

Sunday, September 13, 2020 ~ 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time



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, September 12:
JoAnn Hausch

Sat., September 19~ 4:30 pm

Sun., September 20~10:30 am

Sunday, September 13:
Marcel Bonin
All Souls

**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS OF HOLY
COMMUNION**

Monday, September 14:
The Exaltation of the Holy
Cross
St. Peter~9:00 am
Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/
Jn 3:13-17

GREETERS**LECTORS**

Peg Hines

Stephen Bernath

SERVERS

Tuesday, September 15:
Our Lady of Sorrows
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
For the People
St. Peter~7:00 pm
1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/
Jn 19:25-27

USHERS

JR Lauber

John Smith

Chuck McColl

Frank Smith

ROSARY LEADER

Wednesday, September 16:
Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian
St. Peter~9:00 am
1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 7:31-35

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
Cindy Krueger

Thursday, September 17:
St. Robert Bellarmine
No Mass
1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50

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

Friday, September 18:
Weekday
No Mass
1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.

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

Saturday, September 19:
St. Januarius
St. Peter~9:00 am
1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/
Lk 8:4-15

Fish & Chip Dinner

Vigil
St. Peter~4:30 pm
**Florence & French
Dominique deceased family**

St. Augustine Catholic Church will be hosting a drive through "Fish & Chips" (French Fries) dinner on Friday, September 18 beginning at 5:00 until they are sold out.

This is a free will offering and the proceeds will go towards the new St Augustine Ministry Center.

Sunday, September 20:
25th Sunday
of Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
For the People
St. Peter~10:30 am
Matt Kunesh
Tridentine~12:30 pm
Fred Lange
Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20 c-24, 27a/
Mt 20:1-16a

WEEK THREE – September 20-21

Parishes can add the date for Eucharistic Adoration below.

Pray

Make a Holy Hour.

Check with your parish to see when there will be Eucharistic Adoration. There is no one way to make a Holy Hour, but your Holy Hour could include:

- Still your body and mind. Take a deep breath and transition into a time for prayer. Try to leave your daily to-do list and anxieties behind.
- Acknowledge Jesus. Affirm your belief that He is present under the appearance of bread. Make a thoughtful recitation of the Creed.
- Speak to Jesus heart to heart. Tell Jesus what is happening in your life - your hopes, joys, and worries - in the same way you would talk to a spouse or your closest friend.
- Listen. Let God speak to you.

Read

Read the daily readings or the Gospel for the day

Visit bible.usccb.org to read the daily readings online.

Reflect

How can I become a better disciple?

In addition to learning from the example of the Saints and holy people in our lives, there are so many ways for us to grow in our love for God. The simplest and most fundamental way is to continually lift our minds and hearts to the Lord in prayer. God has also gifted us with the sacraments of the Church, which help us to grow ever closer to Him. In particular, a frequent reception of the Most Holy Eucharist and the sacrament of penance is one of the best things that we can do in this life to strengthen us on our journey toward God. We are also so blessed to be able to know the Word of God through Sacred Scripture, and a frequent reading of the Bible can help us to hear God's voice in our lives. Let us never take God's gifts for granted as we strive to love Him more and more each day.



Our Blessed Mother, a model of virtue. We see Mary as a model of true womanhood and an example of fidelity and trust in God. She has special significance in pro-life efforts, because she herself carried the unborn Jesus in her womb and she is a comforting representative of God's gentleness and mercy. Mary always lifts us higher and points to Christ. Her greatness lies in her humility, and her radiant reflection of God's love to the world.

Next weekend, September 19-20, we will be collecting for the *Holy Land* which originally was scheduled to be collected during Holy Week. We will also be starting the *Perpetuate the Gift* fund drive (the Priest Retirement) this weekend as well.

The faithful can continue to be dispensed from their obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. Those who are elderly, sick, or in a high risk category are strongly encouraged to refrain from attending Mass out of concern for their own well-being and out of Christian charity for others.

There will be no morning Mass on Friday, September 18.

St. Peter website is up and running! Signing up is EASY! Go to: 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: \$1539.00
 Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
 Over/(Under) Budget: (\$1836.00)
 Past collections:
 August 30 \$1415.00
 August 23 \$1415.00
 August 16 \$5317.00

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| Annual Catholic Appeal | |
| Total to date | \$8,310 |
| Goal | \$12,500 |

Respect for the Planet's Resources
We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Dear Padre

September 13, 2020

We knew a beloved priest whose death was self-inflicted. What is the Church's stance on suicide?

I offer my heartfelt sympathy to you and the faith community for this tragic loss. "We are stewards, not owners, of the life God has entrusted to us. It is not ours to dispose of" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2280). Those who take their own life to end personal suffering assume a decision-making that belongs to God alone. However, the Church also acknowledges that "grave psychological disturbances, anguish, or grave fear of hardship, suffering, or torture can diminish the responsibility of the one committing suicide" (*CCC* 2282).

At the same time, the Church relies on the compassion of God, who fully knows the intensity of suffering that triggers suicide. Therefore, the Church pastorally states: "We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. The Church prays for persons who have taken their own lives" (*CCC* 2283).

How, then, does the Church specifically pray for those who've committed suicide? Generally they're not deprived of full burial rites in the Church, which consoles the living and commends all of the dead "to God's merciful love and pleads for the forgiveness of their sins" (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 6). Nor are they deprived of burial in a Catholic cemetery—a sacred place that helps bring peace to those confronted by the sudden death of a suicide.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

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