

Sunday, March 4, 2018 ~Third Sunday of Lent



THE CATHOLIC, CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

A MEMBER OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE DEANERY

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

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Parish Mission Statement

For all who enter; we at St. Peter are a community who believe Jesus Christ is the center of our lives. We are committed to live life in relationship with each other; we strive to heed the call to reach out and touch the lives of people. We invite newcomers to join us and those who have been away to rejoin us!

New Parishioners

A warm welcome as you enter our Parish Community! You are asked to register at the parish office as soon as possible, 419-446-2150. If you are moving from the parish, please inform the office so we may remove your name from our parish roster.

Sacrament of Marriage

Initial arrangements are to be made 6 months prior to the actual wedding day. The Diocesan policy is to allow sufficient time for the couple to make adequate preparation to receive the sacrament. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Baptism

If someone is to be baptized, please call Fr. Stanbery. All parents must attend pre-baptism sessions for their first child. Call the rectory to make arrangements, 419-446-9288.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Having questions about the Catholic faith? Thinking of joining the Catholic Church? You can learn more by attending our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) sessions. Classes start each fall. Call Fr. Stanbery at 419-446-9288

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULES

Office Hours: Tue. & Thurs.

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

St. Peter, Archbold

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 4:30 PM

Sunday ~ 10:30 AM

Reconciliation Sat. 4:00
or by appointment



Office Hours: Tue. & Thurs.

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Our Lady of Mercy,
Fayette

Weekend Mass

Sunday ~ 8:30 AM

Reconciliation Sun.
8:00 AM or by
appointment

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

Saturday, March 3:
Carl Fry

Sunday, March 4:
All Souls
 Willie Rodriquez

Monday, March 5:
 Lenten Weekday
 No Mass
 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 6:
 Lenten Weekday
 No Mass
 Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 7:
 Sts. Perpetua & Felicity
 No Mass
 Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, March 8:
 St. John of God
 No Mass
 Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

Friday, March 9:
 St. Frances
 No Mass
 Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, March 10:
 Lenten Weekday
 No Mass
 Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Vigil
 Fourth Sunday of Lent
 St. Peter~4:30 pm
Dolores Walker

Sunday, March 11:
 Fourth Sunday of Lent
 St. Peter~10:30 am
Bobby & Allen Dominique
Chris Short
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 Marcel Bonin
 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/
 Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21



Sat., March 10~ 4:30 pm

Sun., March 11~10:30 am

**EXTRAORDINARY
 MINISTERS OF HOLY
 COMMUNION**

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Mary Evans

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.

Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.

ROSARY ~ The Rosary is said every Sunday at 10:00 AM before Mass. No weekday rosary.

Area Happenings

Archbold Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

700 West Lutz Road

January 12-March 30

4:30-7:30

Adults: \$9/Children: 12 and under \$5

Carry out dinners: \$9/Carry out (fish or chicken only): \$15



We will have a *Children's Liturgy of the Word program* that will run on Sundays during Lent at Mass from February 18 - March 25. Children ages 3 thru First Grade can participate each Sunday. If you are interested in assisting with this ministry, please contact Christine Alt 419-230-1767. We will provide all materials for the weekly sessions. WE NEED YOU TO MAKE THIS MINISTRY A SUCCESS! Thank you in advance for volunteering to assist with this ministry!

The Rosary Altar Society of St. Peter is planning to conduct the nomination and election of officers (for the 2018-2020 term) at its next meeting, which is scheduled for Wednesday evening, March 21 at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. All women of the parish age 18 and over are warmly welcome and encouraged to attend!

If you have not previously attended a meeting or have not been actively involved in the Rosary Altar Society, please come and see what we're all about! Our meeting time is being changed to Wednesday evenings, once a month, from 6:30-7:30 pm, to coincide with CCD. Our goal is that this new time slot will make it easier for those with families with school-age children to attend our meetings!

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 21
St. Peter~ 12:00-12:30 pm & 5:00-6:00 pm

Monday, March 26
Our Lady of Mercy~12:00-12:30 pm & 5:30-6:30 pm

Tuesday, March 27
St. Peter~5:30-6:30 pm

Wednesday, March 28
St. Peter~12:00-12:30 pm

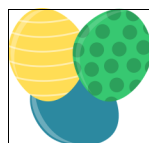
Confirmation takes place at The Rosary Cathedral on April 7. We are in need of the following to assist at the Mass:

- Lector
- Up to 6 Eucharistic Ministers
- 2 Ushers

Please contact Tami Kunesh 419-212-1357 by Tuesday March 6 if you are available to assist at the Confirmation Mass.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Rosary Altar Society is hosting an *Easter Egg Hunt* for preschool & kindergarten through 12th grade parishioners after Mass on Sunday, March 11. We hope to see you there!



Father Stanbery will be gone from Sunday March 4-Monday, March 12. Contact people for funeral: Larry Zachrich (419) 966-7091 and Sam Jaramillo (419) 980-0450.

Coffee and rolls will be served after Mass today. Come join us for food and fellowship!

Our Lady of Mercy will be hosting a *Passover Supper* on Sunday, March 25th at 4:30 pm. It is a potluck. Please bring a meat (no pork) main dish and a salad or dessert. Everyone is welcome to attend.

There will be a *Rosary Rally* on Saturday, March 17 at 12:00 pm.

Thank you for continuing to save your *SuperValu receipts* in the box provided at the back of the church. Thanks to all the ladies who have been helping sort them to turn in for redemption.

There will be a *soup luncheon* after Mass on Sunday, March 11 & 18.

Eucharistic Adoration starts at 8 am ending with Mass at 7 pm every Tuesday. Call Dennis Schwind: 419-335-2652.

Stewardship of Treasure
Sunday Offering: \$3037.80
Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$337.20)

Past collections:
February 18 \$3428.10
February 11 \$2459.00
February 4 \$2640.53

Dear Padre

March 4, 2018

Much time is given to purify the vessels after Communion. At another parish, two people bring the cloth and unfold it on the altar before the gifts are presented. Shouldn't the preparation and cleanup of the table be less significant than the Eucharist itself?

Our liturgy is a beautiful expression of our faith, and we value its simplicity and grace. When we celebrate a liturgy, we keep in mind the nature of a particular part and its relationship to the whole celebration. We want the Eucharist to be the clear, central part of the liturgy.

The preparation of the gifts is a practical rite that gets us set for the eucharistic prayer; it is done with simplicity and few additional gestures. *The Roman Missal* says an "acolyte or another lay minister arranges the corporal on the altar" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 139) and places the chalice and other vessels. It seems appropriate for laypeople to help dress the altar, especially if they assist the entire Mass. Their actions should be inconspicuous and not extend the rite. These ministers can be lay faithful because they are encouraged to present the bread and wine, emphasizing the inclusive nature of the Eucharist (*GIRM* 140, 141).

The purification of vessels is tricky because it must be done by a priest, a deacon, or an instituted acolyte. Since churches use several vessels, this action can take time and be overemphasized. However, its placement in the Mass is flexible, taking place "after Communion, or after Mass" (*GIRM* 279) and should be "done briefly and inconspicuously" (*Introduction to the Order of Mass*, 138). These pastoral suggestions enable us to leave the purification of the vessels until after Mass so we maintain a proper focus on the Eucharist and the meditation that follows.

—Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSsR

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