

July 24, 2022 ~ 17th Sunday in 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. Bill. 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. Bill 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

**Saturday, July 23:**  
John Grieser

Sat., July 30, 2022~4:30 pm

Sun., July 31, 2022~10:30 am

**Sunday, July 24:**  
Colenzo Short  
Pat & Juanita Arend

**Monday, July 25:**  
No Mass  
St. James  
2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

**GREETERS**

Nick &amp; Susan Wlasiuk

Matt &amp; Kristin Shields

**LECTORS**

Theresa McColl

Matt Shields

**SERVERS**Connor & Dalton Smith  
Vivianne PiferBrennan Garrow  
Anna Shields  
Marian Shields

**Tuesday, July 26:**  
Sts. Joachim & Anne  
No Mass  
Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43

**USHERS**

Nick &amp; Susan Wlasiuk

John Smith  
David Dominique

**Wednesday, July 27:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Jer 15:10, 16-21/Mt 13:44-46

**ROSARY LEADER**

Arlene Hicks

**Thursday, July 28:**  
Weekday  
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am  
Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

**MONEY COUNTERS**

**We need extra counters! Please consider helping out as a regular counter or as a substitute when needed.**

Brooke & Sheri Bosco  
Bryan & Jessica Miller

**Friday, July 29:**  
St. Martha  
St. Peter~9:00am  
Jer 26:1-9/Jn 11:19-27

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

**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.**

**Saturday, July 30:**  
St. Peter Chrysologus  
No Mass  
Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12

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

Vigil  
St. Peter~4:30 pm

**For the People**

**Sunday, July 31:**  
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
Living & Deceased  
Sarnac Family  
St. Peter~10:30 am  
**Juanita Arend**  
Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23/  
Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

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### Area Happenings

**Ecce Young Adult Choir Presents BEHOLD: A CONCERT of SACRED MUSIC**

**SUNDAY, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 3:00pm: St. Rose Catholic Church**  
215 East Front Street, Perrysburg, OH 43551

**SATURDAY, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm: St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church**  
4916 Trier Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

**SUNDAY, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm Divine Mercy Catholic Church**  
417 North Main Street, Paulding, OH 45879

**SUNDAY, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm: The University of Saint Francis, St. Francis Chapel**  
270I Spring Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46808

**These concerts are free and open to all.**

**For more info, email Jessica Schuster, Director**  
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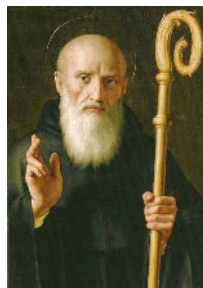


**THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER**

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Weekend of July 23/24, 2022

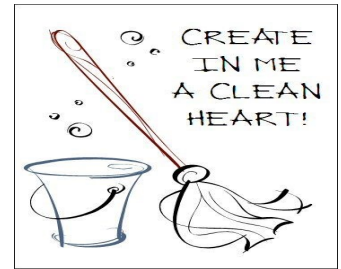
A prominent theme in today’s Gospel parable is generosity. Late at night, a sleepy friend responds to his neighbor’s request for food for an unexpected guest. Jesus suggests that it would be unthinkable for a friend to deny a friend in need. A friend would most certainly give what is asked and more. Through this story, Jesus illustrates God’s generosity. Good stewards realize the extraordinary love and graciousness with which God showers us. We need never convince God to be generous. God is already that generous friend. His abundant love bathes us in goodness. This week, prayerfully reflect on God’s generosity to us. What should our response be to that generosity?

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STEWARDSHIP SAINT for July

Saint Benedict, the father of Western monasticism, is considered a model of Christian stewardship. He authored the famous Rule of St. Benedict, a handbook of daily Christian living that emphasizes exercising stewardship over prayer, work, and community. Born in central Italy in the town of Nursia around 480, Benedict studied in Rome as a young man. He was so distressed by the chaos and incivility he found there that he left the city and traveled to Subiaco, Italy to become a hermit. He soon attracted followers who wanted to join him in his simple way of living; imitating his style of prayer and work while respecting the rhythms of the day. Benedict stayed there for 25 years before taking a small group of his monks to Monte Cassino, near Naples, where he wrote the final version of his Rule. The Rule of St. Benedict started a simple, spiritual tradition that exists to this day. It was meant to “...establish a school for the Lord’s service.” It is a set of Christian principles around which the members of the community were to organize their daily lives, focusing on the most important Christian values that would direct their daily actions and help them cultivate habits that would ensure good stewardship of their physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. A hallmark of Christian stewardship is hospitality, making room for others. St. Benedict found this aspect of the Christian life especially important for his communities. In his Rule, St. Benedict writes: “Let all guests who arrive be received like Christ, for he is going to say: ‘I was a stranger and you welcomed me (Mt. 25:35).’ ‘And to all let due honor be shown, especially to those who share our faith’ (Gal. 6:10) and to pilgrims...In welcoming the poor and pilgrims the greatest care and solicitude should be shown, because it is especially in them that Christ is received” (Rule of St. Benedict 53:1-2, 15). The Rule of St. Benedict was meant to stand on the shoulders of the Gospels and many spiritual writers throughout the ages attest to its transforming power to change lives. It teaches the principles of stewardship, shows one how to live in a way that is uniquely countercultural and invites its adherents to enter into a deeper and more joyful relationship with the Lord. St. Benedict died in approximately 550. He is the patron saint of monks and farm workers. In 1964 Pope Paul VI declared him to be the patron saint of Europe. His feast day is July 11. “Let all guests who arrive be received like Christ, for he is going to say: ‘I was a stranger and you welcomed me (Mt. 25:35).”



A very special thank you to all of the ladies who cleaned and organized the kitchen this week: Chris Lopez, Ann Dominique, Lola Sanchez, Evelyn Roth, Benie Smith, Arlene Hicks and Ruth Solarik. Your time and talent is much appreciated by your church family!



Vacation Bible School starts tonight from 6:00pm-8:00pm!

Please note that Adoration on Tuesday will end at 5:00 pm due to VBS that day and there will be no Mass.

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: \$3,277.05

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$97.95)

Past collections:  
July 10 \$3,303.24  
July 3 \$3244.61  
June 26 \$3607.00

# Dear Padre

July 24, 2022

**My good friend is converting to Catholicism and learning things that I, a cradle Catholic, never knew. Why wasn't I taught these things? I'm embarrassed that a convert knows more than me.**

Catholics receive most of their religious education as children. Even at the high school level, teachers are not able to explore religious topics with the same breadth and depth that occurs during the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) formerly known as RCIA. The Bible, for instance, is taught to children as stories, but adult faith requires us to read and understand Scripture as more than a story.

Adults learn differently from children; adults ask different questions. The facts and contents remain the same, but it's not possible for your early religious education to have the same content and depth as that of an adult who is converting to Catholicism.

Most Catholic parishes need a faith-formation program for adults who want to take their faith to a deeper level. If yours doesn't offer adult-education programs, many publishers offer programs that can be used for individual study. Let your own interest and curiosity be your guide.

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