

This Week at St. Peter's

Date	Events	Mass Intentions	Readings
Sunday, March 30	Donut Sunday after 9 & 11 a.m. Masses SCRIP for sales after 9 & 11 a.m. Masses 9:15 a.m. RCIA LC 2:30 p.m. Daisies Meeting LC 3:30 p.m. Confirmation Practice LC 4 p.m. Middle School Youth LC 6:30 p.m. High School Youth LC	9 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners 11 a.m. - Bud Haden by Dan and Paula Tarwater 5:30 p.m. - Kevin Hoesli by CRHP Women 3 Team	1 Sm 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41
Monday, March 31	9 a.m. Bible Study LC 1 p.m. Knitting Group LC 7 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 118 MR 7 p.m. Finance Committee LC	8:15 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-13 Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday, April 1	Moms & Pops Tournament 8:45 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration LC 7 p.m. Parish Council LC	8:15 a.m. - John Huss by the Sean and Karen Miller Family	Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-3, 5-16
Wednesday, April 2	8 a.m. Rosary Group LC 10 a.m. Ceramics RR 2:20 p.m. School Dismissal 2:20 p.m. Brownie Troop #1503 LC 7 p.m. Men's CRHP LC 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal CH	8:15 a.m. - Thomas F. O'Malley by the Ed O'Malley Family	Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30
Thursday, April 3	9:30 a.m. Scripture Study MR 7 p.m. Confirmation CH 8 p.m. Confirmation Reception MR 7 p.m. Women's CRHP 4 LC	8:15 a.m. - (Church) - St. Peter's Parishioners	Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47
Friday, April 4	8:45 a.m. Stations of the Cross CH 5:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pizza Dinner GR	8:15 a.m. - (Church) - St. Peter's Parishioners	Wis 2:1, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23
Saturday, April 5	SCRIP for Sale after Mass	5 p.m. - Helen Sommerhauser by the Family	Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53
Sunday, April 6	SCRIP for sales after 9 & 11 a.m. Masses School Book Fair MR 9:30 a.m. Knights Pancakes GR 9:15 a.m. RCIA LC 4 p.m. Middle School Youth LC 6:30 p.m. High School Youth LC	9 a.m. - Kiki Norwood by the Family 11 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners 5:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Ez 37:12-14 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45

MEETING SPACES: CH Church LC Legacy Center MK McKay Center RCT Rectory Note: Deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the Tuesday prior at 12 noon. Send items to bulletin@stpeterskc.org.
 GR Garden Room MR Main Room OFF Off Site RR Romero Rm.

Ministry Schedule: April 5 & 6

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
Saturday 5 p.m.	I Flores, J Flores, K Egan, M Egan	J Steinbacher J VandenBoom	S VandenBoom, S Stanton, S Woollen, J Boeh, T Crowley, C Cusumano, R Hunter, E McShane	A Meyer, B Schneider, P Sollars, J Stanley
Sunday 9 a.m.	S Trozzolo, L Biritz, L Biritz, S Hellings	M Granatino M Granatino	C Newman, B Murphy, B McCormack, N Reddig, B Wirkus, G Wirkus, C Wren, MB Andersson	M Grimaldi, A Geis, M Williams, M Lee
Sunday 11 a.m.	E McGhie, Q Reller, C Buhrmeister, R Holmquist	M Fitzpatrick K Hanson	S Johnson, K Conwell, MA Cottrell, B Dearth, P Dearth, K Duffy, A Edsall, P Feuerborn	R Madeo, L Hire, M Lisac, B Pont
Sunday 5:30 p.m.	K Flynn, S Flynn, E Malone, L Concannon	A Cusumano C Murphy	S McGaughy, A Roller, E Roller, Nee Volunteers	A Thomas, D McGrew, Need Volunteers

Our Parish

Stewardship Renewal Update

Thanks to everyone who has turned in your pledge information to the parish; and thanks to all who are converting your tithe payments to automatic withdrawal. We hope that it makes it an easier process for everyone.

Through March 25 we have received:

302 Pledges totaling \$1,332,394

This is 34.5% of our parish families, pledging 47.5% of our \$2.8 million goal

As you can see, we have a long way to go. If you have not yet turned your tithe information in, please do so as soon as possible. We are in the process of starting to budget for next fiscal year, and it sure makes it easier if we have a good idea of what our income looks like.

And don't forget, for the first time this year, you can pledge online! Visit the parish web site stpkc.org to find out how.

God bless you.

Tom Nickel, Business Manager

Pray for Our Confirmands

Please keep the 2014 Confirmation class in your prayers as they are in their final stages of their confirmation preparation. This weekend they will be on retreat at Conception Abbey. This Thursday, April 3, 67 students will be confirmed by Bishop Finn at 7 p.m. in the Main Church.



Confirmation Rehearsal

Confirmation practice will be this Sunday, March 30 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the church. This is the only practice, so those students who are participating in the sacrament should plan on attending. Confirmation will be held Thursday, April 3 at 7 p.m. in the church. A reception will be held in the Main Room immediately following Mass and Confirmation.

RCIA Scrutinies

On the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent we participate in the Scrutinies. The universal Church hears the stories of the Samaritan woman, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus. These readings were chosen to be the driving force of prayerful introspection, surrender, and conversion. They offer powerful images of surrender, sin, conversion, faith, and healing. In our faith journey with those seeking Baptism, we must stir our souls, as if they were dying campfires, to expose any parts of ourselves that have not been purified by the burning love of the Holy Spirit. We are challenged with the Samaritan woman at the well when we thirst for the Lord, who knows what we need and provides it; we beg, with the man born blind, to see Jesus, who is the light and gives us sight; and finally we lie with Lazarus within the tomb of oblivion and death, built with the stones of our own sins, until Jesus reaches out his hand and pulls us from the pit. Take this gift of the Church and use this group of readings as Lenten reflections.

Prayers

St. Peter's community prays for the following people: Michelle Melland, Sally Euston, Loretta Jenkins, Madi Winfield, Brian Auckland, Nicole Buckley, Robert Fitzgerald, Rosalie, Patricia Kieffer, Pam Horn, Andy Loehr, Marianne McMullen, Larry Harris, Wayne Goebel, Jody Rice, Bridget Campbell, Kevin, Ken Sittenauer, Rita Schrempt, and Mary Christine Stanton, Dennis, Bob Cushman, James. W. Kieser, and Peggy Allin.

Prayers and Sympathy

for the family of Emanuel Buren and Rita.

For Their Safe Return

St. Peter's community prays for an end to war and a safe return for those from our community serving in the military, including Jon Connelly and Angelo Castillejo.

Prayer requests are printed in the bulletin for two weeks and can be sent to Ray Hain at rhain@stpeterskc.org.

Knights Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will be flipping flapjacks and frying sausages on Sunday, April 6, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30



p.m. in the Garden Room. Please join us for this all-you-can-eat breakfast. We'll also be serving milk, coffee, and juice. \$6/Adult, \$3/Child, \$20/Families of 5 or more. Free/Children 2 and under.

VIP News

VIP April Luncheon

The April luncheon is a celebration of Easter! Celebrate the first Friday of Easter with your friends on April 25, 11-2 p.m. in the Main Room of Church. Guest Chef and games and prizes!

Our Parish

Spring Book Fair

Please join us for St. Peter's PTA Spring Book Fair, Sunday, April 6 - Wednesday, April 9.

Sunday, April 6: 10-11 a.m. & 12-1 p.m.

Monday, April 7: 12-4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 8: 12-8 p.m., from 6:30-8 p.m., Come and enjoy cookies and bedtime stories!

Wednesday, April 9: 12-4:30 p.m.

Registration for T-Ball

St. Peter's Co-Ed T-Ball registration is underway for St. Peter's parishioners who will be entering Kindergarten or



First Grade in the Fall of 2014. Registration forms and information are available at Kindergarten Screenings, sent home in school packets, or at

www.stpeterskc.org. Forms must be returned by Friday, April 11 for uniform orders. We hope you will join us for the fun which begins May 17 and runs through June 21. Don't miss out on this great opportunity for peers and parents to meet new and old St. Peter's friends before the start of the school year! We need parent volunteers to help with coaching and weekly set up, too. Please indicate on your form if you can help. Call Emily and Marty Seaton at (816) 268-4842 or email them at eseton123@yahoo.com with any questions. We are looking forward to another great St. Peter's T-ball season!

Baptism Preparation Class

The next St. Peter's Baptism Preparation Class will be Saturday, May 3 at 9 a.m. in the Legacy Center. This class is a requirement for only the first child in your family and is to be attended before a scheduled Baptism occurs. To register for the next class, please contact Ruth Davis, at (816) 363-2320, Ext. 110, rdavis@stpeterskc.org.

Parishioners Invited to the Alumni Reunion in June

All parishioners who would like to spend an evening with our terrific school graduates are invited to join us for our upcoming all class reunion on June 7. We'll start with Mass at 5 p.m. and the move to the gym and cafeteria for the evening. All parishioners



had a hand in supporting our students when they were in school. So it only seems fair that we join in celebrating their reunion, don't you think? Parents of alums are especially encouraged to come and catch up with your children's classmates. Mark your calendar and watch for registration information.

We hope our current teachers and staff will join us and are eager to locate and invite former teachers. If you are a former teacher or can help us contact former teachers, administrators or staff, please contact Karen in the parish office.

Stations: A Musical Dramaturgy

The musical dramaturgy Stations will be performed in the sanctuary of our church on Friday, April 11, at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend and be a part of a unique Lenten worship experience. Stations is presented by Theatre at VIS, a ministry of Visitation Church. The theatre group has toured the show throughout the diocese and regionally for many years and has received wide acceptance and acclaim. Stations was written by Paul Novosel and Fr. Robert Murphy, a Kansas City/St. Joseph diocesan priest. Admission is free and all ages are encouraged to attend. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., 30 minutes prior to the performance.



Social Services

Food Pantry Drive

Dear Parishioners: Thank you so much for your generosity. Your commitment to love your neighbor is inspiring!

St. Peter's Community Garden

Any parishioner who would like to join the volunteers and be on our google list for updates about the garden, please call Ray at (816) 877-0300 or rhain@stpeterskc.org.

Knitting For Neighbors

Knitters, crocheters, and stitchers meet every Monday from 1-3 p.m. in the Legacy Center, Room #210. All are welcome! If you have questions, please contact Joan Miller at joancmiller@gmail.com or (816) 523-0693.

St. James Food Kitchen

Thank you to our fantastic volunteers! Committed to April 2 are Carolyn Biritz, Rose Super, Pat Morrissey, Judy Whalen, and Patti Owsley; Diane McGrew and Laura Logan, Andrea Carroll plus one; Ben, Cindy, Leo, Ana, and Mateo Gajewski, Dave and Paul Wendling, and Kate and Tim Morgan. Our next dates are April 30 and May 7. To volunteer please contact Ray (816) 877-0300 or rhain@stpeterskc.org.

Our Parish

Faith Formation Bookshelf

A Crucified Christ in Holy Week by Raymond E. Brown, S.S.



Father Brown was one of the twentieth century's most distinguished biblical scholars, having been appointed to the Pontifical Biblical Commission by both Pope Paul VI and Pope John Paul II. But don't let that scare you away from this small book. It is very accessible.

We read the Passion narratives of Matthew and John during Holy Week this year. We rotate among the accounts in the other Synoptic gospels (Mark and Luke) on Palm Sunday each year. We read John every Good Friday. Brown's book offers a way for us to compare and contrast all four accounts in preparation for hearing each year's two choices. We often lump all four into one account. It is fascinating to have them side by side and savor both the narrative and atmospheric differences which each Evangelist chose to emphasize.

Adult Catholics owe it to themselves to have an appreciation of what is being said in each Passion account over and above the familiar events. Find a used copy and keep it.

Dick Brummel
Adult Faith Formation Team

Fish Dinner Fundraiser

The Well and Lew's are having their annual Fish Fundraiser, this Lenten season, lasting through Easter Sunday (April 20). For every fish dinner, fish sandwich, or fish salad purchased, these Waldo neighborhood restaurants will rebate \$1 to our school. Just mention to your server that you are with St. Peter's. This offer will also include



the Well's Sunday Brunch, for the non-fish-eater. Several area Catholic schools are participating. The school with the most rebates earned during Lent will also earn a bonus of \$250. Rebate special applies to Lunch, Dinner, and Carry Out.

Youth News

Middle School Youth Group

All 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders welcome.
This Sunday, March 30
4-5 p.m.
Legacy Center, Room #210

High School Youth Group

9th - 12th Grades welcome.
This Sunday, March 30
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Legacy Center, Room #210

Feel free to bring your friends! All are always welcome. If you have never been to youth group, come check out what you have been missing. If you are not getting my emails regarding youth announcements, please email me your email address and I will add you to the distribution list. If you have any questions, email or call me at tmitchum@stpeterskc.org (816) 363.2320 Ext. 171.

Save the Date

Mark your calendars now for Sunday, April 27, 4-7 p.m. for the 3rd annual Youth Mission Trip Spaghetti Dinner. Spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, and garlic toast will be served. The dinner will be held in The Garden Room (school cafeteria). \$8/Adult, \$5/Child 12 and under.



New Parishioner Inquiries

New Parishioners, please call Ruth Davis at (816) 363-7051 Ext. 110 to make an appointment to register.



Altar Cleaning Schedule

Week of 3/30: Mary Buren, Elisa Trozzolo, & Norma Spear

March Purificator: Jean Schmidlein

Shoebox Shower

It is time to start collecting items for our annual Shoebox Shower for women who go to shelters because of abusive situations at home. Please start collecting personal hygiene items for women and children, e.g., shampoo, lotions, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hair brushes, deodorant, socks, etc. We will donate these items to the Women's Shelters. The shelters have requested that we put these items in large reclosable plastic bags or unwrapped, but tied shoeboxes. There will be a box in the vestibule by the food basket for your donations, or you may drop them off in the Legacy Center. We will be accepting shoeboxes until May 6. If you have questions, please call Margaret Taylor at (816) 523-1691.

Around Town

KCPS School Board Forum

On Monday, March 31, from 7-8:30 p.m., Visitation Church (Tighe Hall, 51st Terrace, east of Main) will be hosting a forum for the KCPS School Board Candidates. Topics of discussion will be Priorities, Stewardship, Community Involvement, and Communication. The At-Large candidates who will be there are Janelle Bailey, Amy Hartfield, Pattie Manser, and Catina Taylor. The upcoming election is on April 8, 2014.

Shrimp Dinner

The Ancient Order of the Hibernians are hosting all-you-can-eat shrimp dinners from 5-7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 4 and Friday, April 11 at Redemptorist Church, located at 33rd & Broadway, KCMO. \$14/Adult, \$6/Child (6-13), Free/Child (5 and under), \$36/Family-parents and dependent children.

Linger Over Breakfast Series

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet will be presenting "Getting Older, Getting Better" lecture on April 5, 2014, at St. Teresa's Academy, Windmoor Center. The doors open at 8:30 a.m., and the program will be held from 9-11 a.m. The session is \$15/person and breakfast is included. Register online at www.csjsl.org or call (816) 501-2044. Come and explore ways to age with wisdom and grace.

Linger Over
BREAKFAST

Elders Concert at STM

As St. Thomas More continues their golden jubilee celebration, please join them for an evening of Celtic rock with The Elders performing live. The event will take place at St. Thomas More on Thursday, May 22, 2014 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each or \$30 a family which includes dinner and entertainment. Hope to see you there!

What is Serra International?

The Lenten season reminds us all of our brokenness and dependence upon Christ and His Church. Whether for works of charity and mercy or for the sacraments the Church offers, we should all express our gratitude to the men and women religious (as well as seminarians, deacons, nuns and novices) who carry out Christ's work today. One organization – open to men and women alike – proposes to do just that: celebrate and express our thanks to our religious. Members of Serra International work to support religious, primarily through fundraisers. From participation in the annual "Support our Seminarians" dinner and auction, Priest and Seminarian Appreciation Day, Chili Dinner fundraiser, to Blisters for Sisters and more. Quite an array of events that can fill your life with joy and give you the opportunity to say "thanks" to our religious. If you are interested, call Charlie Murphy (816) 678-6366 or email ccmurfhykc@gmail.com.



Field Day with F.I.R.E.

Field Day with Fire is the Senior Project of Chase Koob and Alex Wagner. Their project is a special olympics for the students in our community. Our project is a way for students with disabilities to come together and show off their amazing athletic abilities. All the proceeds of the event will be donated to the Foundation for Inclusive Religious Education (F.I.R.E.) to help continue to provide Inclusive Studies for students with Special Needs at the Diocesan schools in our area. The activities will be held at UMKC on April 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities are open to all middle school and high school students with special needs. Events that will be offered that day are: 100m, 200m, 400m, 4 X 100m, and modified basketball. To find out more information please contact either Chase Koob at chasekoob@gmail.com or call at (816)536-7392 or Alex Wagner at cwagner@oharhs.org or call (816)728-2539.

Saints of the Americas

The St. Francis Xavier Parish Adult Faith Formation committee is sponsoring a Lenten speakers series called Soup & Spirituality 2014: Saints of the Americas. These will be held at Rockhurst Community Center, 5401 Troost Avenue (Southeast corner of 54th & Troost) from 6-7:30 p.m. Below is the schedule:

Wednesday, April 2 Bill Sheahan, S.J.: St. Alberto Hurtado, S.J.

Wednesday, April 9 Bonnie Hagharian: Dorothy Day

Join us for a simple soup supper followed by engaging presentations on four "saints" who have truly been "Christ for others." For more information contact Mariann McCormally (816) 523-5115 x 204 or mccormally@sfx-kc.org.

Contemplative Prayer Workshop

Save the date for Friday evening-Sunday morning, June 6-8, 2014 for a workshop, "Models of Contemplation" offered at Rockhurst University by Fr. William Meninger. The retreat will focus on centering prayer. To learn more, Google contemplative outreach-kc or leave your name/email at (913) 706-9469.

Around Town

An Easter Retreat

Come to Conception Abbey Friday evening, April 25 through Sunday noon, April 27 to learn about the Johannine testimony to the Resurrection. The Resurrection stories in St. John's Gospel sum up the work of Jesus Christ for our salvation. Fr. Patrick Caveglia and Deacon Frank Lopez will provide you with insights into the Johannine images and testimony. You'll have time for discussion, as well as for personal prayer and quiet pondering. The opportunity for Reconciliation and an evening social are included. Join the monks in praying the Liturgy of the Hours and the whole Conception community in celebrating the Eucharist. Suggested donation for lodging, meals, conferences and reception: \$160 for single accommodations, \$130 per person for double accommodations. Conception Abbey is located at 37174 State Highway VV, Conception, MO 64433. For more information, please call the Abbey Guest Center at (660) 944-2809 or email us at guests@conception.edu.

Sophia Spirituality Center

Join us for a Lenten Retreat on Thursday, April 10, from 9 a.m. -3:30 p.m. Follow Jesus closely during his Passion. Learn what sustained him and how you can have this power in your own life. This retreat will be conducted by Sister Marie Ballmann, OSB, spiritual director, member of the Sophia staff and a leader of both private and group retreats and workshops. For more information or to register, call (913) 360-6151 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org.

Volunteers Needed for Birthright

If you are interested in helping pregnant women in crisis, consider volunteering for Birthright, an international emergency service offering positive alternatives to abortion. If you are willing to commit some of your time, there a number of ways to help. We especially need compassionate women and men to answer the hotline calls, run pregnancy tests, and befriend mothers in crisis. Training will be held on Saturday, April 5, at the Birthright center, 6309 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri. Reservations are required by April 3. Call Birthright, (816) 444-7090, or Janet Cozad, (816) 741-2696.

Reporting Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are the victim of sexual abuse or if you *suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18)
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or 911
3. After reporting to civil authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor* or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at (816) 812-2500 or e-mail at JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest or deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate Mary Bultmann at (816) 714-2387 or bultmann@diocesekcsj.org for more information.