



From the Pastor's Desk

Advent Preparations

Advent is the perfect time to make a good Confession in preparation for Christmas. We will be having our annual joint-parish Advent Penance Service here at St. Peter, next Tuesday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m. Plan on joining us to "prepare the way." If you cannot make that one, we will also be having one at St. Colman in Washington Court House on Monday, December 11, at 7:00 p.m., as well as St. Mary, Waverly, and St. Sylvester, Zaleski on Wednesday, December 13, both at 5:30 p.m.

Movie Recommendation

If you are looking for a good movie for the whole family, I wholeheartedly recommend *Wonder*, now playing in theatres. This is a movie about a boy who has a severe facial deformity as he goes from being homeschooled to entering a public school for the first time in grade five. The movie depicts the challenges and the triumphs and the hurts. It also presents the viewer with the fact that everyone has a story and that sometimes we don't know what we think we know. Another message is that every person suffers and we need to be able to place ours to the side that we might be more able to recognize others' sufferings, and many other good lessons. I brought five of my nephews to see this and they all liked it (from grade two through grade eleven).

Q & A

Q. (communicated via Parish Council member) **Have you thought about putting in permanent handicap parking in the front of church rather than just using the temporary handicap parking signs?**

A. We are now looking into it. If the city does agree, we would like them to paint one permanent spot at about the point where the sidewalk between the rectory and the church comes to the curb. This would be quickest access to the handicap ramp in the back. We would like to leave the space directly in front of the church as an all-purpose parking spot. On weekends, we would continue to put up the sign for that spot, but on weekdays, older parishioners could park there without worry of being towed if they don't have a handicap parking tag. Thanks for the question/suggestion. Remember, you can send questions either through Parish Council members or to the secretary email at secretary@stpeterchillicothe.com. These questions can deal with things pertinent to our parish or questions of faith and morals of a wider scope.

In Christ,
Fr. Hahn

Current Hours for the Parish Office:



Mondays-Thursdays,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fridays,
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Sundays, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
(when PSR is in session)

Wreaths Across America to be held on Saturday, December 16.

– The ministry will conduct the Wreaths Across America ceremony once again at St. Margaret's Cemetery. The prayer service will begin at 12:00 noon. *If you placed an order for wreaths, please be at the cemetery at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 16 to pick up your wreaths to place on the graves following the service at noon.* Contact Cecilia Althouse at 740-947-1339.



Holy Day of Obligation – Feast of the Immaculate Conception –

December 8th – Masses at St. Peter Church will be on Thursday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. (incense to be used), and Friday, December 8, at 8:30 a.m. All-School Mass at Bishop Flaget for the Feast Day will be at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 8, in the gymnasium. Sign-up sheets for Liturgical Ministers for St.

Peter's can be found on the table in the back of church. *Eucharistic Adoration for Thursday, December 7th.* Please note: There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, December 7th, in the church from 6:00-8:00 p.m. This is due to the Vigil Mass of the Immaculate Conception at 7:00 p.m. However, we will conclude with a Holy Hour after the Mass and conclude with Benediction around 9:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 2

Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

5:00 p.m. Annika Miller –
Danny & Judy Harness Family

Sunday, December 3

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

8:00 a.m. Mary Jean Turner –
Rick & Carol Rooney

11:30 a.m. For the People

Monday, December 4

Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

5:30 p.m. Warren Kingsman – Carol Robinson

Tuesday, December 5

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

8:30 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory –
The Noel Family

Wednesday, December 6

Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

8:30 a.m. Ruth Neal –
Mary Ann Dixon & Family

Thursday, December 7

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

7:00 p.m. (incense) For the People

Friday, December 8

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

8:30 p.m. Tony Hassey –
George & Phyllis Hassey

Saturday, December 9

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

5:00 p.m. Marda Kengle – Kengle Family

Sunday, December 10

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

8:00 a.m. Verna Groves – Beth Fowler

11:30 a.m. Mary Damico – Jim Anzelmo

Watch for sign-up sheets coming soon for the Christmas Masses... December 24th is the 4th Sunday of Advent. With it also being Christmas Eve, the Mass schedule for Sunday has been adjusted to allow for the decorating of church. The weekend Masses, for the 4th Sunday of Advent, will be 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil, and 8:00 a.m. and **10:00 a.m.** on Sunday. Christmas Masses will be Sunday, December 24, at 5:00 p.m. for the Children's Mass (this does NOT meet your Sunday Obligation), Midnight Mass, and 10:30 a.m. Mass on Christmas Day. This year's Christmas Holiday is a little "screwy" with Christmas falling on Monday and the 4th Sunday of Advent falling on Christmas Eve. Thus, it is necessary for you to fulfill the obligation of Sunday Mass, as well as Christmas' Holy Day of Obligation. Just an opportunity to become more holy!

Calendar for the Week

Saturday, December 2

9:00 a.m. Protecting God's Children
Session – Holy Family Library
4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions – Church

Sunday, December 3

9:00-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Open

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts – Parish Hall
9:15 a.m. PSR – Second Floor
Parish Center
9:15 a.m. David – Bible Study –
Holy Family Library
12:30 p.m. Coffee & Donuts – Parish Hall
1:00 p.m. Handmade Card Club –
Parish Hall

Monday, December 4

1:00 p.m. Intro to Creighton –
Holy Family Library
5:00 p.m. Confessions – Church
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society –
Holy Innocents Room

Tuesday, December 5

6:00 a.m.-Midnight Adoration – Adoration Chapel
9:30-10:30 a.m. Food Pantry –
St. Vincent de Paul Room
7:00 p.m. RCIA – Holy Family Library
7:00 p.m. RCIA II – Holy Family Library

Wednesday, December 6

Midnight–Midnight Adoration – Adoration Chapel
12:30 p.m. Bishop Flaget
1st Grade Field Trip – Church
6:00 p.m. Unlocking Mysteries
of Bible Study –
Holy Family Library
7:00 p.m. Choir – Church
7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study –
All Saints Room
7:00 p.m. Sisterhood of Frogged
Stitches – Mezzanine

Thursday, December 7

Midnight-5:00 p.m. Adoration – Adoration Chapel
7:00 p.m. Mass – Church
8:00-9:00 p.m. Holy Hour – Church

Friday, December 8

8:30 a.m. Mass – Church
10:00 a.m. All-School Mass –
Bishop Flaget Gymnasium
1:30 p.m. Food Pantry –
St. Vincent de Paul Room
2:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Cenacle –
Mezzanine Conference

Saturday, December 9

4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions – Church

Sunday, December 10

9:00-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Open

9:00 a.m. Beloved Brunch– Parish Hall
9:15 a.m. PSR – Second Floor
Parish Center
9:15 a.m. David – Bible Study –
Holy Family Library

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 nonperishable food items. All donations will be given to our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Donations can be brought to church and placed in the tub provided by Knights or to the Parish Office. 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.

Attention, Married Couples – A brunch is planned for those participating in the Beloved program. Beloved explores the true meaning of the Sacrament of Marriage. Here you'll discover the deepest spiritual, emotional, and practical realities of what your marriage can and should be. Beloved is a home-based study. If you are currently not participating in the study but wish to do so, contact Judy Harness at 740-649-5256. The brunch is planned for Sunday, December 10th, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please RSVP to Judy for the brunch by December 5.



Holiday Mail for our Soldiers – Want to help us send Holiday Greetings to our soldiers? You can help us do this by dropping off signed Christmas/Holiday cards to Jenny at the parish office by December 6. These will be delivered to the Red Cross office to participate in their "Holiday Mail for Heroes" program. Wish our troops a Merry Christmas and thank them for their service!

Attention, Young Adults (aged 18-30) – A murder mystery/masquerade dinner is being planned for Saturday, January 13, 6:00 p.m., in the Holy Family Library. Put on your old tux and prom dress and join other young adults for an evening of fun. Prize for the best mask! To RSVP or additional information, contact Nick French at 740-701-5380. You won't want to miss this who-done-it kind of a night!

New in January 2018! The Local Ross County Right to Life is holding a first ever March for Life in Chillicothe on January 22, 2018, at 12:00 noon. The Marchers will begin at the Water St. main entrance of the city park and will march down Paint St. to the Ross County Court House. There will be speakers, music, food and friendship. Please contact Judy Harness at [740-774-1407](tel:740-774-1407) or Joe Herlihy at rossco.righttolife@gmail.com for more information or please join us at our next meeting, December 18th, at 6:15 p.m., in the Holy Family Library, St. Peter Parish Center.



Annual Christian Service Christmas Project...

As we approach the Christmas gift giving season, please consider taking a tag from the trees in the front or back of church. Our congregation will again this year be providing gifts for many people in our community who may not otherwise receive a gift. There will be opportunities for you and your family to deliver gifts and visit with nursing home residents. **Please return gifts to the church by December 10th. They may be placed under the St. Joseph Statue.** Dates will be announced for delivery during the week of December 17-23. As the Christian Service Committee prepares the gifts for delivery, it is very important that all tags on the tree be returned attached to the gift you have purchased. *Unfortunately, in 2016, dozens of gifts had to be purchased at the last minute because tags were taken, and not returned with a gift.* Please, be very careful in your selection and be sure your family does not take more tags than can be returned. Lastly, if you want to participate but cannot shop, please consider a monetary donation that can be dropped off at the Parish Office.



New this year, the committee will be collecting items for the homeless. The committee will be collecting items to bundle in a blanket for those without homes. A container will be provided for placing the items needed. Suggested items to donate include: *socks, dry shampoo, canned meats with pull tops, peanut butter, wet wipes, gloves, hats, and McDonald's gift cards. Walmart gift cards will be accepted if they have the "Not to be used to purchase alcohol, tobacco & firearms" disclaimer on it.*

Wilderness Outreach is holding its annual all men, fathers and sons, Advent hike at Clear Creek Metro Park, on Saturday, December 16, 2017. Watch for more information to come. For further information, contact John Bradford at [614-679-6761](tel:614-679-6761) or wildernessoutreach2560@gmail.com.



As you begin thinking about your Christmas lists, please consider the merchants listed on the back of the bulletin. Thanks to their generosity, we are able to have the bulletin printed free of charge to not only St. Peter's but also for St. Sylvester and St. Mary, Waverly. Thank you to

our Bulletin Sponsors! You are greatly appreciated!

March For Life 2018! If you haven't already registered to travel to Washington, D.C., for the 45th March for Life, January 18th-20th, please contact the Parish Office! If you can't attend, but can financially sponsor a traveler, please call the office to find out how you can help! We thank you for your generosity!



**Pilgrim Virgin Statue
of Our Lady of Fatima Schedule
November 26-December 2 –**

Turner Family

December 3-9 –

Maimone Family

December 10-16 –

Turner Family



**HAPPENINGS ON THE HILL
IN DECEMBER**

The Bishop Flaget Christmas Program will be December 14, at 7:00 p.m., in the school gym. All are welcome to attend. We will also be holding a raffle of many gifts and fun items during the program to help fund the junior high trip to Washington, D.C. in April.

Bishop Flaget will hold its "Living Nativity" on December 16th, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Drive by and check out the junior high's rendition of that special night. We will collect canned items and donations for the St. Vincent de Paul Society that night, as well.



**Adorers Needed
for Perpetual Adoration:**

We are in need of Adorers for the following day and time:

**11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
on Tuesday –
Need one Adorer**

If you are interested in becoming an Adorer, please contact Fr. Dooley at (740) 774-1407, ext. 5 or by email at sdooley@columbuscatholic.org.



***Adoration Chapel Intention for
the Week of December 3, 2017:
A Special Intention
of Mary Anne Brown***

**Infant of Prague Adoration Chapel Schedule
for Christmas and New Year's**

Week of December 24th: There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, December 26th. We will resume Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday, December 27th, at 6:00 a.m.

Week of December 31st: There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, January 2nd. We will resume Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday, January 3rd, at 6:00 a.m.

Our Eucharistic Adoration Schedule will resume at its normal time on Tuesday, January 9th, at 6:00 a.m.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

– Fr. Dooley



WAYS TO HELP THOSE IN NEED WHO ARE SERVICED BY THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular business hours or placed in the baskets in the vestibule of church.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Volunteers ask that if at all possible, please do not send items in glass containers.

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| Cereal | Soup | Tuna |
| Ramen Noodles | Spaghetti Sauce | Pasta |
| Mac & Cheese | Peanut Butter | Canned Fruit |
| Boxed Potatoes | Rice Pouches | Dish Liquid |
| Toilet Paper | Personal care items:
i.e. shampoo,
Feminine hygiene products | |

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.



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.

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, Waverly

Prayer List

If there is someone in need of being on this prayer list, please call Jenny at the Parish Office at 740-774-1407. Please pray for the following members of God's family:

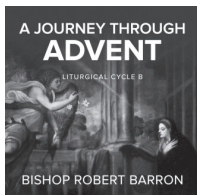
Amy & Rich Adams, Peggy Bechie, Dinese Carmen, Rosemarie Cox, Angie Currier, Don Davis, Amy Carroll Fields, Lib Fisher, Albert Geimer, Veronica Geimer, Dan & Jane Harness, Brookie & Larry Heightsman, Brian Moore, Dave Neal, Dan Rogers, Paula Romans, Victor Russell, Joe Schumann, John Slagle, Helen Stanton, Colleen Sulzer, Cindy Strausbaugh, Heidi Swan, Mary Wachter, Roger Wilburn, Debbie Winneger.

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PICK OF THE WEEK, December 3, 2017

Get the most out of Advent by following along with Bishop Robert Barron's homilies as he unpacks these profound scripture readings. The homilies in the talk will correspond to the Scriptures for Sunday Masses throughout Advent and Christmas 2017. Find this and more in the audio section on the formed website. Access Code VZ4F2W or download the free app for your phone!



Teen Space

High School Youth Events – open to teens and their friends in Grade 9-12...Join us each or any Thursday, at 7:00 p.m., in the St. John Bosco Room in the basement of the Parish

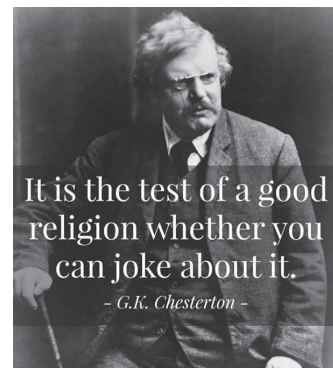
Center (unless other announced). Come when you can or to the sessions that are of interest to you.

December 7 – No Meeting Due to Holy Day

December 8 – Hockey Game

December 14 – Service

December 21 & 28 – No Meetings



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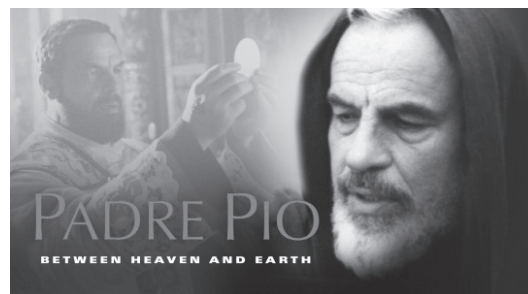
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Teen Pick of the Week of December 3, 2017

To learn more about November's DTS Saint, Padre Pio.

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Blessed with incredible spiritual gifts, including healing, bi-location, reading of souls and the stigmatic wounds, Padre Pio was a powerful witness for Christ, and a great spiritual guide to countless souls for over fifty years. Filmed on location in Italy, starring Michele Placido in a moving performance, this film tells the whole story of the beloved monk from San Giovanni Rotondo, a place where millions of pilgrims now go annually to visit Padre Pio's grave. Music by legendary music composer Ennio Morricone.

Find this and more in the movie section on the formed website. Access Code VZ4F2W or download the free app for your phone!



We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task.
We will be judged good stewards if, at His coming,
He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks
to which we have been called.

Budgeted Expenses – November 19 & 26, 2017	\$17,631.20	\$193,943.50
Actual Offertory – November 19, 2017	\$ 4,458.89	\$ 183,553.32
November 26, 2017	\$ 4,976.60	
Online Giving	\$ 4,983.00	
Difference	(\$ 3,212.70)	(\$ 10,390.18)
Improvement Fund	\$ 105.00	\$ 1,770.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS – NOVEMBER 2017

Catholic Communications – \$5.00
Latin America – \$2.00
Campaign for Human Development – \$631.00
Catholic Relief Overseas – \$20.00
St. Peregrine Fund – \$25.00
Miryante Orphanage – \$1,019.00
Habitat for Humanity – \$77.00
Hope Clinic – \$224.00
Bishop Flaget School – \$76.00
St. Margaret Cemetery – \$346.00
St. Vincent de Paul – \$1,698.00
Inmate Care Unit Christmas Project – \$350.00

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

	December 9, 5:00 p.m. Second Sunday of Advent	December 10, 8:00 a.m. Second Sunday of Advent	December 10, 11:30 AM Second Sunday of Advent
Eucharist	Jim Anzelmo – EM1 Martha Greer – EM2 – J Bonnie Pinnix – EM3 – M	John Seifert – EM1 Sr. Leonard Mary – EM2 – J Cathy Seifert – EM3 – M	John Gabis – EM1 Sr. Ruhitha Mary – EM2 – J Belva Snow – EM3 – M
Lector	Pauline Spriggs – 1 David Cutright – 2	Jim Maimone – 1 Bob Weisenberger – 2	Chris Manegold – 1 Alicia Thompson – 2
Server	Irie Peterson Sophie Mickey	Molly Armstrong Ben Corcoran Gabe Maimone	Danny Bentley Gabriel McNichols James Beatty
Greeter	Mickey Family Beth Fowler	Mollie Maimone Isaac Maimone Anne Maimone	Cecilia Davis Nanette Stanton
Offertory	Josephine Cutright	Greg & Theresa Corcoran	Nathan Davis Family
Usher	Mary Anne Brown Lisa Diehl Thomas Zuber Sandie Haas	James Burgess Doug Corcoran Maralee Scheeler Tim Scheeler	John Crowe Ken Miller Frank Nunziato Bret Reisinger

Church Cleaning	Team #7: Bob Kight	Linens for the Month of December: Laura Lewis
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