

December 12, 2021 ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent



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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 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, December 11:
All Souls**

Sat., December 18~ 4:30 pm Sun., December 19~10:30 am

Sunday, December 12:Marcel Bonin
Chuck Wurth**Living & Deceased
Members of Ritzert Family****EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS OF HOLY
COMMUNION****GREETERS**

Dave & Cindy Gustwiller

Frank & Cheryl Grime

Monday, December 13:St. Lucy
St. Peter~9:00 am
Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/
Mt 21:23-27**LECTORS**

Linda Lauber

Peg Hines

SERVERSMakayla Felder
Anna & Marian ShieldsBrennan Garrow
Trip & Vaughn Langenderfer**Tuesday, December 14:**St. John of the Cross
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
For the People
St. Peter~7:00 pm**USHERS**JR Lauber
Joel FelderTyson Langenderfer
David Dominique**ROSARY LEADER**

Judy Smith

Wednesday, December 15:Advent Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Penance Service~6:45pm**MONEY COUNTERS**Andy & Lois Grime
Cindy Krueger**Thursday, December 16:**Advent Weekday
Bereavement Mass~7:00 pm
Is 54:1-10/Lk 7:24-30**Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.****Friday, December 17:**Late Advent Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17**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, December 18:**Late Advent Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

Area Happenings**Vigil**

St. Peter~4:30 pm

Advent Penance Services

Sunday, Dec. 12-St. Michael, Hicksville @ 2:00 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 15-St. Peter @ 6:45

Wednesday, Dec. 15-St. Mary, Edgerton @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, Dec. 19-Sacred Heart, Montpelier @ 2:00 pm

Sunday, December 19:4th Sunday of Advent
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Colenzo Short
St. Peter~10:30 am**Simplicio & Chris Lopez
45th Anniversary****Arthur Godoy, Jr.**Tridentine Mass~1:00 pm
Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/
Lk 1:39-45

Third Sunday of Advent
Weekend of December 11/12, 2021

In today's Gospel we hear the prophet John the Baptist being asked an insightful stewardship question: "What should we do?" Each group wants to know the appropriate response to John's call; each reply points to how they should treat others. John does not simply say, "Be baptized." Rather, he points them to their jobs and personal relationships. John's message is simple: judgment is near, and repentance includes treating others well. We should be willing to share what we have with those in need. To listen to John the Baptist is to be called to account. Do I give only of my excess, or am I the good steward who is willing to make daily sacrifices in order to help others?

To our loving Church family,

Our thanks to each one of you for your love and concern for us during Dick's passing. We appreciate all your cards, calls, and prayers that have helped us through each day. A special thank you to Father Stanbery, Thom for his inspiring music, the ladies for the luncheon and to each one of you who helped in any way to honor Dick at the memorial. God bless each one of you!

The Dick Roth Family



St. Peter Pastoral Council wants to make sure everyone has the opportunity to have their donation leaf put on the Giving Tree. The Giving Tree is located on the wall just before the sanctuary. This tree is intended to have an appreciation leaf for each person or family who donates \$250 towards the church general fund or renovation fund (*work inside the church*). Forms for the Giving Tree can be found on the table by the bulletin board.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS

Tuesday, December 14

Benediction 6:15
Music 6:30 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

Thank you to Peaches Holland and the awesome Confirmation Class who hosted coffee and rolls last Sunday!



Also, thank you to everyone who helped with or donated items to Christmas Cheer, St. Vincent De Paul and the FISH pantry.

There will be an Advent Vespers service today at Our Lady of Mercy at 4:30.

New lector books are available!



Tuesday, December 14
Guadalupe Mass

Wednesday, December 15
Religious Ed K-HS
Penance Service
6:45 pm

Thursday, December 16
Bereavement Mass
7:00 pm

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: \$4423.05

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: \$1048.05

Past collections:
November 28 \$2,930.85
November 21 \$2298.00
November 14 \$3,188.00

Dear Padre

December 12, 2021

I recently moved to a parish that includes a large Mexican community that's known for their annual posadas event. What is that?

Las posadas, a nine-day novena preparation for the celebration of Christmas, begins December 16 and ends Christmas Eve.

Posada is Spanish for "inn." The ceremony remembers Mary and Joseph's trip to Bethlehem and their difficulty finding a place to stay. Posadas are celebrated in many ways, but the traditional celebration involves a group of people, the "pilgrims," going to several houses, knocking on the door, and asking for posada. The pilgrims sing the part of Joseph as he explains their situation and asks for a place to stay. The people inside sing back that they have no room and that the pilgrims should just move on.

On the last night, the people in the last house recognize that Mary is the Queen of Heaven and that the child she carries is the Savior of the World. They invite the pilgrims inside and hold a prayer service that may include a Scripture reading or the rosary. The celebration ends with food and singing.

This tradition is more than a folksy reenactment of Joseph and Mary's search for lodging—it's a solemn dramatization by women and men who believe God searches with them, a touching ceremony that can help Christians today see the real needs of those who live without the security of a home, health insurance, or a steady job.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR

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