

The Parish Window

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Haubstadt, Indiana
812-768-6457

November 2022

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER ANDREW



I want to start by thanking everyone for the wonderful welcome I have received so far! I truly believe this is a blessed community and the life of discipleship is strong. So far what I have experienced has been a community dedicated to the intentional follow of Jesus Christ. I can honestly say it is refreshing to be here. While I still miss many of the families at St. Joseph, your warm welcome has gone a long way to helping me make Sts. Peter and Paul my home.

I know that the past couple of years have been hard on many in this community; the moving of a truly beloved pastor, the Covid-19 lockdown, and the different linked parishes arrangement. Even though the past years have been difficult, Our Lord allows us the chance to suffer so that we can discover our only hope is in Him. As a priest I have so often stacked hope on people, places and things that were never meant to bear hope's weight and have had my faith shaken. I pray that each of us is stronger for having made it through the past. I also pray it has prepared us for the future.

I have no idea what lay ahead for each of us as disciples or as a parish. What I do know is that God has a plan for us! The plan that God has laid out for us will take each and every one of us discerning our future together. There is a wonderful strong foundation of faith here at Sts. Peter and Paul. With prayer and trust we can continue to build upon the foundation set and continue to make disciples in our community. While I am still getting my feet underneath me here know of my prayers for you. I truly cannot thank you enough for your welcome so far and I ask that you pray for me.

AMY ENGLE—NEW CHIEF OF PARISH OPERATIONS

John and Amy Engle moved to the Haubstadt area in June, 2022. They have been married for the past 37 years with two adult children: Jake (Melissa) Engle (Haubstadt) and Katie (Trevor) Chappelow (Plainfield, IN). Three grandchildren: Camryn, Armand, and Parker. In the past month as the new Chief of Parish Operations, I have enjoyed meeting many people from the St. James and Sts. Peter & Paul church communities. I am excited to deepen my faith through the opportunities provided by daily Mass and confession, Adoration, recitation of the Rosary, and so much more. From my experiences the past 10 years, these opportunities are not the norm in other parishes and is a treasure in the Haubstadt area to cherish. Therefore, I am focused to continue this positions' goal of doing the administrative services that allow Fr. Andrew and Fr. Betz, the time to devote to the pastoral ministries. I look forward to continuing to get to know the wonderful staff through our one-on-one conversations, helping to problem solve challenges that they experience in their jobs and ministries, and getting to know parish ministry leaders better. I hope parishioners will stop by the parish offices Mon.– Friday, 8 AM-4 PM or call to schedule an appointment to say hi. I look forward to serving the Lord in the area for many years in the future.



OUR PARISH

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our community!

JOINED 2021

- † William & Rita Hasenour
- † Mike Kelley
- † Jake & Kelsey Atkinson; Everett & Evelyn
- † Bridget Reidford
- † Ken & Lucinda Mayer
- † Bob & Laurie Ziliak
- † Chad & Ashlee Wallis; Camryn & Max
- † Eric & Jenna Dembek; Aiden
- † Scott Dunigan
- † Justin & Alys Kiesel; Peyton
- † Jeff & Pam Ambrose
- † Dakota & Addi Englehardt; Chelbi & Beau
- † Drew & Julie Wilson; Eli, Marie, Evie
- † Cole & Ashley Miller; Hazelynn & Braxton
- † Jeff & Amy Pritchett

JOINED 2022

- † Shane & Cindy Brogan; Jesse & Will
- † Donovan & Mariah Hall
- † Mark & Rachael Naas; Meredith
- † Brian & Ashley Fuhs; Jackson, Mason, Owen, Annistyn
- † Michael & Maria Garza
- † Chad & Nicole Spencer
- † Larry & Diane Kiesel
- † Timothy & Donna Schmitt
- † Dillon Whitten & Megan Stapleton
- † Bryan & Ashlie Ingler; Brylie & Jagger
- † Caleb Kramer
- † Garrett & Kortney Seybold
- † Kellen & Rachelle Higginson; Ryker
- † Anna Dailey
- † Zachary & Emmaly Meier; Harrison & Kyler
- † Tyler & Sara Richeson; Maddie
- † Larry & Kelsey Durchholz; Corrine
- † Gary & June Spindler; Grace
- † Garrett & Lauren Elpers
- † Austin & Julia Dewig

JOB OPENING!

Facilities Manager

Sts. Peter & Paul has a full-time (with benefits) or part-time position open for a facilities manager/custodian to do maintenance work and/or clean our parish buildings. The applicant must be a dedicated, hard-working, & self-motivated person. The applicant for this position must have basic maintenance skills.

**Applications are available at the parish office, or online at www.stsppchurch.com.

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PARISH OFFICE

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Website..... www.stsppchurch.com

Facebook.....facebook.com/SPPHaubstadt

NORMAL MASS SCHEDULE

Monday.....6:30 PM

Tuesday.....6:00 AM

Wednesday8:00 AM

Thursday..... NO MASS

Friday.....8:00 AM

Saturday5:00 PM

Sunday 7:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Hello! I want to thank everyone for being so kind, and welcoming! I am very lucky to have the job I do and getting to be apart of this community and grow my faith. I look forward to getting to know everyone more & remembering names! I can't wait to spend many more years here!

God Bless—Kourtnei

AUTOMATIC ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM

The electronic giving program allows you to electronically have funds transferred directly into the parish's account for your Sunday giving. It is convenient, no cost to you. You may increase, decrease, or suspend your transfer any time by calling the parish office. Please complete the form below & return to the parish office. Contact Jane Rhodes at 812-768-6457 or jrhodes@evdio.org with questions. Thank you.

Sts. Peter & Paul Church, 211 N Vine St, Haubstadt IN 47639

Direct Debit Authorization Form

I hereby authorize Sts. Peter & Paul Church to initiate debit entries for Sunday Collection tithing to my/our account as indicated below and the financial institution named below to debit the same to such account. I/We acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my/our account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

(Financial Institution Name)

(Name(s) on the Account)

Transfer Amount \$_____ for Sunday collection

Type of Acct: _____ Checking _____ Savings

(Routing Number)

(Account Number)

Frequency of transfer: Weekly_____ every Friday

Biweekly_____ every other Friday

Monthly_____ on the 5th of each month (or next business day)

This authority is to remain in effect until Sts. Peter & Paul has received written notification from me/us of its termination in such time and manner as to allow Sts. Peter & Paul and the financial institution a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Spouse Name) (if joint acct)

(Spouse Signature) (if joint acct)

(E-mail Address)

(Date)

PLEASE ATTACH COPY OF VOIDED CHECK TO THIS FORM

You may continue to receive your Sunday collection envelopes if desired but it is not necessary.

Please check one: _____ Yes, please send Sunday envelopes _____ No, do not send Sunday envelopes.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS WITH ELECTRONIC GIVING

We would like to offer you the opportunity to give to these special collections, which are normally in the envelope packets, if interested.

For the Parish -- Includes Maintenance, Cemetery, St. Vincent DePaul, The Lord's Pantry, Haiti School Lunch Program, Christmas, & Parish Endowments.

For the Diocese -- Includes missions, both local & abroad (see list below).

If you would like to donate to any of these funds, please fill in the amount that you would like to give (either weekly, biweekly, or monthly according to your wishes as listed above) & deducted from your account.

_____ Maintenance Fund

_____ Cemetery Fund

_____ The Lord's Pantry

_____ Christmas

_____ Rice Bowl

_____ Thanksgiving

_____ Haiti School Lunch Program

_____ Fr. Tony Vocational Endowment

_____ Ray & Marilyn Kartasuk Endowment

_____ Latin America

_____ Catholic Relief Services

_____ Catholic Home Missions

_____ Religious Retirement

_____ Human Development

_____ St. Vincent De Paul

_____ Eastern European

_____ Holy Places

_____ Peter's Pence

_____ Mission Sunday

_____ Black & Indian Missions

_____ Parish Endowment

_____ Cemetery Endowment

_____ School Endowment

_____ Fr. Schroering Endowment

NEWS FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Do you have a religious article that you would like to have blessed? Religious articles can be dropped off at the parish office during regular business hours and will be returned as soon as possible.

HOME COMMUNION

Eucharistic Ministers take Communion to the homebound on Friday mornings after Mass. If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Communion, please contact the parish office by Thursday afternoon.

SICK AND SUFFERING

Please contact the parish office at 812-768-6457 if you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or nursing home, or would like to receive the anointing of the sick, so that we may notify Fr. Andrew

LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found drawer in the desk in church is getting pretty full. Please check the drawer to see if any of your "lost" articles are there. Any items left in the box after November 30, will be given to St. Vincent De Paul.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you would like to volunteer but don't know where to start please contact the parish office. We can go over our list of opportunities! No amount of help is too small!

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

We'll be decorating the church on Sunday, December 18 after the 10:00 am Mass. Don't have the decorating bug? Don't worry! Help is most needed to carry trees, boxes, and other items from storage over to church. Stop in after 10:00 Mass to help!



Christmas Flower Memorial

In Memory of:

Donated By:

*Please turn in donations by Dec. 17
to the parish office or in the collection basket.*

STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL

The 2022-2023 school year is off to a great start! With 176 students enrolled in kindergarten through fifth grade and 64 students enrolled in Kinder Haus, our school has been busy growing and learning both academically and spiritually.

Students are learning more about the Eucharist by attending monthly adoration and learning the Anima Chisti prayer to recite after receiving Holy Communion. Students attend Mass twice a week this year. Fr. Betz celebrates Mass with us on Wednesdays and Fr. Andrew celebrates Mass with us on Fridays. We have enjoyed praying for and writing letters to our prayer partners as well as attending Prayer Partner Mass with them.

Students are using a new program called iReady, a formative assessment used to assess student learning in reading and math. These assessments produce data that our staff can use to serve each child and their learning needs and opportunities.

Our spiritual and academic opportunities only continue to grow from here! We are looking forward to a fun basketball season, the school spelling bee, the annual Advent program and much more as we finish out the first semester.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This year we welcome 277 Religious Ed students and 39 Catechists in K-12! We have 2 Seminarians with us from St. Meinrad Seminary this year. Deacon Devereaux King and 3rd year seminarian Caleb Scherzinger. Deacon Devereaux is from the Diocese of the Bahamas and Caleb is from the Diocese of Evansville, Celestine, IN. Please welcome these gentlemen when you see them and thank them for helping us teach the faith to our children and parish family! This is also an opportunity for them to experience parish life and faith formation.

During the month of October we prayed a Living Rosary with all students, Deacon Devereux taught about adoration and students were able to spend time in prayer with the Blessed Sacrament. Mark Lutz and Emily Lutz led the students in beautiful song with the Litany of the Saints in honor of All Saints' Day. Fr. Gary & Fr. Andrew lead prayers for All Souls' Day for students. Classes placed lit votive candles on graves throughout the cemetery.

The Serra Club of Evansville hosts an annual essay program on vocations for 8th grade students. They were asked to write an essay, research paper, PowerPoint presentation, skit or poem describing their understanding of vocations after listening to talks by Matt & Amy Parmer on Marriage, Seminarian Caleb Scherzinger, Dcn. Devereaux King and Fr. Andrew on Priesthood/Holy Orders, and Sr. Irma on Religious Life.

Students representatives chosen this year are:

Holy Cross:

Meredith Mann, daughter of Jeremy & Becky Mann

Sts. Peter & Paul:

Crewe Hasenour, son of Ryan & Sarah Hasenour

Kate Parmer, daughter of Matt & Amy Parmer

St. James:

Audrey Spindler, daughter of Logan & Kasey Spindler

Payton Scheller, daughter of Chris & Cindy Scheller

These students & their parents were honored at a luncheon at the Catholic Center on Nov. 7.

Mark your Calendars

Nov. 23 - No Religious Ed Classes - Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 5 - Eucharist Talk by Steve Luegers following the 6:30 pm Monday night Mass at SPP

Dec. 7 - No Religious Ed Classes- Vigil of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day- Attend Mass with your families

Dec. 14 - Religious Ed Penance Service - 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 28 & Jan. 4 – No Religious Ed Classes (Christmas & New Year's Break)

ADULT FORMATION

We currently have 3 groups in Scripture Study this semester. They are studying about the Eucharist in a program from FORMED.ORG. Brant Pitre is the speaker. To quote one of our students "It's the best study yet!!". The Catholic Faith is exciting and there is always something new to learn. Our next study will begin in January. Watch the bulletin for more info. OR maybe you want to start your own group or your family members would like to do a study. You can access great material on FORMED and view it from home! If you need help getting started call the Rel Ed office at 812-768-6457.

FORMED – All Catholic Content All in One Place: Movies, programs, audio books, e-books for adults & children. It's easy to get started:

Go to formed.org/signup

- ♦ Select your parish by entering name, city and/or zip code
- ♦ Enter your name and email address
- ♦ Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

OCIA

OCIA RCIA is now OCIA (*Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*)

Please pray for the OCIA Candidates who celebrated the Rite of Welcoming this past month at Mass. They are:
St. James - Kristen Nall

SPP – Alex Barrett, Jordan & Lauren Weil, Tobe Whitten, and Kim Lewis

Please continue to pray for them as they now enter into a period of deeper formation in the OCIA process.

ST. MARIA GORETTI YOUTH (SMG)



We've had a good start to the new school year. We've kicked off our regular Sunday activities including bingo with elderly at Transcendent Healthcare in Owensville and high school RockLife. Girl Time and Boys Open Gym will start the first Sunday in November. So far we've played bingo twice and both times we've had a packed house full of joy and bingo winners!! RockLife is off to a good start. On Our first night, 27 youth came to relax and refresh as we played a crazy and super active game of Sabre Ball! We also dug into our faith using the new resources from Ascension Press called *Venture: The Bible Timeline for High School*. This resource provides an overview of salvation history, giving teens "the big picture" of the Bible in a way they can relate to and understand.

On Oct. 1st, we had 11 middle school youth attend the Holy Fire retreat in Nashville, TN along with about 150 youth from across our Diocese of Evansville. We had a great experience and said they want to go back next year and invite more peers! The retreat included renowned Catholic speakers, great music to pump us up and draw us near to the Lord, and Jesus in Adoration and Mass!

Watch the bulletin for details on upcoming events. And as always, if you would like to be a part of any youth programs/events, I would be very happy to chat and work with you! Contact Bryan at 812-664-7992 or bmacke@evdio.org.

Like our Facebook page: "St. Maria Goretti Catholic Youth Ministry"

Instagram: "St. Maria Goretti CYM"

Website: smgyouth.com



SEMINARIAN

Clint Johnson

My name is Clint Johnson, and I'm one of our sixteen seminarians for the Diocese of Evansville. I'm in my second year of theology at St. Meinrad – the fourth year of six for me. I'm from Fort Branch and grew up attending Holy Cross Parish. My parents are Roger and Angie Johnson, and my sister and brother-in-law are Jamie and Jason Baehl. I went to Pre-K at Sts. Peter and Paul, K-5 at Holy Cross, 6-8 at Fort Branch Community, and high school at Gibson Southern. I went to Ball State University for four years and received a bachelor's in architecture. I then received a master's in architecture from Washington University in St. Louis. I worked in Evansville for one year while living at the newly opened House of Discernment at Sacred Heart in Evansville with Fr. Tyler Tenbarge and three other guys discerning their vocation. I decided to enter seminary at St. Meinrad and first did two years of philosophy and received a master's before beginning the final four years of theology. If you're counting, that puts me in the 22nd grade.

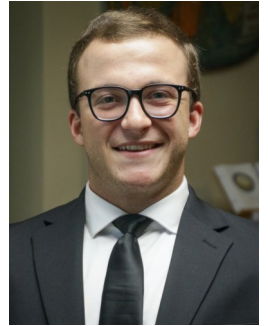


I decided to first go into architecture because I loved to draw and paint but didn't want to do it full time. Architecture fit well with my creative and imaginative background. Model-building became my new favorite hobby in school. I started to become obsessed with doing projects over time but noticed that I was very isolated and wasn't thinking about the bigger picture. Faith has always been a part of my life, but it became the most important thing late in college. I was never truly happy unless I was with my friends at church. This was the first time that I thought about priesthood, and that thought stuck with me as I continued into graduate school. After I more actively discerned for a year, I still wasn't sure what I was called to, so I decided to give seminary a chance to see if it would pull me one way or the other. After completing philosophy at St. Meinrad, I agreed to go to Rome to study theology for four years. It was an experience unlike any other as you can imagine, but something felt off. I wasn't "at home" there and subconsciously was very nervous for ordination which seemed so much closer. I came back home after a semester and started working again with the intention of not going back, but, almost immediately, I felt a huge hole in my life that was only going to be filled by giving myself completely to God. I was certainly nervous to do this, and still am, but I have a greater trust after having done all this and believe that God will provide every step of the way, especially in the fearful moments. Since being back at St. Meinrad, I've felt great reassurance and peace about giving myself to the Church as a priest. Every morning is another decision to either avoid or enter into the uncertainty that comes with a vocation, but I've had great joy in saying yes to that call.

SEMINARIAN

Dylan Stefanich

Hello! My name is Dylan Stefanich, and I am a first-year seminarian for the Diocese of Evansville. My home parish is Holy Cross Catholic Church in Fort Branch, IN, and I graduated from Gibson Southern High School in 2018. I then graduated from Ball State University with degrees in Psychology and Criminal Justice in 2022. Now, I am beginning my seminary studies at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis, MO. I have felt called to the holy priesthood since learning the Faith at an early age under Fr. Tony Ernst, so this step has been quite exciting so far! The prayers of the faithful in the South Gibson area are strong. Thank you all! God Bless.



COMMUNITY NEWS

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

We are the Daughters of Isabella, Haubstadt Circle #151! We are an organization of Catholic women, who strive each day to live our motto: Unity, Friendship and Charity. Our members are from the parishes of Sts. Peter and Paul, St. James & Holy Cross and other area Catholic churches. Our main charity among the 20 Circles in Indiana is the St. Elizabeth/Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services. Their mission statement, rooted in Catholic tradition, believes that every child has a right to a healthy, loving family. They provide life-long services to empower women and families of all faiths by offering support, compassion, & professional guidance. Counseling is free, confidential, and life-long. Our Haubstadt Circle donates to many causes, including: Right to Life of Gibson County, Women's Siena, St. Vincent DePaul Society, Vacation Bible school, GSHS after-prom, Father Tony Endowment, House of Discernment, The Lord's Pantry, Fort Branch & Haubstadt Library children's programs, and many other local organizations. If you are a Catholic woman aged 16 or older you are eligible to become a member of the Daughters of Isabella. For more information, contact your local circle. In the Haubstadt area contacts are Kris Lutz 812-550-7474, Becky Mayer 812-753-4180, and Linda Kissel 812-677-0085. We meet the 3rd Monday of the month at the K of C Hall @ 7:15pm.

STS. PETER & PAUL RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

works with our Pastor, parish & school to implement projects to promote life. Some past projects include distribution of fliers & bulletin items; postcards promoting pro-life legislation; month-by-month development of the unborn child photos; art contests in the school; baby showers & "Spiritual Adoptions"; & assisting Right to Life with projects such as "Cemetery of the Innocents", "40 Days for Life", "Family Game & Card Party", and "Soup Supper". For more information, contact: Sarah Rigg 812-306-6226, sarahorigg@gmail.com or Joanie Luttrell 812-664-4273, joanieluttrell@gmail.com

RIGHT TO LIFE OF GIBSON COUNTY

Right to Life of Gibson County has been defending the lives of unborn children, the handicapped & elderly since 1975. Our purposes are to educate people regarding the beauty of the unborn and the reality of abortion and euthanasia, to promote legislation to protect human life & expand aid to pregnant mothers, and to promote alternatives to abortion (e.g., the Safe Haven Baby Box, mobile & free-standing pro-life clinics, etc.) For more information to donate, or join Right to Life, contact: 812-768-6768, rtlgibsoncounty@gmail.com or Ann Minnis at 812-664-7695, aminnis@twc.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus was founded 140 years ago, and our local council has been present in the community for 103 years. The organization was founded on the principles of charity, unity, and fraternity by Father Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, and was originally designed to bring financial aid and assistance to the sick, disabled, and needy members and their families, which it still does today. Fr. McGivney was recently beatified and is on the path to canonization for sainthood.

Pope John Paul II once referred to the Knights of Columbus as "the strong right arm of the Church" for its support of the Church, the clergy, and the charitable works it does. Locally, the K of C has a vibrant council. As of September 28th 2022, the local K of C council has donated more than \$35,000 to charitable causes, most of which have stayed here in our local communities. Some of the organizations are Right to Life of Gibson County, Gibault Children Services, Special Olympics, Project Rachel, Gibson County ARC, The Lord's Pantry, Ronald McDonald House, libraries in Haubstadt and Fort Branch, our local Catholic schools, Kairos Prison Ministries, Source & Summit, seminarians from Haubstadt & Fort Branch, & many others.

The only requirements to be a member of the Knights of Columbus are that you are a man of at least 18 years of age, a practicing Catholic, and in good standing with the church.

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE LORD'S PANTRY

is a non-profit food bank, located in Fort Branch to serve the South Gibson area. **The Lord's Pantry is in current need of canned assorted soups & toiletries.** Contact 812-470-3594 if you would like to help. Monetary donations are welcome and may be sent to: The Lord's Pantry Treasurer, P.O. Box 74, Fort Branch, IN 47648. Drop off boxes are located in the back of each church. Thank you to everyone who donates to The Lord's Pantry

KAIROS

We've all heard of the parable of "The Lost Sheep." Some of us may have even felt we were one of them. I know of a place where everyone who lives there feels like one. It's called prison! It's a place where the hopeless live. Who cares for them? But we, the members of the Kairos community do! We are a Christian group of people from many religious groups. We take the words of Jesus to the inmates. We don't forgive them for what they've done. We just let them know God still wants them in His flock. Many of them have messed up their earthly life, but does that mean they have to go to hell after death? As it says in Matthew 18:14 "it is not the will of your heavenly Father that one of these little ones be lost." What am I asking you for? Small monetary donations and most greatly, your prayers. Please pray for us and our "Kairos" movement. If you can help, please contact Jerry Wohler at 812-664-5262. At one time or another, many of our apostles & prophets were in prison. As it says in Matthew 25:36 "I was in prison and you visited me."

DISABILITY MINISTRY

Laurie Ziliak is the Parish Liaison for SPP, HC and SJ who serves to create a consistent path for communication to flow between the parishes and the Committee for the Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities at the Diocesan office in Evansville. Part of her role is to facilitate such communication, but also is to serve as an advocate for the needs of persons with disabilities of all ages and all walks of life. This includes physical, cognitive, sensory or otherwise; temporary or permanent; newly acquired or life long needs, it is my goal to ensure everyone is able to join in the sacraments and fully participate in worship and opportunities for soul nourishing time with Our Lord. Please contact her at 812-499-7230 with questions or if you are in need of her services.

KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN

The Knights of St. John Home, Inc. consists of the Knights of St. John #345 and the St. Bernadette Aux. #280. The Knights of St. John organization has been in existence since around 1900 and is associated with St. John the Baptist. The organizations hold monthly meetings and anyone is welcome to join as a member. We encourage fellowship among members and aid and support members and their families in time of need. Members participate in a special way in the functions for the Catholic Church. We give to local organizations and schools to help support the youth in our communities. Our current building was built by members and dedicated in Sept. 1973, and our hall is currently used to hold bereavement meals for families of our local churches. Consider joining us for this faithful cause!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Structure and Mission of St. Vincent de Paul Society

The society is a world-wide Catholic lay organization with the mission to help people in need. It is comprised of local groups referred to as conferences within the dioceses of the Church. Sts. Peter & Paul parish and Holy Cross parish are joined as one local conference group. The group has members who attend monthly meetings to discuss the needs and how we can help those individuals that find themselves in unfortunate circumstances. One of the core mission elements of the group is to grow spiritually together to be able to see Christ in those we serve.

Who are we helping?

Most of our requests for help come from calls to our parish offices. From there the group goes into action to contact the person in need. Usually the individual or family needs help with utilities and/or rent. By meeting with them we can find out what their situation is and offer them any other resources of help that are available in addition to financial assistance.

How You Can Help

Our St. Vincent de Paul conference group relies and operates on contributions to help those we serve. In addition to the core group that meets monthly, we also have contributing members that pay annual dues and some that make contributions on a regular basis. However, by giving all parishioners this information we are hoping to incite everyone to be a part of the united effort to help those in need by making contributions whenever you can throughout the year as well as to pray for those in need. To donate by check, make them payable to St. Vincent de Paul. You can drop your donation at the parish office or place it in an envelope marked St. Vincent de Paul and put it in the Sunday collection at Mass.

HOW TO GO TO CONFESSION

Prepare to make a good confession by examining your conscience. You may use the examination at the bottom of the page.

Prayer Before Confession

Come Holy Spirit into my soul. Enlighten my mind that I may know the sins I ought to confess, and grant me your grace to confess them fully, humbly, and with a contrite heart. Help me to firmly resolve not to commit them again. O Blessed Virgin, Mother of my Redeemer, intercede for me through the Passion of Your Son, that I may obtain the grace to make a good confession. Amen.

Rite of Reconciliation

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Penitent: Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (how long?) since my last confession, and these are my sins: (confess your sins).

Priest: (gives you a penance)

Penitent: (Pray the Act of Contrition):

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against You, whom I should love above all things. I firmly plan, with Your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.

In His name, my God, have mercy. Amen

Priest: (gives you absolution for your sins)

Penitent: (recite or do your penance as soon as possible)

Examination of Conscience for a Good Confession

1. I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD: YOU SHALL NOT HAVE STRANGE GODS BEFORE ME. Did I fail to love God, to make God first in my life, to thank Him, trust Him, love Him as He deserves? Did I fail to pray? Have I doubted or denied my faith? Was I careless in saying my prayers? Do I give God time everyday in prayer? Have I been involved in Ouija boards, Tarot cards, and the occult?

2. YOU SHALL NOT TAKE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD IN VAIN. Did I curse or swear? Did I use God's Name in vain, lightly, carelessly, by blasphemy? Have I used foul language or jokes?

3. REMEMBER TO KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH. Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation? Did I leave Mass early without a good reason? Did I receive Holy Communion in the state of serious sin? In any of my previous confessions, did I lie to or deliberately conceal something from the priest? Did I do unnecessary work on Sunday?

4. HONOR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER. Did I honor and obey my parents? Have I respected my brothers and sisters? Have I respected those with lawful authority, including teachers, bosses and civil authorities? Have I talked back? Did I fail to help at home or to spend time with my family?

5. YOU SHALL NOT KILL. Did I give in to feelings of anger or jealousy? Did I keep hatred in my heart? Did I fight, give a bad example or cause scandal? Have I abused alcohol or drugs? Have I had or in any way permitted or encouraged abortion? Have I thought about suicide? Do I avoid gluttony?

6. YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY. Did I consent to impure glances? Sinful touches? Was I immodest in dress or behavior? Did I look at pornography, impure books, magazines, or videos? Am I guilty of masturbation? Have I engaged in premarital sex, or adultery? Have I used artificial contraception such as pills or devices? Do I live chastely according to my state in life (married, single, religious and ordained)? Do I avoid occasions of impurity?

7. YOU SHALL NOT STEAL. Have I stolen what is not mine? What or how much? Did I return it or make up for what I have stolen? Have I cheated on tests, homework or taxes? Did I waste time at work? Have I avoided laziness, idleness?

8. YOU SHALL NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR. Have I lied or gossiped? Have I talked about another behind his back? Do I always tell the truth? Am I sincere? Did I reveal secrets that should have been kept confidential? Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my talk?

9. YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S WIFE. Have I consented to impure thoughts? Have I encouraged them by stares, curiosity or impure conversations? Did I neglect to control my imagination or desire other people?

10. YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S GOODS. Is my heart greedy? Am I jealous of what another has? Am I envious of others because I don't have what they have? Am I moody or gloomy? Do I work, study, and keep busy to counter idle thoughts? Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my thoughts of others? Is my heart set on earthly possessions or on the treasures of Heaven?

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HOLIDAY MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

THANKSGIVING

Wed. Nov. 23 - 7:00 pm at Holy Cross
Thurs. Nov. 24 - 8:00 am at St. James
Thurs. Nov. 24 - 8:00 am at Sts. Peter & Paul

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Wed Dec 7 - 7:00 pm at Holy Cross
Wed Dec 7 - 6:30 pm at Sts. Peter & Paul
Wed. Dec 7 - 7:00 pm at St. James
Thurs. Dec 8 - 5:45 am & 8:00 am at Sts. Peter & Paul
Thurs. Dec 8 - 7:00 am, 8:30 am & 7:00 pm at St. James

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sat. Dec. 24 - 10:00 pm at Holy Cross
Sat. Dec. 24 - 4:00 pm & Midnight at Sts. Peter & Paul
Sat. Dec. 24 - 5:00 pm at St. James

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sun. Dec. 25 - 8:30 am at Holy Cross
Sun. Dec. 25 - 9:00 am at Sts. Peter & Paul
Sun. Dec. 25 - 7:00 & 9:00 am at St. James

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Sat. Dec. 31 - 5:00 pm at Sts. Peter & Paul
Sat. Dec. 31 - 5:00 pm at St. James

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Sun. Jan. 1 - 8:30 am at Holy Cross
Sun. Jan. 1 - 7:00 am & 10:00 am at Sts. Peter & Paul
Sun. Jan. 1 - 7:00 am & 9:00 am at St. James

REGULAR CONFESSION TIMES

STS. PETER & PAUL:

30 minutes prior to all Masses except Tuesday.
Saturdays 8:00-9:00 am

HOLY CROSS:

Thursday 5:00-5:45 pm

ST. JAMES:

30 minutes before Masses;

ADDITIONAL CONFESSION TIMES

Sat. Dec. 10 - 4:00-4:55pm at Sts. Peter & Paul
Mon. Dec. 19 - 5:30-6:25 & 7:30-8:30 pm at Sts. Peter & Paul
Tues. Dec. 20 - 6:00-8:00 pm at Sts. Peter & Paul
Mon. Dec 19 thru Fri. Dec 23 - 6:30-6:55 pm at St. James

PENANCE SERVICE

Dec 15 immediately following 6:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross
Dec 21 immediately following 7:00 pm Mass at St. James

