

MASS SCHEDULE

The Lord's Day

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

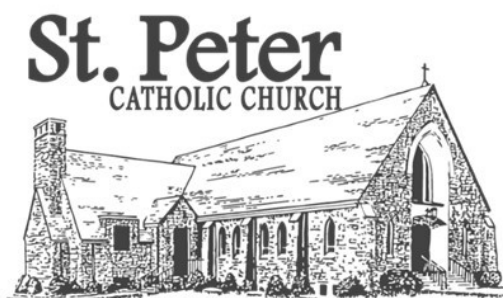
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekdays

Mon. –Wed. 8:00 a.m.

Friday Noon

(See inside for occasional changes.)



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WELCOME

On behalf of the entire St. Peter Catholic Parish Community, we welcome you! Whether you are a parishioner, vacationer, or seeking a parish to call home, we hope that we can provide you with any desired information and spiritual support while you are here.



CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Councils, Ministries & Groups

Parish Council * Finance Council * Choir * Servers * Lectors * Ushers * Greeters * Eucharistic Ministers * Mission Society * Knights of Columbus * Grief Ministry * Gabriel Project * Art & Environment * Youth Group * St. Peter Prayer Group * After Alpha * Bible Study

Social Concerns

Community Help Mission, Helping Hands & Support of Community Projects

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to attend classes and schedule a Baptism.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the parish at least 6 months before the wedding for required pre-marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick

If you are in the hospital, contact the hospital Chaplin.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Call the parish office for programs and details.

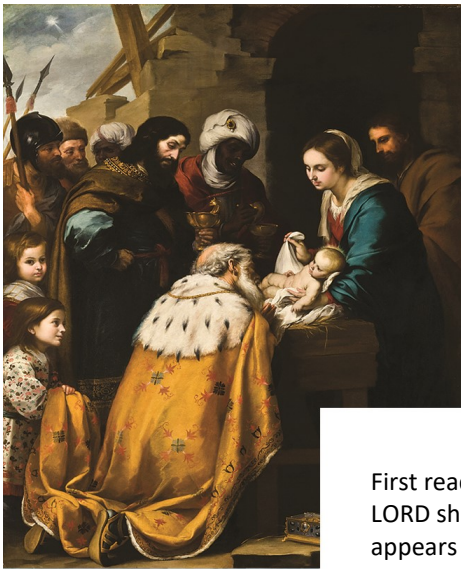
RCIA/ Inquiry Class

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic? Contact the parish office for further information.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Peter Church are a community built on Jesus Christ, our foundation, rooted in the Gospel, and distinguished by a spirit of welcome and belonging. Therefore, we strive to worship joyfully, serve gladly, and be stewards of God's gifts. We nurture spiritual growth through faith formation and education. We support one another, reach out to all, spread the Gospel, and practice our faith in our daily lives.

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday noon. Please read inside bulletin for any changes from above.



The Epiphany

OF THE LORD

January 2, 2022

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,
"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?"
We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

Matthew 2:1-2

TODAY'S READINGS

First reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

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

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30;

Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7;

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Epiphany of the Lord

O God, who on this day
revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star,
grant in your mercy
that we, who know you already by faith,
may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime
glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.



JOURNEY TOWARD GOD

In our celebration of the Epiphany, two interwoven themes are present in the readings today. God is beginning something new, and God gathers all of humanity to participate. For Isaiah, God's bright light, manifested in the people of Israel, attracts and summons people from many nations to Jerusalem. In the letter to the Ephesians, God's grace makes the Gentiles co-heirs and co-partners in the gospel. Matthew tells the story of the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel through the birth of Jesus, and simultaneously leading foreigners to share in these same promises. With the birth of Jesus, God chose a particular people, in a particular time and place, to enter most directly into the human story. Today's readings teach that God did this in order to gather all people, all cultures, into unity with God. Like the magi, we are drawn into a journey toward God, becoming co-partners in God's work.

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Tornado Relief Collection

Please consider making a donation to Catholic Charities USA in support of relief efforts for the victims of the tornadoes and storms earlier this month. You may donate directly at <https://www.catholiccharities.us/campaign/ccusa-disaster-relief/c353051> or send us a check payable to St. Peter Parish noting "Disaster Relief," and we will gather the donations into a single offering to Catholic Charities USA. Thank you!

FORMED

Are you looking for a family activity during the Christmas break and over the New Year's holiday? Sign up or log on to FORMED where there are literally hundreds of movies, e-books, and online Catholic content to enjoy for FREE! FORMED can be accessed through our parish website, or directly at <https://formed.org/signup>.



Masses for
the Week



Day	Date	Feast/Holiday	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	Jan 1	Vigil for Epiphany of the Lord	5:00 pm † Duane Strouse	Chuck & Rita Henley
Sunday	Jan 2	Epiphany of the Lord	9:00 am † William & Mona Henley	Paula Bush Adam
Monday	Jan 3	Christmas Weekday	8:00 am People of St. Peter	
Tuesday	Jan 4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton	8:00 am † Alexia & Ray Williams	Pat & Amanda Lipps
Wednesday	Jan 5	St. John Neumann	8:00 am No Mass	
Thursday	Jan 6	Christmas Weekday	No Mass	
Friday	Jan 7	Christmas Weekday	Noon No Mass	
Saturday	Jan 8	Vigil	5:00 pm † Paul B. & Mary D. Henley	Paula Bush Adam
Sunday	Jan 9	Baptism of the Lord	9:00 am † Roger Chapman	Eleanor Chapman

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God January 1, 2022



On this feast, we can see how devotion to Mary has been a beacon of hope to the sick throughout history. In the new cathedral of Los Angeles, the faithful enter through a single door topped by a striking sculpture of Mary with arms stretched down in compassion.

Sculpted into the massive bronze doors are the titles of Mary most treasured by various cultures. Many of them speak of how the sick are consoled by a sense of Mary's presence.

Dorothy Day once recalled St. Bonaventure's remark that after the Lord's long forty days of fasting in the desert, when he was diminished and weak from his struggle, the angels who ministered to him went first to the Blessed Mother's house. There they saw the soup that was on her stove, and took some to the Lord so that he would delight in it even more since his mother had prepared it. "Of course," said Dorothy Day matter-of-factly.

In praying the rosary and savoring the stories of Mary's steadfast love in the face of all suffering, the sick are strengthened by one of our tradition's most shining treasures, and the whole Church is enriched. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

The SYNOD is coming!

Mark your calendars for these listening sessions, open to everyone, where your experiences of Church can be shared with others in our community and with the larger Church around the world. More information on this process will be forthcoming in the weeks ahead. There will be 3 separate sessions to accommodate the diverse schedules of our parishioners. You only need to attend one session. The dates are Tuesday Feb. 1 from 1:00 – 3:00pm or 6:30 – 8:30pm and Saturday Feb. 5 from 9:00 – 11:00am.

Bible Study

Thank you to all who participated in our Advent Bible Study. We will be taking a short break for the Holidays. Please watch the bulletin for more details on our Winter sessions which will focus on the Catholic approach to reading the Bible and understanding Scripture. Mark your calendars for Thursday evenings beginning the first week of February at 6:30pm!



PRAY FOR...

Pat Flannery
Christa Snyder,
Beth Fry,
Norma Huy,
Rosena Fisher,
Donna Foote,
Sir David Adam,
Pat Grego,
Alan Ohler,
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Heather Sage,
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Jamie Parker,
Anne Kochera,
Mary Moses,
Bruce Bible,
Tripp Heffelfinger,
Raymond Keck,
Jane Bible,
Micki Gaines,
Clara Jane Conrad,
Fr. Elmer Marquard,
Pope Francis,
and for peace
throughout the world.

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December 21-27



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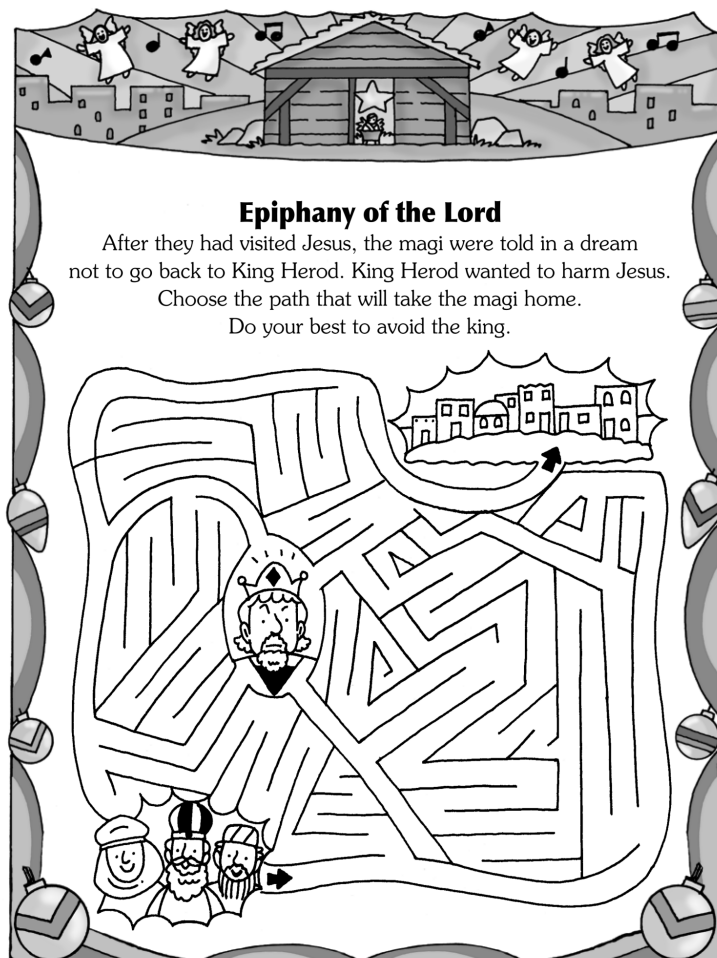
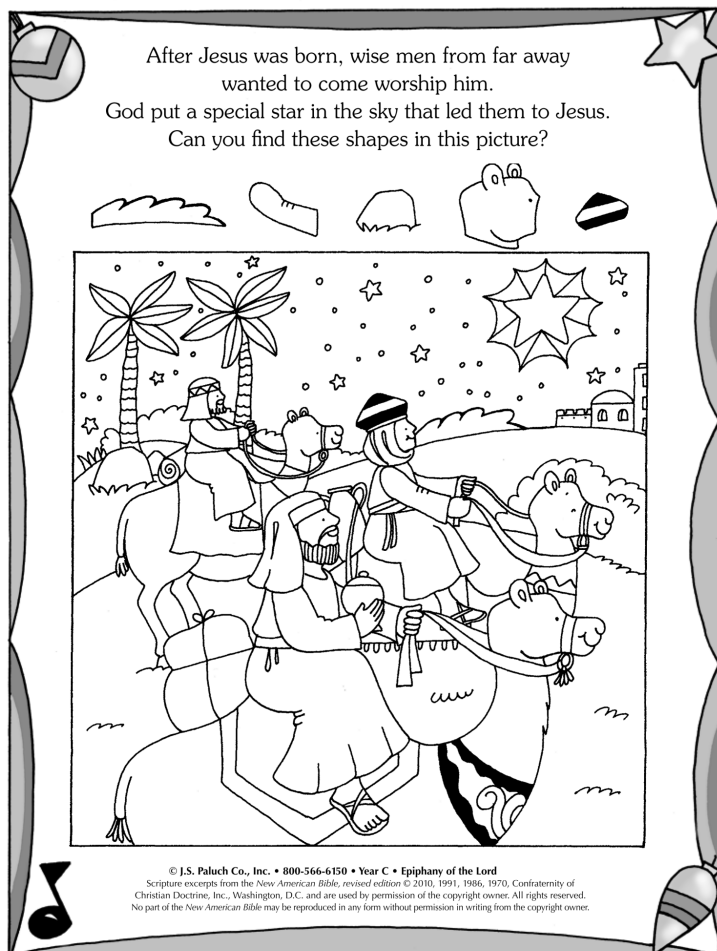
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Christmas

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