

March 27, 2022 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent



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, March 26:**  
Richard Roth

Sat., April 2, 2022~4:30 pm      Sun., April 3, 2022~10:30 am

**Sunday, March 27:**  
Colenzo Short  
Linda Mermer

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS OF HOLY  
COMMUNION**

**Monday, March 28:**  
Lenten Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

**GREETERS**

Wlasiuks

Frank & Benie Smith

**Tuesday, March 29:**  
Lenten Weekday  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

**LECTORS**

Amy Zientek

Frank Smith

**SERVERS**

Karley Ramirez  
Kassidy & Lainey Zientek

Millers

**Wednesday, March 30:**  
Lenten Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

**USHERS**

Nick & Susan Wlasiuk

Bryan & Jessica Miller

**Thursday, March 31:**  
Lenten Weekday  
No Mass  
Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

**ROSARY LEADER**

Kim Pifer

**Friday, April 1:**  
Lenten Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00am  
Wis 2:1a, 12-22/  
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**MONEY COUNTERS**

Brooke & Sheri Bosco  
Bryan & Jessica Miller

**Saturday, April 2:**  
St. Francis of Paola  
St. Peter~9:00am  
Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

**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.**

Vigil  
St. Peter~4:30 pm  
Juanita Arend

**Area Happenings**

**Sunday, April 3:**  
5th Sunday of Lent  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
St. Peter~10:30 am  
Tony Silveus  
Tridentine~1:00 pm  
Florence Schwind  
Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/  
Jn 8:1-11

**SURGE OF THE HEART PARISH MISSION**

**With nationally known Catholic speaker and best selling author  
Jon Leonetti!**

**Sunday, April 3 & Monday, April 4**

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

**550 Smith Road**

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Weekend of March 26/27, 2022

Today we hear one of the most beloved stories in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son. Reconciliation is a prominent theme. Seeing the younger son returning to him, the son who left the family and squandered his inheritance, the compassionate father runs to embrace him. Jesus offers us a vision of a loving God who is merciful and forgiving when we, through our own sinfulness, leave his presence, and then through repentance, return to him. The remainder of the Lenten season offers us an opportunity to reflect on God's compassion and our need for reconciliation. If you have not done so already, consider celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation and experience God's loving embrace and forgiveness.

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The St Peter Youth Group will be sponsoring a viewing of the movie The Passion of the Christ on April 6, 2022 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm, in the Gathering Hall. (Rated R)  
All members of the parish are invited to view it.

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Experience Forgiveness

Not only does it [the Sacrament of Penance] free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned." Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Penance is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. In confession we have the opportunity to repent and recover the grace of friendship with God. It is a holy moment in which we place ourselves in his presence and honestly acknowledge our sins, especially mortal sins. With absolution, we are reconciled to God and the Church. The Sacrament helps us stay close to the truth that we cannot live without God. "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28).

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Watch Together

FORMED.org has *Forgiven: The Blessings of Confession (kids)* and *Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession (series for adults)*

Plan Together

Find a time that your parish offers the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Go as a family. Examinations of conscience for kids, young adults, single people, and married people can be found here: [usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacramentsand-sacramentals/penance/examinations-of-conscience](http://usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacramentsand-sacramentals/penance/examinations-of-conscience)

Pray Together

Practice the Act of Contrition together. Did you know there are multiple versions? Act of Contrition (Traditional Version) O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen. Act of Contrition (Alternate version from the Rite of Penance) Lord Jesus, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

There will be a Rosary Altar Society meeting today after Mass. All women are invited to attend.

Next Sunday coffee and rolls will be served after Mass. Everyone is invited for food, fun and fellowship!

There will be a Tridentine Mass next Sunday at 1:00 pm.

The Pastoral Council elections are scheduled for the 4th weekend of March and the 1st weekend of April:

- Saturday, March 26
- Sunday, March 27
- Saturday, April 2
- Sunday, April 3



*Wednesday, March 30*  
*Religious Ed (K-8)*  
*6:30 pm*

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: \$3508.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: \$133.00

Past collections:

March 13	\$2211.00
March 6	\$7197.00
February 27	\$2095.00

# Dear Padre

March 27, 2022

**When I'm trying to pray, I can't stop thinking about my to-do list. How do I keep my mind from racing when I pray?**

Most spiritual directors encourage a person to enter gently into solitude and prayer. Real conversation with any friend begins with warm acknowledgment of that friend's presence, so as you sit or kneel, acknowledge that you are in a sacred place and that God is present.

Several techniques can help us find interior silence and solitude. Many people find it helps to sit in a comfortable position and pay close attention to their breathing. Taking slow, deep breaths relaxes our minds and hearts. When repeated, a sacred word like *Jesus* or *Abba* can focus our attention and help us let go of the distractions that can so easily crowd our consciousness.

Another technique is to take a few moments to find quiet, then read a passage from Scripture. Many people choose the Gospel passage of the day; others read a Gospel through from beginning to end by reading a short passage each day. Other excellent techniques to focus your praying include the Church traditions of *lectio divina* as well as the imaginative prayer method advocated by St. Ignatius.

True conversation goes both ways. One way God speaks to us is through the word. Reading Scripture as part of our conversation with God is a good way to be sure we don't do all the talking.

*Fr. Michael Brehl, CSSR*

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