

Sunday, February 2, 2020 ~ The Presentation of the Lord



614 North Defiance Street  
Archbold, OH

# 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, February 1:**  
All Souls

Sat., February 8~ 4:30 pm

Sun., February 9~10:30 am

**Sunday, February 2:**  
Lydia Wlasiuk

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS OF HOLY  
COMMUNION**

Susan Saaf

Lois Grime

**Monday, February 3:**  
Sts. Blaise & Ansgar  
Communion Service~9:00 am  
2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13/  
Mk 5:1-20

**GREETERS**

Sylvia Miller  
Jody Ritzert

Andy & Lois Grime

**LECTORS**

Peg Hines

Dexter Krueger

**Tuesday, February 4:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-  
19:3/Mk 5:21-43

**SERVERS**

Brittney Ramirez  
Karley Ramirez  
Anissa Ramirez

Anna Krueger  
Cassidy Baden  
Olivia Baden

**Wednesday, February 5:**  
St. Agatha  
St. Peter~8:00 am  
2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6

**USHERS**

Mike Schrickel  
Mike Wilson

Andy Grime  
Chris Lopez

**Thursday, February 6:**  
St. Paul Miki  
No Mass  
1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/  
Mk 6:14-29

**ROSARY LEADER**

Theresa Bennett

**MONEY COUNTERS**

*With the flu season,  
we will only need one  
Eucharistic Minister until  
further notice...*

Lois & Andy Grime  
Jody Ritzert

**Friday, February 7:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~8:00 am  
Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29

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

**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.**

**Saturday, February 8:**  
Sts. Jorome Emiliani &  
Josephine Bakhita  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34

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

Vigil  
St. Peter~4:30 pm  
All Souls

### Area Happenings

#### **Round & Square Dances-**

**Feb. 15, and March 21--3rd Saturdays of each month  
St. Michael Catholic Church,  
100 Antwerp Drive, Hicksville, Ohio**

Public Invited!!!! Caller for the Night: Doug Michaelis, from Bowling Green. \$5/person, \$10/couple, \$15/family. Soda, water, beer, wine will be sold. Raffles throughout the night. Bring your sweetheart or the whole family! Spread the word. This is a great way to get together with friends!





According to Scripture, after the Incarnation of our Lord, Mary went in haste to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who was six months pregnant with John the Baptist. Given that it would have taken two to three days for Mary to reach Elizabeth, it's possible that Jesus had not yet implanted in Mary's womb (implantation occurs 5-7 days after conception) when His presence caused John to stir in Elizabeth's womb: "For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy." (Luke 1:44)

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**You too could be a host for our 2020 coffee and rolls ministry!**

The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.  
Prayerfully consider taking a role this year... beyond just taking a sweet roll!



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St. Peter Rosary Altar Society will be hosting the K of C Fish Fry Bake Sale on February 14. If you would like to donate bake goods you can bring them to the K of C Hall after 2:00 pm on those dates. Anyone wishing to volunteer to work can contact: Lois Grime 419-388-7759 or Peg Hines 419-572-6135. Thank you so much for your support!

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If you missed out on the Ministry Training, pick up your ministry packet(s) from the table. We can still use more people to serve in all ministry areas...prayerfully consider where you are needed! If you have any questions, contact Father Stanbery.

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Support the Knights of Columbus every Friday until Good Friday, April 10...

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

It's not too late!



**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION**

Remember to take a prayer card from the pew...  
Personalize this fight against abortion as you devote your prayers to saving the innocent!

Your 2019 contribution report can be found in your mailbox.

There are two plates left behind from the Cookie Walk in the kitchen.



**Luke & Lunch**  
Tuesday, February 4  
1:00 pm

**Religious Ed K-8**  
Wednesday, February 5  
6:30 pm-7:45 pm

**Confirmation Retreat**  
Saturday, February 8

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: \$2397.00  
Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$978.00)

**Past collections:**  
January 19 \$1340.50  
January 12 \$4509.00  
January 5 \$4301.01

# Dear Padre

February 2, 2020

**Aguided meditation on the rosary's fourth Joyful Mystery (The Presentation of Our Lord) mentions "our Blessed Mother's purification." What does that mean?**

According to Jewish law, a mother was considered ritually impure for forty days after giving birth to a son, and eighty days after the birth of a daughter (see Leviticus 12:1-8). After the prescribed period of purification, she made an offering to God in the Temple for her atonement and another offering to support the priests. Her purification offering was a pigeon or turtledove; the burnt offering for the priests was a yearling lamb. However, if a woman couldn't afford the lamb, she could instead substitute two turtledoves or pigeons. Mary's offering of two birds indicated her poverty (see Luke 2:24).

Moreover, the Law stipulated that every firstborn male be presented to God in the Temple. "The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'Consecrate to me every firstborn; whatever opens the womb... whether of human being or beast, belongs to me'" (Exodus 13:1-2). As a devout, law-abiding Jewish couple, Mary and Joseph traveled eighty miles from Nazareth to Jerusalem to present their son to God. Mary couldn't afford a lamb as a burnt offering; rather she offered Jesus as the true Lamb of God in the name of the human race. Saint Alphonsus Liguori wrote, "O my God, I on my part unite my sacrifice to that of Mary. I offer to you your own divine Son, and by his merits I ask you to grant me all the graces I need for salvation."

*Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR*

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