

## This Week at St. Peter's

Date	Events	Mass Intentions	Readings
<b>Sunday, November 25</b>	RCIA and Donut Sunday cancelled due to the holiday weekend.	9 a.m. - Mary Katherine McShane by Julie and Mark Spaeth 11 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners 5:30 p.m. - Charles Campbell by the Altar Society Board	Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37
<b>Monday, November 26</b>	1 p.m. Knitting LC 7 p.m. Development Council LC 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 118 MR	8:15 a.m. - Bob Schweiger by Paula and David Holmquist	Rv 14:1-3, 4-5; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
<b>Tuesday, November 27</b>	8:45 a.m. - 7 p.m. Adoration LC 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Den 4 LC	8:15 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Lk 21:5-11
<b>Wednesday, November 28</b>	8 a.m. Rosary Group LC 10 a.m. Ceramics RR 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (11am Mass) CH	8:15 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 7-8, 9; Lk 21:12-19
<b>Thursday, November 29</b>	7 p.m. Men's CRHP Meeting LC 7 p.m. Women's CRHP Meeting LC 7 p.m. Bunco LC 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (9am. Mass) CH	8:15 a.m. (Church)- School Mass St. Peter's Parishioners	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9; Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 21: 20-28
<b>Friday, November 30</b>		8:15 a.m. - John Huss by Karen and Sean Miller	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 4:18-22
<b>Saturday, December 1</b>	8 a.m. Art & Environment MR 9 a.m. Baptism Preparation Class LC 9 a.m. Decorating the Church CH	5 p.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners	Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7; Lk 21:34-36
<b>1st Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 2</b>	10:30 a.m. RCIA LC 6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth LC	9 a.m. - St. Peter's Parishioners 11 a.m. - Joseph Bross 5:30 p.m. - Noah Alexander Bustamante by the Family	Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12--4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

**MEETING SPACES:** CH Church MR Main Room RCT Rectory  
GR Garden Room MK McKay Center RR Romeo/NE Room  
LC Legacy Center OFF Off Site

Note: Send all announcements for the bulletin to [bulletin@stpeterskc.org](mailto:bulletin@stpeterskc.org) by noon on Tuesdays.

## Ministry Schedule: December 1 & 2

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
<b>Saturday 5 p.m.</b>	Z Butler, J Butler, M LePique, I Flores	B Elliott B Makar	B Mayer, T Crowley, C Cusumano, R Hunter, S Madden, E McShane, A Meyer, Need Volunteer	D Ryan, K Campbell, S Leisman, L Marks
<b>Sunday 9 a.m.</b>	C Wunder, L Biritz, L Lynch, M Bird	J Amick P Arkell	C Newman, N Reddig, B Wirkus, G Wirkus, C Wren, MB Andersson, E Brewster, D Caffey	M Grimaldi, A Gies, M Williams, A Bribesca
<b>Sunday 11 a.m.</b>	T Johnson, H James, K Rooney, S Tatum	J Caccamo N Caccamo	S Johnson, M Healy-Cisneros, K Conwell, MA Cottrell, K Duffy, A Edsaall, P Feuerborn, D Hammond	W Feuerborn, L Hire, M Lisac, M Madden
<b>Sunday 5:30 p.m.</b>	S Powell, J Hutchison, L Concannon, M Watz	A Cusumano C Murphy	K Duffy, M Gillcrist, T Mitchum, Need Volunteers	A Meyer, S Mohler, Need Volunteers

## Our Parish

### St. Joseph's Table Needs Volunteers

The St. Joseph Table planning team is meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, in the school cafeteria. To add to our many beautiful Lenten traditions, this annual event, scheduled for Sunday, March 10, will include a bountiful table honoring St. Joseph and The Holy Family. All donated items on the table will be sold, and proceeds will benefit our "Raise Us Up" Elevator Fund. If you would like to be a part of the planning, please e-mail Stefani Brancato at [rubbytiara@me.com](mailto:rubbytiara@me.com) or come to the initial planning meeting this Tuesday, November 27.

The tradition of the table originated in Sicily to thank St. Joseph for a bountiful harvest after a severe drought. If you are of any heritage, but especially Italian, please share your skills with us. More information will be posted on the parish website. Please mark your calendar for this event Sunday, March 10, following 11 a.m. Mass here at St. Peter's.

### St. Peter's Advent Prayer Workshop

On Monday, December 10 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Legacy Center basement, the St. Peter's Adult Faith Formation Team will be hosting Fr. Stephen Yavorsky, S.J. as he leads us in an Advent Prayer Workshop. Advent is only Advent if you're willing to expect that something will happen, if you're waiting for someone to come, and also if you're willing to not define HOW it will happen. The road goes in two directions:



Christ is coming to us, we are going to Christ. The road between has to be traveled, but there are ways to make the traveling easier. During this Advent evening, Fr. Stephen Yavorsky, S.J., of the Ignatian Center of Spirituality of Kansas City will help us enter more deeply into making that journey. Presentation and prayer, reflection and sharing, will help prepare the way.

### Support our Retired Religious

We have a special collection on December 8 and 9 for the benefit of our retired religious. The proceeds of this collection benefit primarily the nuns who have tirelessly worked in our parishes and schools for so long. Many now need nursing care and other support and this collection helps with these expenses. Please be generous to this worthy cause.

### Raise Us UP

Thank you! Thanksgiving weekend is the perfect time to update you on our campaign to install an elevator in the south school building. As of November 16, we have raised over \$100,000 for our elevator. This means that with our \$100,000 challenge grant from Loretto Charities, we are two-thirds of the way to our goal. This is a wonderful, inspiring accomplishment for our parish. Thank you to all who have supported our campaign as advocates, volunteers and donors. Thank you to the foundations who have been our partners thus far: Loretto Charities, Forster-Powers Charitable Trust, John J. Sullivan, Jr., Charitable Trust, and the McCullough Family Foundation. Watch for more about the "home stretch" for our campaign in the new year.

**RAISE US UP**

### Prayers

St. Peter's community prays for the following people: Norma Trahan, Michelle Melland, Loretta Jenkins, Susan Morton, Marie Dennis, George Blomster, Mary Peterson, Donna Michael, Gabriel Seago and Robert Spaeth, Fr. Gauthier, Mike Feder, Honora and Carmela Guthrie.

### 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: Tommy Tellson and Charli Anderson.

Prayer requests are printed in the bulletin for two weeks and can be sent to Ray Hain at [rhain@stpeterskc.org](mailto:rhain@stpeterskc.org).

### Baptism Preparation Class

The next St. Peter's Baptism Preparation Class will be this Saturday, December 1 at 9 a.m. in the Legacy Center. This class is a requirement for both the first and second child in your family and is to be attended before a scheduled Baptism occurs. For more information, or to register for the next class, please contact Ruth Davis, at (816) 363-2320, Ext. 110 or e-mail her at [rdavis@stpeterskc.org](mailto:rdavis@stpeterskc.org).



### Immaculate Conception

December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. The Mass for that day will be at 9 a.m., in the main church. The 5 p.m. Mass that day will be the anticipated Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent.

### New Parishioner Inquiries

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

## Our Parish

### Join Gaudete Children's Choir

Join the Gaudete Children's Choir for Advent Vespers, Sunday, December 16 at 5 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Church, 2 East 75<sup>th</sup> Street Kansas City, MO. The evening will include prayers of the church, songs, readings, and moments of silence in a simple ritual to help prepare our hearts for the coming of the Christ child. Gaudete Children's Choir is a music ministry for children of St. Elizabeth, St. Peter's and Visitation parishes. Everyone is invited to pray and sing with us for this beautiful, musical prayer. St. Peter's singers include: Andre Bauer, Audrey FitzGerald, Genna Gignoux, Elise Malone, Katie Moore, Vivian Owens, Lucy Schmidt, and Oscar Schmidt.

**Do you enjoy baking?** We need help making treats for the Advent Vespers reception that have symbolic meaning to the Christmas season. For more information, please contact Erin Schmidt, [erinanddave@yahoo.com](mailto:erinanddave@yahoo.com) or call her at (816) 822-9417.



## Youth News

### Middle School Youth Group

Next Sunday, **December 2**, all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth are invited to come to the Legacy Center, **3:30 - 5 p.m. before the 5:30 p.m. Youth Mass.**

### High School Youth Group

Our High School meeting will be on Sunday, **December 2, from 6:30 - 9 p.m., after the 6:30 p.m. Youth Mass.** Invite your friends; there is room for everyone!



Last Thursday at the Seniors Luncheon, Maxine Alvarez and Maria Peltó pose with our guests from El Salvador, Lisseth, Wilmer and Axel.



Charlie Baker's School Family stops raking for a moment for a quick photo op. Students raked neighbors' yards last Friday.

## Social Services

### Christmas Giving at St. Peter's

It is hard to believe, but Advent begins next weekend. December 1 and 2 will kick off our annual Christmas Basket and Gift drive. There will be brown grocery bags decorated by our school children and ornaments on the tree in the foyer of church. Each ornament will have the name of a person in our St. Peter's extended family, and mention a gift they would enjoy receiving Thank you to Mrs. Mary Beth Schmidt and her talented classes for the decorations and ornaments! We serve everyone in our parish boundaries who qualifies. Groceries may be returned in the brown bags or SCRIP cards to grocery stores may be purchased in the back of church after Masses during Advent. These items may be brought to the Legacy Center, or left at the back of church during the next three weekends. All gifts and groceries need to be returned to the church by Sunday Dec 16 12 noon, please. Flyers explaining our program are in the back of church. Thank you for your help in bringing joy to our families in need!

### Cranksgiving Success

Thank you so much to Sam Sweargin and the Knights of Columbus for hosting the second annual Cranksgiving at St. Peter's. Many entrants rode their bicycles to help stock the pantry shelves...and they brought in a lot to stock! Thanks to everyone who planned and participated!



### Knitting for Neighbors

Please join the knitters...everyone welcome. This fun group meets Mondays in the Legacy Center Room 210 from 1-3 p.m. and they are knitting hats and scarves for the less fortunate to give through our Christmas campaign and for the Bus Stop ministry. Come one and all, even if you do not knit, we can help you learn! Looking for yarn donations, please bring any and all yarn to the parish office or the social services office...and thank you.

### St. James Food Kitchen

Thank you to our fabulous volunteers! **About Wednesday, Dec. 5:** This date has been cancelled for St. Peter's Volunteers. Thank you and please re-commit to another date. Volunteers are asked to help from 4 - 6:30 p.m. Committed for Wednesday, January 2: Patti Owsley, Carolyn Biritz, Rosie Super, Pat Morrissey, Judy Whalen, Katherine Cashman and Eden. To volunteer please contact Ray at (816) 877-0300 or [rhain@stpeterskc.org](mailto:rhain@stpeterskc.org).

## Altar & Rosary Society News

### Council of Catholic Woman Meeting and Christmas Bazaar

The St. Peter's Altar Society will host the quarterly meeting and Christmas Bazaar of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women on Wednesday, December 5 in the Main Room. Registration is at 9 a.m. The meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. and Mass is 11 a.m. Lunch will be served following Mass. The cost is \$11. Please call Carolyn Huff with your reservation (816) 690-4278 by December 3. Please bring winter items for adults or children for Bishop Sullivan Center (gloves, socks, knit hats or scarves). If you would like to help please call Maria Pelto (816) 444-0354.

### Altar Society Christmas Brunch

Please join us after the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 9 for our Christmas Brunch. Once again we will be collecting packages of toilet paper for the St. Peter's Food Pantry. This is an item that our clients cannot use their food stamps for. If you cannot attend but would like to contribute, you can bring it to the Legacy Center or to the basket in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

### Altar Cleaning Schedule

November 25....Peggy Allin & Rosie Super  
 December 2....Martha Linscott & Elizabeth Ong  
 December 9....Julie Schleicher & Ruth McKain  
 December 16...Julie Martucci & Laura Safley  
 December 23...Ann Thomas & Joan Monahan  
 December 30...Flo Mundy & Maxine Alvarez

November Purificators: Mary Lou Blomster & Judy Whalen

December Purificators: Jeanette Boeh & Barbara Elliott



## Senior News

### Senior Christmas Luncheon

The Senior Christmas Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, December 19 in the Main Room. We will begin earlier at 10:30 a.m. and finish by 1:30 p.m. for any and all who wish to move upstairs to church for the school Christmas program, where seating will be reserved. Please bring a white elephant gift to share. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. for this celebration.

### Senior Citizen Dance Lessons

Free tap dance lessons are being offered from Em's Spotlight for Senior Citizens. Some participants sit in chairs and others can be instructed on their feet. Everyone is welcome, beginners to advanced. Shoes provided. Lessons are held at St. Therese Little Flower Church, 5814 Euclid, on Fridays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. No reservations necessary to participate. St. Therese also offers many different activities Mon. - Fri. from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. All seniors are welcome!