



From the Pastor's Desk

As we are only days from Christmas there are still a few last opportunities to prepare by making a good confession. There will be confession available at the regular time Monday evening, 5:00-5:15 p.m. There will be extended time on Thursday, 4:30-5:15 p.m. and then again after Mass, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Adoration will also be taking place at this time. Please note there will be NO Saturday confessions next Saturday (Christmas Eve). Don't forget to invite a friend, neighbor, or relative to come to Christmas Mass with you. This is a great opportunity to help move a person one step closer to Jesus Christ. Happy final week of Advent!

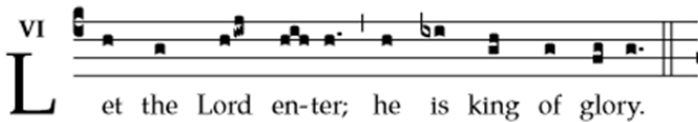
In Christ,
Fr. Hahn

Responsorial Psalm for the Sunday Mass:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Ps. 24: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6

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This Sunday – Knights of Columbus Council 15973 will hold their monthly Pancake and Sausage breakfast. Blood pressure checks will be available after all the Masses this weekend as well.



Saint Peter's annual Christmas gift giving project is upon us. The nursing homes are scheduled for Thursday, December 22 at 6:30 p.m. Please meet in the parking lot of the parish center to find out which nursing home you will go to that evening. All parishioners are welcomed and encouraged to come spread

cheer to those confined to nursing homes at this time of the year. Any questions can be directed to Jackie True at [740-774-1360](tel:740-774-1360). Thank you in advance for your continued support of this project.

Looking to buy the FIH Sisters a Christmas Gift? Gift Cards are the best gifts for them, but please no restaurant cards (as they are unable to eat out by themselves). Gift cards from Visa and Mastercard allow them to purchase gas or groceries from any store. They also shop at Walmart, Kmart and Kroger. Gas cards are also good as they travel a lot to Waverly and the various nursing homes and hospitals.

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS WEEKEND MASSES CAN BE FOUND ON THE TABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.

PSR Caroling at Nursing Homes – PSR Students and families will gather in the parish hall at 12:30 p.m., right after the 11:30 a.m. Mass, this Sunday, December 18. If we have a good turnout, we will divide and visit a couple of nursing homes, where we will sing Christmas Carols. Children are encouraged to bring gift-wrapped boxes of tissues and homemade Christmas cards for the residents. **No Classes –** There will be no PSR classes on Sunday, December 25 and January 1, 2017. Class will resume January 8.



Reverse Advent Calendar Participation Encouraged!

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a 28 Days of Advent: a Reverse Advent Calendar project ... As most Advent Calendars count down to Christmas, this project is a count up to Christmas using non-perishable food items. All

donations will be given to our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Those needing their donations picked up before or after Christmas, please contact Joe Zupi at (home) 740-773-4707, (work) 740-772-4759 or by email at jzupi2002@yahoo.com and he will make arrangements for a Knight to pick up and deliver to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. You may also contact Joe for any questions regarding the project.



Sponsorships are still being accepted to help send our teens to the March for Life on January 27, 2017.

If you are able to donate in part or whole to help send a teen to DC, it will be greatly appreciated. The cost per person is \$185.00. Most especially, please pray for our teens as they participate in this pilgrimage and for an end to abortion. If you would like to help provide snacks or water for the teens to use on the bus trip, please contact Jenny French or watch for a special container to be in the church starting in January. Your support of our teens and Life is greatly appreciated!



Fr. Hartge to participate in the Josephinum's Clergy Who Cook Fundraiser.

Fr. Hahn has passed the soup ladle to Fr. Hartge to serve up a winning dish at the Josephinum's annual fundraiser, "Clergy Who Cook". The event will be held on Friday, February 3 at the Jessing Center on the college campus. Tickets and table reservations can only be purchased online this year. They will go on sale January 5 and they sell out quickly. If you are unable to attend but want to help sweeten the pot to ensure a victory for Fr. Hartge, financial donations can be given to him or to Jenny French at the parish office. All donations at this event help to support the seminarians who attend the seminary.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 17

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, December 18

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

8:00 a.m. Barbara Manegold – Chris Manegold

11:30 a.m. James Dennewitz, Jr. – Sonia Dennewitz

Monday, December 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

5:30 p.m. Gertrude Purpero – Garold & Janet Griffith

Tuesday, December 20

Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

8:30 a.m. Mike Kaltenbach – Jody & David Cutright

Wednesday, December 21

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45

8:30 a.m. Richard Sparks – Don & Janet Russell

Thursday, December 22

1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

5:30 p.m. Monti Perry – Bob & Kathy Dye

Friday, December 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

8:30 a.m. Bill & Ruth Neal – Dan Grabb

Saturday, December 24

Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

5:00 p.m. Ann Weisenberger Brown –
Ed & Mary Anne Brown

Sunday, December 25

Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

12:00 a.m. (incense) Jennifer Diehl – Scott & Lisa Diehl

10:30 a.m. (incense) For the People



NEW THIS YEAR: Baby Bootie Campaign!

Please plan to pay a visit to the Knights of Columbus December and January pancake breakfast and give a donation toward this year's March For Life! You will add your name to a cutout Baby Bootie which will travel with the missionaries to Washington, DC. Prayers and monetary donations are needed so please be generous with both! For more information, contact Judy Harness or Jenny French.



Christmas Flower Memorial Fund Envelopes

are located in the pews. Place envelopes in the collection basket or drop off at the church office. What more wonderful way to honor a loved one than to help us beautify the altar for Christmas. The List of names will be printed in the church bulletin over a couple of week's span due to the printing deadlines.

Calendar for the Week

Saturday, December 17

4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions – Church

4:25 p.m. Rosary Recitation – Church

Sunday, December 18

8:45 a.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast/
Blood Pressure Checks – Parish Hall

9:15 a.m. PSR – Second Floor

9:15 a.m. Bible Study – Holy Family Library

12:30 p.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast/
Blood Pressure Checks – Parish Hall

12:30 p.m. PSR Caroling – meet in Parish Hall

Monday, December 19

5:00-5:15 p.m. Confessions – Church

6:00 p.m. Grief Support – Holy Family Library

Tuesday, December 20

6:00 a.m.-Midnight – Adoration – Adoration Chapel

9:30-10:30 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Open

7:00 p.m. RCIA – “The Incarnation” –
Holy Family Library

Wednesday, December 21

Midnight-Midnight – Adoration – Adoration Chapel

5:30 p.m. Penance Service –
St. Sylvester, Zaleski

7:00 p.m. Sisterhood of the Frogged Stitchers –
Blessed Virgin Mary Room

7:00 p.m. Choir practice – Church

Thursday, December 22

Midnight-5:00 p.m. – Adoration – Adoration Chapel

4:30-5:15 p.m. Confessions – Church

5:30 p.m. Mass – Church

6:00-9:00 p.m. Adoration – Church

6:00-8:00 p.m. Confessions – Church

6:30 p.m. Secular Franciscan – John Paul II Room

6:30 p.m. Christmas Gifts to Nursing Homes
(meet in parking lot)

7:00 p.m. Young Adult Group to Nursing Homes

7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group to
Nursing Homes

Friday, December 23 –

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED – reopens December 27

8:30 a.m. Mass – Church

2:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Cenacle –
Mezzanine Conference Room

Saturday, December 24

No 4:00 Confessions today

4:30 p.m. Children's Choir sings – Church

5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Vigil Mass – Church

Sunday, December 25

12:00 a.m. Christmas Midnight Mass

(Choir sings at 11:30 p.m.) – Church

10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Mass – Church

SAVE THESE DATES ... SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 – Enthronement of our parish hall to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. **SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017 –** Trivia Night and Chili Cook-off to benefit Our Lady Outreach Network. Watch for more information to come.

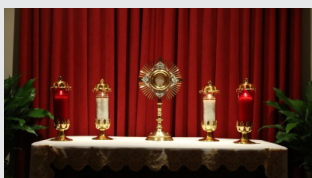
Attention to those involved in Music Ministry at the parish. We are going to have one picture in the Parish Directory for anyone involved in the music ministry at St. Peter. So if you are in the choir or schola, a cantor, a member of the funeral choir, an instrumentalist, or if you sing for Benediction or special occasions such as Christmas or Easter, etc., please mark your calendar! Bobbi will take our picture **after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 8.** We will meet in the front of church. Thank you! And thank you for your contributions to our music program!! If you have any questions, please contact Diane Corcoran ([740-703-2196](tel:740-703-2196)).



Infant of Prague Perpetual Adoration Chapel: The Chapel is up and “running.” If you signed up for a time slot, please make sure that it is covered if you are unable to be there. The Chapel is open 6:00 a.m. Tuesdays through 5:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Adoration will commence in Church after the 5:30 p.m. Mass with Benediction occurring at 9:00 p.m.

The door to the chapel is open without code entry from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. If you are not already a committed adorer and wish to be able to access the chapel at other times, please contact the office for the access code.

We are looking for weekly sponsors for the candles that will be burning during Adoration. The candles will burn during the 60 hours of Adoration in the chapel and will be in honor of the intention the sponsor indicates. The intention will be published in the bulletin so the other adorers can offer prayer as well. A donation of \$10.00 is requested to cover the cost of the candles. A specific week can also be requested. Contact Jenny French at the parish office for scheduling the intention.



**Adoration Chapel Intention for the
Week of December 18, 2016:
In Memory of Barbara Manegold
As sponsored by Chris Manegold**

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY WISHES

St. Peter Parish Family extends congratulations and many blessings to the following on their “special” birthdays:

- December 14, Dorothy Hagerty, 771 Buckeye Street
- December 19, Dona Schumacher, 405 Robin Road



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- Cereal
- Canned Fruit
- Pasta Sauce

The pantry will be closed December 23 through the end of the year. It will re-open on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

Do you donate clothes to Goodwill? At St. Vincent de Paul we sometimes have clients who need new clothes, and we are able to give them vouchers to buy them at Goodwill. If you or anyone you know donates a large bag of clothing to Goodwill, and fills out the donation form with our name on it (St. Peter’s St. Vincent de Paul), we will get a credit toward the vouchers that we give out. Your donation to Goodwill helps that organization, and in this way it will also help our own St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for considering this.



**Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima Schedule
(More dates have been added to the book –
please sign up!)**

- December 11-17 – Reisinger Family**
- December 18-24 – Linda Hunt**
- December 25-31 – Althouse Family**
- January 1-7 – Nathan Davis Family**

Youth Group News

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (for teens in Grades 9-12) – The group meets every Thursday through the school year at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Bosco Room in the basement of the parish center unless otherwise noted. If you haven’t given Youth Group a try, now is the time to do it! For more information, you can contact Chris at [740-774-1407](tel:740-774-1407) or at yec@stpeterchillicothe.com.

- December 22 – Helping Christian Service
- December 29 – No Meeting

Prayer List

(Please check this prayer list for people who are no longer in need of prayer. We strive to keep this list current for those in their hour of need. If someone needs to be removed, please call the office. If someone is in need of prayer, please let us know that, too!)

Jim Burns, Tom Thompson, Cynthia Towne, Alice Hall, Steven Hill, Linda Moore, Jonathan Cox, Jeffrey Matthews, Dave, Richard Tuttle, Darlene DiPatri, Ray Thomas, Debbie Winneger, Helen Stanton, Kaye Keefer, Jan Hannan, Howard Myers, Iona & Bill Cunningham, Shawna Smith, Bill Stratman, Melody Ault, Ralph Sorrell, Heidi Lovensheimer, Charlie McDonald, Andrea Hoffman, David Riley, Aileen Diaz, Don Davis, Richard Stadtfeld, Pat Manion, Joe Schumann, Veronica Geimer, Albert Geimer, Mary Margaret Rhoads, Kathy Dye, Rosemary Cox, Olivia Jones, Kim Dempsey, Brenda Estep, David Conley, Brookie Heightsman, John Lisle, Keith Lovensheimer, Evelyn Silva, Michael Dixon, Peggy Lisle, Donna Stevens, Jo Burchett, Nancy Leasure, Melissa Falhgren, Tracy Jalbuena, Rosemary McHarg, Kelly Chandler, Kathryn Hunt, Angie Currier, Herman Swisher, Deb Zimpher, Evelyn Weinman, Tim Ott, Dave Neal, Joshua Hicks, Rosalina Prog, Roger Wilburn, Mary Wachter, Paula Romans, Douglas Griffith, Lyn Smith, Eva & Melvin States, Julie Carey, Lucille Maimone, Norma Whitley, Lib Fisher, Joseph Lynch, Jody Morrison, Dan & Jane Harness.

When he discovered that Mary was with child, Joseph resolved to end their engagement with as little disgrace as possible. But obedient to the voice of God, he changed those plans and became instead the protector of the child Jesus and His mother, Mary. God grant that I may be as open to the leading of the Holy Spirit!

The Zupi, Domo, and Seimer families are extremely grateful to all of the Saint Peter Parish members who assisted us and prayed for us during the process of burying our Mother Dr. Marlene A. Domo this past weekend. Frs. Hahn, Dooley, and Hartge, Deacon Hauser, Leigh Ann Meeker and the Bereavement Committee, the servers, the choir, Jenny French. The Sisters, and each and every one of the parishioners who reached out to our family during the past week have further built up our pride in our Parish and certainly helped us bear our pain a little easier. Thanks and Blessings to each and every one of you.

Budgeted Expenses – December 11, 2016	\$8,679.09	\$208,388.07
Actual Offertory – December 11, 2016		
Weekend Offertory	\$7,625.70	\$212,708.99
Online Giving	\$2,372.00	
Difference	\$1,318.61	(\$ 4,320.92)
Improvement Fund	\$ 55.00	\$ 1,976.50

Online giving – If you wish to commit to the 2016-2019 Sister Guardian Fund, be sure to find this name (2016-2019) in the list of giving.

Consider Making a Year-End Gift to St. Peter's. As the end of the year approaches, we begin to reflect upon the many blessings bestowed upon us. The end of the year also provides a great opportunity to thank God for these blessings by gifting to St. Peter's. The benefits of income tax deductions, capital gains savings and other financial benefits are significant advantages that provide an incentive to make a gift at the year-end. There are many different ways of contributing a gift. However, two of the easiest and most direct methods to gift are donations of cash and appreciated stock or other investments. You can also make other financially advantageous gifts such as real estate, life insurance, charitable remainder trusts, gift annuities, will/trust bequests and IRA/retirement accounts. **You may also consider becoming a Sister Guardian as we are still in need of these. For more information, visit the parish website at www.stpeterchillicothe.com or discuss with Fr. Hahn.**

Sign ups for	Midnight Mass and	10:30 a.m. Christmas Masses	On table in back of church.
Church Cleaning	Team #5: Ramsey/ Palisbo Family	Linens for the Month of December: Laura Lewis	