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#### **Christmas Mass Times** Christmas Eve

St. Peter of Alcantara

4:30pm Children's Program December 24th

5:00pm Holy Mass

St. Augustine

7:30pm Carol Singing December 24th

8:00pm Holy Mass

**Christmas Day** 

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

#### St. Augustine Potluck Breakfast

Sunday, January 7th after Mass

#### **Faith Formation Schedule** Class Time 8:45am to 9:45am

December 17th-31st - NO FF Class - Christmas Break

January 7th - Faith Formation Class January 14th - Faith Formation Class January 21st - Faith Formation Class

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

St. Augustine Altar Society - Mon., Jan. 8th at 6pm St. Peter Parish Auxiliary - Wed., Jan. 10th at 6:30pm St. Augustine Parish Council - Thur., Jan 18th at 6:30pm

#### St. Augustine Retreat

Saturday, January 13, 2024
The parish retreat will be at the St. Joseph Monastery at 8564 Crisp Road, Whitesville, KY 42378, from 8:00am until 2:00pm. The day's focus will be on Epiphany. There is no cost to attend, but you must register by calling or texting Shelley Payne. There will be both a light breakfast and lunch served. Please come for a day of reflection, contemplation, and prayer.

#### 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.

#### **Anniversary Choir**

St. Peter's 150th Anniversary Celebration Mass will be 10:00am on Saturday, January 20th. There are sign-up sheets in the back of church for anyone who would like to sing in the choir for that Mass. Kristin Miller has graciously agreed to lead a choir for that day. There will be a couple of practice sessions sometime after Christmas. Practice dates to be announced soon. Come and "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" with us!

#### **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.

#### **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.

## St. Peter Reverse Raffle Saturday, February 17, 2024

Tickets are available now! Cost is \$70.00 per ticket and includes a chance to win \$5,000.00 grand prize, several door prizes, a steak dinner with salad bar, drinks, 50/50 raffle, and lots of comraderie with friends. To get yours contact Dennis McKay, Joe Bill McKay, Denny Grant, Angie Morris, Bruce Schrecker, or Richard Schrecker. Call the parish office if you need contact information. See you there!!

#### St. Peter Eucharistic Adoration

St. Peter of Alcantara has Eucharistic Adoration every Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. We are currently in need of adorers; there should be a minimum of two adorers each hour. Please sign up to spend an hour with Jesus each week, or stop in when you can if a weekly commitment is not possible right now. Thank you!

#### **Eucharistic Adoration with the Ursulines**

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph have added the first Sunday of the month to their Eucharistic Adoration schedule. They invite the public to join them for Eucharistic Adoration on the first Sunday from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. at the Motherhouse Chapel, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, Ky. (12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56). The Ursuline Sisters will continue to have Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. The public is also welcome to attend on Fridays. Adoration on the second Friday of each month is dedicated to praying for vocations. The Adoration concludes with evening prayer. To see Adoration and Mass times for the Ursuline Sisters, visit https://ursulinesmsj.org/mass-prayer-times/

#### **PreCana Retreat Day**

In person retreat day for couples completing the Unveiled Online PreCana program. At Gasper River Retreat Center. FREE. https://owensborodiocese.org/precana/

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK †

**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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#### **Knights of Columbus**

Next Regular Meeting January 2nd at 6pm

#### **Cursillo Retreats**

Cursillo in the Diocese of Owensboro invites all adults to prayerfully consider making a Cursillo retreat in 2024! There are two English weekends scheduled and are working on dates for Spanish Cursillo. Check our website for updates: http://www.cursillo-owensboro.org/

#### Men's Cursillo #76: February 29-March 3, 2024 Women's Cursillo #78: March 7-10, 2024

The retreats are held at Gasper River Catholic Camp in Bowling Green. The cost is \$180, which includes a \$50 deposit when you register. Some financial help is available. The Cursillo Movement is a gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church. It helps people develop a deeper understanding of what it means to be fully Catholic by being fully Christian in order to exercise their mission as baptized Catholics. Come and experience God's love and power and find others on the same journey.

#### St. Benedict's Sponsor a Bed Program

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

#### **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/

## Youth 2000 Attention All Young People Ages 13-30

You are invited to a Youth 2000 Retreat on March 15-17, 2024 at Brescia University. You will have the opportunity to gather with other young people your age for prayer, Adoration, singing, and learning about our Catholic faith. This retreat is being sponsored by the Diocesan Marian Shrine Committee and the Diocesan Office of Youth Ministry. Youth should register through a parish, school or other group. For more information and registration forms, go to https://owensborodiocese.org/youth-2000/. The deadline for registration is March 4th. Space permitting, registrations will be accepted at the door. Contact Robin Tomes at robin.tomes@pastoral.org with any questions.

#### St. Augustine Ministries

#### Stewards for December 24th & **December 31st**

#### Servers:

12/24 - 8:00pm - Tanner Schwartz 12/31 - 8:00am - Zachary Peerman

#### Lectors:

12/24 - 8:00pm - Linda Evans 12/31 - 8:00am - Angie Scheithe

#### Gifts:

12/24 - 8:00pm - Greg Raney Family 12/31 - 8:00am-Larry Schwartz Family

#### <u>Ushers for December:</u>

Hershel Smith & Steve Byrne

#### **Tellers:**

12/31 - Sherry Schwartz & Dee Anna Booker

#### **Church Cleaners:**

Barbara Smith (Dec. 23-Jan. 5)

An Accounting of Your Stewardship of Treasure

Actual Collection: Dec. 17th, 2023

Sunday Collection 1,041.00



#### **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 24TH THRU DECEMBER 31ST**

Sunday - Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - Bucky Lacer

10:00am - Mass at St. Peter - People of the Parish

4:30pm - St. Peter Children Christmas Eve Program

5:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - Chris Settles

7:30pm - Carol Singing at St. Augustine

8:00pm - Mass at St. Augustine-People of the Parish

**Monday -** The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Office Closed

9:00am - Mass at St. Peter - People of the Parish

**Tuesday -** St. Stephen, The First Martyr - Feast Office Closed

No Mass

Wednesday - St. John, Apostle and Evangelist - Feast 6:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - Tera Barnard Family

Thursday - The Holy Innocents, Martyrs - Feast

8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - Pat Jackson

Friday - Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - Pat Coomes Family Weekly Adoration 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday - Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - Jim Davis

8:30am - Confessions at St. Augustine

3:00pm - Confessions at St. Peter

4:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - Sonny & Rosie Clary

Sunday - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - Wayne Purgeason

10:00am - Mass at St. Peter - People of the Parish

## Happy Birthday



Christa Hundley 12/24 Jamie Boeglin 12/27

## Happy Anniversary



God Bless All Married Couples In Our Parish

## PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK †

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 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18 Tuesday......Acts 6:8-10;7:54-59; Matthew 10:17-22 Wednesday......1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1a & 2-8 Friday......1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35 Saturday......1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40 Sunday......Genesis 15:1-6;21:1-3; ......Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19;Luke 2:22-40

#### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated anytime upon request, and Information for the Bulletin needs to be submitonce 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**

ted 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. 25th - Diocesan Christmas Dec. 25th - Parish Christmas Dec. 31st - St. Vincent de Paul

#### 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.