

This Week at St. Peter's

Date	Events	Mass Intentions	Readings
Sunday, August 17	STP Reward\$ for Sale after the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses 1 p.m. Sienna Club LC	9 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners 11 a.m. - Diana McMahon by Mary Jean Podrebarac 5:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28
Monday, August 18	1 p.m. Knitting Group LC 7 p.m. Troop 118 MR 7 p.m. Landscape Committee LC	8:15 a.m. - Rosaire Peltier by Mary Kay VandenBoom	Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday, August 19	8:45 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration LC 6 p.m. Meyer Fest Meeting LC 6:30 p.m. Oak Meyer Garden Mtg. LC 7 p.m. Finance Committee LC 7:40 p.m. Knights of Columbus MR	8:15 a.m. - Diana McMahon by Mary Jean Podrebarac	Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-27, 27-28, 30, 35-36; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday, August 20	8 a.m. Rosary Group LC 10 a.m. Ceramics RR 7 p.m. Men's CRHP LC	8:15 a.m. - For Shawn Nunnick by the Gillbanks Family	Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday, August 21	6 p.m. Italy Travelers LC 7 p.m. CRHP 4 LC 7 p.m. Centering Prayer Group RR	8:15 a.m. - (Church) All School Mass 5:30 p.m. - (Chapel)	Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday, August 22		8:15 a.m. - Joan K. Davis by the Davis Family and Francis J. Riderer by his children	Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday, August 23		5 p.m. - Leo H. & Helen Sommerhauser by the Family and In celebration of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Jerry & Carolyn Biritz	Ez 43:1-7; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday, August 24		9 a.m. - Tim O'Sullivan by the Family 11 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners 5:30 p.m. - Tim O'Sullivan by the Family	Is 22:15, 19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

MEETING SPACES: CH Church LC Legacy Center MK McKay Center RCT Rectory
GR Garden Room MR Main Room OFF Off Site RR Romero Rm.

Note: Deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the Tuesday prior at 12 noon. Send items to bulletin@stpeterskc.org.

Ministry Schedule: August 23 & 24

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
Saturday 5 p.m.	E Harrington, E Shaw, E Makar	P Sollars J Steinbacher	B Mayer, S Hunter, C Pedersen, P Rowland, B Schneider, R Schneider, Need Volunteers	D Ryan, C Madden, S Leisman, L Marks
Sunday 9 a.m.	L Halverson, D Newman, E Hair, G McHugh	M Gude MM Hough	J Miller, B Wirkus, G Wirkus, MB Andersson, P Arkell, E Brewster, Need Volunteers	J Saviano, M Lee, M McCue, S Mohler
Sunday 11 a.m.	S Tappan, Q Reller, J Hunter, K Moore	P Feuerborn B Healy	J Martucci, M Kruger, C Kuhls, M Leonard, J Lisac, M Murphy, S McCrae-Robertson, J Spaeth	R Madeo, M Madden, B Pont, B Sweeny
Sunday 5:30 p.m.	J Hutchison, K Flynn, S Flynn	G Kruger N Gross	A Roller, E Roller, Need Volunteers	A Thomas, Need Volunteers

Our Parish

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

I'd like to welcome back all the St. Peter's students, teachers, and staff who began the new school year this past Wednesday. We are welcoming several new teachers and staff members this year, and we look forward to having you as part of our community.

You've probably noticed how beautiful the grounds look. Thanks to all of the volunteers who came out last weekend to clean up, weed, and mulch the campus. The landscaping, playground, community garden, and courtyards look beautiful.

I'd also like to mention that this summer, I was particularly impressed with the Youth in our parish.

Four of our graduates from the Class of 2014 presented their SSEP experiment to top level directors in the Secretary of Education's board room in Washington, DC. Those same four sent their microgravity experiment into space, to the International Space Station. And one of those students, along with three incoming St. Peter's 8th graders, presented their experiments at the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program national conference in the Smithsonian Air & Space Museum in Washington, DC.

Thirty-one of our Youth spent 5-7 days serving others on St. Peter's Mission Trips to San Antonio, Chicago, and Kansas City. I hope you saw the photos of some of their work, included in last weekend's bulletin.

Four young men who are seniors in high school showed up 2-3 hours nearly every day this summer to water and tend our community garden.

Another senior who is an STP alum recruited 30 teenagers, 21 of which were also St. Peter's alums, to help tutor 2nd graders at Benjamin Banneker with reading, spelling, and math. The program was so well received by the teachers and students at Banneker, it may be extended into the school year.

I'm intentionally not naming names, because I know this list of activities and achievements doesn't include all the good things our students have been doing this summer. It's encouraging to see so many of our young parishioners accomplishing so much and living out their faith by following the call of the Gospel. Please continue to pray for all our students and graduates as they begin their fall semester.

God bless,
Fr. Steve Cook

Consider Making Time for Christ Renews His Parish

In the words of Father Terry Bruce: "I guarantee you if you have reasons for NOT going on the retreat years from now, you will never remember what those reasons were. BUT if you go on the retreat, you will definitely remember it years from now!"

Please consider joining the next group of men and women on the Christ Renews His Parish retreat. The women's retreat is scheduled for September 20-21 and the men's is October 4-5. Contact Nancy Ellermann if you are interested in the Women's Retreat at (816) 333-3262, gnellermann@sbcglobal.net. For more information about the Men's Retreat, contact Dick McTygue at (816) 333-8979, rfmcntygue@aol.com.



Prayers

St. Peter's community prays for the following people: Michelle Melland, Sally Euston, Loretta Jenkins, Madi Winfield, Brian Auckland, Kris Omecene, Bridget Campbell, Christina Wirkus, Maria Pelto, Courtney Jones, Mary Stanton, Donna Teahan, Lee Thomas, Pat Cook, and Randy Stanton, Robert Revels, Norrie Grace, Jennifer Spaeth, and Lisa.

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, Angelo Castillejo, and Raymond Alavarez IV.

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

Baptism This Weekend

Welcome to the newest member of the St. Peter's Parish family!

Baptized Sunday, August 18 during the 11 a.m. Mass:
Annabelle June Kilpatrick
(daughter of Adam and Stephanie Kilpatrick)



School of Religion

Families with children in grades 1-8 who do not attend St. Peter's school are encouraged to consider School of Religion for faith formation during their grade school years. Letters to parents of children not enrolled at St. Peter's were mailed August 8. Please return applications to the parish office on or before this Monday, August 18. If you did not receive a letter and would like your child to attend, please contact Mary Pfeifer at (816) 363-2320.

New Parishioner Inquiries

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

Our Parish



Altar Cleaning Schedule

- Aug. 17: Kate McDonald & Meaghan Healy Cisneros
 Aug. 24: Beverly Martin, Mary Helen Williams, & Bebe Wirkus
 Aug. 31: Mary Buren, Elisa Trozzolo, & Norma Spear

August Purificators: Barbara Elliott & Mary Kay VandenBoom

Parking Lot Repairs

This week, we'll be doing some major repairs on the campus parking areas. Please be aware that on Monday, August 18, the south school parking lot (just east of the Charlotte entrance to school) will be closed. On Tuesday, August 19, the Legacy Center Parking lot (facing Meyer Blvd.) will be closed after morning Mass. If you are visiting the parish office or coming to Adoration on Tuesday, please be advised that you will need to either park on the street or the lot behind the Legacy Center. Thanks for your patience while we make these necessary repairs.

Ensuring St. Peter's Future

On July 10th the St. Peter's Parish Endowment Fund board of advisors hosted our St. Peter's Parish Heritage Society founders at a dinner at the rectory. It was a beautiful July night, and we were happy to celebrate with all those who donated or pledged to the fund in its first year of existence. We are pleased to report that we continue to receive very generous gifts to our endowment, and the fund continues to grow. As of this week we have over \$90,000 invested in our endowment fund, in addition to future gifts in the form of bequests and pledges. Thank you to all our donors: past, current and future.

STP Reward\$ Sales This Weekend

STP Reward\$ is selling cards in the church basement this Saturday, August 16 in the back of church after the 5 p.m. Mass, and Sunday, August 17 in the Main Room (church basement) after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses. Stop to learn how school families can earn money towards their comprehensive fees. Coffee and donut holes will be served.



If you would like addition training, there will be a training session in the school library on August 20 from 7-8:30 p.m. To sign up, contact Jennifer Lombardi at Jennifer.lombardi89@gmail.com.

Right of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

If you have been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you. Our parish will soon begin a set of sessions to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our church family. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. The first meeting is Sunday, September 28 at 10:30 a.m. in the Legacy Center, room 210. Please contact Toni Mitchum if you have questions. (816) 363-2320, Ext. 171 tmitchum@stpeterskc.org.



Confirmation Meeting

There will be a Parent/Teen Confirmation Meeting on Tuesday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m. in The Legacy Center Chapel. This meeting is required for all Catholic Freshman who are planning on being confirmed at St. Peter's Parish on April 8, 2015. One parent must attend this informational meeting. Please call Toni Mitchum at (816) 363-2320, Ext. 171 with questions, or email her at tmitchum@stpeterskc.org.



Meditative Prayer for Christians

A new chapter of contemplative outreach has come to St. Peter's parish. We meet on the lower level of the church in the Romero room on Thursdays, at 7 p.m. (Doors are locked at 7:15 p.m.) After 20 minutes of centering prayer, we have discussion on a spiritual topic related to our centering prayer practice. We finish before 8:30 p.m. All are invited to come for either or both activities and newcomers are completely welcome. Instruction in the method of centering prayer is available. For more information on centering prayer, visit <http://www.contemplativeoutreach.org/> or call Paul Pierron (773) 259-4393.

Growing in Love

On Wednesday, September 24, from 7-8:30 p.m., St. Peter's Parish will host "Growing in Love: An Evening for Your Marriage." This will be an evening of prayer and reflection for married couples. Strengthen the love of your marriage with this prayerful and practical mini-retreat. The event will be presented by Fr. Steve Cook and Dino Durando, the Director of the Office of Family Life. RSVP to the parish office at (816) 363-2320, ext. #110. All you need to bring is your bible and your spouse!



Social Services

A New Service from St. Peter's Social Services

Are you facing a small, unexpected, financial expense? Maybe we can help.

St. Peter's Social Service Agency has partnered with Next Step KC to help parish members and clients with a small-dollar loan solution. Next Step KC is a community-based non-profit organization working to encourage affordable and appropriate financial products in the Kansas City area. Next Step KC's Small-Dollar Loan Program offers loans from \$300-\$500, provide realistic repayment terms, and report to the credit bureaus which can help you build or rebuild credit.

Another available Next Step KC program is Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), which offers free tax preparation for taxpayers who make \$58,000 or less. Last year, their VITA volunteers served over 7,500 individuals and families, putting \$8M in federal refunds back into the community. Volunteer recruitment for next tax season will start soon. Please stay tuned for more information.

If you're interested in learning more about Next Step KC or the program's requirements, visit www.nextstepkc.org and/or contact:

Dan Needham, Director of Social Services
 Telephone: (816) 877-0300
 Email: dneedham@stpeterskc.org



Back To School Food Drive

Dear Parishioners,
 Please support our Food Drive, this coming week, August 24-30.



Summer is our most vulnerable time as we double our need for pantry goods. We are almost out of EVERYTHING! Your generosity is our life-line. Here are just a few of our needs:

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| ECLC | Crackers |
| Kindergarten | Peanut Butter/Jelly |
| First Grade | Pasta/ Pasta Sauce |
| Second Grade | Rice/Noodle Sides |
| Third Grade | Cereals/Instant Oatmeal |
| Fourth Grade | Bags of Dried Beans |
| Fifth Grade | Bags of Rice |
| Sixth Grade | Canned Fruit/
Applesauce |
| Seventh Grade | Canned Veggies |
| Eighth Grade | Canned Meats |
| Parish at Large | Canned Meats |

Everything Is Appreciated!

Morning Glory Café Ministry

St. Peter's Parish staffs the Morning Glory Café the 4th Thursday of each month (including Thanksgiving, and also Christmas this year). Upcoming dates include August 28 and September 25. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve breakfast and carry out for our neighbors in need, from 6:30-8:30 a.m. Donations of breakfast cereal and baked goods are also requested. Volunteers may also bring donations of clothing and toiletries for Emergency Services. The Morning Glory Café is located in Donnelly Hall, which is the building on the corner of 12th and Broadway, across the parking lot from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. For more information or to volunteer, contact Karen Miller at karenmil@kc.rr.com or (816) 695-4946.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

Thanks to the Altar Society for their leadership in this ministry, especially Emily Brewster and Mary Kay VandenBoom. We also thank our other dedicated volunteers:



Dan Needham, Christie Makar, Pat Rowland, Amy Roller, Jim McNieve, Jean Schmidlein, Flo Mundy, Bebe Wirkus, Violet Huey, Mike Cisneros, Ann Thomas, Jim Maenle, Maria Pelto, Elizabeth Ong, and Mike Hough.

St. Peter's Community Garden

The garden is overflowing with good healthy produce and beauty. Wow, so many potatoes, tomatoes, green beans, squash, peppers, okra, berries and apples, and pears. Come for a visit. Open all day! Thanks to all of our incredible volunteers.

Knitting For Neighbors

The knitters, crocheters, and stitchers will continue to meet every Monday, 1-3 p.m. through the summer this year! Come to the Legacy Center, Room #210. All are welcome! If you have questions, please contact Joan Miller at (816) 523-0693, or joanmiller@gmail.com. Knitted hats and other articles support our Christmas program, the St. James Bus Stop Ministry, and Operation Break-Through.

St. James Food Kitchen

We are in need of volunteers for upcoming St. James Food Kitchen ministry, and we need 10-12 volunteers each night! Our next service date is September 3. Committed are Carolyn Biritz, Rose Super, Pat Morrissey, Judy Whalen, and Patti Owsley. Thanks to these fantastic volunteers! If you'd like to serve, please contact Dan (816) 877-0300 or dneedham@stpeterskc.org.

Our Parish

Faith Formation Team Bookshelf

*God in Ordinary Time:
Carmelite Reflections on Everyday Life*
by Carmelites of Indianapolis staff

This is a beautiful book. The fifteen women of the Carmelite community in Indianapolis collaborated on the 2001 publication of this series of photographs, meditations and space for journaling. It is a retreat in and of itself.

It opens with a quotation from the great reformer of the Carmelites, St. Teresa of Avila, "Prayer, in my opinion, is nothing else but an intimate sharing between friends." Hence the 'ordinary' tone of this small work. It seems that the ordinariness of this sharing gets overshadowed by the spectacular, the dramatic, the glitziness of life in 21st century America. We are bombarded daily, hourly, by the minute with "breaking news" of impending doom or the promise of an earthly salvation brought to us 'by our sponsor'. Where is the time for that intimate sharing between friends?

That time is found in the ordinariness of lives focused on their own ordinariness. This simple book helps that focus.

This book is a treasure and it is certainly a disappointment (but perhaps not a surprise) that it is out of print. The good news is that used copies may be had via Amazon for as little as \$4.00 (shipping included)! Get one.

Dick Brummel

VIP News

Next Senior Luncheon

Join the new director for a luncheon on Thursday, September 18 in the Main Room of Church from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

St. Peter's Stew

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." - ROMANS 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.



Host Families for Foreign Exchange Students

Help build bridges of intercultural understanding by sharing your home and daily life with a student from another country. AFS is looking for host families for high school exchange students for the school year. They will come from more than 90 countries and arrive in August and September. We are looking for a family for an STA student and a family for a Rockhurst student. For more information, call Kate Maricle at (913) 216-2672 or visit the web site: www.afsusa.org/host.



MEYER FEST

Get ready to experience the biggest event to hit St. Peter's and Brookside in decades. It's Meyer Fest – part Fiesta, part Wurst Fest, part Lollapalooza, part I-can't-believe-this-is-happening-at-St. Peter's.

FRIDAY, OCT. 10

HOLEY HOOLEY GOLF SPECTACULAR at Swope Park
PIG ROAST

SATURDAY, OCT. 11

..... MORNING:

BIKE EVENT & CHILDREN ACTIVITIES (inflatables, games, performers, etc.)

..... EVENING:

TRADITIONAL WURST FEST EVENT, inside, for adults
MEYER BLOCK PARTY, outside, for adults,
FEATURING POPULAR LOCAL BANDS

MORE INFO TO COME AS THE DATE DRAWS NEARER.
CLEAR YOUR CALENDAR. ALERT THE BABYSITTER.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEYER FEST:
BROOKSIDE WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT IT.

Proceeds from Meyer Fest support the community activities of St. Peter's Parish, including the St. Peter's Food Pantry and St. Peter's sister parish, San Francisco de Asis in El Salvador.

Around Town

Pro-Life Dinner

The Vitae Foundation will be hosting their Annual Pro-Life Dinner on Friday, September 12, 2014 at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown-Muehlbach Tower, 200 W. 12th Street, KCMO. The guest speaker will be Sen. Rick Santorum, former presidential candidate in 2012 who launched Patriot Voices to promote faith, family, freedom and opportunities. Tickets are \$100/person (\$50 is tax deductible). Seating is limited to those with reservations, so make your reservations soon by calling (800) 393-5791. Reservations may also be made online at www.vitaefoundation.org/events for more information about the event and about Vitae Foundation, please visit our corporate website www.vitaefoundation.org.

Mandated Reporting Policy

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or 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), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at (816) 812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, 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.



Hosting Chinese Students

If you are a family or empty nesters who are interested in hosting a Chinese High school student who will be attending Bishop Miege High School for the 2014-2015 school year, please contact Bonnie Rudzinski at (816) 363-1074. Students are arriving in two weeks, and there is a need for homes for five male students, so please call soon if you are interested.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Marriage is a journey! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pazazz to your journey. Whether you've been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Weekend may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship. The next Weekend in Kansas City is September 19-21. For more details about a Weekend, please visit our website:

wwme4youandme.org or call Tony and Barb Zimmerman at (816) 741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net.

