

# ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

### NOVEMBER 26, 2023

Welcome to the  
Catholic Parishes of  
St. Peter & St. Casimir

**Parish Office**  
**715-344-6115 at**  
800 Fourth Ave.  
Stevens Point

**Website:**

[stpeter.us](http://stpeter.us)

**Facebook:**

Saint Peter Catholic Church

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Weekdays: 8:00am Tues-Fri

4:00pm Saturday @ St. Peter

7:30am Sunday @ St. Peter

@ St. Casimir 9:00 am Sunday

10:30am Sunday @ St. Peter

**MONDAY MASS ROTATION:**

St. Stephen Church

8:15 am

#### **CURRENT OFFICE HOURS**

**MON-THURSDAY:**

8:30am - 3:00pm

Friday: by appt. only

#### **LIVE-STREAMED MASS:**

Saturday at 4:00pm

Website: [stpeter.us](http://stpeter.us)

Facebook:

'Saint Peter Catholic  
Church'

#### **24 HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Wednesdays from 8:30am -  
8:00am on Thursday

1st FRIDAY of the month  
Adoration from 8:30am until  
5:00pm



*Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of Kings & Lord of Lords*

#### **Happening this Week:**

Monday: Family Life Committee Mtg. / Kolbe Hall / 6:30PM

Saturday: 1st Reconciliation Retreat at St. Joseph's/ 10am-Noon

<b>Date: Dec. 2nd/3rd</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Servers</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>SCRIP Sellers</b>
<b>4:00pm</b>	Mary Sadler	Kay King Steve King	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Gladys Glodoski Cherye Rolnicki Don Rolnicki	Leanne Jeidy
<b>7:30 am</b>	Donna Bemowski	Mike Katzmark Fred Vieth Dick Glinski	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Mike Spaid Pam Spaid Mary Makuski	Diane Haffenbredl
<b>10:30am</b>	Eve Krueger	Carl Knuese Jack & Joe Demerath	Aiden Peeters Chase Baron Mathias Gebeau	Matt Bablitch Cheryl Kehl Deacon Ray	Danielle Baron

### St. Peter Parish Weekly Financial Report:

November 19, 2023

Envelopes & Offertory: \$

Profit from SCRIP for month of October: \$ 288.68

Year to Date: \$



## CONTACT INFORMATION

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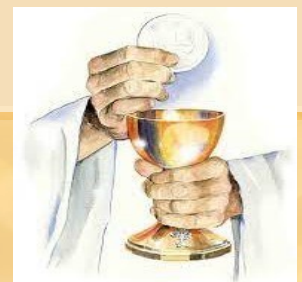
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### Music Committee: **Della Schoenecker**

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715-347-3400



## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Reconciliation: Tuesday-Friday @ 7:15 - 7:45am**

**Saturday @ 3:00 - 3:45pm**

**Baptism:** New parents are required to take part in a preparation program, if possible, before the child's birth. Please contact the Parish Office (715-344-6115) for more registration information.

**Marriage:** Couples requesting the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor at the time of Formal engagement or at least 6 months prior to the date of the wedding. It is required that you participate in a two-fold marriage preparation program. Please call the Parish Office (715-344-6115) to schedule a meeting with the Pastor.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Those who are seriously sick, ill for an extended period of time or are about to undergo surgery may receive Anointing & Holy Communion. Call the Parish Office (715-344-6115) to make the necessary arrangements.

## Fr. John's Weekly Column



I hope your Thanksgiving went well, you enjoyed your meal and time with family and friends was a blessing. We need those reminders of our blessings since we seem to focus more on the negatives in our lives than what is a true grace for us. Also a reminder for St. Casimir parish council members, we have a meeting on the 30th. Looking ahead I am asking for prayers for the First Confession retreat for our second graders happening on Dec. 2nd.

Next Sunday is Advent. We conclude the liturgical year with the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King of the Universe this Sunday. So we begin the new year with Advent and the hope of the Incarnation soon to be upon us. In the New Year people often make resolutions, to make changes in their lives. I offer you a few thoughts: Officially join the parish. Many who grew up here in the parish still need as adults to join the parish in your own name. Make the parish your official spiritual home. If you are registered here at the parish consider your contact information, is it up to date? Does the parish have your email as a way of reaching out or getting back to you? Please do not assume the office knows you have gotten rid of the land line, for example.

Striving for holiness is an all year around activity. I offer you the following summary from Deacon David Nowicki's term paper. (As taken from the 2022-23 annual report from the Pontifical North American College.) Deacon Nowicki will be ordained a priest for our diocese this coming June. "The Lay vocation. One of the points of discussion in the Church today is determining a precise definition of the lay vocation—one that doesn't resort to a via negativa that would define it as 'not the priesthood' or 'not consecrated life.' This lack of a definition presents a difficulty in living the lay vocation, since the laity live in the world but are not of the world. Two temptations can occur: first, the cares of the world overwhelm the layperson, rendering a spiritual life seemingly impossible; second, the vocation to holiness excludes any interaction with the world, though this is inherently inimical to Christian holiness.

These temptations can be seen in less extreme cases as well, such as those whose work in the Church becomes either, on the one hand, a frenetic activism or, on the other hand, an overly spiritual endeavor devoid of any engagement with the world. For the lay vocation, one's spiritual life provides what one needs to go into the world and bring about Christ's work of redemption. More importantly, growth in union with Christ in the lay vocation makes the division between 'church life' (prayer, Sacraments, evangelization, etc.) and 'real life' (family, work, etc.) less distinct, since they are not two parallel and separate trajectories, but rather two complementary elements of the same lay vocation."

Perhaps in the new liturgical year you can consider how you are growing in holiness, closer to God and witnessing His Kingdom out in the world.

*Fr. John Potaczek*



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### MONDAY, November 27

Monday Mass rotation: St. Stephen Parish @ 8:15am

### TUESDAY, November 28

8:00 am † Ernest Simkowski

### WEDNESDAY, November 29

8:00 am † Adolph Lepinski

### THURSDAY, November 30

8:00 am For Living & Deceased Members of  
The Klasinski Family

### FRIDAY, December 1

8:00 am † Florian & Benjamina Wanta  
† Mary Drefcinski

### SATURDAY, December 2

4:00 pm † Stephen Rutta

### SUNDAY, December 3

7:30 am † Mary Drefcinski  
For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes

10:30 am † Grace Pliska  
† Marie Strong



**Oplatki-Polish Christmas Wafers are available in the Faustina Rm at the SCRIP table before or after weekend Masses.**

**2 wafers are included in each Envelope / Donation: \$2 per env.**

**May your Family, once again, enjoy this beautiful tradition.**

## 24 HR. EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Beginning after the 8am Mass every Wednesday until immediately before the 8am Mass on Thursday

Divine Mercy Chaplet  
is prayed at 3PM





## THINK AHEAD

**The calendar for this year's celebration of Christmas, 2023 is unique. Please read & review the following information carefully as you begin your holiday preparations etc.**

- The Fourth Sunday of Advent this year falls on Dec. 24th. Masses during the day will celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent, while Masses on Sunday evening will observe the Vigil for Christmas. **Catholics are obliged to attend both for Advent and Christmas.**
- One week later, Sunday, Dec. 31st, will Celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family during the morning, while Sunday evening Masses can observe **either the Feast of the Holy Family or the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God; either Mass will fulfill the faithful's Sunday obligation.** Monday, January 1st is **not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2024.**

**Friday, Dec. 8th: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses: 8am and 5:30pm**



*Religious Education*  
*Notes from Miss Sommers*

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### **Grades 1-8:**

Nov. 15th: Regular Class

Nov. 22nd: No Class

Nov. 29th: Family Prayer Night:  
Adoration begins @7PM in the  
Church w/ dismissal at 7:30.

### **Confirmation Prep:**

Nov. 12th: Prayer Night. Pacelli  
& Public School students attend.

Nov. 19th: No Class

Nov. 26th: No Class

*Please keep all catechists, students, and families in your prayers!  
Let our hearts and minds be open to God through this school year.*



## **Attention: Ushers, Servers, Distributors of Holy Communion and Readers!**

We NEED you, and anyone interested in joining our team of lay ministers, to email the Parish Secretary at: [bulletin-secretary@pacellicatholicschools.com](mailto:bulletin-secretary@pacellicatholicschools.com)

Please indicate any dates which you are not available to be scheduled for the months of JANUARY thru APRIL, 2024. If you are new and wishing to begin serving, just provide your name and what ministry you are interested in.

We can follow up with you to make arrangements for training you in your role and then start you out slowly by scheduling you one Mass per month.

Please email the office by: Dec. 8th so that we can prepare and distribute a new schedule for 2024.

**Your heart for service at our Liturgies is essential and  
MUCH APPRECIATED!!**

## Coat Collection Update:

Thank you to those who have already donated some winter gear towards our Coat Collection.

We are still in need of new or nearly new, stain-free snowpants and coats for all ages. Please be sure to wash all "used" donated items.

**THANK YOU!**



## Rosary Society News

December 3rd is Rosary Sunday  
ROSE 20 : Donna Kaminski

December 5th is Rosary Society Christmas Potluck.  
The Kitchen will be open at 5:00PM.

We will be collecting items for blessing bags for the homeless. Items should fit into a gallon bag, Such as: toothpaste & brush, gum granola bar, Tissue, small shampoo and shower soap etc. Give Linda Strosin a call if you have questions.  
**DEC.2nd/3rd Rosary Society Bake Sale**

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*with love*

*a fundraiser for Rosary Society*



**DECEMBER 2ND AND 3RD  
BEFORE AND AFTER  
MASS**

**800 4TH AVE  
DOWNSTAIRS KOLBE HALL**

# Giving Tree Project



Begins with our displayed trees and wreaths on the Weekend of Nov. 18/19th

Each tag represents a fellow parishioner who is homebound or living in either a nursing home /assisted living facility. PLEASE SUPPORT this project by taking a tag or two before shopping for some of the listed items.

Tote these unwrapped , purchased items inside a Christmas gift bag back to the church on or before Dec. 12th.

Family Life Committee will be distributing the bags on 12/16.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT of the GIVING TREE PROJECT!**  
Our recipients appreciate receiving a gift and knowing they are not forgotten. They are the folks who helped the Parish in the past....  
Providing us a beautiful place to worship. ♥





# Saint Casimir Parish

152 years of Faith and Family  
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
November 26, 2023

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Saint Casimir Parish Support 11/12/2023



Envelopes: **\$1,410**

Offertory: **\$194**

World Mission Sunday Collection: **\$194**

## Happy Birthday:

Catherine Grezenski (Nov. 26)

Travis King (Nov. 27)

Jim Szymanski (Nov. 27)

Frank Sniadajewski (Nov. 30)

LeRoy Pukrop (Dec. 2)



## Rosary



Please remember that the rosary is said at 8:20am before every mass. Join us as we continue to pray for the sick of our parish and any special intentions that you may hold.

## December Mass Schedule

- Monday, December 4: Monthly Monday Mass will be held at 9:00am. Please join us if you are able!
- Thursday, December 7: A Vigil Mass for The Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be held at St Casimir's at 5:15pm.

## Reminder

Remember to like and follow Saint Casimir Catholic Church on Facebook for reminders on different parish events and updates!



Mass Intention for Sunday, December 3, 2023



† **Barbara Keen Denison**

† **Rose Barbers**

Mass Intention for Thursday, December 7, 2023

† **Andrew and Kory Gollon**

† **Karen Bedell**



## St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule

**December 3, 2023**

Commentator: Sally Bukowski

Lector: Stefanie Folck

Servers: Bernie King and Olivia Folck

Eucharistic Minister: Jerry Bukowski

Ushers: The Burants



The Parish Office is now accepting Mass Intention requests for 2024. If there are any special dates you would like a mass said for your loved ones please let us know!

## Question of the Week

The answer to last week question is:

Abraham's great grandson, Joseph, was sold by brothers to Egypt.

This weeks question is:

What caused the Israelites to become slaves in Egypt?



QUESTION OF THE WEEK



Any Cub or Boy Scout interested in earning their religious emblem and not able to do so in your scout unit, please contact:

**Cindy Sjolander at:**  
**[catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com](mailto:catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com)**



As you begin planning for Family gatherings during the Holidays for special feasts, decorating, gifting, fueling etc... **PLEASE REMEMBER** to make your purchases using SCRIP gift cards whenever possible.

The gift cards support the Pacelli Catholic School system ....and this indirectly benefits St. Peter Parish.....as it counts toward our obligation to help fund/support the Catholic Schools.

SCRIP may be purchased before/after weekend Masses in the Faustina Room, or by stopping by the Parish Office or PCS office. If you can, please mark credit to St. Peter Parish.



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