

Sunday, January 6, 2019 ~The Epiphany of the Lord



# 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 or Deacon Larry.

### 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 or Deacon Larry (419) 966-7091.

### 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.

9:30 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.

9:30 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, January 5:**  
Nancy Grime

**Sunday, January 6:**  
Matt Kunesh  
Marcel Bonin  
All Souls

**Monday, January 7:**  
St. Raymond of Penafort  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
1 Jn 3:22-4:6/  
Mk 4:12-17, 23-35

**Tuesday, January 8:**  
Christmas Weekday  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

**Wednesday, January 9:**  
Christmas Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

**Thursday, January 10:**  
Christmas Weekday  
No Mass  
1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Lk 4:14-22

**Friday, January 11:**  
Christmas Weekday  
St. Peter~8:00 am  
1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

**Saturday, January 12:**  
Christmas Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Vigil  
*The Baptism of the Lord*  
St. Peter~4:30 pm  
Bill Dominique

**Sunday, January 13:**  
*The Baptism of the Lord*  
St. Peter~10:30 am  
Norbert Lisak  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
Jeanette Tidwell  
Chuck Worth  
Is 40:15, 9-11/  
Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7/  
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



Sat., January 12~ 4:30 pm

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS OF HOLY  
COMMUNION**

Karen Dominique  
Amy Zientek  
Peaches Holland

**GREETERS**

Mike & Brigitte Schrickel

**LECTORS**

Mary Ann Thatcher

**SERVERS**

Kassidy Zientek  
Cassidy Baden  
Olivia Baden

**USHERS**

Pete Grime  
Mike Schrickel

**ROSARY LEADER**

Sun., January 13~10:30 am

John Downey  
Arlene Hicks  
John Smith

Alan & Kim Garrow

Judy Smith

Caden Garrow  
Delaney Garrow  
Brennan Garrow

Chris Lopez  
Frank Smith

Arlene Hicks

Nick & Susan Wlasiuk  
Cindy Krueger

**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 Christmas Party**

Saturday, January 12th at 5:00 pm

Please join us to celebrate the holidays and all that we have accomplished this year. Dinner and drinks will be provided. This event is for all Archbold Knights of Columbus members and their spouses.

**Location:** Archbold Knights of Columbus Hall

5:00 pm - Cocktail Hour

6:00 pm - Dinner Served

Please RSVP to David Dominique by call/text (419-330-9616) before January 5th.

**PRO LIFE MARCH DEFIANCE**

Please join us January 22 for our annual pro life March. Mass will be celebrated at 9 am that day at St Johns Catholic Church Defiance with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the whole day ending with Benediction at 4:45 pm. The March will start at noon at Defiance County courthouse with prayer where with police escort we will walk to the unborn monument ending at St Johns Catholic church basement with a variety of speakers. We pray that the babies inside the womb will be safe and for the Moms to choose life.

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# Luke and Lunch

Tuesday, January 8 at 1 p.m.

We invite you to join us for a great opportunity to grow closer to Christ and His Church through the study of Sacred Scripture. In addition to learning so much about our Lord and His Church, you will also have a great opportunity for fellowship with others in our parish family. Plus, we serve lunch.... with dessert!

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Classes start on January 13 at 6:30pm at St Peter  
Register online at [DaveRamsey.com](http://DaveRamsey.com)  
Questions? Contact:  
Kevin and Elizabeth Seibert 419-446-0086

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**In marriage, communication is more than just talking.**

**At some point, did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Did your spouse?**

Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. The next weekend in our area is January 25 – 27, 2019.

For more information, contact registration team: [Robin and Jeff] @ [419-481-1116] or visit our website: [HelpOurMarriage](http://HelpOurMarriage)



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**COMING SOON**



*The Knights of Columbus Fish Fry starts January 25*

**THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER**

*Thank you for all of the cards, gifts, and best wishes this Christmas season. Blessings.*

*Larry Zachrich*

Coffee and rolls will be served after Mass today. Everyone is invited for food and fellowship!

In the sacristy there are Christmas envelopes on the counter for all servers. *Thank you for being a part of this ministry!*



Parish Council and Finance Council  
Tuesday, January 8  
7:00 pm

Religious Ed class (K-8)  
Wednesday, January 9  
6:30-7:45

Our St. Peter website is up and running! Signing up is EASY! Go to:

[stpeterarchbold.com](http://stpeterarchbold.com)

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: \$2911.00  
Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: (464.00)

*Past collections:*  
December 23 \$2986.22  
December 16 \$4162.00  
December 9 \$5098.33

Christmas \$3428.00

**Perpetuate the Gift**  
Goal: \$6963

Pledged to date: \$3385

# Dear Padre

January 6, 2019

***I'm having an argument with a fundamentalist friend who insists the Epiphany happened exactly as it says in the Bible. I keep saying there's no way it could have. Who is right?***

Catholics believe that each book of the Bible needs to be appreciated according to the principles of its own literary genre. We don't look to the Gospels for modern critical history or unbiased biographical/reportorial fact-telling.

The four Gospels were written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Each Gospel writer uses human skill to craft a true story, presenting the saving mystery of our Lord's life, death, and resurrection so that readers may come to know Christ, share his life, and be saved.

Every story in the Gospels is shaped to communicate saving truth, but not every story is told as a direct "just the facts, ma'am" report of sequential events. So there's saving sense in which, yes, the Epiphany happened exactly as it says in Matthew 2:1-12. And there's a more literal sense in which, no, the Epiphany probably didn't happen exactly as it's recounted.

What is most certain is the Gospel's saving message of the birth of our true King, the Light of the World, before whom we offer homage and who, when we encounter him, will change our lives and send us home in a new path.

—Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR

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