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### Bulletin Deadline

Monday by noon in writing or via

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### New Parishioners

We welcome you to our parish family. If you wish to join our parish you may register at the office during office hours. Please inform the office of any change of address.

## Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

**Weekend** Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

**Weekdays** Masses listed inside of bulletin

**Holy Days** 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM

**First Friday** 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM

## Sacrament of Penance

**Tuesday:** 4:30-5:00 PM

**Wednesday through Saturday:** 7:15 AM

**Saturday:** 3:00 - 3:45 PM

**Sunday:** 7:00 - 7:45 AM

**First Friday:** 7:15 AM and 4:30 PM

## Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should request the Baptism of their infants at least two months prior to the anticipated date of Baptism. The Baptism of infants is normally celebrated on the fourth Sunday of the month either at 11:15 a.m. or during any of the regularly scheduled Masses of the Lord's Day. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent. New parents are required to take part in a four-session preparation program conducted in May or November. Participation in the program should be completed before the birth of the child. Next series of classes are May 14, 21, 28 and June 4.

## Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Those who are seriously sick, have been ill for a long period of time, or are to undergo surgery should receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

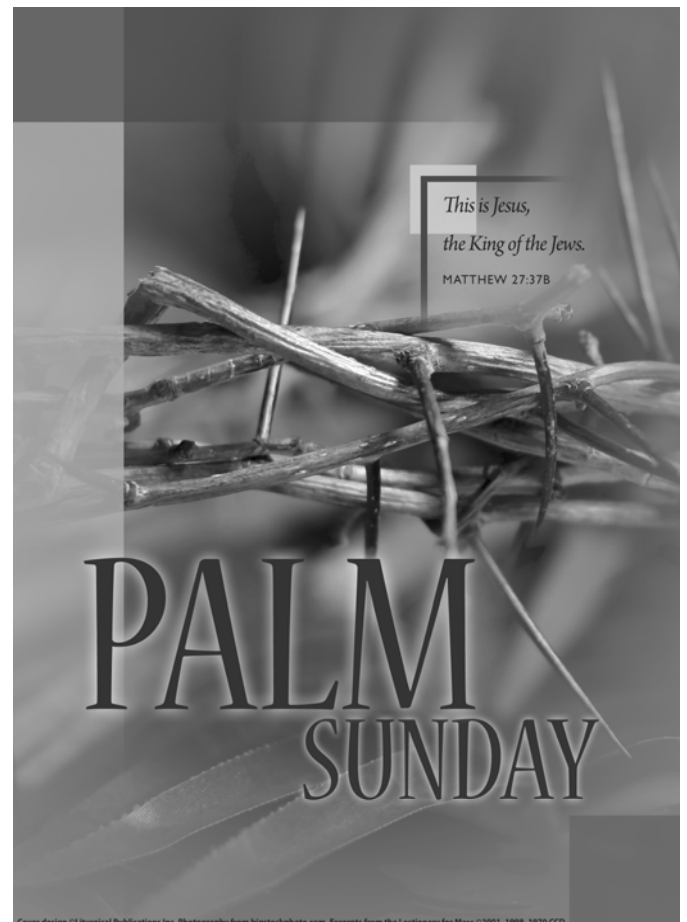
## Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples who want to request the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding. Couples are required to participate in a two-fold marriage preparation program: the Stevens Point Deanery-based group course and our parish-based six session program. Also, when one of the parties is not a Catholic or is a non-practicing Catholic, the couple must arrange for a course of instruction in the Catholic faith. Weddings are not normally celebrated during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

# SAINT PETER

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

*800 Fourth Avenue  
Stevens Point, WI  
54481  
March 16, 2008*



**Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

**MONDAY, March 17**

8:00 AM † Harry Pliska

**TUESDAY, March 18**

5:15 PM † Barney Schroder

**WEDNESDAY, March 19**

8:00 AM † Josef and Maria Serwas

**THURSDAY, March 20**

*Mass of the Lord's Supper*

7:00 PM Special Intentions for  
Scott and Jordan

**FRIDAY, March 21**

*Good Friday of the Lord's Passion*

12:15 PM Celebration of the  
Lord's Passion

**SATURDAY, March 22**

*Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil*

8:00 PM † Parish Family Members

**SUNDAY, March 23**

*The Resurrection of the Lord*

*Easter Sunday*

8:00 AM † Val and Esther  
Przekurat

10:00 AM Special Intentions for  
Agnes and Andy Mallek  
and Families

**Help Wanted:** Saint Peter Parish is looking for Altar Servers. Any boys who would like to be an Altar Server, please contact the Parish Office during office hours. Boys must have received their First Communion to serve. Training will be scheduled in the near future.

**Good Friday Collection:** On Good Friday, March 21, our parish will take up the annual good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be generous.

**SPACS Office** will be closed through Monday, March 24, reopening for business on Monday, March 25. SPACS gift cards will not be available during the weekends of March 15/16 and March 22/23. Have a Happy Easter!

*In last week's bulletin, Lawrence Wollock's name was inadvertently spelled wrong. We apologize for the error.*

**Something new for your Lenten reflection**

Eucharistic



Adoration

**Come join us for the last Weekly  
24-Hour Adoration**

**Wednesday after 8 AM Mass to Thursday before 8 AM Mass  
Toddler/Preschool Adoration every Wed. 11:30 AM-Noon**

Questions? Call Darcy Bunn 343-9007 or visit

[www.saintpetercatholic.com](http://www.saintpetercatholic.com)

**Bingo:** Come play Pacelli Bingo before it is all over! Our next – and maybe last – bingo is on March 30 at 6:00 p.m. The progressive Jackpot is growing – already over \$2,000! Call 344-1985 for more information.

**St. John's Court 1807 Catholic Order of Foresters** will host the Central Wisconsin Spring Meeting on Sunday, March 30. Mass will be at 10 a.m. at St. Peter Catholic Church followed with a meeting in the Faustina Room. Dinner will be served at noon in Kolbe Hall and the meeting will resume at 1 p.m. Reservations are due Thursday, March 20, to Leonard Glodowski at 344-1860.

**A Blood Drive** will be held Monday, March 31, at St. Bronislava Parish, Plover. The drive runs from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-888-310-7555 for an appointment.

**Meet a man on a journey...**

Hello everyone!

I'm Darick Bloom — the new guy! It's great to be here and I look forward to meeting all of you. Here is a little bit about me. I am from Tomah. My interests are running, bike riding, swimming, going to the movies, eating out, to name a few. I have one older brother and one younger brother. My older brother is the head baseball coach at UW-Stevens Point and my younger brother is a junior on the team. Isn't it amazing what a sense of humor God has for us to re-unite us all in a new area doing something we love? I was once in the seminary but needed to take some time off (two years) to discern God's will in my life. Through experiences at work and in my everyday life, the signs seem to indicate a call back, which is why I am here. How great the power of prayer is as I thought when I left the seminary, I would not be back. As we all know, what God wants, God gets. Now that I have truly discovered this call, I am very excited for the journey that lies ahead. When the idea of me being placed here was mentioned, I was excited.

Once again, it's great to be here and I look forward to meeting you all very soon.

**Jesus walked on Good Friday...**

**Will You?**

Walk with His people, Among His people, For His people

17th annual **Good Friday Walk** March 21, 2008



A public, ecumenical and sacred walk for all ages. The walk will start between 3 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. from St. Peter Catholic Church, Kolbe Hall, at Fourth Avenue and Second Street. All ages are welcome to walk the 3-mile loop, which has 14 prayer stops. It will end with a Soup Luncheon and fellowship. Walkers and sponsors have raised \$12,000 for charities of their choice through the walk since 1992. To donate or for more information, call Ellen Miskowski, 341-2578.

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



“Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest.” And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, “Who is this?” And the crowds replied, “This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee.”

Mt 21:9-11

### Week of March 16, 2008 readings:

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11  
Is 50:4-7  
Phil 2:6-11  
Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7  
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6  
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a  
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:  
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14  
1 Cor 11:23-26  
Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12  
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a  
Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18  
Ex 14:15-15:1  
Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11  
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4  
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28  
Rom 6:3-11  
Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43  
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8  
Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

### Sunday Offertory & Envelopes

Budget for Year \$528,029.98  
(need Weekly \$9,963.00)

#### March 8/9

Offertory received \$8,970.30  
Budget Year to Date: \$368,631.00  
Actual Year to Date: \$353,346.86  
Year to date shortfall (\$15,284.14)

### Religious Education

**No REP** this week. Enjoy Spring Break!

**Vacation Bible School:** Mark your calendars: St. Peter's VBS will take place the week of July 28 through August 1 from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

**Men of Christ!** Our next gathering is Thursday, March 27. We'll meet at 5:30 a.m. at St. Peter's Church for Adoration, Morning Prayer, and some study. This will be followed by breakfast at Perkins. Any men are welcome to join us!

**Chrism Mass Bus!** Thursday, March 20. Departing St. Peter's at 7a.m. Returning 4 p.m. Cost \$15 per person. \$25 per family. Seating is limited! Call the parish office to register.

**Eighth Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting** will be on Wednesday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m. in Kolbe Hall. Required Meeting for any eighth-grade parents who have children seeking Confirmation in ninth-grade.

**Weekly Reflections for Adults: The Areopagus** — A weekly e-mail of reflections on the Church, current events from a faith perspective and interesting tidbits by Phil Lawson. To receive these, send an e-mail to Phil at [lawspphil@gmail.com](mailto:lawspphil@gmail.com)

**Young Adult/College Ministry: DTS** — Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. in the St. Faustina Room. It is open to all college students and young adults.

**Catholic Teens Online:** E-mail Phil at [lawspphil@gmail.com](mailto:lawspphil@gmail.com) This is a weekly reflection, prayer intentions and questions asked by your peers and answered!

**High School DTS** has kicked off! Next session is Sunday, March 30 at 7 p.m. Free Food. Join Catholic teens, grades 9-12, from throughout the area. “Through the Saints of Yesterday, the Dead Theologians Society inspires the Youth of Today to become the Saints of Tomorrow.”

**The St. Peter's Keys** are back for a third Season of Softball! We play in the Stevens Point Rec League on Monday nights (probably). Games begin April 20...snow permitting! This is a co-ed team. Cost is \$35 and includes a t-shirt. Interested? Contact Phil Lawson at the parish or by e-mail. Registration deadline is **March 29**.

### Church Smiles — From the Kids:

Our three children were very excited when we shared the news that a new baby was joining the family. Leo, at three years old and the only boy between two feisty sisters, immediately and frequently expressed his hope that the new baby would be a boy. Whenever the subject came up, I tried to say earnestly, “If the new baby is a boy, I will be very happy. If the new baby is a girl, I will be very happy, too.”

One day I overheard Leo telling Daddy, “If the new baby is a boy, I will be very happy. If the new baby is a girl, I will be very happy.” I smiled to myself, thinking my example had helped him open his heart to the idea of another sister, but Leo wasn't finished: “Because Mama will be very happy,” he explained. —J.K., TX

— Source: *Family Foundations*, September-October 2005

## Divine Mercy Celebration

### St Casimir Church

**Novena:** March 21, 7 p.m.; March 22, 5 p.m.; March 23, 8 a.m.; March 24 to 28 after Holy Mass, 8 a.m.; March 29, 3:30 p.m.

**Divine Mercy Sunday, March 30:** Mass 8:30 a.m., The Glorious Mysteries, 9:30 a.m., Confession, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Light Mysteries, 12:15 p.m., Divine Mercy Stations, 1 p.m., Polish-English Mass, 2 p.m., Divine Mercy Hour, 3 p.m., Procession of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.

## Looking Ahead

### Sunday, March 16

#### *Palm Sunday*

- No confessions
- Mass with Solemn Entrance, 8 a.m.; Mass with Procession, 10 a.m.
- Mass for Secular Order of St. Francis, 11:15 a.m.
- Money for Milk collection

### Monday, March 17

- Confessions, 7 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m.
- Faith Alive Groups, 8:45-10:15 a.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. in Kolbe Hall

### Tuesday, March 18

- Confessions, 4:15 p.m.
- Mass, 5:15 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 19

- Confessions, 7 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m. followed by Exposition and 24-hour Adoration
- Children's Choir, 6 p.m.

### Holy Thursday, March 20

#### *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

- Benediction, 6:30 a.m.
- No morning Mass
- Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7 p.m. followed by Adoration
- Night Prayer, 11:45 p.m.

### Good Friday, March 21

#### *Good Friday of the Lord's Passion*

- No morning Mass
- The Lord's Passion, 12:15 p.m.

### Holy Saturday, March 22

- No morning Mass
- Blessing of Food for the first meal on Easter, 1 p.m.
- No confessions; No afternoon Mass
- Easter Vigil, 8 p.m.

### Easter Sunday, March 23

#### *The Resurrection of the Lord*

- No confessions
- Mass, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

March 16, 2008

## Strengthen Your Brethren...

With our celebration this weekend of Passion or Palm Sunday we begin Holy Week. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is celebrated at 8:00 a.m. on Monday and Wednesday of this week while on Tuesday Mass is at 5:15 p.m. This week, Confessions are heard 7:00 to 7:45 a.m. Monday and Wednesday while on Tuesday 4:15 to 5:00 p.m. Please note that no confessions will be heard the weekend of March 22/23. Also note that our weekly 24-hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concludes earlier than usual Holy Thursday morning. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place this Thursday at 6:30 a.m. instead of the usual 7:50 a.m.

The liturgical celebrations marking the climax of Holy Week – the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night through Evening Prayer of Easter Sunday – are known as the Easter Triduum or the three holy days "of the Crucified, Buried, and Risen" (Paschales Solemnitatis, 38). "Christ redeemed us all and gave perfect glory to God principally through His Paschal Mystery: dying He destroyed our death and rising He restored our life. Therefore, the Easter Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord is the culmination of the entire liturgical year . . . These days are . . . of utmost importance in the spiritual and pastoral life of the Church" (Caeremoniale Episcoporum, 295-296). Indeed, these are the holiest days of our year of faith together as a parish family. I strongly encourage you to carefully plan your week so that you might be able to participate in these celebrations and receive the abundant graces God wishes to bestow.

With the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper – celebrated at 7:00 p.m. at Saint Peter – the Church "devotes herself to the remembrance of the Last Supper. At this Supper on the night before He was betrayed, the Lord Jesus, loving those who were His own in the world even to the end, offered His Body and Blood to the Father under the appearances of bread and wine, gave them to the Apostles to eat and drink, then enjoined the Apostles and their successors in the Priesthood to offer them in turn . . . This Mass is, first of all, the memorial of the institution of the Eucharist . . . (It) is also the memorial of the institution of the Priesthood, by which Christ's mission and sacrifice are perpetuated in the world. In addition, this Mass is the memorial of that love by which the Lord loved us even to death" (Caeremoniale Episcoporum, 297). Immediately following this Mass until Midnight, we have the opportunity to be with the Lord present in the Most Holy Eucharist. It was after the Last Supper that Jesus asked His disciples to pray with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane. He extends that same invitation to us! I strongly encourage each family of our parish to accept this divine invitation and commit itself to some time of prayer before our Eucharistic Lord Holy Thursday evening. Let us not have the Lord say to us as He said to the Apostles: "So you could not stay awake with me for even an hour?" (Matthew 26:40). The time of adoration concludes with the celebration of Night Prayer at 11:45 p.m. All are welcome.

At the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion – celebrated at 12:15 p.m. at Saint Peter – "the Church meditates on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, adores the cross, commemorates her origin from the side of Christ asleep on the cross, and intercedes for the salvation of the whole world" (Paschales Solemnitatis, 58). This year Saint Peter is the beginning and end point for the 17th annual Good Friday Walk. Christians of all ages gather in Kolbe Hall between 3:00 and 3:30 p.m. and then set out on a 90-minute walk pausing to pray at 14 different stations. The walk concludes with a soup and bread supper served in Kolbe Hall. Good Friday is a day of penance for Catholics "because the Spouse has been taken away" (see Mark 2:19-20): abstaining from eating meat for those 14 years of age and older, and fasting (one full meal and two smaller meals) for those who are 18 but not yet 59. "It is also recommended that Holy Saturday be so observed, in order that the Church with uplifted and welcoming heart be ready to celebrate the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection" (Paschales Solemnitatis, 39).

At 1:00 p.m. on Holy Saturday, we have the Blessing of Food for the First Meal of Easter. "This custom arose from the discipline of fasting throughout Lent and the special Easter fast during the Easter Triduum. Easter was the first day when meat, eggs, and other foods could again be eaten" (Book of Blessings, 1701). The Easter Vigil of Holy Saturday – celebrated at 8:00 p.m. at Saint Peter – "according to a most ancient tradition . . . (is) 'one of

## Committees

### Pastoral Council

Cynthia Calhoun (Secretary)	344-4064
Robert Giese (Assistant to the President)	342-9817
Tom McCann	344-8570
James Miller	344-3132
Lee Petersen	345-1734
Mary Sadler	344-6448
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Jeff Zdroik	345-9993

### Finance Council

Bill Grimstad	342-4249
Jean Stroik	341-1470

### Rosary Society

Lorraine Glodowski	344-1860
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### Holy Name Society

Gene Kemmeter	344-2598
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### Order of St. Francis

Nancy Tillman	341-0852
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### Family Life Committee

Jean Stroik	341-1470
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### Picnic Committee

Larry Proulx	341-0634
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### Senior Citizens &

### Interfaith Caregivers

Lorraine Studinski	344-3158
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### Ministers of Hospitality

TBA

### Buildings and Grounds

TBA

### Justice & Peace

Lorraine Glodowski	344-1860
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*Respect Life!*

“The cloak of silence surrounding abortion has left couples...struggling alone to understand and respond to relationship challenges in the aftermath of an abortion. An essential first step toward change is open acknowledgement of the dark potential of abortion to disrupt individuals’ lives and wreak havoc on intimate bonds.”

— Priscilla K. Coleman, Ph.D.

*That those blessed with the gifts of communication may use these talents to convincingly proclaim the sanctity of all life, we pray...*

### Area penance opportunity:

Tuesday, March 18, 7 p.m. at St. Mary’s, Custer.

## Upcoming Area Events & Items of Interest

**St. Bronislava Fish Fry** will be Good Friday, March 21, 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Baked or Deep Fried Fish (\$7.50), Shrimp (\$9) or Combo (\$8.50). Sides include potato, rolls, applesauce and coleslaw. Kids menu available with cost ranging from \$3-\$4 for ages 5-10. Carry outs available. Call ahead at 341-6706.



**Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Jerem** will host a Spring Salad Luncheon on Saturday, April 5, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Stevens Point Elks Lodge. The public is welcome. Tickets are \$6 — advanced sales only! Call 344-3943 or 344-4161 by April 1. Raffle tickets will be available also.

**Goodwill** inventory has run low and the organization is asking for donations. Gently used clothing and household items you no longer need can be boxed or bagged and brought to the Goodwill donation drive-thru. Attendants there will help you unload the items and give you a tax-deduction receipt. Donations help fund job training and other programs to help people with disabilities and other barriers to independence become more fully integrated into society.

**In the Footsteps of Pope John Paul II** Join Chaplain Fr. Patrick Fletcher on this pilgrimage to Poland, May 5-16, 2008. Visit the places where John Paul II lived and prayed. For information contact Fr. Fletcher at 707-759-4442 or [www.catholicheritagetours.com/afp](http://www.catholicheritagetours.com/afp)

**St. Patrick’s Day Ham Dinner** will be this weekend, Sunday, March 16 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe, Lanark, the former St. Patrick’s site. Cost us adults \$8.50, children 12 and under, \$4.00, and pre-school age free. There also will be a Country Store, bake sale and Easter Basket raffles.

**Informed Parents are Responsible Parents:** Speakers Jane Frantz and JoAnne Holden are coming to Stevens Point on April 1 to discuss topics including information on sexually transmitted diseases, the Human papillomavirus vaccine, and post-abortion syndrome. This FREE event will be starting at 7 p.m. in the Dreyfus University Center at UWSP with a Q&A session to follow. Refreshments will be available. For questions, contact Jackie Krzykowski, 347-0274

**St. Peter Parish:** Thank you on behalf of Operation Bootstrap for your contribution of money and food in February.

**Thank you to our Bulletin Sponsors** The support of the businesses and individuals who advertise on the back of our bulletin make printing them possible. Please support them when shopping and thank them for advertising in the St. Peter’s bulletin. Our featured sponsor this week is: **Grubba Jewelers. Thank you for your support!!**

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vigil for the Lord’ (see Exodus 12:42), and the vigil celebrated during it, to commemorate that holy night when the Lord rose from the dead, is regarded as the ‘mother of all holy vigils’ (Augustine of Hippo, Sermo 219). For in that night the Church keeps vigil, waiting for the Resurrection of the Lord, and celebrates the Sacraments of Christian Initiation” (Paschales Solemnitatis, 77). The Easter Vigil this year will be one of particular joy as we baptize Echo Marie, Michaela Jo, and Jonathan. At the same Mass we will receive into the full communion of the Catholic faith Andrea and Sean. Also, Amanda, Kara, Matthew, and Stephanie complete their initiation into the Catholic faith by the reception of Holy Communion and Confirmation.

“The Resurrection of Christ is the foundation of our faith and hope, and through Baptism and Confirmation we are inserted into the Paschal Mystery of Christ, dying, buried, and raised with Him, and with Him we shall also reign” (Paschales Solemnitatis, 80). The Masses of Easter Sunday (8:00 & 10:00 a.m.) are celebrated with great solemnity at Saint Peter. Please note there is no 6:30 a.m. Mass at Sunrise.

Saint Peter, pray for us! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!  
Father Kevin C. Louis