

Faith Formation

St. Peter Youth Ministry



Thank you, St. Peter Parishioners, for your generous support of the Youth Group's Fiesta Brunch! We raised nearly \$700 to support our ministry and activities. May God bless you!

Family Catechesis

Take some time this week to add an Advent wreath, Nativity scene, and religious custom to your prayer space. Show Sr. Margarite the pictures of your prayer space when we resume classes on January 10th!

Sacramental Prep will meet again on January 11th. Please continue to work on your homework packets in the binders. It is especially helpful to memorize the prayers provided in the front of the binder pages.

Servers, Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Schedule
December 26th & 27th

SERVERS

Saturday 4:30pm Carlos & Donovan Glasser, Christian Varallo
Sunday 8:00am Aidan, Connor Reagan & Liam Reagan
10:30am Lucas & Madeleine Fridenmaker, Sarah Senger

LECTORS

Saturday 4:30pm Dennis Lucas, Patrick Moreland
Deacon Lopez
Sunday 8:00am John Miller, Jim O'Connell
10:30am David Millet, Mitchell Palmquist
Deacon Senger

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday 4:30pm Lois Bradshaw, Mary Bruess, Alice & Frank Carroll, Ron Dalla, Faith King, Ganya Moen, Carole Sima, Sue Walther
Sunday 8:00am Mary Caldwell, Chris Dixson, Keith & Lillian McNally, Suzy Miller, Trisha Reagan, Bob & Donna Stout, Bob Zins
Sunday 10:30am Kay Babcock, Chris/Kile Conciene, Kris Cornwall, Luti Gibbs, Carol Hovan Troyer, Vicki Kinzer, Sharon Mardis, Kevin Smith, **1 Volunteer Needed**

Evening Prayer at the Cathedral

On Sunday evenings during Advent, Solemn Evening Prayer will be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. This liturgy begins with a hymn, follows with the chanting of Psalms, and culminates in the proclamation of the Cantic of Mary (the Magnificat). Prayer begins at 4:45 pm.

Family Ice Skating sponsored by Youth Ministry

Members of St. Peter's Youth Group, their families, and all parishioners are invited to join the parish youth in Ice Skating at Riverfront Park this Sunday, December 20th. We will meet at the church at 2:00 to carpool; or, meet the group at the Ice Palace by 2:30. Skating will continue until 4:15, when we'll make a pilgrimage to our Cathedral for Solemn Evening Prayer at 4:45. Sign up in the Narthex or call Sr. Margarite @ 499-6646.

Catholic Charities Christmas Collection

This Christmas season, your support brings HOPE and DIGNITY to our brothers and sisters in need. In 2014, 113,17 meals were served ~ 3899 seniors assisted ~ 700 families provided household goods ~ 433 families avoided homelessness ~ 3369 counseling hours provided...and so much more. Over 70,000 individuals served each year. A gift to the Catholic Charities Christmas Collection matters. Gifts may be placed in the collection at Masses, mailed to PO Box 2253, Spokane, WA 99210-2253 or made online at www.CatholicCharitiesSpokane.org.

Ministry Schedules

Eucharistic Minister and Lector schedules for January are available for pick-up in the Madonna Room. Server schedules are available in the Sacristy. All schedules can be accessed through our website at: stpeterspokane.org.

Giving Tree Thank You

A great big thank you to our parishioners who gave to those in need this Christmas Season. Your prayers, service, talents and treasure are a blessing to many grateful Giving Tree recipients. We appreciate the thoughtfulness and love that went into making each gift personal and special. May you be richly blessed in your generosity.

Many thanks as well to *All Saints Catholic School* students, families, and staff for your generosity to our Parish Giving Tree. Our parish school brings hundreds of basic need items to help *House of Charity, Life Services, CAPA and Women's Drop in Center*. The school children present their gifts at Mass, on *The Feast of The Immaculate Conception*.

Jubilee Year of Mercy



In *Misericordiae Vultus*, Pope Francis asks that we strive for our lives to be rooted in the mercy of God. One way we can grow in this mercy is by being receptive to the message of mercy and love that is proclaimed in the Scriptures and in the Christian witness to faith in Jesus (MV, no. 13).

DONATE A FLOWER

In Memory of a Loved One ~ Christmas Midnight Mass will be celebrated for special intentions, and your donation will help pay for the flowers used to decorate our church during the Christmas season. Fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. (Suggested donation is \$5.00 per individual)

Due December 20, 2015

1. _____
Circle one: (Living) (Deceased) Please Print

2. _____
Circle one: (Living) (Deceased) Please Print

3. _____
Circle one: (Living) (Deceased) Please Print

Icon: The Ascension of Our Lord

Of interest to many are the names of the Apostles depicted. Starting on the far left we see St. Simon the Zealot next St. Bartholomew then St. Andrew followed by St. Thomas and St. James the Lesser. On the right (from right to left) you see John the Beloved Disciple then St. Jude followed by St. Matthew, St. James the Greater and finally St. Philip. The appearance of the Apostles vary greatly as does their ministries. For instance, St. Andrew is depicted with the wild hair of the Old Testament prophets because he was a disciple of John the Baptist before he came to the Lord. On the other hand, Saints John, Philip and Thomas are shown clean shaven and with the short hair popular at the time, influenced by the Greek culture. To be continued...

COLLECTION FOR DECEMBER 13, 2015

Envelopes.....\$ 8,076
Parish Outreach.....\$ 78
Plate.....\$ 542
Total.....\$ 8,696

Building Debt Payment

Total Amount Due: \$ 432,992.26
Minimum Monthly Payment: \$ 4,500
Donated for Month of December: \$ 553

MASS INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER

19	Saturday	4:30 pm	Bernice Gese †
20	Sunday	8:00 am 10:30 am	Nicole Prentice & Family All Parishioners
21	Monday	7:15 am	Kellen Dano & Family
22	Tuesday	7:15 am	Special Intention
23	Wednesday	7:15 am	Carol Dahl
24	Thursday	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	Margaret Olney † Giving Tree Recipients and Home Bound Parishioners
	<i>Vigil of Christmas</i>	12:00 am Midnight	In Memory of Loved Ones and All Past Parishioners
25	Friday	10:30 am	All Parishioners The Nativity of the Lord
26	Saturday	4:30 pm	Altar Servers
27	Sunday	8:00 am 10:30 am	Don Shepherd † All Parishioners

Sing in a Choir of Angels!

Join the St. Peter's Youth Choir for the 4:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass. All students aged 8-17 are welcome to join the choir. Rehearsals will be every Sundays until Christmas at 9:10 am in the Music Room behind the altar. Christmas Eve rehearsal will be held December 23rd from 6:30-7:30pm. Questions? Contact Director Monica Stenzel at 624.4702 or stenzelm@gonzaga.edu.

Coming up this week:

Saturday, December 19th

Vigil Mass, 4:30 PM, Church
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:00-1:00 PM Chapel

Sunday, December 20th

Mass, 8:00 & 10:30 AM Church
Family Catechesis, 9:10-10:10 AM Cenacle
Youth Choir Practice, 9:10-10:10 AM Choir Room
Cub Scouts, 1:00 PM Parish Hall
Taize Prayer Service, 7:00-8:00 PM IHRC

Monday, December 21st

Mass, 7:15 AM Chapel

Tuesday, December 22nd

Mass, 7:15 AM Chapel
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM Church

Wednesday, December 23rd

Mass, 7:15 AM Chapel

Thursday, December 24th

Vigil of Christmas

Parish Office Closed
Mass, 4:00 PM Church
Mass, 7:00 PM Church
Mass, 12:00 Midnight Church

Friday, December 25th

The Nativity of the Lord

Parish Office Closed
Mass, 10:30 AM Church

Saturday, December 26th

Vigil Mass, 4:30 PM, Church

Sunday, December 27th

Mass, 8:00 & 10:30 AM Church
Baptism, 12:00 Noon Narthex

Remember to Pray For:

Alicia Alng, John Anderson, Gil & Arlene Blazon, Bill Campbell, Karen Cavnes, Shirley Clark, Rev. Darrin Connall, Helen Day, Marylee Dobbles, Mary Harro, Camilla Hovan, Shirley Jakubowski, Alana Kaplan, Sally Kerr, Steve Kotz, Estelle Ledger, Janet Linhart, Mitch Lopez, Janet Mason, Cheryl Dunne McIntosh, Julia Miller, Tina Millersmith, Marcus Parnell, Lou Quinn, Chuck Roberts, Sally Robertson, Agnes Ross, Jude Schenzil, Eileen Schmitz, Carol Schwartz, Alecia Simpson, Enza Smith, Frances Smith, Bill Weeks

Taizé Prayer Service

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center will be hosting a Taizé Evening Prayer Service, 7-8pm on December 20th. The music of Taizé is beautiful and strikes a note which touches the core of one's being. Please join us for an hour of prayer and song.