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Epiphany of the Lord ✠ January 5th, 2025

Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle!

May you encounter Jesus Christ in His church and in His sacraments through your participation in our Parish community. Visit our Welcome Desk before or after our weekend Masses for any information on our parish, it's ministries and it's community.

We sincerely welcome you and are so glad you're here!

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, January 8

6:00PM Intentions of Julie & Anne

Thursday, January 9

Lakeland 10AM Intentions of Connor Lines
Belvedere 11AM + Maurice Doucett

Friday, January 10

12:10PM + The Bonacyz Family

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 11

4:00PM + Peter Agnello Jr.

Sunday, January 12

9:00AM + Linda Salerno
11:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
& Christmas Décor Donors

TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12



OFFER THE GIFT OF THE MASS

To arrange for a Mass to be offered, stop by the Welcome Desk on the weekend, contact the Parish Office or fill out one of the Envelopes located in the Church.

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Big thank you to everyone who helped make our celebration of Christ's birth a joyful and beautiful experience: Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Hosts, Greeters, Musicians, Altar Servers, Ops team, and our Decorating Team for making our Sanctuary beautiful. **We are blessed!**

GRATEFUL

Father Jerry would like to thank all who generously shared Christmas gifts with us here at St. Peter the Apostle Parish! You have helped us celebrate the spirit of the season with your kind and generous gifts of cookies, treats and liquid happiness!

ENGAGED OVER CHRISTMAS?

Anyone receive a ring under the tree? If yes, we extend our warmest good wishes on the occasion of your engagement! Just a reminder that the Diocese of Peterborough requires one full year's notice for wedding dates. Stop by the Welcome Desk for more info or call us at the office.

REACHING OUT IN JESUS' NAME

Evangelizing, sharing the faith, is the work of every Catholic. This is a wonderful time to invite others to encounter Jesus in a deeply personal way. It's a good time to reach out to the lost, the confused and the alienated. Bring them to Mass and then follow up in the days and weeks that follow.

CELEBRATE BAPTISM

If you're looking to have a child baptized, please contact the Parish Office to get the process started. NOTE: In order to receive First Communion or Confirmation, your child must first be baptized. If you're an adult seeking Baptism or thinking about becoming Christian, speak to Fr. Jerry or contact the Parish Office for more information.

SPTA CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP

Just a friendly reminder of the upcoming meeting on Thursday, January 9th at 1PM in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Hope to see you all there!

JANUARY SCHOOL MASS

Father will be celebrating the first Mass of the New Year at St. Peter the Apostle Elementary School on Thursday, January 16th, at 10AM. Parishioners are welcome to join this Mass at the School.

MENS BREAKFAST

Our monthly breakfast, video and discussion is next Saturday, January 11th at 7:30AM.

2025 OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Parishioners should now be using 2025 Offertory envelopes. If you haven't picked up your new box yet they are still available in the Narthex. Not using envelopes but want to start? Just pick up a blank box from Kristen and write your name and address on the first few envelopes.

JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

What is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee Year is a significant period of celebration and forgiveness observed every 25 years in the Catholic Church. This sacred time provides a unique opportunity for spiritual renewal, where individuals and communities can reflect on their faith, seek forgiveness, and restore relationships. The essence of the Jubilee is rooted in the themes of mercy and hope, inviting everyone to partake in the grace of God and the joy of reconciliation. Pope Francis has called for a year of jubilee with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." The 2025 Jubilee officially began on December 24, 2024, with a Mass presided over by Pope Francis in St. Peter's Square, Vatican City, with the rite of the Opening of the Holy Door. For the faithful around the world, the local Diocesan Masses were held on December 29, 2024, including the celebration at the Cathedral with Bishop Miehm.

During the Jubilee Year, Bishop Miehm has designated four churches in our Diocese, one in each deanery, which can be visited to obtain the plenary indulgence:

- Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough
- St. Michael the Archangel, Cobourg
- St. Patrick's, Kearney
- Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Lindsay.

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Epiphany of the Lord

This Sunday we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. The great thing about the Magi was their faith. Even though they were outsiders (Gentiles), they recognized Christ as the Saviour of the world. They are models of faith for us. Let us as the Lord to increase our faith, so that we may recognize His presence in the Eucharist, and welcome Him with joy in our hearts.

O God, who on this day revealed Your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant us in Your mercy that we, who know You already by faith, may be brought to behold Your sublime glory. Amen.

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!