

February 5, 2023~ 5th Sunday of 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

Tues. 6:15 pm & 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, February 4:**  
**Pat & Juanita Arend**

Sat., Feb. 11, 2022~4:30 pm

Sun., Feb. 12, 2022~10:00 pm

**Sunday, February 5:**  
**Mike & Joyce Britenriker**

**GREETERS**

Smith Family

Maria Gonzales  
Chris Lopez

**Monday, February 6:**

St. Paul Miki

No Mass

Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56

**LECTORS**

Mary Ann Thatcher

Dexter Krueger

**Tuesday, February 7:**

Weekday

St. Peter~7:00 pm

**Ralph Fry Sr.**

Gn 1:20-2:4a/Mk 7:1-13

**SERVERS**Connor & Dalton Smith  
Makayla Felder

Kruegers

**Wednesday, February 8:**

Sts. Jerome &amp;

Josephine Bakhita

St. Peter~9:00 am

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23

**USHERS**Joel Felder  
Chuck McColl

Nick &amp; Susan Walsiuk

**ROSARY LEADER**

Judy Smith

**Thursday, February 9:**

Weekday

Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am

Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30

**MONEY COUNTERS**

Roger Johnson

Nick &amp; Susan Wlasiuk

**Friday, February 10:**

St. Scholastica

St. Peter~9:00 am

Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37

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

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

**Saturday, February 11:**

Our Lady of Lourdes

St. Peter~8:00 am

Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10

**ROSARY ~ The Rosary is said every Sunday at 10:00 AM before Mass.**

**No weekday rosary.**

Vigil

St. Peter~4:30 pm

**Spencer Johnson**


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## Area Happenings

### **Evening of Eucharistic Revival with Bishop Daniel E. Thomas**

During this diocesan year of the National Eucharistic Revival, join us for a worshipful evening of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration to enhance our understanding of, love for, and living out of the Holy Eucharist.

**Location:** St. Patrick, Bryan

**Date:** Sunday February 12, 2023

**Time:** 3:00 PM-4:30 PM



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Weekend of February 4/5, 2023

In this weekend’s readings and psalm, the prevailing theme is that of light: We are the light of the world; our light breaks forth like the dawn; our light shines in the darkness; our light reflects generosity and justice. Good stewards know they are the lamp, and Christ is the flame that, through them, illuminates the earth. They know that they carry Christ’s light in their hearts, and let it shine through their words and deeds. What are we doing to shine Christ’s light on the hungry, the homeless and others most in need of God’s mercy? How do we exercise good stewardship over the light of Christ that burns within each of us?

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Welcome to everyone visiting or new to St. Peter Church! If you would like to register as a parishioner you can find a membership form on the table in the entryway.

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The Maronite Catholic Church, an Eastern Rite Catholic community, celebrates the feast of Saint Maroun on February 9. Saint Maroun is considered the father of the Maronite Catholic community, which professes the same apostolic faith, celebrates the same sacraments and is united with the chief shepherd of the Church, the pope, as are all Roman Catholics throughout the world. Based in part on the writings of Saint John Chrysostom (feast, Sept. 13), Saint Maroun’s life is dated at approximately 350-410. Saints Maroun and John Chrysostom are believed to have studied together in the great Christian learning center at Antioch, which at the time was the third largest city in the Roman Empire. Unlike Saint John Chrysostom, who became Archbishop of Constantinople, Saint Maroun embraced a life of quiet, prayerful solitude in the mountains of Syria. He was known for his simplicity and his extraordinary desire to discover God’s presence in all things. He was also known for his evangelization efforts and his extensive healing ministry. He shared his deep commitment to Christ with everyone he encountered. Saint Maroun’s missionary work came to fruition when he converted an entire pagan community living in the mountains of Syria to Christianity. This was the beginning of mass conversions to Christianity in Syria. Saint Maroun attracted a multitude of followers and drew attention throughout the empire. His influence on the Syrian Christians was so great they took their name after him, “Maronites.” In time, the Maronite movement spread the Christian faith to Lebanon where its influence was even more profound. Saint Maroun is the patron saint of Lebanon, which celebrates his feast day as a national civic holiday for Christians and Muslims alike. Pope Benedict XVI established the granting of a plenary indulgence to anyone who visits a Maronite church on February 9th.

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

Coffee and rolls will be served after Mass today. Everyone is invited!

The Youth Group will have a bake sale at the Fish Fry on **Friday, February 10.**

There will be a Rosary Altar Society meeting on Sunday, February 12 after Mass.

Poinsettias are available for anyone who would like to take one home.

There will be a **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon** on **Sunday, February 19** after the 10:30 Mass, courtesy of the Rosary Altar Society! All members of our parish family are invited to join us for some food and fellowship!



Wednesday, February 8  
Religious Education K-12  
6:30 pm

*Archbold Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: January 13-Good Friday, April 7.*

Eucharistic Adoration starts at 8 am ending with Mass at 7 pm every Tuesday. Call Pat Dominique: 419-446-2206

**Stewardship of Treasure**  
Sunday Offering: \$2562.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$813.00)

Past collections:  
January 22 \$2928.00  
January 15 \$2849.00  
January 8 \$4645.00



# Dear Padre

February 5, 2023

**Sometimes I become pretty disgusted with my life and myself. I wonder if anyone really loves me. Is there any way I can know that God loves me?**

Every human person is made in the image of God. This means that your life is infinitely precious in God's eyes. God values and loves you beyond anything you could ever imagine.

God has also placed into our hearts a yearning for love and happiness that cannot be satisfied by anything less than God. True love will not be found in riches or well-being, in fame or power. True happiness will be found in God alone, the source of all life and all love.

In New Testament times, many people believed that wealth and success were signs of favor and love from God. If disaster struck, you would assume that God was angry with you, or that you had done something wrong. Ill-fortune was a "sign" that God's love had been withdrawn from you.

Jesus turned this sort of thinking on its head. Jesus taught that God truly loves all people, including those who are down on their luck. God's love is not based on wealth, fortune, or success. Rather, God loves you because you are God's own creation, God's child, and heir to God's own kingdom.

You might find it helpful to talk over those feelings of self-disgust with a spiritual director or a confessor. Meanwhile, take comfort in the words of Isaiah: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine (Isaiah 43:1). ●

— *The Redeptorists* / DearPadre.org

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