

April 11, 2021 ~ 2nd Sunday of Easter



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, April 10:
All Souls

Sat., April 17~ 4:30 pm

Sun., April 18~10:30 am

Sunday, April 11:
Marcel Bonin
Jean Dominique

**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS OF HOLY
COMMUNION**

Monday, April 12:
Easter Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8

GREETERS**LECTORS**

Barb Dominique

Amy Zientek

Tuesday, April 13:
St. Martin
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
For the People
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3-7b-15

SERVERS**USHERS**JR Lauber
Linda LauberDoug Williams
Chuck McColl

Wednesday, April 14:
Easter Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

ROSARY LEADER**MONEY COUNTERS***(We need more volunteers!)*

Thursday, April 15:
Easter Weekday
No Mass
Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36

Friday, April 16:
Easter Weekday
St. Peter~9:00
Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.**

Saturday, April 17:
Easter Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

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

Vigil
St. Peter~4:30 pm
All Souls

Drive-Through Chicken BBQ

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in New Bavaria

Holgate Park

Sunday, April 25

10:30 am ***until Sold Out***

Cost is \$9.00 for Adults

\$5 for Children

\$6.00 for Chicken Only

Carry-Outs are Available

Sunday, April 18:
3rd Sunday of Easter
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Eddie Tidwell
St. Peter~10:30 am
Jean Dominique
Tridentine~12:30 pm
Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/
Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Menu includes 1/2 Chicken prepared by the Holgate Fire Department, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Roll, and Cookies



Every April, Catholic parishes and schools across the United States participate in National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Join us throughout the month as we continue to pray for the healing of victims of abuse.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Victims of Abuse God of endless love, ever caring, ever strong, always present, always just: You gave your only Son to save us by his blood on the cross. Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace, join to your own suffering the pain of all who have been hurt in body, mind, and spirit by those who betrayed the trust placed in them. Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters who have been gravely harmed, and the cries of those who love them. Soothe their restless hearts with hope, steady their shaken spirits with faith. Grant them justice for their cause, enlightened by your truth. Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness. Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors. Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th Century, when civilization began to experience an "eclipse of the sense of God" and, therefore to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary. St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be observed. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left touching his garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that "Jesus, I trust in You" be inscribed under his image. Jesus asked that his image be painted and venerated throughout the world: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish" (Diary, no. 48) and "By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls" (Diary, no. 742).

Have you received text messages, emails, or messages through Facebook messenger from someone claiming to be your pastor and asking for money or gift cards, indicating it's an emergency? Don't give. It's not your pastor. It's a scam. **Your pastor will never contact a parishioner directly with an emergency request for cash or gift cards.** Messages asking parishioners to help fulfill a need would come through the parish's or the diocese's official communication channels or be accomplished through a collection approved by the diocese. In addition, please note that neither your parish nor the diocese will ever sell or give away parishioners' personal information.

If you're not sure about a text or email you've received, do not respond. Call your parish office right away to notify a staff member. You can also file a report through the Federal Trade Commission's Complaint Assistant which helps the FTC detect patterns of fraud and abuse by going to <https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/>

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

This weekend we celebrate the Sunday of Divine Mercy. God never ceases offering us His mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit HopeAfterAbortion.org.

There will be a *Parish/Finance* meeting on Tuesday, April 13 at 7:30 pm.

Please turn in your marked Parish Council ballot by **Tuesday, April 13.**

Annual Catholic Appeal Online Giving <https://toledodiocese.org/donate-now>

Our parish goal this year for the Annual Catholic Appeal is \$8,573.00.

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: \$5376.00
Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: \$2001.00
Past collections:
March 28 \$1999.00
March 21 \$1669.00
March 14 \$3191.00

Dear Padre

April 11, 2021

I get a lot of questions from Protestant friends about the Catholic "obsession" (as they put it) with Mary. What should I say to them?

A convert to Catholicism tells the story of a dinner he had with a friend who had a very evangelical outlook. As they talked about the new Catholic's decision to convert, the friend asked hesitantly, "What do you think about Mary?" The new Catholic smiled and said, "I think she's wonderful, don't you?" The friend responded with an embarrassed "Yes, but...."

If Catholics and Protestants can begin with this premise—that Mary is wonderful—it might be possible to step back and consider why. Mary is an extraordinary human being who holds a special place in the Christian faith for two reasons: first, it was through her that God became flesh in the person of Jesus Christ; and second, she was the first to believe in Jesus' mission and ministry.

All Catholic doctrine about Mary refers to two special relationships. She has a special relationship with God because she bore the "God-man" in her womb. She also has a special relationship with us because she was the first Christian.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR

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