

This Week at St. Peter's

Date	Events	Mass Intentions	Readings
Sunday, August 31		9 a.m. - Lawrence Meyers by Susan Meyers 11 a.m. - For the Living and Deceased Members of the Altar Society 5:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Labor Day Monday, September 1	School and Parish Offices Closed for the Labor Day Holiday	9 a.m. - (Church) St. Peter's Parishioners	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday, September 2	8:45 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration LC 7 p.m. Parish Council LC 7:30 p.m. Meyer Fest Meeting LC	8:15 a.m. - Uncle Leonard Belan by Kristen Campbell	1 Cor 2:10-16; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday, September 3	8 a.m. Rosary Group LC 10 a.m. Ceramics RR 7 p.m. Men's CRHP LC Choir Rehearsal CH	8:15 a.m. - For Shawn Nunnick by the Gillbanks Family	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday, September 4	6 p.m. Reservoir CH 7 p.m. CRHP 4 LC 7 p.m. Centering Prayer Group RR 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal CH	8:15 a.m. - (Church) All School Mass - Marion Starnes by Dorothy Starnes	1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday, September 5		8:15 a.m. - Leonard Belan by the Family	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday, September 6		5 p.m. - Leonard Belan by the Family	1 Cor 4:9-15; Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday, September 7	4:30 p.m. Girl Scoutts - Grade 5 LC	9 a.m. - For Shawn Nunnick by the Gillbanks Family 11 a.m. - Deceased Members of the Altar Society 5:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

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: September 6 & 7

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
Saturday 5 p.m.	J Flores, K Mulhern, J LaBella	P Sollars J VandenBoom	S VandenBoom, T Crowley, R Hunter, C Cusumano, B Mayer, E McShane, Need Volunteers	B Schneider, S Leisman, C Madden, L Marks
Sunday 9 a.m.	P Andersson, C Roder, O Powell, A Fitzgerald	M Seaton M Ungashick	J Miller, J Miller, B Murphy, K Riley, B Murphy, B McCormack, C Newman, N Reddig, J Schaible	M Grimaldi, K Reilly, L Parizek, J Saviano
Sunday 11 a.m.	J Batten, C Buhrmeister, S Terrill, D Hammond	P Leach F Shuler	M Healy, MA Cotrell, B Dearth, P Dearth, K Duffy, A Edsall, B Healy, P Feuerborn	P Hanson, M Lisac, M Madden, B Pont
Sunday 5:30 p.m.	M Wright, A Hathaway, S Powell	G Kruger J Malone	M Flores, S McGaughey, T Mitchum, Need Volunteers	D McGrew, A Meyer, Need Volunteers

Our Parish

Opportunity for Spiritual Growth

Christ Renews His Parish is a great way to renew your personal spiritual growth and our faith community at St Peter's. Please consider joining the next group of men and women on the Christ Renews His Parish retreat. The women's retreat is September 20-21 and the men's is October 4-5. Contact Nancy Ellermann at (816) 333-3262, gnellermann@sbcglobal.net or Dick McTygue at (816) 333-8979, rftmctygue@aol.com.



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.



St. Peter's Choirs

The new choir season is starting soon, with rehearsals beginning on September 10 and 11. The 11 a.m. Sunday Mass choir rehearses at 7 p.m. in the Church on Wednesday evenings. The 9 a.m. Sunday Mass choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Church. Anyone who is interested is invited to join the choir, or for more information, please contact James Wagner in the parish office at (816) 363-2320, Ext. #114.



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!

This marriage enrichment provides an excellent opportunity to touch the lives of married couples in each parish even if they are not already thinking about getting involved in the work of marriage preparation. At the completion of this time of study, discussion, and prayer they will be invited to prayerfully consider becoming a Lead Couple.

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.



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.

Labor Day Weekend

The school and parish office will be closed Monday, September for Labor Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. in the Main Church. Have a safe holiday!

Parish Phone System Changed

Please note that the parish and school have installed a new phone system, and there is a change in how to reach staff members. Please dial the parish number (816) 363-2320 (or school number (816) 523-4899), **then hit the "#"** key, and then the extension number. This should take you to the staff/faculty member you are trying to reach, so that you can speak to them or leave a voice mail. Thank you! We apologize for any confusion this has caused during our transition to the new system.

New Parishioner Inquiries

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

Our Parish



Altar Society News

Dear Women of St. Peter's,

In next week's bulletin, there will be an invitation to become an active member of the St. Peter's Altar Society with the first meeting of the year taking place on Sunday, September 14 after the 9 a.m. Mass. As a woman of the parish, you are automatically a member, but we would love to have a more active participation in our collection of \$10 in annual dues and the sharing of volunteer opportunities. There are several ways in which you can donate your time with many of the ministries only requiring service once or twice a year. In addition, the gift of your \$10 in dues supports many ministries in our parish. Some of the items purchased in the last year with these funds, include: two dozen blue vigil lights for Mary's Shrine, fabric and supplies for 60 baptismal gowns, mass intentions for living and deceased members of the Altar Society, a dozen purificators, and a red vestment and Alb for Father Steve. Please consider this important call to membership.

Altar Cleaning Schedule

Aug. 31: Mary Buren, Elisa Trozzolo,
& Norma Spear

September Purificators: Barb Haden and
Rosie Super

Baptism This Weekend

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

Baptized Saturday, August 30
after the 5 p.m. Mass:
Bella Anne Van Winter
(daughter of Mark and Mallory
Van Winter)



Next Senior Luncheon

Join the new Social Services Director, Dan Needham, for a luncheon on Thursday, September 18 in the Main Room of Church from 11 a.m. -2 p.m.

Social Services

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in getting involved with St Peter's Social Services? Come help in the food pantry, get your hands dirty in the garden, or serve a meal at St. James Place. There's a lot to do! Call Dan Needham at (816) 877-0300 or e-mail him at dneedham@stpeterskc.org.

Blood Drive

Save the date for our next blood drive, September 22 in the Main Room (church basement) from 2-7 p.m. Donors can designate a St. Peter's student for their own Jeans Day! Register online and reserve your time now at savealifenow.org the enter sponsor code "stpeterskc" to reserve your sign up.

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. 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, (816) 877-0300 or dneedham@stpeterskc.org.



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. Join us this Saturday, August 30. It's time to start planting lettuces and spinach for fall. Call Dan to volunteer at dneedham@stpeterskc.org or (816) 877-0300.

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 joancmiller@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, Patti Owsley, Arden Weis, Richard Hair, Holly Bentley and Family, Violet Huey, and Carolyn Wren. Thanks to these fantastic volunteers! If you'd like to serve, please contact Dan (816) 877-0300 or dneedham@stpeterskc.org.

Our Parish

Spiritual Exercise

For prayerful preparation during the week before Sunday Mass, visit liturgy.slu.edu. Reflecting on the spirituality of the scriptures before Mass can have a great impact on hearing the Word proclaimed on Sunday.

Special Collection for the Middle East

In order to express our solidarity with Christians and other minorities in the Middle East in the face of ongoing violence and persecution, we will take up a special collection to assist them. Proceeds from the collections will support immediate humanitarian and pastoral needs, as well as the cost of long-term church reconstruction. The collection will be taken up next weekend, September 6-7.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

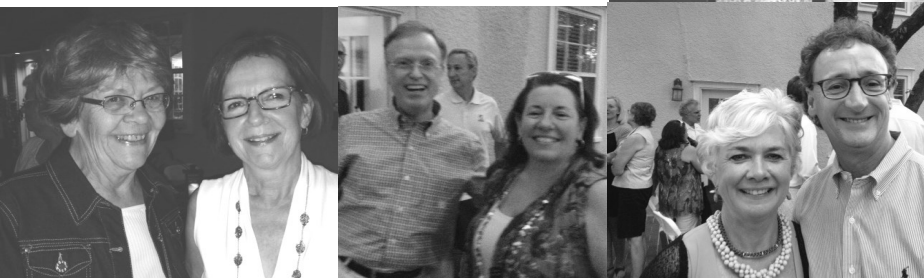
“Matthew: The King and His Kingdom” is a Catholic Bible study that brings the history of Christ to life through Matthew’s Gospel. You will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven. Join us for “Matthew: The King and His Kingdom” in the Main Room of St. Peter’s Church (church basement) beginning September 25 at 9:30 a.m. and continuing every Thursday (except Thanksgiving). For more information or to register for the study, contact Christina Wright at (816) 550-0852 or ctinawright@gmail.com or Maria Gillcrist at (816) 868-5318 or mariagillcrist@me.com.

St. Peter’s 2015 Photo Directory

It’s time to start planning our 2015 pictorial directory. We have a goal of including at least 500 individual/family photos, and we hope you will be in one of them! We are looking for volunteers to help contact parishioners to set up appointments, sign people up after Masses, and host the photo sessions. Whether you have an hour or two to help, or would like to help lead the effort, we appreciate your time and talent! If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Mary Pfeifer in the parish office at mpfeifer@stpeterskc.org or (816) 363-2320, #110.

BECA Update

St. Peter’s parishioners who sponsor scholarship students from our sister parish in San Salvador (San Francisco de Asis) gathered last month for an evening of BBQ and bluegrass featuring the band Burnt Ends. In addition to learning more about the impact of BECA (Bridge to Education and Community Advancement) on the lives of high school and university students, sponsors enjoyed good music, food and friends. If you’re interested in sponsoring a scholarship student or donating to this effort, please contact Kathy Woods, kwoods@sls-law.com or (816) 668-2425 or Nancy Caccamo, nancy@kccaccamo.com,



Faith Formation Team Bookshelf

Thomas Merton: Faithful Visionary by Michael W. Higgins

2015 will be the centenary of the birth of the most read Catholic writer of the 20th century, Thomas Merton (Brother Louis, OCSO). This book is a fitting one for getting up to speed on his life before we are inundated with opinion pieces about his life and his ongoing impact on ours.

Merton entered the Trappist order at Our Lady of Gethsemani Abbey in Kentucky in 1941. He was the consummate post-modern holy one: flawed, anti-institutional, a voice for the voiceless. But he was also a classical traditionalist: centered, obedient, in search of stability. He was a religious thinker of remarkable insight, a social commentator of courage and conviction, and a writer of startling virtuosity.

Michael W. Higgins recounts the life of this insatiable wanderer. He explores the various layers of influence and evolution in Merton’s thought and spirituality. This book tells the remarkable story of a life that remains to be understood from its beginnings and long after its premature ending in 1968.

Michael W. Higgins is Vice-President for Mission and Catholic Identity at Sacred Heart University.

Youth News

Calling All Teens

Are you looking for service hours? A Chance for Children’s 5K race is coming up and the organizers need some help on Sunday, September 7 from 6-8:30 a.m. at Corporate Woods in Overland Park. If you are interested in volunteering, please call or email Toni at (816) 363-2320 Ext. #171, or tmitchum@stpeterskc.org.

Around Town

Gospel Nonviolence Retreat

Retreat with Fr. Emmanuel Charles McCarthy will be leading a retreat called The Nonviolent Jesus and the Principle of Non-contradiction. "Principle of Non-contradiction means that between two logical and meaningful propositions 'X' and not 'X' there is no middle ground. If one is true the other is false." (Pope Benedict XVI). On Friday, October 3, from 7-9 p.m. and continuing on Saturday, October 4, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., this retreat will be held, concluding with Mass. \$25 (\$40 after September 15). Scholarships are available upon request. Contact Greg Kerbawy gabck@hotmail.com or (816) 716-0715 for registration. The retreat will be held at Precious Blood Center, 2130 St. Gaspar Way, Liberty, MO.

Fr. Emmanuel McCarthy is the foremost authority on Gospel Nonviolence and has conducted retreats around the world for nearly 50 years. He is a married priest of the Eastern Rite of the Catholic Church. Formerly a lawyer, university professor and the original founder/director of The Program for the Study and Practice of Nonviolent Conflict Resolution at the University of Notre Dame. For 27 yrs. he was associated with St. Gregory the Theologian Byzantine Melkite Catholic Seminary in Roslindale, MA, as spiritual director or acting rector. He was a co-founder of Pax Christi and was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. The miraculous healing of their two and a half year old daughter Teresia Benedicta, was the Vatican approved miracle leading to the canonization of St. Edith Stein, St. Teresia Benedicta of the Cross.

"Fr. McCarthy is the most powerful voice for nonviolence in the world today."-- Prof. Walter Wink.

For more info on GNV:
www.emmanuelcharlesmccarthy.org.

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.

Reunion

The St. Catherine's/Our Lady of Peace All School/Parish Reunion will be held Saturday, September 13, beginning with a Mass at 4 p.m. and the reunion to follow. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre and BYOB. Set ups, cups, and tableware will be provided. \$10/person or \$20/family at the door. Please RSVP, ldowdscs@gmail.com or (816) 600-5098. Check out more details on our website under the "Events" tab at <http://www.saintcatherine.com/> or Facebook at St. Catherine's of Siena/Our Lady of Peace Reunion.

St. Regis Parish Jubilarian

St. Regis will be celebrating their 50th anniversary, and several activities are planned. More details can be found on the church website at www.regischurch.org or call the parish office at 761-1608. You are invited to attend the following events:

- ***Thursday, Sept. 25th** - Memorial Mass for deceased parishioners at 7 p.m.
- ***Friday, Sept. 26th** - St. Regis Night at the O'Hara football game. Tailgate party beginning at 4 p.m.
- ***Saturday, Sept. 27th** - Golden Gait 5K & 1 Mile Run/Walk - Race begins at 8 a.m.
- ***Saturday, Sept. 27th** - 50 Year Party and Dance - Adult event beginning at 7 p.m.
- ***Sunday, Sept. 28th** - Golden Jubilee Mass and Reception at 10:15 a.m.

Missouri Catholic Conference

Catholics from all corners of Missouri are invited to attend the 2014 Annual Assembly of the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC). This year's theme is "Marriage and Family at the Crossroads." The assembly will be held Saturday, October 4, at the State Capitol building in Jefferson City. A strong line-up of workshops by family counselors and scholars will explore a variety of issues, from how to obtain care for elderly parents to how young families can manage the stressors of busy family life. Crisis pregnancy centers will be the focus of one workshop and St. Louis Archbishop Robert Carlson will offer reflections on developing a lifetime of faith for a happy marriage. The day ends with a Mass concelebrated by the Missouri Bishops that will fulfill your Sunday obligation. To register, visit the MCC website at www.mocatholic.org or call the MCC at (800) 456-1679.



Around Town

Dance for Catholic Singles

Come and join us for the Autumn Sunset Dance hosted by Singles of Nativity, (SON) on Saturday, September 20, 2014 from 7-11 p.m. at the Church of the Nativity on 119th and Mission Rd. in Leawood, KS. Music will be provided by Dennis Sledd, DJ with the Music Express. Food is provided and will include pulled pork sandwiches, cheesy cornbake, rotini pasta salad and apple crisp for dessert. Drinks are also provided and include beer, wine, soft drinks and water. There will be prize drawings for current SON members. Admission is \$20 a person at the door. Receive \$5 off that price by donating two canned food items for Harvesters that evening to feed the hungry families, children and seniors in our community. Contact Ivette, Dance Coordinator with questions at iarangomaps@gmail.com.

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.

NCR Marketing Coordinator

The National Catholic Reporter, an independent Catholic newspaper based in Kansas City, is looking for a creative, organized part-time marketing coordinator. This position is approximately 20 hours per week at our midtown office. We offer a collaborative work environment and a great vacation package. For more info, visit NCRonline.org/jobs.

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.

