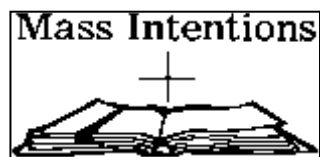


Recognizable Offering.....\$5,261.00
Loose Cash.....\$577.25
Total Weekly Offering.....\$5,838.25
Campaign for Human Dev.....\$270.00
Archdiocese of the Military.....\$1,055.00
Mass Attendance Nov 19/20 298



Nov 28 - Dec 4
Monday.....Carol Omans(+)
Tuesday.....Peg & Jerry Vesely(+)
Thursday.....Jay Carroway(+)
Friday.....Trey Corbitt(+)
Saturday.....Mary Valentine(+)
Sunday.....Angel Biehl(+)(8:00 a.m.)
.....**St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)**

Weekly Calendar of Events

11/27 First Sunday of Advent
11/28 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
R.C.I.A - 6:30 p.m.
11/29 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
11/30 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
12/4 K - 5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
"Lectio Evangelization" - 9:15 a.m.
Confirmation Class - 4:30 p.m.
MS/HS Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

2016 Angel Tree

The Angel tree tradition continues in our parish. Select an angel tree card from the tree in the church and follow the guidelines on the tags. You may return the gifts to the parish center foyer through noon on December 8th, if you prefer. Please note that the gifts should NOT be wrapped, and remember to attach the angel tree card to your gift when you return it. Your generosity in helping to make the Christmas season a brighter one for the less fortunate in our community is greatly appreciated.



Retirement Fund for Religious

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others - educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious help to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to support this fund. Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer. Please drop your envelope in the regular offertory.

GRATITUDE

Over the past few weeks our outreach ministry has been helping other organizations with a plant sale, a food drive, and a fair trade community order. This parish is always amazingly supportive and **it is with the ministry's deep appreciation that we share the difference you have made in other lives with your generosity.**

◆ **The Ronda Coon Women's Home will receive over a \$500 profit from our parish participation.**

◆ Thirty families in the Shelter House outreach program were

provided groceries for a holiday feast. Donations of food and money totaled \$923.00

◆ The Fair Trade Community Sale made a profit of \$203.89 for Catholic Charities and over \$40 for Catholic Relief Services.

Thank you for sharing and living as grateful stewards of your gifts.



Calendar

Monday
November 28
Advent Weekday
Is 4:2-6
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday
November 29
Advent Weekday
Is 11:1-10
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday
November 30
St. Andrew, Apostle
Rom 10:9-18
Mt 4:18-22

Thursday
December 1
Advent Weekday
Is 26:1-6
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday
December 2
Advent Weekday
Is 29:17-24
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday
December 3
St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Is 30:19-21, 25-26
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday
December 4
Second Sunday of Advent
Is 11:1-10
Rom 15:4-9
Mt 3:1-12

Dear Padre,

I want my son to be confirmed this year, but he won't go to confirmation classes or select a sponsor. What should I do?

When your son was baptized, you promised to raise him in the faith. Going to Mass and making faith part of your home life has been part of his upbringing, but forcing him to be confirmed can result in resentment and drive him further from you and his Catholic faith. Try these three things:
First, have a heartfelt and personal discussion (or several) with him, sharing what your Catholic faith means to you.

Second, speak with the confirmation teacher or DRE. He or she has dealt with this before and can work with you both to understand his refusal.

Third, engage him in discovering God at work in his life through the people



and movements he's attracted to. Young people are often idealistic and can become disenchanted with the Church and other authority figures. The sooner they know you're willing to let them examine and understand what being Catholic means, the less inclined they will be to reject the Church.

What he needs is the steady, meaningful message that he is loved and important to you, God, and the Church. Trust that God's will comes to fruition. Confirmation should occur when a person manifests a true desire and has undergone necessary preparation. These suggestions aren't easy but reflect the faith you want to pass on.

From *Liguorian*, July-August 2011
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A Word From Pope Francis

"We always need to begin again, to get up again, to rediscover the meaning of the goal of our lives."

—Angelus, December 1, 2013



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Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent (A)

Is 2:1-5

Rom 13:11-14

Mt 24:37-44

Piece: *Sleeping Servant*
Artist unknown; 1st century AD
Location: Vatican, Santa Rosa



Welcome!

My name is Fr. Mark Haydu, LC, and I am happy to accompany you at Mass over the next three liturgical years. I grew up in Akron, Ohio, and was ordained in 2007 as a priest of the Legionaries of Christ.

As head of the Patrons of the Arts in the Vatican Museums in Rome, I travel frequently to the United States to promote the collection. Sacred art has always been an essential element of prayer and liturgy, so it is a fitting enhancement to our Sunday celebrations.

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Staying awake is a frequent and important Advent theme. Jesus mentions being awake in today's Gospel and again in Matthew 25:13 and 26:38. We are to ready ourselves to encounter him at our personal judgment and again in the Final Judgment. Like a watchman who stands over the city or a guard who protects the entry gate, we are to be vigilant, "For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

In ancient times, it was common to have a servant posted at the door to

protect you through the night and to watch over the house in your absence. Today's sculpture, which is part of an ancient tombstone, depicts such a servant—albeit one who dozed off.

For Reflection

What can I do to prepare myself and my family for Christ's coming on Christmas, in the Eucharist, and at any other time in our lives?

Begin your Advent preparations by receiving Christ in the Eucharist, "For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed" (Romans 13:11). Jesus is not far away but very near. He enters our hearts in the form of bread and wine. Are you ready, or will he catch you by surprise?

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

"And do this because you know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed" (Romans 13:11).

Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Dec 3/4

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray

Extraordinary Ministers: Anni Labatte, Angela Zangerle, Patty Shawbitz, Alice Thompson, Joanna Farnum

Lectors: Eric Van Dorn, Paul Gagnon II

Ushers: Cora Podrang, Heather Metruck, Mickey Shawbitz

Greeter: Keith Lee

Sacristan: Joe Davison

Elijah Cup: Alice Thompson

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Audrey Moore, Alina Schorzman

Extraordinary Ministers: James Johansen, Paul Johansen, Susan Johansen, Nancy McCreary, Jean Jordan

Lectors: Michael Moore, Kathy Moore

Ushers: Dan Cauley, Kathy Cauley, Cathy McKnight

Greeter: Alma Battaglio

Sacristan: Maria Bridges

Elijah Cup: Aurora Zierden

Coffee & Donuts: Stacie Schorzman

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Alexandra Manion, Christopher Manion, Devony Ross

Extraordinary Ministers: Ray Schlitt, Jean Schlitt, Melody Grogan, Barbara Russo, Therese Sweeney

Lectors: Carolyn Alaniz, Terri Turnbull

Ushers: Stewart Grogan, Cord Grogan, Brian Prescott

Greeter: Donna Fetter

Sacristan: Bill Roth

Elijah Cup: Michael and Lisa Manion

Coffee & Donuts: Barry and Alicia Graham

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Susi Evers at 664-9165 or email her at saintpeterparishprayerchain@gmail.com

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:

Monday Johanna Adam*, Charles Cummings*, Steve Lange, Margie Wadsworth*

Tuesday Lynn Graham*, Thomas Holdsworth, Pam Stockbridge, Mary Eichler, Hiram Alaniz

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, Ken and Bette Dellner*, Caroline Frederick, Barbara Kirschten*

Thursday Gene and Pam Bauchwitz*, Robert Welniak, Theresa Stegall, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Clare Van Zelfden

Friday Lloyd Biehl*, Doug Babiak*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Vera Thornburg*, Ann Crouch*

Saturday Peter Adam*, Mary Anyel*, Dan Brenton*, Rick Zern*

Sunday Theresa Fowler*, Ann Hart, Cipriano Matiga*, Bonita Long

*Indicates our parishioners.

[Please call the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.](#)

St. Peter Catholic Church 2016 Christmas Choir Rehearsal Schedule



The following schedule is for all Christmas Choir Rehearsals this year. All of these will take place inside the Church.

Sunday, November 27, at 12:15 p.m.

Sunday, December 04, at 12:15 p.m.

Sunday, December 11, at 12:15 p.m.

Sunday, December 18, at 12:30 p.m. - Mandatory

Tuesday, December 20, at 6:00 p.m. (Optional Supplemental Practice)

If you haven't signed up for the Choir Ministry, but would like to join them just for this season, contact Joey Ferreira (music@stpeter.ptdiocese.org). He will be happy to use your talents to make this Christmas' liturgical celebration another one to remember.



**Diocesan Youth
Conference
Jan 27-29, 2017
Panama City
Beach, Florida**

Early Registration Deadline: December 4, 2016

Cost: \$150 plus \$12 T-shirt fee

Registration December 5, 2016- January 1, 2017

Cost \$170 plus \$12 T-shirt fee

**(T-shirt is optional for youth. Cost of shirt at
conference is \$15)**

For more information contact Melody Grogan at
hsyouth@stpeter.ptdiocese.org or 850 - 910 - 1312

Registration fees
include room, meals
and transportation



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) approved a special triennial collection for the AMS in November 2012. The first National Collection for the AMS was timed to coincide with Veterans Day November 2013 and raised more than \$8,239,000. The second National Collection for the AMS will be taken in dioceses and parishes across the country in 2016, for most at Masses the weekend of 5-6 November, or as otherwise determined by an individual diocese or parish.

The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS) was established by Saint John Paul II in 1985 to provide the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries to those in the United States Armed Forces. The mission of the Archdiocese is to "serve those who serve" by providing the same pastoral care and services as any other Catholic diocese to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs' Medical Centers in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Guam, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and the families of these populations. Programs and services vital to the unique mission and ministry of the Archdiocese include *Vocations, Evangelization and Catechesis, Sacramental Records, Tribunal, and Veterans Affairs*:

The AMS Office of Vocations informs and supports men exploring a priestly vocation and provides opportunities for vocation awareness and discernment with a focus on the military chaplaincy. The AMS Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program is a partnership with local dioceses and religious communities around the country. Currently, the AMS partners with 23 dioceses across the U.S. with 28 co-sponsored seminarians studying in 16 seminaries. As many as 20 additional candidates are in-processing for 2016 and, since the fall 2014, 113 candidates have been on one or more of the AMS discernment retreats and expressed interest in the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program and military chaplaincy. Once a seminarian is in the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program, the AMS covers half of the costs to his home diocese for priestly formation.

In 2016, three priestly ordinations and one transitional diaconate ordination are expected. Twelve priests are currently serving as priests in their home dioceses before they will begin ministry as active duty military chaplains. In 2015, three new co-sponsored priests joined a branch of the military. The Nation and the Church continue to depend on this generation of future priests to relieve a chronic shortage of Catholic chaplains in the military. At the same time AMS vocations programs have surfaced numerous other vocations to the priesthood and religious life who do not intend to serve as chaplains!

The AMS receives no funding from the military or the government in support of the aforementioned programs and relies solely on private donors. The AMS annual operating budget is over \$6.8 million, which includes the cost of maintaining an archive of more than 3 million sacramental records, a tribunal to adjudicate marriage annulments and other issues of canon law, and a religious education and faith-formation program. Additionally, the AMS average annual share of expenses for the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program is more than \$2.8 million over the next five years. The AMS average annual cost per seminarian is \$18,000.

While the Government is reducing the size of the Armed Forces, the world situation, as we have repeatedly and dramatically witnessed both at home and abroad, continues to make the need for a strong military more evident. It is imperative that the Catholic faithful who defend our religious freedom do not have to sacrifice theirs.

To learn more about the mission and ministry of the AMS, please visit www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.com.



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