

# What's Happening: December 22 – 31, 2023

**There will not be a What's Happening next week!**  
***Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!***

## **We hold in our prayers this week:**

**Parishioners in need of Prayer:** Lois Smith, Molly Simon, Jim & Linda Good, Bob Lewis, Jo Oldenburg, Peggy Zimmer

**Homebound Parishioners:** Anida Balmer, Kay McKelvey, Sheena James, Doug Bradfield

**Parishioners' Friends and Family:** Lynne Jennings (Holly St. Clair), Annette Barnes (Sally Scovill), Mike Heys (Bob Brown), Don Aukerman, Karen, Gordon & Graham, Kurt Atwell (Ann Bish), Azri & Barb Hami, Stan & Deloris Stary (Jim & Nickie Stary), Vitalia Ononye (Carolyn Beredo), Laura Faulkner (Dennis McCready), Lee Keller (John Keller), Dan Pernod (Deb Vandrasik), John Bradley (David Nash), Marilou Durkin (Sara Ferry), Ann Rudeen (Jan McDonough), Samantha Hall (Sam Morgan), Sharlene Page (Bob & Christine Schauer), John & Mary Degan (Julie Steigerwald), Christopher Taylor (Sarah Taylor), Ginger Hill (Marci Rich), Brynn Purdy, Ellie McMahon (Linda Purdy), Virginia Wepfer (Brenda Pongracz), Ryan Swanson (Ed & Julie Stenger), Christian Kneubel (Ann Wright), Grace Brockett (Cheshier Family), Tristan (Jessica Philpott, Luke & Mark Sferra), Bonnie Jones, Gary Novak (Emily Malquest), Dennis Harp, Alyssa Cowling, Gerry Ross, Nacine Bryson, Paul Guinn (Joanne Hull), David Spencer (Beth O'Rourke), Dan Erwine (Cindy Lemmerman), Lee Mehnert (Tom & Sue Andrews), Tim Sweeney, Jim Miller, Frank, Carley Buhl (Liz Crosby), Weston (John Neumann), Elaine Glendening (Patti Dobro), Sue Nickel-Schindewolf, Michael Yancey (Amanda Chambers)

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**Join us for Sunday Worship...**  
**ONE SERVICE for ADVENT IV**  
**in person at 9:30 a.m.**  
**9:30 a.m. ONLINE**  
**The Rev. Michael Lager, Rector**

The Service will be live streamed beginning at 9:20 a.m., and the recording will subsequently remain available: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5r-XEvAg8xKiEl2jnl\\_s7g?](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5r-XEvAg8xKiEl2jnl_s7g?)

Welcome to St. Peter's! If you are attending services, please use the glass door in the rear of the building adjacent to the parking lot (an elevator is located in the rear entry.) You may also enter the church through the front door. If you need assistance, please see one of the ushers or Tom Newman, St. Peter's Sexton.

Parents, if you wish to bring your little ones to church, the care room is open every week. Children are also encouraged to sit in the special carpeted area in the front of the church. Older children who would like to come to church are always welcome. We have activity bags at the back of the church with things to do based on the message of the day.



**The Feast of the Nativity**

*December 24*

**4:00 p.m.**

Christmas Service for Families  
“Drop-in” Christmas Pageant

**10:00 p.m.**

Solemn Eucharist of the Nativity

*December 25*

**10:00 a.m.**

Eucharist of the Nativity

**The First Sunday  
after Christmas**

December 31

Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

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**WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:** As we head into the new year, it is time for the next Worship Rota to be completed. We are looking to refill our ranks; therefore, if you have any desire to assist during either the 8:00 or 10:00 worship service, please call the office at 216-226-1772, email [office@stpeterslakewood.org](mailto:office@stpeterslakewood.org), or talk with Fr. Mike. We have opportunities for lectors, acolytes, crucifers, chalicers, bell ringers, and ushers. Training for all positions is available, so please don't let that deter you from serving.

If you are already on the Worship Rota, you do NOT need to contact the office unless you do not wish to continue to serve or if you would like to serve in another or different capacity. Thank you very much for your service and willingness to assist.

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**Assisting Opportunities  
IN  
WORSHIP**



The year is quickly coming to an end so I must remind everyone to check their pledge statements. With the church facing a deficit this year, it is important that we meet our goals. For 2023 credit, all donations and contributions must be postmarked by December 31.

I would like to thank everyone for their generosity in supporting St. Peter's and all its ministries. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

~ Dan Lammers, Treasurer

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**Offering Envelopes:** If you requested offering envelopes for 2024, they are on the table at the back of the church. There are still a few packets remaining, so if you did not mark your pledge card indicating you wanted envelopes or you would like 2024 envelopes, please call the office at 216-226-1772 or email [office@stpeterslakewood.org](mailto:office@stpeterslakewood.org).

Also, remember to **discard** all of your old envelopes. Each year many envelope numbers change, making the 2023 and previous years envelopes invalid. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

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*For pastoral emergencies, please contact The Rev. Mike Lager at 479-221-4030 or email at [rector@stpeterslakewood.org](mailto:rector@stpeterslakewood.org)*

*If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the office at [office@stpeterslakewood.org](mailto:office@stpeterslakewood.org)*



***The Church Office will be closed on Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26 for the Christmas Holiday. The office will also be closed on Monday, January 1 and Tuesday, January 2 in celebration of the New Year.***

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