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Graduating High School And College Students

Please notify St. Peter if your young adult is graduating from high school or college. Include the graduate's name and parental information to: 270-764-1983 or email to office@stpeterofalcantara.com. Thank you.

St. Peter Cemetery

Beginning July 1st, 2019 the cost of cemetery plots will increase to \$500 for parishioners and \$1000 for non-parishioners. For more information or to purchase plots please contact Star McKay at 270-314-4782. Thank you.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through this collection you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

Diocese of Owensboro Announcement

The Diocese of Owensboro seeks to help all people who have been sexually abused, especially those abused by a person working, either paid or unpaid, for the Church. If you need to make a report of abuse, from either the past or present, please contact the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this [confidential phone line \(270-852-8380\)](tel:270-852-8380). The revised diocesan sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, describes the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns, and can be found in the back of church, in the parish office and also on the diocesan web site (www.rcdok.org/safe).

Child Abuse Prevention

Bishop Medley Presides annually at a prayer service to pray for efforts to protect our young people from abuse and to pray for victims of abuse. This year's Evening Prayer for Protection & Healing will be held Monday, April 29th, at 6:30pm, at Immaculate Conception Parish in Hawesville. All are welcome. Thank you.

Rebates!

St. Peter has received a rebate of \$977.28 from the Disciples Response Fund. Great job surpassing our goal! We also received a Kroger rebate this week for \$104.76. If you haven't signed up your Kroger account, please do so. Thank you everyone!

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

We want to welcome our visitors and new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Jegin. If you have not registered, we ask that you complete a form found by the bulletins in the back of church and return it to the Parish office or you may fill out the form online at our website. We are glad that you are here to share the Liturgy with our community. Those who plan to move from our parish are requested to inform the office.

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

There were three priests; a Passionist, a Franciscan and a Diocesan. One day, they decided to find out who among them would be looking more similar to Jesus. So the Passionist priest put on his costume and went to a department store. When all the ladies and even men saw the Passionist priest, they shouted: "Oh, Fr. Daniel is here!" He failed. Then the Franciscan priest put on his costume and went to a big shopping mall; but sad to note, the ladies and men shouted: "Oh, Fr. John is here!" Again the Franciscan failed. It's now the time for the Diocesan priest to prove himself. He went to a beerhouse and then the Guest Relation Officer (or GRO) shouted: "Oh, my Jesus, you are here again!" And the winner was the Diocesan priest.

Today we celebrate and dramatize the beginning of Holy Week called the Palm Sunday. The disciples and the crowd hailed Jesus as king who comes in the name of the Lord. The scene has a celebration atmosphere with people shouting: "**Hosanna!**" or hail to the king. But they were somehow frustrated of this expectation in Jesus as the Messiah who will liberate them from the bondage of slavery. Instead of Jesus riding on a horse, which symbolizes physical force and victory in a battle, He was riding on a donkey which symbolizes humble service, a symbol of peace. In other words, by riding on a donkey, Jesus is bringing forth a message of peace that comes from God to His people. In this scene Jesus is the center of attention.

Why the entry into Jerusalem? In the whole of the scripture, Jerusalem is pictured as a paradoxical center stage of Jewish life; because Jerusalem is regarded as the city of God. Jewish worship and religious rituals revolve around Jerusalem. Jerusalem was not a place of favor for prophets of Israel because a majority of them met their martyrdom there. Jesus' case was not different. He knew that Jerusalem was a point of his final earthly ministry; still he was determined to go there, in order to fulfill his mission as the scripture has foretold and as he has predicted: "*Nevertheless I must journey on today and tomorrow and the next day; for it cannot be that a prophet would perish outside of Jerusalem.*" (Luke 13:33). Jesus' determination to enter Jerusalem and face death without resistance was foretold in the first reading in the prophecy of Isaiah which reads, "*I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting*" (Is 50:6).

We all have our goals set by God for us to accomplish on earth which are strongly connected with our final goal, the heavenly Jerusalem. However, there are so many personal, social and political distractions, trials and tribulations, painful roads, true enemies and false friends that we have to battle with before we could reach our goals. Without being strong and firm like Jesus Christ we may fall on the roadside; but there is no one who claims to have successfully arrived who has not fallen severally. Jesus fell three times on the rocky road to Calvary but never remained on the ground. To fall is heroic, but to remain on the ground is a sign of failure. So, do not be afraid of falling, and do not be afraid of rising, for our Lord's hands are ready to lift us up again if we are ready to continue the journey.

Two things helped Jesus to remain stronger: one is Humility and the other is Self-emptying. To the Jews and Romans they are a bad omen and signs of weakness; but Jesus found strength in them. St. Paul in the second reading reminds us, "*Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross*" (Philp 2:6-8). Therefore, to succeed we must be humble and do nothing out of personal interest.

Christ did not die to remain in the grave forever. He died to rise again in glory. He who has learned to win victory through suffering will not abandon us in our times of suffering, as the prophet declares in the first reading, "*The Lord God helps me; therefore, I have not been disgraced...and I know that I shall not be put to shame*" (Is 50:7). So my dear friends, during this Passion Sunday, we have palm branches or coconut leaves blessed, brought home and kept in altars and doorways. Soon they will wither; but let those dried up leaves in our homes reminds us that our love and loyalty to Christ should not wither and fade just like the enthusiasm of the people on the first Passion Sunday. May God help us to overcome the distractions on our way, and strengthen our faith in Him even in the midst of trials and tribulations, so that we one day shall meet him in the heavenly Jerusalem. **God Bless.**

Lenten Penance Services

St. Stephen April 14th 2:00pm

Parish Council Meeting

St. Augustine - Monday, April 15th at 6:30pm.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Augustine Fundraiser

St. Augustine will be having a chili supper & bunco fundraiser on Sat., June 1st, at 6:00pm. Tickets will be \$20 per person and will be on sale in the next few weeks. More details will be coming soon!

Mass of Inclusion

The Diocesan Disabilities Awareness Committee invites all persons to attend the sacred liturgy of the Mass celebrating persons with disabilities and their families, called the "Mass of Inclusion" with a reception following in their honor on Sunday, April 28th at 2:00pm at the Brescia University Chapel, 717 Frederica St. in Owensboro.

2019 Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be held at the Owensboro Sportscenter on Tuesday, April 16th, at 6:30pm. Please make plans to attend, especially the elect, candidates and confirmandi. They will be the most immediate recipients of the outpouring of God's grace through the oil that will be blessed that evening. Thank you.

St. Augustine Ministries
Stewards for April 21st

Servers:

4/21 - 8am - Sam McFarland & Sam Mitchell

Lectors:

4/21 - 8am - Rosemary Murphy

Eucharistic Ministers:

4/21 - 8am - Larry Schwartz & Ben Blair

Gifts:

4/21 - 8am - Rob Mitchell family

Ushers for April

Dee Anna Booker & Ben Blair

Church Cleaners

Phyllis Schrecker (Apr 20)
 Sherry Schwartz (Apr 21 - May 4)

Please See Insert For Holy Week Ministries

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

APRIL 14TH THRU APRIL 21ST

- Sunday - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**
 -8:00am -Mass at St. Augustine-*Carl & Alma Murphy*
 -9:30am - Mass at St. Peter - *People of the Parish*
 -10:30am - Faith Formation Class
- Monday - Monday of Holy Week**
 -8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Chris Settles*
 -6:30pm - St. Augustine Parish Council Meeting
- Tuesday - Tuesday of Holy Week**
 -6:30pm - Chrism Mass at Sportscenter
- Wednesday - Wednesday of Holy Week**
 -8:00am - Mass at St. Peter - *Bill Young*
- Thursday - Holy Thursday**
 -6:00pm-Mass at St. Augustine-*Leo & Thelma Murphy*
 -6:00pm-Mass at St. Peter - *Mike (Pup) Young*
- Friday - Friday of the Lord's Passion**
 -3:00pm - Solemn Way of the Cross at St. Peter
 -6:00pm - Good Friday Services at St. Augustine
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- Saturday - Easter Vigil**
 -9:00am - Decorate the Church at St. Augustine
 -8:00pm-Mass at St. Augustine-*John & Martine Murphy*
 -8:00pm - Mass at St. Peter-*Herbert & Ruby Murphy*
- Sunday - Easter Sunday**
 -8:00am-Mass at St. Augustine-*Chester & Frances Murphy*
 -9:30am - Mass at St. Peter - *People of the Parish*

Happy Anniversary



God Bless All Married Couples In Our Parish

Happy Birthday



April Mitchell 4/17
 David Peerman 4/20

An Accounting of Your Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Budget	1,403.85
Actual Collection:	April 7, 2019
Sunday Collection	947.00
Maintenance	95.00
DRF Rebate	530.51
Easter Flowers	75.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK †

Barbara Connor, Jennifer Ebelhar, Stella Fogle, Robin Hardesty, Fr. Jegin, Kenny Pendleton, Neil Rudy, Baron Vanover, Betty Wathen, Lillian Young, Dee Anna Booker, Sr. Michael Bridget, Shelia Byrne, Tonya Crabtree, Alan Ebelhar, Carol Sue Gibson, Kevin Hardesty, Mason Jackson, Nicholas Jackson, Leslie LeClure, Paula Mayfield, David Medley, Margie Merimee, Grant Oller, Steve Raley, Randall Schwartz, Barbara Smith, Karen Strode, Phyllis Schrecker, Dick Thomas, Bonnie Blair, and James Wilkey.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday.....Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11
 Tuesday.....Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33,36-38
 Wednesday.....Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-25
 Thursday...Ex. 12:1-8,11-14; 1 Co. 11:23-26; John 13:1-15
 Friday...Is. 52:13-53:12; Heb. 4:14-16;5:7-9; Jn. 18:1-19:42
 SaturdayGe. 1:1-2:2; Ex. 14:15-15:1; Is. 55:1-11;
Ro. 6:3-11; Luke 24:1-12
 Sunday.....Acts 10:34a,37-43; Col 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated upon request, and at least four times a year during the weekend Masses. Please notify the pastor or call the parish office if you know of anyone who might need this sacrament, but may not be able to notify the pastor personally. Please inform the pastor or someone in the parish office if you or any of your family is in the hospital or going into the hospital. If your doctor is willing we can also have a blessing for him/her at the time of your anointing.

Bulletin Information

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

First Communion

First Communion is scheduled for April 28, 2019. Saint Augustine 8:00am and Saint Peter 9:30am. April 25th at 6:30pm at St. Peter will be First Communion practice and Reconciliation. Please make every effort to have First Communicants present. Thank you, Sister Ann McGrew.

Faith Formation Class Schedule

April 14th, 10:30am, Last Faith Formation Class

Special Collection



April 19th - Holy Land Good Friday
April 21st - Easter Seminary
April 28th - Home Missions
June 2nd - Communications

Up Coming Events

April 15th, Parish Council Meeting at 6:30pm - SA
April 16th, Chrism Mass at Sportscenter at 6:30pm
April 18th, Holy Thursday Services at 6:00pm - SA
April 18th, Holy Thursday Services at 6:00pm - SP
April 19th, Solemn Way of the Cross at 3:00pm - SP
April 19th, Good Friday Services at 6:00pm - SA
April 19th, Good Friday Services at 6:00pm - SP
April 20th, Decorate Church at 9:00am - SP
April 20th, Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00pm - SA
April 20th, Easter vigil Mass at 8:00pm - SP
****SA - St. Augustine **SP - St. Peter**



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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.