

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



ST PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 5, 2025



Parish Bulletin

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MASSSES

*All masses will continue to be live streamed.
Masks are optional when attending mass.*

Monday - 9:00 am (English)
Tuesday - 9:00 am (English) & 6:30 pm (Spanish)
Wednesday - 9:00 am (English)
First Friday of the Month - 9:00 am (English)
Saturday - 4:00 pm (Bilingual)
Sunday - 9:00 am (English) & 12:00 pm (Spanish)

WELCOME!

What a beautiful place God has provided us here on the shore! Whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home or are returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, we are happy to have you. We invite you to browse our website and come visit in person as you find your home within our growing community!

MISSION

We, the members of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, experience our faith as a worldwide community. Through our Baptism in Jesus, we are called to be ministers of the gospel, to become Eucharistic people, and to be people of service through the stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 4th	4:00 PM	† Reita Schmidt
Sunday	January 5th	9:00 AM	† Reita Schmidt
		12:00 PM	(Available)
Monday	January 6th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Tuesday	January 7th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Wednesday	January 8th	9:00 am	(Available)
Saturday	January 11th	4:00 pm	(Available)
Sunday	January 12th	9:00 AM	(Available)
		12:00 PM	(Available)



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun, January 5 -Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Mon, January 6 -1 Jn 3:22/Mat 4:12-17

Tues, January 7 -1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

Wed, January 8 -1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

Thurs, January 9 -1 Jn 4:19/Lk 4:14-22

Fri, January 10 -1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

Sat, January 11 -1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Sun, January 12 -Is 42:1-4/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16

Please get in touch with the ushers before mass if you have asked for a Mass Intention to offer the offertory gift during the mass.

Save the Date

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Eucharist Minister

Saturday, January 11th

4:00 pm - Donna Custis & Mary Wardius

Sunday, January 12th

9:00 am - Judy Manning

12:00 pm - Giselle, Edelma, Hugo,

Arturo Morales

Lector

Saturday, January 11th

4:00 pm - Youth Lector and Esther Corpus

Sunday, January 12th

9:00 am - Youth Lector and Joanne Boyko

Altar Servers

Saturday, January 11th

4:00 pm - , Mr. Lou

Sunday, January 12th

9:00 am - , Mr. Lou

12:00 pm - Mr. Ben

Tuesday, January 14th

6:30 pm - , Mr. Ben MC

EVENTS & MEETINGS

Monday, January 6th

9:00 am - Mass

12:00 pm - AA Mtg (Hall)

Tuesday, January 7th

9:00 am - Mass

6:30 pm - Mass & Holy Hour (Spanish)

Wednesday, January 8th

9:00 am - Mass

Thursday, January 9th

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Friday, January 10th

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Saturday, January 11th

8:00 am to 3:00 pm - Charismatic Ministry Prayer & Fasting (Hall)

10:00 am - CCD Baptism Only Mass

2:00 pm - Lent Planning (Hall)

4:00 pm - Mass

5:00 pm - Reconciliation

6:30 pm - Charismatics (Hall)

Sunday, January 12th

9:00 am - Mass (Eng)

12:00 pm - Mass (Spa)

The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel. We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus. We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death. The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

REFLECTING THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

First Reading

What part of this passage most captures your imagination?

- Why did you decide to follow the star?
- How long have you been traveling?
- Describe your journey.
- Describe your traveling companions.
- What do you talk about on your journey?
- Have you ever been to Jerusalem?
- What do you expect to find in Judea?
- How do you expect the leaders in Jerusalem to act?
- When you reach Jerusalem and meet King Herod, how do you interpret the prophecy the scribes recite?
- How do you feel when Herod summons you secretly?
- How does Herod seem to you?
- What do you and the other magi talk about when you leave Herod?
- How do the child's parents react to your arrival?
- What do you say and do?
- What gift did you bring and why?
- Why don't you go back to Herod?
- How does this experience change you?

Gospel

- What all does the light mean to you?
- How are you drawn to the light?
- What are you bringing with you as you move toward the light?
- What does this story teach you about God?
- What does the story teach you about human beings?
- What else does your time of reaction leave you thinking about?



BAPTISM

We recommend parents to notify the parish 3 months in advance. Parents must be registered members of the parish and participate in preparation sessions prior to the celebration of the sacrament. To ensure proper record keeping, our office requires a pre-baptismal form and a copy of the child's birth certificate. Please call the Parish Office to attend the preparation session.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

Are you or someone you know interested in learning about joining the Catholic Church?
Please contact Jane & Peter Regan by email at twinoakst@verizon.net or through the office.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Preparation sessions for children and parents begin in the fall. We encourage children to be at least in the 2nd grade. Parents must be registered members of the parish. To ensure the required sacramental record keeping, parents must provide a copy of the child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate.

CONFIRMATION

Preparation sessions for children and sponsors begin in the fall. We encourage children to be at least in the 10th grade. Parents must be registered members of the parish. To ensure the required sacramental record keeping, parents must provide a copy of the child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate.

MATRIMONY

We recommend couples notify the parish 6 months in advance. Couples must attend preparation sessions. The groom and bride must be registered members of the parish. To ensure the required sacramental record keeping, groom and bride must provide a copy of their birth certificate, baptismal, first communion, and confirmation certificates.

SICK & HOMEBOUND

If you know someone who cannot attend mass or desires the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the parish office.

FUNERAL

We highly encourage the family to follow up with the funeral home, so the parish office and funeral home can coincide with the most suitable date. We also ask the family to complete and deliver the funeral intake form to the parish office.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Fr. Michael Imperial
Business Manager - Consuelo Gonzalez
Office Secretary - Giselle Reyes Hernandez
Bookkeeper - Lucille Parker

OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

ADORATION

First Friday of the Month: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Every Tuesday: 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm (Spa)

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday: 4:00 pm
By appointment for other day/time

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF December 31, 2024

*Thank
you*

Collections	December 28-29	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	\$2,047.00	\$70,986.00	\$75,000.00
Plate	\$2,957.00	\$84,082.48	\$72,512.00
Total	\$5,004.00	\$155,068.48	\$150,512.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Ladies Auxiliary will hold their meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 1:45 pm in the church hall.



The Parish Pastoral Council will hold their meeting on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 3:30 pm in the church hall.



2025 Offertory boxes are in the Narthex

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Charles Flynn	Bill Taylor	Perkins Family	Patricia O'Donnell	† Matías Félix Juan
Maricela Carmona	Carolina S Brizuela Pérez	Hernan Enrique	Tom & Jan Perkins	† Richard LaMontagne
Maria Ross	Carolyn Love	Caceres	Dot Reynolds	† Ma Concepcion Soto
Melissa Melody	Barbara Hargis	Veronica Natalia	Stacey Reynolds	Quintero
Karen Paglia	Charles Kyles	Chavez	Gerald Bono	Mary Fabricatore
Andrew Pic	Donagh McDonough	Luz Alejandra Bringas	Peter Manfredonia	Victoria Riggin-Bundick
Troy Reynolds	†Martha Martinez Palacios	† Anthony Palio	Robert Manfredonia	Steve Bendick
Ruth Kiks	Bryan Daffin	† C. Shirley Hirsch	Michael Belmoria	Ann Marie Parmenter
+ WESLEY E. HUGHES , JR.	Janiszewski Michael	†Judy Maher	Shirley Cristian	Joan Riggin

If you would like to add or remove someone from our prayer list, please feel free to send us an email at StPeterOnley@gmail.com

In Memory of Brother Knights

Trent Serini	George Faustino	Ron Kromer	Don Williams	Al Grez	Winfred Lee Lankford
Terry Mullins	Steve Beshak	Paul Braunstein	Joseph M. Kelly	James Kimidy	Laurence Hanratty
George O'Brien	Frank Conway	Bruce Paone	H Bruce Arnold	John Kauffman	Carl Volanoski
Harry Cockey	Peter Setaro	Charles Moscatello, Sr.	John Remis	Domenic Sollitto	Fred Chemi
Ted Warczynski	Dennis Caccioppo	Paul Kennedy	John Chrzanowski	Jack Pierson	John Tyson
Tom Hirsch	Bob Storherr	Richard Hugh McCarthy	Gregory Coleman	Tomas Elis Skeel	
Joe Paranzino	Paul Sulik	Arthur Matthews, Jr.	Gordon Muise	Henry Willke	

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