

ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 24, 2026 Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, May 27th

Summer Bible Study
6:30pm, Social Hall

Thursday, May 28th

Homeschool Mass & Lunch
12pm, Church/Social Hall

Saturday, May 30th

Vacation Bible School Volunteer
Meeting and Work Morning
9am-12pm, Social Hall

Saturday, May 30th

KOC Spaghetti Dinner
5-7pm, Social Hall

Tuesday, June 2nd

Parish Committee Meetings
6:30pm, Social Hall
Parish Council
7:15pm, Social Hall

Wednesday, June 3rd

Summer Bible Study
6:30pm, Social Hall

Monday, June 8th - Friday, June 12th

Vacation Bible School
5:30pm-8:30pm, St Albert

Wednesday, June 10th

Summer Bible Study
6:30pm, Social Hall

Sunday, June 28th

Church Picnic at The Landing
11am-3pm (11am Mass), The Landing

To see all events or flyers go to our
website www.saintpeterscb.org



Mass Schedule:

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 4PM

Sunday - 8AM, 10AM, & 12PM

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - 12PM

Wednesday - 8AM

Thursday - 12PM & 5:30PM

Friday - 8AM

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3-3:35PM

Sunday 7-7:45AM

Anytime by Appointment

Baptism or Wedding:

To schedule a baptism or
wedding, please call the
parish office.

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Prayer Request?

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at 402-669-5258.



**Would you like to be part of the prayer
team?** If you feel called to serve in this
ministry, please contact Debbie Foote at
402-669-5258.

New To Our Parish?

Register by scanning the QR code
below or going to our website.



Is your information current we have
on file? If you need changes made
please contact the parish office.

Parish Office

712-318-3030

Office Hours:

Mon- Closed

Tues-Thurs 9:00AM-5:00PM

Fri 9:00AM-12:00PM

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From Father Jacob

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit...To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.

Come Holy Spirit! Today we celebrate that God gives His Holy Spirit to His Church, which means to all of us!

We all receive God's Holy Spirit, but we don't all receive the same effects. In some of us the Holy Spirit moves us to be teachers of the faith, in others to take up positions of authority, in others to inspire and invite people. On one day a person needs the Spirit's nudge to forgive a slight, on another day to speak up for what's right, on another day to stay quiet and let the other person speak.

Though the Spirit gives different gifts, we can recognize the Holy Spirit because it always leads us to love God and our neighbor, to keep the commandments, and to unity with the Church!

Parish Verification Forms

St Albert families should plan to stay after Masses this weekend (5/23-5/24) or next weekend (5/30-5/31) for a *brief* meeting about parish verification forms. Bring your form filled out or you will be able to fill one out at the meeting. These are the forms for a parishioner discount at St Albert.

Summer Bible Study!

Join us this **Wednesday, May 27th, at 6:30pm** in the Fr Kottas Social Hall for week 3 of our St Peter's summer Bible study!

Last week we discussed St Peter's presence at the miracles of Jesus and his confession of Jesus as the Christ. This week we will discuss St Peter at the Last Supper, in the Garden, and at the Resurrection. Join us!

Memorial Day Mass

On Monday St Joseph Cemetery will host our annual Memorial Day Mass at 9am. Bring a folding chair and come to pray for our veterans and all of our beloved dead in the beautiful cemetery. To pray for the living and the dead is a work of mercy!

401(k) distributions

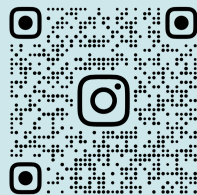
Many people have begun giving to the parish and ADA through direct 401(k) distributions. **Thank you for your generosity!** This provides a way for many retired people to allocate their required minimum distributions in a tax-advantaged way.

It is often the case that these distributions come in the mail without any identifying information, so we often don't know who has given them. In gifts for the parish, this may or may not matter to you, since you can't claim them for an additional charitable deduction.

In the case of the ADA, an anonymous gift that arrives at the Diocese can't be credited to our parish. If you gave a gift to the ADA by a 401(k) distribution, please call Renny Crawford at the Diocese at (515) 237-5083 to ensure that your contribution is credited to St Peter's. Thank you again!

Submissions for the bulletin must be submitted by Tuesday at 4pm. All submissions are subject to edits and approval. Send to religiouseducationdirector@saintpeterscb.org

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Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 26, 2026
12pm Msgr. G Stessman
Wednesday, May 27, 2026
8am IPF Seminarians
Thursday, May 28, 2026
12pm Roger Snook +
5:30pm Nolan Batten+
Friday, May 29, 2026
8am Tom Suden +
Saturday, May 30, 2026
4pm St Peter's Parish
Sunday, May 31, 2026
8am Roger & Dorothy Snook +
10 am Dick & Mary English +
12pm Bill Suden +

Ministry Schedule

	Saturday 4:00PM	Sunday 8:00AM	Sunday 10:00AM	Sunday 12:00PM
	May 30, 2026	May 31, 2026	May 31, 2026	May 31, 2026
Altar Servers	Nicholas Moses Parker Moses Cooper Moses	Noah Smith Michael Rosloniec Connor McGrath	Thomas Biederman Cole Noon	Evelyn Duitsman John Duitsman
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Ushers	Linda Bonham Fred Schaben Jack Gross Mark Assman	Mike Ring Velda Ring Mike Rosloniec Jeff Veit	Peter Clevenger Margine Henry Dan Lighthipe Mike Nielsen	Chris Olson Trevor Yanovich Rob Peters Mason Olson

Next Sunday's Readings: May 31, 2026

1st - Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

2nd - II Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel - John 3:16-18

CONNECTED

Organizations & Groups

- ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY**

The St Anne's Altar and Rosary Society will meet on **Thursday, June 4th** at 6:00pm in the Social Hall. The meeting begins with the reciting of the Rosary followed by a meal and a meeting. Please bring a side dish, if possible. All women of the parish 18 and older are invited.

- CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT ST ANTHONY #330**

The next Catholic Daughters Meeting is on **Thursday, June 18th** at St. Peter's Church. Mass starts at 5:30pm, followed by a potluck meal and the meeting. Women, 18 years and older from all Council Bluffs parishes are always welcome to join us. Visit our website at www.cda330.org. We would like to thank you for your generous contributions to the annual LifeSaver Drive in April. We raised \$5870.46. Fifty percent goes to the Council Bluffs Catholic Charities Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program. Fifty percent is given to the Iowa Bishops and distributed to shelters across Iowa.

- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Our next meeting is **Monday, June 27th** at 6:00 PM in the Social Hall. Any interested men of the parish 18 years or older are welcome to join, and are invited to simply attend any of our monthly meetings. Please reach out to Sean Dunphy at 402-960-6215 for information or with any questions.

- WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP**

Women's Prayer Group will meet on **Tuesday, June 16th** at 6:30pm in the social hall as we continue to learn and discuss the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. You can bring a snack to share if you like. Bring a friend!

- MOM'S OF YOUNG CHILDREN GROUP**

Our Young Mom's Group invites mothers of young children to their faith sharing and social group at St. Francis Worship Center 238 S 6th St. on **Tuesdays from 9:30-11 AM**. Childcare is provided. For more details, please call/text Brittany at 520-373-9748. *Volunteers to help supervise the children during these gatherings are needed. You do not need to commit to every week. If interested in providing childcare, please contact Mary Stuhr at mtstuhr4vv@yahoo.com or 402-740-3423.

- YOUNG ADULT GROUP**

The Young Adult Group welcomes all adults ages 20-35, in all stages of life: college students or professionals, singles, married couples, or young families. We had great conversation and wonderful food at our Easter party a few weeks ago! Our next meeting date is **Sunday, May 24th**.

- HOMESCHOOL MASS & LUNCH**

If you homeschool, please join us on **Thursday, May 28th** for Mass at 12pm followed by lunch. We would like to hear ideas and input from our homeschool community.

SEEKERS & SAINTS

Faith Formation News



FULLY ALIVE YOUTH GROUP

All high schoolers are invited to join us!

Upcoming Dates:

June 7, 7-9pm - Night on the Lake - Join us at the Lake Manawa Sail Club for food, fun, and games. Meetings are at the St Francis Worship Center unless otherwise noted. Got questions? Contact Heather Olson at religiouseducationdirector@saintpeterscb.org



EXPLORING CATHOLICISM

For adults interested in joining the Catholic Church!

All are welcome to join us for any of the classes! Classes will start again in the Fall.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Enjoy your summer! Info will be coming soon on Fall enrollment.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

See attached flyer for details and to sign up!

Monday, June 8th - Friday June 12th from 5:30pm-8:30pm

Saturday, May 30th, from 9am-12pm there will be a volunteer meeting and prep in the social hall



BIBLE STUDY

Join us for our summer bible study on the life of St Peter. We will explore the discipleship and leadership of Saint Peter. to see how Jesus built his Church, and how he wants to call us, build us up, and send us out! We will have discussion, prayer and snacks! Everyone is welcome!

- **5 Week Course**
- **May 13th - June 10th**
- **Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm**
- **Meets at St Peter's Social Hall**
- **Cost is FREE**

BEYOND THE PARISH

News From Across the Diocese

• CHRIST OUR LIFE - SAVE THE DATE

The Christ Our Life Conference will be held September 26-27 at Casey's Center in Des Moines. Go to ChristOurLifeIowa.com to purchase tickets and for the list of speakers. In person or Livestream. The cost is \$30 for the entire weekend and 23 ad under are FREE. To hear world class speakers, learn more about our faith, be inspired, worship and praise God in community and experience the joy of His presence! Come for all or stay for some. Let's Believe...Live...and Celebrate Our Faith!

• MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Join us as we honor our veterans, our loved ones buried at St. Joseph's, and all our beloved dead with Mass at St Joseph Cemetery at 9am on Memorial Day (May 25th). Bring your own lawn chairs. *Rain location is at St Peter's Catholic Church, 1 Bluff St. Look for announcement from St Peter's on Facebook if there is inclement weather.

St Peter's Catholic Church Vacation Bible School



Sign Up Now For VBS



Scan Here

or go to <https://forms.gle/aiNURXH8XCAbcN9C7>



Monday, June 8th - Friday June 12th



5:30-8:30pm (light dinner served)



St Albert Catholic School, 400 Gleason Ave



Ages 4 through entering 6th grade



This year's VBS program featuring an Olympic/sports-themed Cathletics program is focused on helping kids set goals and aim for commitment in their Catholic faith. The kids will receive "training" in all sorts of Catholic theology such as the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, fruits of the spirit, and evangelization. The program includes fun games, music, crafts, and faith lessons. Each day, children will learn about a virtue, a Bible verse, and a saint.

Questions? Heather Olson at 712-318-3030 or redirector@saintpeterscb.org

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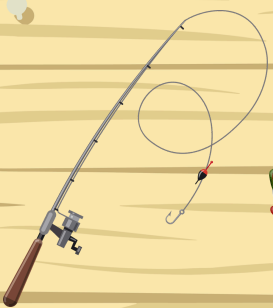
**SATURDAY
JUNE 13, 2026**



8:00AM-12:00PM



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**BRING YOUR OWN POLE IF
YOU HAVE ONE, BUT POLES
WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE
ON FIRST COME BASIS!**



**BAIT WILL BE
PROVIDED!**

**NOTE: ANYONE OLDER THAN 16 NEEDS A
DAILY OR YEARLY IOWA FISHING LICENSE**

**JOIN US FOR A MORNING OF FISHING, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP!
ALL AGES WELCOME! SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED.**

QUESTIONS CONTACT CHRIS OLSON AT 402-250-7204

The World According To Bob

- Why did the banana go out with the prune? Because it couldn't get a date.
- Nobody sees the 4 AM workouts or the meal prepping for hours every week. Nobody sees any of this because I don't do those things.
- I like going outdoors. It is much safer than going out windows.
- What do you call a broke Santa Claus? Saint Nickel-less.
- I got fired from my job for asking customers if they want smoking or non-smoking. Apparently, cremation and burial were the proper terms.
- Need an ark? I know a guy.
- My wife fainted onto the baggage carousel at the airport. Thankfully, she came around.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF SCRAMBLE



July 11, 2026 | Dodge Riverside Golf Course \$400 - Foursome

All proceeds from our upcoming golf tournament will be directed towards scholarships at Saint Albert Catholic Register at:

<https://givebutter.com/KofCgolf26>
or scan the QR code

Registration closes Sunday, July 5th

Questions please contact Kate Gaul at gaulk@saintalbertschools.org



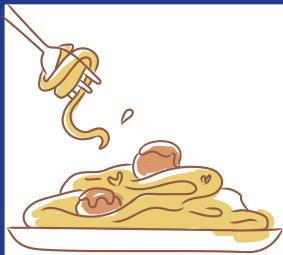
St. Albert School Parish Verification Forms

Bring your Parish Verification Forms to Mass **next weekend, May 24/25, or the following weekend, May 30/31.** Father Jacob will have a short meeting after each Mass, and you can turn the forms in at the meeting.

2026 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Scan the QR code or visit
DMDiocese.org/giving



KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS SPAGHETTI DINNER



SATURDAY, MAY 30TH
5-7PM

ADULTS \$10
KIDS 12 AND UNDER \$5

Menu: Spaghetti &
Meatballs, Garlic Bread,
& Drink

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