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All Faith Formation, Confirmation Classes, and Parish Meetings have been suspended until school is back in session in person. Class resuming date to be announced.

December 8th: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Patronal feast day of the United States of America

While dispensation from attending Mass on Sundays and on Holy Days of Obligation is still on in our diocese during the pandemic, you are still invited! On this feast, we celebrate Mary's conception free from the stain of Original Sin, and we recognize that Mary's life began at the moment she was conceived in the womb of St. Anne. So, too, does every human life begin at the moment of conception, when it is lovingly knit together by God the Father.



Increased Offertory Program

Commitment cards were mailed late in the week. When you receive them, please fill out as a family and return in the collection basket or mail to the parish office. Commitment Sunday will be December 13th. Thank you.

Men's Club Christmas Hams

The St. Peter's Men's Club will be cooking hams for Christmas on 12/18/2020. They will need to be ordered in advance. To order contact Denny Grant 270-929-8479, Tim (Wally) Cecil 270-929-8589, or Nathan Grant 270-929-4533. Thank You.

November Table of Remembrance

Please remember to pick up your pictures of your deceased loved ones and take them home. Thank you to everyone who shared their memories with the parish the month of November.

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

Welcome to all our visitors and new parishioners! Fr. John 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.

The Second Sunday of Advent

Mark 1:1-8

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”

The comment we often hear when someone is acting silly or goofy is “Oh, that is just George [or whatever the person’s name] being George.” We can wonder what Elizabeth or Zachariah said when people told them that their son John was living in the desert, wearing a camelhair shirt and leather belt [expensive belts were braided or made of fine linen] and eating locust and wild honey. Did they say, “Oh, that’s just John being John.” If so, they were right. John was being *who* and *what* God created him to be - a messenger sent by God to prepare the way of the Lord by making straight his path and calling people to repent for their sins. John had accepted his role and mission in life. He knew he was not the Messiah but that he was to prepare the way for the Messiah. He may have dressed a little strange and eaten an unusual diet, but he did what God created him to do. Are we doing what God created us to do? Are we preparing the way for the Lord, at least the way for the Lord to come into our heart?

5 Minutes with the Word for Advent

Please stop in the back of church today to pick up your family’s copy of ***Five Minutes with the Word for Advent***.

Bulletin/Website

If you would like the weekly bulletin emailed to you please email: mkeller922@hotmail.com, call Mary Keller at 270-316-5927 or contact the parish office.

Parish Gatherings Outside the Liturgy

- **No more than 25 people in attendance.**
- Maintain physical distance of 6 ft. from those not living within the same household.
- **Wear face covering over mouth and nose. Everyone over the age of two must wear a mask for the duration of any event or meeting held on parish property.**
- Conduct temperature and health checks for each participant.
- Ensure proper, frequent cleaning and sanitation of gathering space, including restrooms.
- Encourage those at high risk to stay Healthy at Home.
- Maintain a record of all persons attending the event/meeting and their contact information.
- **No indoor food or beverage consumption.**
- Ensure that gloves are worn by employees/volunteers who clean or handle high-touch areas of the space.
- Encourage volunteers and attendees to frequently wash their hands and/or use hand sanitizer.
- Use appropriate disinfectants to clean frequently touched surfaces and shared equipment.
- Use signage to alert attendees of required occupancy limits, six feet of physical distance and the facial covering requirements.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK †

ST. PETER: Jennifer Ebelhar, Lillian Young, Joe Coomes, Rosie Clary, Gabrielle Hart, Lily Blevins, and Scott Fischer.

Note: Names will be purged every 3 months unless otherwise advised

Word of Life Weekly Quote

“Jesus calls each of us to ‘care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible’ (EV 87). ...The encyclical *The Gospel of Life* recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers’ wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the ‘least of these’ in our world’s estimation.”

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
2020-2021 Respect Life Reflection, www.respectlife.org/

#Dadvent 2020

Dadvent is a virtual gathering of husbands and fathers from across the Diocese who will gather online through Zoom video conferencing each Sunday night of Advent to reflect on the Sunday readings and share in a time of fellowship together. Please visit our website for all the details and a registration link:

<https://owensborodiocese.org/dadvent-2020/>



Thank you!

The parish would like to thank David & Cheryl Spalding for their donation of a power wheelchair to St. Peter’s in addition to the existing manual one. Feel free to take one outside to help your family member in need up the ramp.

Spiritual Companionship in Difficult Times

Do you desire a kind of friendship that welcomes you to share and discern how God is present in your life these days? Would you benefit from deep listening surrounded by compassion instead of judgement? If so, a spiritual mentor/companion may be right for you at this time. The Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center offers spiritual direction with Ursuline Sisters or staff. Currently, outreach is expanding to meet needs during this difficult time. Spiritual direction is being offered online via Zoom for those not in the Owensboro area – and Maryann Joyce, the Retreat Center director, is available to meet in person in local churches and public spaces. Please feel free to reach out and contact her at 270-229-0200 or email retreatcenter@maplemount.org. You can also see more online at www.ursulinesmsj.org/spiritual-life-office/

St. Augustine Ministries

Stewards for December 13th

Lectors:

12/13 - 8:00am - Rob Mitchell

Ushers for December

Sonny & Linda Evans

Church Cleaners

Vicky Lacer (Nov. 29 - Dec. 7)
 Connie McFarland (Dec. 8 - Dec. 21)
 Rosemary Murphy (Dec. 22 - Jan. 5)

We want to thank our ministers for their stewardship of time and talent. Please make every effort to find a replacement if you are unable to attend at your scheduled time. Thank You.



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: Herschel 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 Herschel so other arrangements can be made.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 6TH THRU DECEMBER 13TH

- Sunday** - Second Sunday of Advent
 7:30am - Confessions at St. Augustine
 8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - *George Murphy*
 10:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *People of the Parish*
- Monday** - St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor - Memorial
 8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Bill Clary*
- Tuesday** - The Immaculate Conception of the BVM
 Patronal Feastday of the USA - Solemnity
 8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - *Pat Murphy*
 6:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - *Barbara Connor*
- Wednesday** - Second Week of Advent
 6:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - *Mary Jean Leonhard*
- Thursday** - Second Week of Advent
 8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Nadine Roberts*
- Friday** - Second Week of Advent
 8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Mary Ruth Cecil*
- Saturday** - Our Lady of Guadalupe
 3:00pm - Confessions at St. Peter
 4:00pm - Mass at St. Peter - *Kenny Pendleton*
- Sunday** - Third Sunday of Advent
 8:00am - Mass at St. Augustine - *Steve Raley*
 10:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *People of the Parish*

An Accounting of Your Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Budget	1,597.00
Actual Collection: Nov. 29th, 2020	
Sunday Collection	1,025.00
Thanksgiving	55.00
St. Vincent de Paul	65.00

Happy Birthday



Tracy Miller 12/6
 Phyllis Schrecker 12/10

Happy Anniversary



God Bless All Married Couples
 In Our Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK †

ST. AUGUSTINE: Shelia Byrne, Mason Jackson, Nicholas Jackson, David Medley, Randall Schwartz, Barbara Smith, Bucky Lacer, Betty Davis, Mack Lacer, Robert Blair, and Jeff Simon.

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Daily Mass Readings

- Monday.....Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26
 Tuesday.....Gen. 3:9-15,20; Eph. 1:3-6,11-12; Luke 1:26-38
 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.....Revelation 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab; Luke 1:39-47
 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. John or call the parish office if you know of anyone who is sick and in need of the sacrament. Fr. John 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.

Live Stream Mass Opportunities

As a reminder, none of these are open to the public.

St. Stephen Cathedral Sundays at 9 AM: www.facebook.com/ststephencathedral/live

Brescia University Monday through Friday at noon; and Sundays at 10 AM; : <https://livestream.com/accounts/19227302/bresciamass>

St. Joseph in Leitchfield Sundays at 11 AM: <https://stjosephch.org/live-streaming>

St. Thomas More in Paducah Sundays at 9 AM: <https://www.stmore.org/online-mass>

Special Collection

Dec. 6th - Christmas Flowers

Dec. 6th - Hispanic Ministry

Dec. 13th - Retired Religious



RADA Cutlery

Now that we are set up, you can **always** support our parish by purchasing cutlery from RADA through this link: <https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4541930.aec8dc>. You can also find the link on the St. Peter's Facebook page. Thank you all for your support!

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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.