

March 12, 2023~ 3rd Sunday of Lent



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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. 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, March 11:
Mike & Joyce Britenriker

Sat., Mar. 18, 2023~4:30 pm Sun., Mar. 19, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, March 12:
Marcel Bonin
Muriel Pennington
Pat & Juanita Arend
Ernest & Jeannette Talbot

GREETERS

Kevin & Elizabeth Seibert

Bryan & Jessica Miller

Monday, March 13:
Lenten Weekday
No Mass
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30

LECTORS

Theresa McColl

Steve Bernath

Tuesday, March 14:
Lenten Weekday
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Ralph Fry Sr.
Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35

SERVERS

Seiberts

Millers

Wednesday, March 15:
Lenten Weekday
St. Peter~7:10 am
Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

ROSAERY LEADER

Carol Breidenbach

Thursday, March 16:
Lenten Weekday
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
Leonard Gustwiller

Friday, March 17:
St. Patrick
St. Peter~9:00 am
Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

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

Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.

Saturday, March 18:
St. Cyril of Jerusalem
No Mass
Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

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

Vigil
St. Peter~4:30 pm
Mary Grime

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE:

Sunday, March 19:
4th Sunday of Lent
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Living & Deceased Members
Sarnac Family
Muriel Pennington
St. Peter~10:30 am
Mike & Joyce Britenriker
Julia Sandoval
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/
Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41

Fr. Bill invites you to consider joining him on a pilgrimage that will be taking place to Medjugorje from June 12-22. As a place of alleged apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the past 42 years, Medjugorje draws over one million visitors per year. Pope Francis has officially approved Medjugorje as a place of pilgrimage for all the faithful. Pilgrims participate in the daily parish prayer program, spiritual conferences, and climb the Apparition hill together. As a special opportunity for this trip, arrangements have been made stay in the guest house of one of the visionaries of Medjugorje, Maria Pavlovic, and to be present in her chapel during the time of the alleged apparition of the Virgin Mary that takes place daily. For more information you may contact the Croatian Mir Center at 800-220-7729 or Fr. Bill 419-446-9288. Space is limited.

Third Sunday of Lent
Weekend of March 11/12, 2023

Jesus' longest-recorded conversation with anyone is the one he has with the Samaritan woman at the well. She discovers she can be honest with Jesus and goes and tells others about him. She gives witness. She's not the most certain, thorough or even convincing witness. But her witness is enough. It is inviting, humble, non-judgmental and sincere. What is the quality of our witness? How do our words and actions give daily testimony on behalf of Christ? During this season of Lent, how might we do a better job at proclaiming the risen Lord in word and deed?

There will be a meeting of the Rosary Altar Society after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday this weekend. All women of the parish are welcome!

The Rosary Altar Society will be having a BAKE SALE at the K of C Fish Fry on Friday, March 17. Donations of baked goods for the sale may be brought to the church from 9:00 until noon, or to the K of C hall after 3:00 that day. Monetary donations toward the purchase of pies for the sale can be placed in an envelope and dropped in the collection basket. Thank you for your support!

Rosary Altar Society will also be having another "Cleaning Hour" in the church on Saturday morning, March 25 from 9:00 until 10:00!. Plan to bring your bucket and your favorite cleaning supplies and join us in this great opportunity for both SERVICE and FELLOWSHIP! All are welcome!

Our Rice Bowls are located on the small table and are available to anyone who would like to participate in this ministry. We will send our donations after Easter.

Dispensation from Lenten Abstinence on Friday, March 17 2023

Out of pastoral solicitude, Bishop Daniel Thomas has dispensed the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo, whether actually present in the territory or not, from the obligation to abstain from meat on the memorial of Saint Patrick, Bishop, which will be observed this year on Friday, March 17. Catholics present in the Diocese of Toledo who otherwise reside in another diocese, are likewise dispensed. No member of the faithful is required to make use of this dispensation. Those who choose to make use of the dispensation are strongly encouraged to abstain from meat on some other day that week as part of their penitential practices during Lent. In this way, a faithful Catholic still keeps the penitential spirit of a Friday in Lent and unites oneself more closely with the suffering Christ and His Church.



Mission Trip Fundraiser
After 10:30 am Mass
SUNDAY, March 19



THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

Thank you to the Ramirez family for hosting coffee and rolls and blessing our church family with something extra special and extra YUMMY!

Stations of the Cross
Tuesday, March 14
6:30 pm

Wednesday, March 15
Penance Service
Our Lady of Mercy
7:00 pm

There will be no Religious Education this week. Students are encouraged to attend the Penance Service with their family at Our Lady of Mercy.

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: \$6048.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: \$2673.00
Past collections:

February 26	\$2685.00
February 19	\$2079.00
February 12	\$2966.00



Dear Padre

March 12, 2023

I have done some really terrible things in my life. When I did them, I didn't think anything about them, but now I feel very guilty. Can God really forgive me?

As we Redemptorists like to say, "With God there is plentiful redemption." God's mercy is everlasting and overflowing in its abundance. As we continue in Lent, let's remember that Easter is the sign that God forgave even the great sin of the crucifixion of his only Son. Time and time again throughout the Scriptures, Jesus demonstrates this bountiful mercy. He forgave Zacchaeus, the tax collector. He forgave the woman caught in adultery. He was tender with the Samaritan woman we hear about in today's Gospel. He spent his days living among and forgiving all manner of sinners. He even forgave Peter's great denial. The Church has named a multitude of saints, but note that in 2,000 years it has never declared anyone to be definitively condemned to eternal punishment. There is hope and mercy for all.

No matter how great the sin, God will forgive it. All you have to do is ask for mercy sincerely. All that takes is a repentant heart. From the tone of your message, you are truly sorry. Find a priest with whom you are comfortable and ask him to celebrate with you the sacrament of reconciliation. If you don't know how to go to confession, just ask. The priest will help you. Be at peace. ●

— Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR / DearPadre.org

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