parish Events Calendar

Monday, December 18

7:00 pm Siervos de Cristo Vivo (Upper Room)

Tuesday, December 19

7:00 pm Siervos de Cristo Vivo (Gymnasium)

Wednesday, December 20

No Catechism Classes

6:30 pm Youth Group (Parish Hall)

7:00 pm-8:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition (Church)

7:15 pm Legion of Mary (O'Brien Hall)

Friday, December 22

No Eucharistic Exposition

8:30 am Decorate the church for Christmas (Church)

7:00 pm Crecimiento (Gymnasium)

Saturday, December 23

No Catechism Classes

6:15 pm Vespers in Spanish and Eucharistic Exposition (Church)

Sunday, December 24

No Vespers in English

10:30 pm Confessions, Chanted Office of Readings, Carols (Church)

Sacrificial Offerings

Weekly giving December 3\$7,896

YTD weekly giving.....186,802

YTD budgeted giving148,615

Difference38,187

St. Vincent de Paul5,201

Electronic Giving

Paypal or an automatic payment sent from your checking account are two options available to St. Peter parishioners to give electronically. To donate to St. Peter Church online through Paypal, please see stpeterchurch.net/donate for the link.

Sacred Liturgies

Monday, December 18

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Matthew Block Family

Tuesday, December 19

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Dan and Terri Leuck

6:00 pm Confessions

6:30 pm Mass in Spanish: Amy Herr+

Wednesday, December 20

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Erna Ternus+

6:00 pm Confessions

6:30 pm Mass in Spanish: Jessica Hudson

7:00 pm-8:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition

Thursday, December 21

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Harold Sullivan Family

Friday, December 22

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Charles & Esther Hoelscher+

No Eucharistic Exposition

Saturday, December 23

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Souls in Purgatory+

4:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass in English: Joseph and Maria Nanfito+

6:15 pm Vespers in Spanish and Eucharistic Exposition

Sunday, December 24

7:30 am Confessions

8:00 am Mass in English: Doug and Diane DeMers

9:00 am Confessions

9:30 am Mass in English: pro populo

12:30 pm Confessions

1:00 pm Mass in Spanish: Fabián García

No Vespers

6:00 pm Mass in Spanish: Silverio Díaz Castelán+

10:30 pm Confessions, Chanted Office of Readings, Carols

Monday, December 25

12:00 am Midnight Mass in English: pro populo

9:00 am Mass in English: Mary Sullivan+

11:00 am Mass in Spanish: Mosqueda Barrón Family

December 17, 2023

III Sunday of Advent

Saint Peter Catholic Church



GENERAL SCHEDULE

HOLY MASS

Saturday	5:00 pm English
Sunday	8:00 am, 9:30 am English
	1:00 pm, 6:00 pm Spanish
Monday-Saturday	8:00 am English
Tuesday-Wednesday	6:30 pm Spanish

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Every day of the week	7:30 am
Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
Sunday	12:30 pm
Sunday	5:30 pm
Tuesday and Wednesday	6:00 pm

SOLEMN VESPERS

Saturday in Spanish with Exposition	6:15 pm
Sunday in English	5:00 pm

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

First Saturdays	6:15 pm-12:00 am
Other Saturdays	6:15 pm-7:00 pm
First Mondays	7:00 pm-8:00 pm
Second Tuesdays	7:30 pm-8:30 pm
Third Wednesdays	7:00 pm-8:00 pm
First Fridays	8:30 am-7:30 pm
Other Fridays	8:30 am-6:00 pm

CLERGY

Rev. John P. Broheimer, Pastor
 Rev. Joseph Broudou, Parochial Vicar
 Deacon John J. Zak
 Deacon Gregorio Elizalde
 Deacon Daniel DeLuca

Parish Office

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday
 9:00 am-12:00 pm; 1:00-5:30 pm
 Closed on Mondays

Emergencies

402-346-9273

Catechism Office

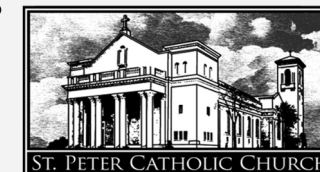
Telephone: 402-341-4560, ext. 113
 Email: catechism.sp@gmail.com
 Wednesday 5:30-7:00 pm
 Saturday 10:30 am-12:00 pm

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This is an ongoing summary of *Veritatis splendor*, an encyclical by Pope St. John Paul II 30 years ago. This was the first magisterial encyclical devoted entirely to issues regarding a fundamental understanding of the Church's teaching on moral theology. It is a magisterial document of the highest importance and relevance then, today, and ages to come.

Chapter Two – Conscience and Truth

(paragraphs 62-64 Seeking What is True and Good)

Conscience is the judgment of an act based upon knowledge of Natural Law revealed to man. However, conscience "is not exempt from the possibility of error." Conscience can be mistaken due to ignorance of God's Law. If a man has little or no concern for seeking what is true and good according to the Natural Law, his conscience will become almost blind and will become accustomed to sin.

Man must seek the truth and make judgments in accord with the truth in order to claim to have a "good conscience." St. Paul tells us to be ever watchful because the possibility of error is always present in our judgment. Man can have an invincible ignorance, meaning, on his own, he cannot know certain truths and so cannot make a correct judgment of conscience about an act. This being the case at times, there remains no excuse to place over and above an objective truth an error about a moral good. There is no moral equivalence between the value of an act done with a conscience based in truth and the judgment

of an erroneous conscience. It is possible that a person might commit an evil due to an erroneously formed conscience and not be assigned guilt from that act, but the act does not cease to be evil and disordered simply because the person was ignorant of the act's immorality. Further, if a person performs a good act but was ignorant of its goodness, it does not add to the moral growth of the person who performs that act. We should be careful about feeling easily justified in our actions only due to our consciences until our consciences are formed by the light of God's Law.

We are called to form our consciences, to constantly seek conversion to truth and goodness. The Church and her teaching office, the Magisterium, are tremendous aids to us for the formation of conscience. "In forming their consciences the Christian faithful must give careful attention to the sacred and certain teaching of the Church. For the Catholic Church is by the will of Christ the teacher of truth. Her charge is to announce and teach authentically that truth which is Christ, and at the same time with her authority to declare and confirm the principles of the moral order which derive from human nature itself."

When the Church pronounces on moral questions, this never undermines the freedom of anyone. True freedom of conscience is never freedom from the truth. A free conscience is always freedom in the truth.

pm on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month in the Parish Hall. January 8 class: *Post Conciliar Consilium Part I*. January 22 class: *Post Conciliar Consilium Part II*.

St. Peter March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. January 16-20, 2024 Cost is \$450. Registration and \$200 are due with final payments January 4. Register by contacting Sara Jane at sarajcc7@gmail.com.

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, December 24

6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Spanish)
10:30 pm Confessions, Office of Readings (English), Carols

Monday, December 25

12:00 am Mass (English)
9:00 am Mass (English)
11:00 am Mass (Spanish)

Father's Christmas Wish List

If you're looking to give a special gift to the parish this year, this is a list of some of our current needs in the parish. Thank you.

Parish Buildings and Grounds

Storage cabinets and counters in O'Brien: ~\$3,000
Ongoing landscaping of the campus: \$8,000
Irrigation around the Convent: ~\$20,000
Preparing the loft for the organ: \$40,000

The Sacred Liturgy

Liturgy Guides for one month: \$40
Hosts/Wine for one month: \$125
Altar Candles for one month: \$250
Incense for one year: \$500

Catechism Program

Baltimore Catechisms: \$400

Holy Hour for Vocations

On Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00 pm there will be a Holy Hour dedicated to praying for vocations, especially the vocations of the youth of our parish. This holy hour is typically offered on the third Wednesday of the month.

Vocations Crucifix You are invited to host a traveling Vocations Crucifix for a week. Place the Crucifix in your home and pray for vocations in the Archdiocese of Omaha. There is a signup to reserve your week at SignupGenius.com. Search for the signup using the creator's email olsotszakpak@yahoo.com. Pass on the Crucifix kit to the next household before or after the 9:30 am Mass in O'Brien Hall.

Park East Christmas Gift Delivery is on Sunday, December 17. Load gifts at St. Peter north parking lot at 1:30 pm and delivery at 2 pm. The residents look forward each year to the many cheerful visitors, caroling, and conversation. Many of the people we visit are alone with no family and our visit is very special to them.

Omaha Urban Council of Catholic Women Scholarship for high school senior Catholic young women. Applications must be submitted by January 15. For details: oaccw.org/home/about.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry needs brown paper grocery bags, pasta sauce, soup, cereal, oatmeal, dried or canned fruit, boxed side dishes, mac & cheese, pasta, ramen, toothbrushes, tooth paste, travel size toiletries, toilet paper, small size dish soap and laundry soap, all purpose cleaners, shampoo, and conditioner. Leave items in the brown bins at the church entrances.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Victoria Lugo Cota+. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

Please Pray for the Sick

Juan Arce and Juana Ochoa, María Isabel Arce Peña, Juliana Arciniega, Brigitta Aumen, Phil Bawden, Judy Buhlke, Aniceta Carmona Pérez, Carlos Carrillo, Minerva Castro, Juan Manuel Chaidez, José Lucio Chávez, Gabe Chubb, Maximina Cruz, Sidonia De la Rosa, Rick Duros, Kevin Engelkamp, Lilia Gloria Espinosa, Justina Franquez, María García, Dolores Hernández, Octavia Hurtado, Ashley Ibach, Rosalba Kohout, Ruby Mesa Lara, Patricia López Elizalde, Jerry M., Francisca Magallón, Michelle Methe, Juan Esteban Ocaña Balboa, Cindy Ortiz, Carol Ortlieb, Nora Guadalupe Peralta, Michael Phillips, John Piper, Susan Polson, Mark Ptacek, Patrick Ptacek, Edith Rodriguez, Matt Shimerdla, Mary Kay Sullivan, Rick Swanson, María Jerónima Trejo Vizcaya.

Pray for Parishioners Serving in the Military

SSgt. Luke Anderson, Marine Corps
Capt. Jacqueline Baude, Air Force
Senior Airman James P. Carl, Air Force
Senior Airman Reyna Carl, Air Force
Lt. Col. John Casey, Air Force
Capt. Tyler Clawson, Air Force
Spc. Eric Diego Mateo, Army
PFC Estrella Flores, Marine Corps
Cpl. Xotchil Flores, Marine Corps
Lance Cpl. Nathan Leuck, Marine Corps Reserve
Sgt. Joseph Methe, Army National Guard
Capt. Nicholas F. Petro, Air Force
Capt. Peter Roach, Air Force
Lt. Mary Emma Schreffler, Air National Guard
Lt. Andrew Steadman, Navy
Ens. Kenneth Steadman, Navy
Sgt. Gerard Zak, Army

Christmas Decorating

Please consider helping to decorate the church for Christmas. We'll meet in the church after the 8:00 am Mass on Friday, December 22.

No Eucharistic Exposition on Friday, December 22.

If you are an adult not receiving Communion, please do not approach the Communion rail. Children who have not received their First Communion should not kneel or stand at the Communion rail. Children should remain behind those who receive Communion. Children are always welcome at Sacred Liturgies. If children become noisy and need a break, there are speakers in O'Brien Hall and the church vestibule from which the Mass may be heard. Blessings are not permitted by the Church during the Rite of Communion.

A class on the Mass led by parishioners Deacon Daniel DeLuca and Demetrio Aguila meets at 6:30