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Upcoming Meetings

St. Peter Parish Council - Sun., Dec. 10th after Mass
St. Peter Finance Council - Wed., Dec. 13th at 6:30pm

Faith Formation Schedule

Class Time 8:45am to 9:45am
December 10th - Faith Formation Class
December 17th-31st - **NO FF Class - Christmas Break**
January 7th - Faith Formation Class
January 14th - Faith Formation Class

Pancakes with Santa at St. Peter

Thank you to everyone who helped out with this year's Pancakes with Santa event. Planning, grocery shopping, decorating, preparing, and cleaning-up is all volunteer. As always, many hands make light work. Thank You!!

Penance Service!!

Come celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Evening Prayer at St. Peter of Alcantara Sunday, December 10th at 3:00pm. Let's prepare ourselves for the coming of the Child Jesus!

Advent is Here!

Upcoming Advent Penance Services

St. Peter of Alcantara	December 10th	3pm
Immaculate	December 11th	6pm
St. Elizabeth, Curdsville	December 12th	6pm
St. Sebastian, Calhoun	December 13th	6pm
St. Stephen	December 17th	2pm
Precious Blood	December 19th	6pm

St. Augustine Retreat

St. Augustine will be having a retreat from 8:00am – 2:00pm on Saturday, January 13, 2024, at the Passionist Nuns of St. Joseph Monastery in Whitesville, KY. Please mark your calendars. More details will come as the date gets closer.

St. Peter Children's Christmas Program

We would like to invite all of our children K-8th grade to join us for our children's program on Christmas Eve at 4:30pm. If you are interested please let Sr. Alicia, Monica Rice, or Tera Barnard know. We will practice after Mass on December 10th & 17th.

St. Peter's Men's Club Christmas Hams

December 21st - pick-up after 12 noon
Pre-order by Dec. 18th by calling Denny Grant 270-929-8479, Wally Cecil 270-929-8589, or the parish office.

Welcome to St. Augustine / St. Peter of Alcantara Parish!

Welcome to all our visitors and new parishioners! Fr. Will welcomes you and would be pleased to meet and know you. New parishioners can easily register online through the parishes websites or by visiting/calling the parish offices.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

St. Peter of Alcantara

December 24th 4:30pm Children's Program
5:00pm Holy Mass

St. Augustine

December 24th 7:30pm Carol Singing
8:00pm Holy Mass

Christmas Day

December 25th 9:00am at St. Peter of Alcantara

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ST. PETER: Jennifer Ebelhar, Dr. Gabrielle Hart, Melody Cecil, Martha Pendleton, Ann Canary, Mary Beth Clark, Fr. Fid Levri, Bruce and Phyllis Schrecker, Millie Mullican, Jena Hayden, Cathy Hendricks, Jason, Nancy Ritter, Joe Bill McKay, and Monica Lacay.

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Thank you!

Thank you so much for all the condolences, cards and Masses for my brother, Gregg Embrey. Thank you, Sr. Alicia, for playing the music for us. And, thank you, Father Will, for graciously preparing a funeral on such short notice. We especially appreciated all the food that you sent to our house. I know, I said no to a meal; but, thank you so much for it. We did have a sizeable number of family here, and it was a wonderful gift having enough food and not having to fix it ourselves. Thank you! Stanette Blair

Confirmation

Confirmation letters have gone out to parents of 7th and 8th grade students and included a list of scheduled classes. The next class will be 12/13 and will be held in the St. Peter Parish Hall following mass from 6:30 – 7:45. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the teachers: Kimberly Pollard 812-598-1553 or Shelley Payne 270-993-7965.

Ladies Day Out!

The next St. Augustine Ladies' Day Out will be, Saturday, January 27, from 1:00 to 3:00. Lunch will be served and bunco will be played. Come get your bellies full and try to win a prize! All ladies are welcome. Let Shelley Payne 270-993-7965 or Dee Anna Booker 270-302-2439 know you will be coming.

Harbor House Christmas Service Project

St. Augustine Altar Society will be putting out a list of items needed for men's personal care items and for clothing for Christmas. Please feel free to take a copy of each to see what is needed. All donations should be brought in by Dec. 17th. Thank you for supporting our projects!

Young Adult Holy Hour

Brescia University
Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel
Wednesday, December 13th, 6:00pm
Led by Fr. Stephen Dufrene CFR

2024 Feasts & Saints Calendars

Available now, you are welcome to take one home

Community Outreach

If anyone would like to donate gift cards for adults, the Pitino Shelter is requesting and accepting them now thru Christmas, example of cards needed, food, gas card, Walmart, Kroger. Help make Christmas a bit brighter for the homeless.

St. Benedict's Sponsor a Bed Program

<https://stbenedictsowensboro.org/sponsor-a-bed/>

2024 Offering Envelopes

St. Peter 2024 Adult and children offering envelopes and St. Augustine 2024 Adult offering envelopes are available in the back of church. Please take your families' home after Mass. The goal is to have all picked up by the time we decorate the church for Christmas. We would like to thank all parishioners for their generosity throughout the year.

Upcoming Parent Workshop

Join us for a Parent workshop hosted in 2024 (two choice of days to attend). As a parent and first educator of your child you have a challenge to accurately answer questions about "growing up". Learn how to joyfully accompany your child in the emotional, spiritual, and physical journey to adulthood through scripture and the sacraments. Leave with an abundance of resources available to you as parents. Parents of any age child are welcome to attend.

January 13, 2024 – Holy Spirit Church in Bowling Green

February 24, 2024 – Blessed Mother in Owensboro.

Learn more and register by visiting <https://owensborodiocese.org/parenting-resources/>

St. Peter Christmas Decorating

Thursday, December 21st, after the 8:00am Mass, around 8:30 we will have coffee and donuts together, then decorate Gods' house to celebrate the birth of his son. Please come help decorate for Christmas. We need men to help carry things upstairs. All are invited and encouraged to help. Please text or call Paula McFadden if you can come. Thank you.

St. Augustine Christmas Decorating

Decorating for Christmas will take place on Saturday, December 23rd at 9:00am. All are welcome and needed to help.

Grace Marriage

The Grace Marriage Program will begin at both St. Augustine and St. Peter parishes on February 10, 2024. More details to come. Please reach out to one of the following parishioners if you would like to be contacted when it is time to formally enroll: Shelley Payne, Jacinta Paris, Tori Martin, or Kimberly Pollard. If you need contact information for them, please call the parish office.

2023 Advent Companion Guides

St. Augustine & St. Peter of Alcantara are both providing parishioners with "The Magnificat Advent Companion" booklets for the season. Please take one home and enjoy this prayer time with family.

St. Augustine Ministries

Stewards for December 17th

Servers:

12/17 - 8:00am - Tanner Schwartz

Lectors:

12/17 - 8:00am - Rob Mitchell

Gifts:

12/17 - 8:00am - Jeff Raley Family

Ushers for December:

Hershel Smith & Steve Byrne

Tellers:

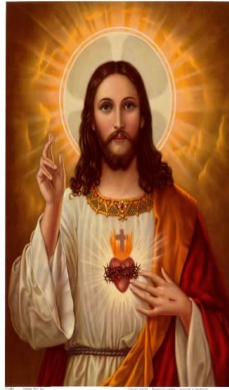
12/17 - Larry Schwartz & Connie Williams

Church Cleaners:

Cindy Simon (Dec. 9-22)
Barbara Smith (Dec. 23-Jan. 5)

Weekly Flower Pick-Up

12/17 - Jamie Boeglin



Church Cleaners:

Cleaning the Church is an act of your love and gratitude to God for our Church. If for some reason you are unable to clean when it is your turn, please contact: Hershel Smith 270-302-0601 and for a fee of \$30.00 he will clean for your two weeks. If you are physically unable to clean, please contact Sherry Schwartz 270-302-5427 so other arrangements can be made. Thank you.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 10TH THRU DECEMBER 17TH

Sunday - Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - *Jim Davis*
10:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *People of the Parish*
11:00am - St. Peter Parish Council Meeting
3:00pm - Advent Penance Service at St. Peter

Monday - Advent Weekday

8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Sonny & Rosie Clary*

Tuesday - Our Lady of Guadalupe

No Mass

Wednesday - St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr - Memorial

6:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - *Kenny Pendleton*
6:30pm - Confirmation Class at St. Peter Parish Hall
6:30pm - St. Peter Finance Council Meeting

Thursday - St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church - Memorial

8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Pat Coomes Family*

Friday - Advent Weekday

8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Libby Girten*
Weekly Adoration 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday - Advent Weekday

8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - *Bucky Lacer*
8:30am - Confessions at St. Augustine
3:00pm - Confessions at St. Peter
4:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - *People of the Parish*

Sunday - Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - *Steve Raley*
10:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Greg Millay*

An Accounting of Your Stewardship of Treasure

Actual Collection:	Dec. 3rd, 2023
Sunday Collection	722.00
Maintenance	15.00
Christmas Flowers	75.00
Good Samaritan	10.00
Hispanic Ministry	10.00
Retired Religious	10.00
Parish Christmas	10.00
Diocesan Christmas	10.00

Happy Birthday



Phyllis Schrecker 12/10

Happy Anniversary



God Bless All Married Couples In Our Parish

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ST. AUGUSTINE: Shelia Byrne, Mason Jackson, Nick Jackson, Randall Schwartz, Barbara Smith, Mack Lacer, Jeff Simon, Martha Miller, John Wolfe, Fr. Fid Levri, Bill Williams, Barbara Eblen, Bruce & Phyllis Schrecker, Janet Medley, Nancy Ritter, and Donna Lamb.

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Daily Mass Readings

Monday.....Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26
Tuesday.....Revelation 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab; Luke 1:39-47
Wednesday.....Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30
Thursday.....Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15
Friday.....Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19
Saturday.....Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Matthew 17:9a,10-13
Sunday.....Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24;
.....John 1:6-8,19-28

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated anytime upon request, and once in a while during the weekend Masses. Please notify Fr. Will or call the parish office if you know of anyone who is sick and in need of the sacrament. Fr. Will will make every effort to visit them.

Bulletin Information

Information for the Bulletin needs to be submitted to St. Peter's office by **Wednesday**. 270-764-1983 or office@stpeterofalcantara.com.

RCIA:

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults: OCIA) If you know someone interested in joining the Church, or just wanting to know "about" the church, RCIA is a good way to begin! Call the parish office and leave your name and phone number and Sr. Alicia will get back to you.

OCS Job Opportunities

owensborodiocese.org/employment/

Bulletin/Website

If you would like the weekly bulletin emailed to you please contact the parish office. *Please go to our website: stpeterofalcantara.com to see the events calendar and stay up to date on all our happenings.*

Special Collection

Dec. 10th - Retired Religious
Dec. 25th - Diocesan Christmas
Dec. 25th - Parish Christmas

RADA Cutlery Link

<https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4541930.aec8dc>

Planned Giving

The estate plans you make now ensure that St. Peter of Alcantara's mission and traditions are transferred from one generation to another. Planned giving allows your loyalty and generosity to continue beyond your lifetime. A planned gift includes but is not limited to bequests, charitable annuities and remainder trusts, life insurance policies, and securities.

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Sacrament of Marriage

A couple wishing to marry must contact the priest at least six months before the desired wedding date. According to the guidelines of our diocese, you should not make absolute plans for a specific wedding date until after meeting with the pastor. The couple will be required to attend a marriage preparation course which will include at least one formal program such as an Engaged Encounter weekend or the Sponsor Couple Program.

Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is administered upon request. Parents and Godparents must attend an evening class on Baptism in the Catholic Church. Please contact the pastor and set up an appointment for this class at least a month in advance. At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic for their child to be baptized in the Catholic Church. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, and at least one must be a practicing Catholic.

Sacraments to the Home-Bound

Please inform the pastor or the parish office if you know of anyone who is home-bound, so that we can insure that they are afforded ample opportunities to receive the Sacraments. We would rather be notified by several people than to not be notified at all, so please don't presume that someone else has already notified us.