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Bishop Medley is suspending the celebration of public Masses until further notice.

Parishioner Offerings

In light of the current situation, it is important for parishioners to remember that each parish will still need to pay it's regular expenses. Anyone who wants to continue contributing, can do so in any of the following manners: Mail in to Parish; Drop off at St. Peter's office between 8:30 - 12:00; Electronic Contribution (St. Peter's only).



Message From Fr. John

Fr. John wants everyone to know that he is thinking and praying for the health of everyone. He has been offering Mass for the intention of all the parishioners daily in the rectory. We pray that we will get through this COVID-19 outbreak very soon and that answers will be found to assure everyone of their safety. He misses everybody and prays that everything will come back to normal soon.

Request From Bishop Medley

Bishop Medley invites all parishes in the Diocese of Owensboro to join with Governor Andy Beshear's request to ring church bells daily at 10:00 AM. Bishop Medley is asking everyone to pause at this moment and to offer our prayer for an end to the coronavirus pandemic. If a parish does not have bells, parishioners are encouraged to set their alarms to remind them to stop for a moment and pray. Even though we cannot gather in prayer, we can still be united in prayer.

Children's Liturgy

If you are looking for ways to engage your children with the liturgy on Sunday, here are a couple of websites that have free printable worksheets and puzzles. Try www.sdc.me.uk for liturgy worksheets and 4catholiceducators.com for puzzles.

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. At our parish website: stpeterofalcantara.com you can click on the Events tab to see the Calendar.

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

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

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Matthew 26:14-27:66

“Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover?”

Passover is a solemn memorial of the Angel of Death “passing over” the first born males of the Jews in Egypt. While sharing Passover with his disciples Jesus declares that one of them will betray him. We learn Judas has made a bargain to hand Jesus over to the Jewish leaders. The name Judas has since been synonymous with “traitor” and there are many theories about his motive. Did Jesus fail to live up to his expectations? Did he misjudge the intentions of the Jewish leaders to eliminate Jesus? Was he trying to push Jesus to become a political and military Messiah? From the Passover meal with his disciples Jesus goes to the Garden where, in agony, he accepts the events that will not pass over him. He is painfully aware that he will suffer the consequences of exposing the silly, stupid, senseless and sinful conditions of his day and challenging the acts of political and religious leaders. What are our expectations of Jesus? Do we betray or abandon Jesus when we think he has failed to meet our expectations?

A Few Things To Do Until Public Masses Return

5. *Make a spiritual communion in your own words, or use this prayer written by St. Alphonsus Liguori.* My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

6. *Go to adoration and make a Holy Hour if your church is still open.* If not, go to “Online Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration” for a listing of 13 chapels that broadcast adoration 24/7: VirtualAdoration.home/blog/. And you can worship Our Lord with Eucharistic adoration live via EWTN. Try EWTN.com/adoration & [Facebook.com/ewtonline](https://www.facebook.com/ewtonline).

Kindness Campaign: Sign up by May 1st, 2020

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph, Maple Mount, are continuing a unique fundraiser to support their ministries and spread a little kindness in the world. The Kindness campaign provides 12 personalized inspirational cards to be sent to the person of the donor's choice. You may know someone who is homebound or ill, or you may wish to be kind to a local or government official, a teacher, a friend, a relative or a neighbor. This service will be provided for a contribution of \$50 to the Ursuline Sisters. You are both spreading kindness and helping the Ursuline Sisters continue their ministries. The cards will be mailed beginning in June. To request an order form, contact Carol Braden-Clarke at 270-229-2008, carol.braden-clark@maplemount.org or sign up online: <https://ursulinesmsj.org/kindness-campaign/>

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK †

ST. PETER: Jennifer Ebelhar, Stella Fogle, Lillian Young, George Murphy, Martha Morris, and Lois Connor.

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

Word of Life Weekly Quote

“Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, ‘God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end’ (*Spe salvi* 31).”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
2019-2020 Respect Life Reflection (Citing Pope Benedict XVI, *Spe salvi* © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)

Lenten Book Study on Facebook Live

Join the Young Adult Ministry for a Facebook Live Lenten Book Study with Fr. Will Thompson and Neena Gaynor. The book is, “No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion”, by Dr. Edward Sri. Simply visit the [Diocese of Owensboro Young Adult Ministry Facebook page](#) Monday nights at 7:30pm beginning on February 24th, 2020. Expect live commentary and discussion.

Stewardship Forms

It is the time of year to renew stewardship forms. Anyone needing to make changes to their previous form, such as adding yourself or a family member to any ministry or phone numbers to the one call, please call the parish office. Thank you to all parishioners who volunteer their time, talent, and treasure.

Graduation Time is Near

Call or email the parish office with the names of your graduates - high school or college - so they may be recognized in the bulletin.

OCS Parish Vouchers

Please see Fr. John for your parish voucher for the 2020-2021 school year. Families who do not turn in their parish voucher to the OCS Central Office will not be considered officially registered. Thank you.

Diocese of Owensboro Prayer Companion

The Office of Worship has created a resource for prayer at home during the Coronavirus outbreak called the *Diocese of Owensboro Prayer Companion*. In addition, each week that Mass is suspended, Lauren Johnson will be sharing an adapted Liturgy of the Word for use by the faithful at home that is specific to each Sunday. Each week's Liturgy of the Word will include a short reflection on the readings by one of our Diocesan Priests. You can find them by visiting <https://owensborodiocese.org/resources-for-prayer-at-home/>.



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Spiritual Communion

In a time when it is impossible to receive Jesus sacramentally in the Eucharist, making a spiritual communion can serve to increase our faith and union with God. Many saints, including St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Padre Pio, encouraged spiritual communion and spoke of its benefits. You can make a spiritual communion any time, and multiple times throughout the day, whether you are watching the Mass on television, or just feel a particular need for closer union with the Lord. This can be done within seconds, by simply asking Jesus to come into your heart in a special way. Alternatively, you could have a more intentional prayer time, praying an Act of Faith, Hope, and Love, followed by a prayer (such as the one below) asking to receive Jesus spiritually. As Catholics, we know that the source and summit of our faith is the Holy Eucharist, and while spiritual communion is not the same as sacramental communion, we can earnestly pray that it will help to sustain us and increase our love and longing to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. *My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Weekly Budget	1,597.00
Actual Collection: Mar. 29th, 2020	
Sunday Collection	755.00
Maintenance	40.00
St. Vincent de Paul	25.00
Catholic Relief Services	30.00
Catholic Home Mission	30.00
Easter Flowers	30.00
Holy Land	30.00
Easter - Seminary	30.00



Happy Birthday

Connie McFarland 4/5
 Patrick Davis 4/8
 Debbie Merimee 4/9
 Isaac Ellis 4/10
 Ellie Mitchell 4/10

Happy Anniversary



God Bless All Married Couples
 In Our Parish

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

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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 Cor. 11:23-26; Jn. 13:1-15
 Fri....Is. 52:13—53:12; Heb. 4:14-16;5:7-9; Jn. 18:1—19:42
 Saturday.....Genesis 22:1-18; Isaiah 54:5-14;
 ...Baruch 3:9-15,32—4:4; Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 28:1-10
 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 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.

On-Line Mass Schedule

Diocesan:

St. Stephen Cathedral at 9 AM : www.facebook.com/ststephencathedral/live
 Brescia University at 10 AM: <https://livestream.com/accounts/19227302/bresciamass>
 St. Joseph in Leitchfield at 11 AM: <https://stjosephch.org/live-streaming>
 St. Thomas More in Paducah at 9 AM: <https://www.stmore.org/live-mass>
 Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph at 11 AM: <https://www.facebook.com/ursulinesmsj/>

Non-diocesan:

Local EWTN Mass times can be found here: <https://www.ewtn.com/tv/channel-finder>
<https://www.watchthemass.com/>
<http://www.catholicstv.org/masses/catholicstv-mass>
<https://thesundaymass.org/>
<https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

Special Collection

Apr. 10th - Holy Land - Good Friday

Apr. 12th - Easter - Seminary Collection

Apr. 26th - Catholic Home Missions



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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.