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THE CATHOLIC, CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

A MEMBER OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE DEANERY

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

Website: stpeterarchbold.com

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 prebaptism 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 16: Fr. Leyland

Sunday, January 17: Jeanette Tidwell Pauline Ramus Helen Berbec

Monday, January 18:

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St. Peter~9:00 am Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 19:

Weekday Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am For the People St. Peter~7:00 pm Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 20:

Sts. Fabian & Sebastian St. Peter~9:00 am Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, January 21:

St. Agnes No Mass Heb 7:25-8:6/Mk 3:7-12

Friday, January 22:

Day of Prayer St. Peter~9:00 am Mass for Peace & Justice

Saturday, January 23:

St. Vincent St. Peter~9:00 am Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21

Vigil St. Peter~4:30 pm All Souls

Sunday, January 24:

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am Anthony Higgins St. Peter~10:30 am

Jean Dominique

Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/ Mk 1:14-20



Sat., January 23~ 4:30 pm

Sun., January 24~10:30 am

Theresa McColl

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ROSARY LEADER

MONEY COUNTERS To be announced

(We need more volunteers!)

Doug & Vicki Williams

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.

Retrouvaille

Sometimes a marriage can run along fine and then things change. Sometimes our focus moves away from our marriage and family and needs a little redirection. Sometimes a fair or average marriage is just not enough. Have you ever thought to yourself, "How can I make my marriage better?" If so, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It begins with a weekend program that can help get your relationship back on track. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples and it can work for your marriage. Our next weekend in this area will be January 22-24.

For more information, contact registration team: Jeff and Robyn @ 419-481-116 or visit our website: HELPOUTOURMARRIAGE.COM

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The 13th annual March for Life will be held January 22 at noon at the Defiance County Courthouse. The march is sponsored by Mother Teresa Respect for Life. The purpose of the March for Life is for participants to walk and stand up for unborn children who cannot speak for themselves. The march will start with prayer with Father Stanbery. A police escort will lead participants from the Defiance County Courthouse to the Monument of the Unborn at St. John Catholic Church. Jamie Blank will host the march and lead a prayer for life at the monument. From there, the event moves to the basement of St. John Church where Colleen Hammons whose parents are the late Dale and Madonna Hammons will talk on modern day miracles that are changing peoples attitude on their lives. Mary Juarez will talk who is a Mom Grandmom and author and founder of Never Let Go Ministries. Mary will be speaking of being adopted by a beautiful family and how she wanted to meet her birth Mom. Wayne Staszel who is a chimney sweep will speak about the feelings as the father of an aborted baby and how it affected him and haunted him over the years. Culture for Life is a group of young people set out to restore culture through the experience of virtue. They will speak on the dignity of the human person inviting our culture to become alive. Ed Sitter RTLACO president will give some pro life remarks. "He's got the Whole World in His Hands" and "God Bless America" will be sung by Jim Zipfel. The event will close with prayer. Masks are asked to be worn with distancing. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated by Father Doug Taylor of St. John Catholic Church, Defiance, at 9:00 am. Throughout the day there will be exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament ending with Benediction with Deacon Mark Homier at 4:45 pm.

Dear Lord, we pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5). May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls.

Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

Parish and Finance Councils will meet Tuesday, January 19 at 7:30 pm.

Mass for Life praying for the preborn Thursday, January 21 7:00 pm

Join Bishop Daniel Thomas for a Mass to pray for an end of abortion on the eve of the 48th anniversary of Roe V Wade. The Mass will be live-streamed on the Diocese of Toledo website.

The 2021 calendars and the new issue of Living Faith devotional can be found on the table in the entryway.

If you were a server this year, you may pick up your Christmas gift certificate in the sacristy. Thank you for being a part of this ministry!

Lector books are on the cart in the sacristy.

We are in need of more money counters! Please contact Doug Williams or Father Stanbery if you can help.

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: \$3314.00
Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget:

(\$136.00)

Past collections:

December 20 \$6825.00 December 6 \$4590.00 November 29 \$2330.00

Dear Padre

January 17, 2021

Can the Eucharist be celebrated outside of a church—for example, inside my home?

What an interesting question. The earliest celebrations of the Eucharist were held in the homes of the early Christians. As centuries evolved and the Christian population grew, larger rooms were rented and later built to house the community gathering. The word church is what we now call a building in which people worship. If we were to be completely accurate, we would call the building the house or shelter for the Church because the Church is understood primarily as the baptized community living in faith and charity.

Unfortunately, because of changing demographics and priest shortages, many communities are consolidating and church buildings are being shut down and even destroyed. As a result, communities and places for liturgy grow larger. Large communities can easily become impersonal and pastoral leadership increasingly difficult.

Recently, some large parishes have developed neighborhood communities in an attempt to subdivide into smaller faith-sharing units—not unlike the original house churches. These smaller communities gather for regular prayer and catechesis. The parish priest occasionally attends their meetings and celebrates the Eucharist with them. This is one example of celebrating the Eucharist outside of a church building.

So, although there can be exceptions for pastoral necessity, canon law indicates that celebrating Mass in a sacred place is the norm. The bishop may clarify this law for his own diocese to best meet the needs of his people while respecting the dignity of the Eucharist.

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