

March 19, 2023~ 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

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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, March 18:
Mary Grime**

Sat., Mar. 25, 2023~4:30 pm

Sun., Mar. 26, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, March 19:

Living & Deceased Members
Sarnac Family
Muriel Pennington
Mike & Joyce Britenriker
Julia Sandoval

GREETERS

Smith Family

Frank & Benie Smith

LECTORS

Jenny Graber

Amy Zientek

Monday, March 20:

St. Joseph
No Mass
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

SERVERS

Caleb Harrow
Connor & Dalton Smith

Kassidy & Lainey Zientek
Makayla Felder

Tuesday, March 21:

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

USHERS

Paul & Deb Herring

Chuck & Theresa McColl
Leonard Gustwiller

Wednesday, March 22:

Lenten Weekday
St. Peter~7:10 am
Is 49:8-15/Jn 4:17-30

ROSARY LEADER**MONEY COUNTERS****Thursday, March 23:**

St. Turbius of Mogrovejo
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Friday, March 24:**

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

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, March 25:

The Annunciation of the Lord
No Mass
Is 7:10-14, 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/
Lk 1:26-38

Pro-Life Speaker

Vigil

St. Peter~4:30 pm

Dick Roth**Daryl Graber**

Please join us in listening to Michelle Thomas. She resides in Ft. Wayne with her husband and has had 9 children. She was adopted at seven days old, and has always been a life-long advocate for the Pro-Life movement. Being told that her heart could not withstand another pregnancy after giving birth to her first son, she placed all of her trust in her Creator. She is passionate about meeting people where they are and helping them see loving one another the way God created us to love!
She will speak Tuesday, March 28 at 7pm after the 6:30pm Mass at St John Church in Defiance.

Sunday, March 26:

5th Sunday of Lent
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
For the People
St. Peter~10:30 am
**Mary Grime Pat &
Juanita Arend**
Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Weekend of March 18/19, 2023

Saint Paul gives us a wakeup call. As stewards of the light of Christ, we are to reflect that light with the help of the Holy Spirit. If Christ's work has transformed and illuminated our lives, there should be a change. The light of Christ's active presence should be at work in us. And as the light shines within us, we take on the properties of that light and we shine too. We are used by God to shine the light of Christ in the lives of others. A challenging Lenten reflection: Is the light of Christ shining in our hearts? Is the light of Christ reflecting out from us to others?

TODAY IS THE DAY



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



MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE:

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.

Rosary Altar Society will 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!



Stations of the Cross
Tuesday, March 21
6:30 pm

Parish Council
Tuesday, March 21
7:30 pm

Religious Education
Wednesday, March 22
6:30 pm

Cleaning Hour
Saturday, March 25
9:00 am

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: \$2435.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget:
(\$940.00)

Past collections:
March 5 \$6048.00
February 26 \$2685.00
February 19 \$2079.00

Dear Padre

March 19, 2023

Why should I bother to be more religious? I'm a good person. Isn't that enough to get me into heaven?

When asked for advice about how people should decide on a vocation, St. Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, said they should do an imagination exercise. "Imagine that you are on your deathbed," he said. "From that point of view what would you wish you had done in your life?" That is still good advice.

Here's another exercise: Imagine you have a grandmother who is completely generous and caring toward you. Throughout your childhood, she was always there for you. But as a teen you belittled her and, in effect, told her that all she had offered is worthless to you. In a saner moment, won't you feel terrible about how you treated her?

Our life with God is much the same. God has given us absolutely everything, from our existence to every breath we take. God has also given us a way to know him through his Son, Jesus (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 73). And one way we know Jesus is through the Church and the celebration of the sacraments (CCC 1085). To refuse these gifts, to say, "I am already a good person. I don't need these gifts from God" is a bit presumptuous, don't you think?

To be "religious" is not just an outward show of piety. It's the way we have been given to learn God's language: the language of forgiveness, of faith, hope, and love. ●

— Bishop Bruce Lewandowski, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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