

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018
PRAYING AND FASTING FOR LIFE

This Monday on January 22nd, we mark the tragic anniversary of the Supreme Court's terrible decision on January 22, 1973 legalizing virtually unlimited abortion from a baby's conception up to the very day of birth. The American Bishops urge all of us to observe this day as a particular day of penance offering **our Prayers and Fasting** for the tens of millions of unborn baby girls and boys who have been killed in our country since that fateful decision. (**Could we at least consider not eating between meals at all on Monday as a modest way of fasting for life?**) And we pray, too, for the tens of millions of mothers and fathers who have been victimized by the tempting call of the abortionists who offer abortion as a quick and easy solution to the very serious personal problems that lead them even to think about an abortion. We pray as well for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.

We offer our **Prayer and Fasting** in gratitude as well, because millions of children are alive today through the tireless efforts of the wonderful good people in Birthright, Catholic Charities agencies, Birth Haven, The Several Sources Foundation and similar organizations that reach out with a loving hand to mothers and fathers grappling with serious problems during pregnancy. This life saving work is at the heart of the Pro-Life movement in America. These powerful efforts that save so many lives every year give credibility to the Pro-Life cause. We back up our words about abortion with action on behalf of people who need our help to bring their children into the world. This is the way of Jesus. Many of our parishioners support these organizations which work so diligently to save lives. Thank you!

We also **pray and fast** for the conversion of the abortionists and those who promote abortion while humbly begging God that we ourselves will continue doing our best to live out the Gospel message of life and love for everyone of God's people. This Monday is a special day to come to daily Mass at 6:45 or 8:00 AM to pray for this cause. Please come to church on Monday if you can. Please fast on Monday, too.

The Lord tells us in the Book of Deuteronomy: *"I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live by loving the Lord, your God."* Deuteronomy 30: 19-20.

*God bless,
Father Herb*

WORDS OF TITHING:

WORDS OF TITHING FROM THE PEWS:

From the Pastor: God's first and best gift is life. And God lets us share in His life through our adoption as children of God in Baptism. We can thank God for His generosity by sharing what comes to us from our daily work. Thank you for Tithing and for acknowledging God's precious gift of life.

Words of Tithing from the Pews: "Giving" is a special word. I hope to set a good example so that my children will learn the meaning of sharing and giving.

<u>Monthly Weekend Collection Report</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4 Weekend Collections (Dec. 2017)	\$ 82,067
Monthly Collection Budget	\$ 80,333
Year to Date Weekend Total	\$473,965
6 Months Year-to-Date Weekend Budget	\$482,000
Weekend Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$ 8,035)

Saint Peter's is sustained by the generosity of you, our parishioners, with gifts of your Time, Talent and Treasure. THANK YOU for everything you do for our parish.

MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass attendance January 13/14: 1498
(Severe Cold Weather Again!)

A CHRISTMAS "THANK YOU"

Your gift-giving to our needy sisters and brothers this Christmas was as generous as ever. Because of you, we were able to distribute food, Food Certificates, a turkey, a tray of cookies and gifts to the 60 families in our own Food Assistance Program, and we thank you. Because of your generosity the warmth and love of the Christmas Season extended, not only to these 60 families of Saint Peter the Apostle Parish, but also to:

Martin de Porres Village
Birthright (Center for pregnant women)
Eva's Village (Needy and homeless people)
Aids Patients
Children from the School for the Deaf
Pamper our Children (Diapers for babies)

On behalf of the families where you helped make Christmas a joyful time, we thank you. Jesus' words were fulfilled in each person who gave food and drink to the hungry, clothes to people in need and, especially at Christmas, toys to little children.

Our special thanks go to our faithful Good Samaritans who organized the gift-giving, to our Food Pantry Volunteers and to everyone who gave generously toward making this a Special Christmas for our less fortunate brothers and sisters. May the Christ Child continue to bless our wonderful parish abundantly and may 2018 be a year when the true peace of Christ becomes more a reality in our lives.

SCRIPTURE READINGS JANUARY 22-28

MONDAY	2 Samuel 5: 1-7, 10 Gospel: Mark 3: 22-30
TUESDAY	2 Samuel 6: 12b-15, 17-19 Gospel: Mark 3: 31-35
WEDNESDAY	2 Samuel 7: 4-17 Gospel: Mark 4: 1-20
THURSDAY	Acts 22: 3-16 Gospel: Mark 16: 15-18
FRIDAY	2 Timothy 1: 1-8 Gospel: Mark 4: 26-34
SATURDAY	2 Samuel 12: 1-7a, 10-17 Gospel: Mark 4: 35-41
SUNDAY	Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 1 Corinthians 7: 31-35 Gospel: Mark 1: 21-19

SANCTUARY LAMPS & FLOWERS



You may have the Sanctuary Candles in the Church, Chapel or Adoration Chapel burn in memory of a loved one (\$10.00 donation), roses at the Tabernacle (\$10.00 donation), or flowers at the altar (\$50.00 Donation). Please call or stop into the rectory office.

January 21-27

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church is for Robert DeLuca
Sanctuary Lamp in Mary's Daily Chapel is for Betty Birilli
Sanctuary Lamps in the Adoration Chapel are for Marie Novotny
Tabernacle Roses are for Charles Shuhala

ALTAR SERVERS JANUARY 27/28, 2018



5:30PM - Cattani, Marinelli
7:30AM - Jutchenko
9:00AM - Anzalone, Anzalone
10:30AM - Umansky, Slevin
12:00PM - Brecher, Brecher, Solomon
7:00PM - Davanzo

OUTREACH CORNER

A parishioner needs a ride to his doctor. Please call the Rectory at 973-334-2090 if you can help.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Our Adult Faith Formation meetings with Deacon Peter will continue on Tuesday, January 23rd in the Church Hall after the 8:00 AM Mass. All are invited to attend.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS - FEBRUARY 8



The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road (Rt. 202), Parsippany, at 7:30 PM in Room 101. Program: "Presenting Precious Memories" (Bring in photo of your child/sibling/grandchild). For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 22-28

MONDAY, January 22-Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; St. Vincent, Deacon & Martvr
6:45AM - People of the Parish
8:00AM - Diego A. Rivas, Sarolta Weite.

TUESDAY, January 23-St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
6:45AM - Deceased Members of the Berzinski Family
8:00AM - Glenda Faust

WEDNESDAY, January 24-St. Francis deSales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
6:45AM - Gregory Loff, Richard Locilento, Charles Hathaway, Adele Morris (24th Anniv.)
8:00AM - Carmen Pasquale, Sr., Van D. Goodsell (2nd Anniv.)

THURSDAY, January 25-The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
6:45AM - Deceased Priests of our Parish
8:00AM - Arthur Busil (17th Anniv.)

FRIDAY, January 26-Sts. Timothy & Titus.-Bishops
6:45AM - Deceased Deacons of the Parish
8:00AM - Marie Mascia, Helen Santoro

SATURDAY, January 27-St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder
8:00AM - Antonietta Bibbo (6 Month Anniv.), Antonio Bibbo, Rocco D. Coviello
5:30PM - John DiGiovachino, Ann Herold, Wilkes Family, Barbara Dianuzzo
7:00PM - Maria Luisa Guerrero, Julio Rivas

SUNDAY, January 28-4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30AM - Donald Ryan, Anne Richardson, Timothy Kulig
9:00AM - Edmund Lowry, Special Intention for Fr. Yojan
10:30AM - Emelia Gonzales, Richard Ferrera, Barbara MacCormick
12:00PM - Adam Cort, Rocco Coviello, Gertrude D'Souza
7:00PM - People of the Parish

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION - TODAY

Thank you, our faithful parishioners, for your continued generosity to our Food Pantry! We are so grateful to you for your generous donations during the Christmas season, and our Food Pantry families were so happy that you helped make their holidays a little more joyous.

Our January Food Pantry Collection is this weekend, **January 20/21**. Our Pantry is looking very bare after our Thanksgiving and Christmas food distributions. We are hoping that you can find it in your hearts and pocketbooks to help restock our pantry for the cold months still ahead.

We need the following items: hearty soups, juice, condiments, side dishes, canned tuna, coffee, cookies, crackers, cold & hot cereal, prepared spaghetti sauce, canned vegetables, peanut butter & jelly, pancake mix & syrup, shampoo & conditioner, toothbrushes & tooth paste, bar soap, cleaning products, laundry detergent and paper products.

Monetary donations are always welcome; please put your donation in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and drop it in the collection basket during Mass. Thank you all!

MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT JAN. 26-27

Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel, 75 Ridgedale Avenue invites the men of our parish to a Men's Cornerstone Retreat beginning January 26th at 6:30 PM and ending with a closing Mass on January 27th at 7:30 PM. All participants are provided sleeping accommodations at the parish, which helps ensure the spiritual continuity of the experience for everyone involved. There is a \$50 donation per participant.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH JANUARY 21-27, 2017

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018

9:00AM-Children's Gospel Program – Church Hall
10:15AM-Sunday CCD – School
10:30AM-Food Pantry Client Shopping - School
11:30AM-CYO Basketball – Parish Center
4:00PM – Filipino Community Mass/Fellowship-Church/Hall
5:30PM – 9th Grade Confirmation Class - Chapel

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018

4:15PM – Monday CCD - School
6:00PM-CYO Basketball
7:00PM-RCIA – Rectory
7:30PM-S.I.N.E. – Spanish Room
7:30PM – Book Club – Church Hall

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2018

8:30AM- Adult Faith Formation – Church Hall
10:00AM-Peanuts Playgroup – Church Hall
11:00AM – Prayer Service – Care One
4:00PM – Children's Choir – Church/Church Hall
1:30PM-Parish Finance Committee Meeting-Rectory
6:00PM- CYO Basketball – Parish Center
7:00PM – Mission Team Meeting - Convent
7:15PM-Tuesday CCD – School

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018

6:00PM-CYO Basketball – Parish Center
6:00PM-Boy Scout Troop #72
7:30PM-Spanish Bible Class – Spanish Room
7:30PM-Bible Sharing – Church Hall

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018

6:00PM-CYO Basketball – Parish Center
7:30PM-Adult Choir Practice – Church/Church Hall
8:30PM- Men's Basketball – Parish Center

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018

7:00PM-Spanish Prayer Group – Chapel
7:00PM-Spanish Choir - Church

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018

8:30AM-Polish School – School
4:00-5:00PM – Confessions - Church
5:30PM-Spanish RCIA – Convent
6:30PM – Jumbo Jackpot/Beefsteak Dinner - Cafeteria
7:30PM-AA Meeting - Church Hall



Please visit www.facebook.com/spayouthministry

MARTHA MINISTRY- FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 – TEAM 2

Mary Ellen Dinsmore, Pat Sherlock, Lucille Sherwood,
Marge O'Hara and Jeanette Coyle

**NATIONAL SLAVERY & HUMAN TRAFFICKING
AWARENESS MONTH**

There are millions of slaves on the earth today, including millions of children who will never see the inside of a classroom. Plan to learn something this month about Modern Day Slavery. Visit: sistersagainstrafficking.org website of **U. S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking.**

SAINT PETER'S BOOK CLUB-JANUARY 22

Saint Peter's Book Club will meet on Monday, January 22, 2018 at 7:30 PM in the Church Hall. We will discuss the novel *The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant. Coffee and dessert will be served. All are welcome to join us.

For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven...

...a time to be born

...a time to die

Marie Novotny, Helen Santoro

...a time to heal

*Fr. Leo Carey, Noah Lorencovitz, Jim Wellman,
Helen Reed, John Butler*

...a time to love

"...and a time of peace." Ecclesiastes 3:11

COME JOIN US: SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH MINISTRY

Would you like to become a "Digital Missionary"? You need just a few clicks:

1. "Like" our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/SaintPetertheApostleParsippany
2. Share our posts often and tag a friend in the Comments.
3. Invite a friend from outside the church to one of our events.
4. Ask your family members to do the same.



This is the easiest way to get involved with our newest Parish Ministry. Questions? Contact Nicole C. Green at 973-650-4732 or use Facebook Messenger to send a message. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING WITH FAITH DIRECT

LET'S SAVE TREES AND POSTAGE

We invite you to join **Faith Direct**, our parish's electronic giving program. **Faith Direct's** eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week – no more searching for your envelopes before Mass. **Signing up for Faith Direct is very easy.**

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our
Church Code: NJ745 to sign up
OR - call 866-507-8757 to sign up.

Thank you for continuing to support our parish ministries with your Prayers and your Presence, with your Time and Talents, and your material Treasure as well!

The twelve days of Christmas culminated with the celebration of the wonderful Feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, **Faith Direct.** **Faith Direct** will automatically process any offertory or second collections donation of your choosing. Thank you for helping our parish family. God bless you, Father Herb

SAVE THE DATE – MAY 25TH, 2018



We will be celebrating Father Herb's 50th Anniversary of his Ordination as a Priest on Friday, May 25th, 2018, so please save the date.



ALL SAINTS ACADEMY CORNER

ASA Partners with PreSchool Advantage for Early Childhood Admissions Tuition Help

All Saints Academy is pleased to announce a new partnership with Preschool Advantage.

Preschool Advantage is a non-profit organization that collaborates with preschools in Morris and Somerset Counties to provide funding for students whose families demonstrate a commitment to education and financial need. This new partnership will allow ASA and Preschool Advantage to assist more families in giving their children a strong academic foundation through an outstanding early childhood environment.

The Preschool Advantage School Committee visited All Saints Academy 3 times and selected our school as a partner based on its five essential characteristics of quality in a preschool education. Those areas are: teacher and child interaction, curriculum, family involvement, faculty/staff qualifications and professional development and school management. Preschool Advantage is now accepting applications for the school year beginning in September 2018, for funding to All Saints Academy as a partner school. Contact our school principal, Mrs. Judy Berg, at 973-334-4704, for more information about the ASA Early Childhood Center. You can learn more about PreSchool Advantage at preschooladvantage.org.

OUR JUMBO JACKPOT IS THIS WEEK SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 27TH BEGINNING AT 8:30 PM



One Raffle Ticket is \$100

Last Chance – January Cold Winter Sale

Buy 2 \$100 Tickets for \$200 and Get

One (1) Free \$100 Ticket as Well!

3 Raffle Tickets for \$200

Tickets on Sale Until Saturday Evening, January 27

1. Use the Raffle Ticket Application in Today's Bulletin

To Order by Mail

OR

2. Come to the Rectory

Monday 8:30 AM – 7:30 PM

Tuesday – Thursday 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Friday – 8:30AM – 4:00 PM

OR

3. Visit our Parish Website: saintpetertheapostle.org

To Get A Ticket Application

As Of January 17th, the 1st Prize Winner Will

Receive \$21,425.00

2nd Prize Winner Will

Receive \$5,356.25

3rd Prize Winner Will

Receive \$2,142.50

BEST OF LUCK TO YOU ALL!

CHOIR NEWS

Children's Choir is Back! – Regular Tuesday 4PM rehearsals resume on January 23rd. If you would like to try out for choir, contact Dr. Peter at petergillis@yahoo.com.

Adult Choir: Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:30-9:00 PM. If you would like to try out for Adult Choir, contact Dr. Peter at petergillis@yahoo.com.

GOLDEN AGE – FEBRUARY 5-11:00 AM

Saint Peter's Golden Age will meet at the Community Center on **Monday, February 5, 2018** at 11:00 AM – All welcome! We will go to the **Sands** in Pennsylvania on Thursday, **January 25**. Call Joe or Jackie at 973-335-1209.

OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Our parish Christmas Collection is the most important collection of the year. Our sacrificial, faith filled gift to Jesus, celebrating His birth, helps our parish meet its financial obligations. We have been experiencing very difficult weather this Christmas Season. Christmas and the 4th Sunday of Advent fell on the very same day and weekend. This Christmas, some parishioners found that it has been quite a chore to make their Christmas gift because of the very cold weather, the crowds, perhaps confusing Christmas weekend schedule as well as some of us just being away for Christmas. If you haven't made your Christmas Collection gift yet, please do so if you possibly can. We are counting on everyone's help.

Your Christmas gift is your very special "Yes" to Jesus being in your life as an all year long gift for you. Your gift enables us to help people with many different needs and to meet our other financial responsibilities. May our Lord Jesus bless you and your family many times over for your kind generosity to His parish here.

Christmas Collection to date: \$83,734.

Last year Collection Final Total: \$86,637.

ADORATION CHAPEL

"I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: The Blessed Sacrament." JRR Tolkien

Our Lord is hidden there in the Blessed Sacrament waiting for us to come and visit Him." St. John Vianney

"The meaning of love is to sacrifice yourself." St. Therese of Lisieux

Could you sacrifice one hour each week to visit Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament? Call Kim at 973-8860-6334.

THANK YOU FUNERAL MINISTRY

Our parish Funeral Ministry has served the parish for almost four years. We are very grateful for their commitment to this ministry. They often serve more than once a week. Their presence at the Mass is very comforting to people experiencing the death of their loved one. As our Ministers prepare for and participate in the Liturgy, they not only assist the priest and deacon, but more importantly they represent the support and concern of our entire parish.

Funeral Ministers, THANK YOU for your faithful dedication to this ministry. May the Lord, who knows how painful it is to suffer the death of a loved one, continue to bless you for serving our parishioners and their families with love.

Hablado español en San Pedro Apóstol

domingo, 21 de enero de 2018

Tercer domingo del tiempo ordinario

Horario de las Misas:

lunes a viernes: 6:45 am y 8:00 am

sábado: 8:00 am, 5:30 pm y 7:00pm (en español)

domingo: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12m y 7:00pm

Confesiones:

sábados: 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Intenciones de las Misas: Por favor, notifique a la oficina parroquial (973-334-2090) o al sacerdote (Padre Yojan) con una semana de anticipación. El donativo para las intenciones es de \$10.00.

Mensaje del párroco:

ORANDO Y AYUNANDO POR LA VIDA



Este lunes, 22 de enero, conmemoramos el trágico aniversario de la terrible decisión de la Corte Suprema el 22 de enero de 1973, legalizando el aborto virtualmente ilimitado desde la concepción de un bebé hasta el mismo día de su nacimiento. Los obispos estadounidenses invitan a todos a que observen este día como un día especial de penitencia, ofreciendo nuestras **oraciones y ayuno** por las decenas de millones de niños y niñas no nacidos, que han sido asesinados en nuestro país desde la fatídica decisión. (¿Podríamos al menos considerar **no comer entre comidas el lunes como una forma modesta de ayunar por la vida?**) Y oramos también, por las decenas de millones de

madres y padres que han sido víctimas de escuchar de la llamada tentadora de los abortistas que ofrecen el aborto como una solución fácil y rápida a los serios problemas personales que los llevó a considerarlo. Oramos también, por el pleno restablecimiento de la garantía legal del derecho a la vida.

Ofrecemos nuestra **oración y ayuno** en señal de gratitud, porque millones de niños que están vivos hoy en día, que han sido salvados del aborto a través de los esfuerzos incansables de gente buena y maravillosa en organismos como “Birthright”, agencias de Caridades Católicas, “Birth Haven”, “The Several Sources Foundation” y organizaciones similares; que tienden una mano amorosa a las madres y padres luchando en serios problemas durante el embarazo. Esta obra salvadora de vida es el corazón del movimiento Pro-Vida en los Estados Unidos. Estos poderosos esfuerzos que salvan tantas vidas todos los años dan credibilidad a la causa Pro-Vida. Respaldamos nuestras palabras en contra del aborto con la acción, en nombre de las personas que necesitan nuestra ayuda para traer sus hijos al mundo. Este es el camino de Jesús. Muchos de nuestros feligreses apoyan estas organizaciones que trabajan tan diligentemente por salvar vidas. ¡Gracias!

También **oramos y ayunamos** por la conversión de los abortistas y los que promueven el aborto, mientras que humildemente le pedimos a Dios que podamos vivir lo mejor posible, el mensaje evangélico de vida y amor para todos los del pueblo de Dios. Este lunes es un día especial para asistir a una de las Misas diarias, a las 6:45 a.m. ó 8:00 a.m. y orar por esta causa. Por favor, venga el lunes a la iglesia si puede. Por favor ayune el lunes también.

El Señor nos dice en el libro del Deuteronomio: *“Pongo delante de ti la vida y la muerte, la bendición y la maldición. Elige la vida, para que vivas tú y tu descendencia, amando al Señor, tu Dios.”* Deuteronomio 30, 19-20.

Dios los bendiga,

Padre Herb

enero – Mes nacional de la conciencia contra la esclavitud y la trata de personas. Hoy hay millones de esclavos en la tierra, incluidos millones de niños que nunca verán el interior de un salón de clases. Planee aprender algo este mes acerca de la esclavitud moderna. Visite: sistersagainstrafficking.org sitio web de las Hermanas católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la trata de personas.