

July 16, 2023~ 15th Sunday of Ordinary Times



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, July 15:  
For the People**

Sat., July 22, 2023~8:30 pm

Sun., July 23, 2023~10:30 am

**Sunday, July 16:**Eddie Tidwell  
Gina Damman**GREETERS**

Kevin &amp; Elizabeth Seibert

Brooke &amp; Sheri Bosco

**Monday, July 17:**Weekday  
No Mass  
Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34-11:1**LECTORS**

Linda Lauber

Peg Hines

**Tuesday, July 18:**St. Camillus de Lellis  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
Mary Grime  
Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24**SERVERS**Caleb Harrow  
2 SeibertsVivianne Pifer  
Makayla Felder  
1 Zientek**Wednesday, July 19:**Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27**USHERS**Tami Bevins  
JR LauberChris Lopez  
Gary Morman**ROSARY LEADER**

Vivianne Pifer

**Thursday, July 20:**St. Apollinaris  
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am  
Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30**MONEY COUNTERS**Brooke & Sheri Bosco  
Bryan & Jessica Miller**Friday, July 21:**Sts. Lawrence of Brindisi &  
Blessed Francis Jordan  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8**Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.****Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.****Saturday, July 22:**St. Mary Magdalene  
No *MORNING* Mass  
2 Cor 5:14-17/  
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18**ROSARY ~ The Rosary is said every Sunday at 10:00 AM before Mass.  
No weekday rosary.****Vigil**St. Peter~4:30 pm  
Mike & Joyce Britenriker**Sunday, July 23:**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
For the People  
St. Peter~10:30 am  
Mary Grime  
Wis 12:13, 16-19/  
Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey invites area singers to join the 2023 Assumption Choir. This choir, along with a brass quintet, will lead the music for the Vigil Mass of the Assumption, held in the Shrine Park, on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 9:30 p.m. This unique experience gives singers, amateur and professional, the opportunity to sing a wide variety of music with a short-term commitment. Rehearsals will be held from 4:00–5:30 p.m. in the Original Shrine Church (next to the Gift Shop) on Sundays: July 30, August 6, and August 13. Please direct any questions to the basilica's Director of Music Ministries, Mr. Anthony Gallina, at [music@olcshrine.com](mailto:music@olcshrine.com) or 419-396-7107, ext. 104.



A Parent's Prayer for Their Children

O Father of mankind, who hast given unto me these my children, and committed them to my charge to bring them up for Thee, and to prepare them for everlasting life: assist me with Thy heavenly grace, that I may be able to fulfil this most sacred duty and stewardship. Teach me both what to give and what to withhold; when to reprove and when to forbear; make me gentle, yet firm; considerate and watchful; and deliver me equally from the weakness of indulgence, and the excess of severity; and grant that, both by word and example, I may be careful to lead them in the ways of wisdom and true pity, so that at last I may, with them, be admitted to the unspeakable joys of our true home in heaven, in the company of the blessed Angels and Saints. Amen.

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St. Carmen  
Feast Day: July 16

According to my resources, the name Carmen is a derivation of Carmel which is one of the titles given to Our Blessed Mother, namely, Our Lady of Mount Carmel. This is the patronal feast of the Carmelites. The Order of Carmelites takes its name from Mount Carmel, which was the first place dedicated to the Blessed Virgin and where a chapel was erected in her honor before her Assumption into Heaven.

July 16 is also the feast of the "Scapular of Mount Carmel". On that day in 1251, pious tradition says, the Blessed Virgin appeared to St. Simon Stock, General of the Carmelites at Cambridge, England, showed him the scapular and promised supernatural favors and her special protection to his Order and to all persons who would wear the scapular. To obtain the indulgences and other benefits promised to those who wear the Carmelite scapular, a person must be invested by a priest who has the requisite faculties and must lead a consistent Christian life. Her feast day is July 16th.

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The faith formation of our children is so important! We are in need of Catechists and helpers for the upcoming Religious Education year.

It may seem a long way off, but now is the time to start thinking and praying about this ministry and if you have a calling to fill a role. If you have questions or interest, please contact Deb Herring, Father Bill or the office.



**Congratulations to Haley (Doehrmann) and Ethan Schlachter! Blessings on your marriage.**



Check your boxes and find out! Please do a summer cleaning to make room for new mail.

Summer is a busy time for everyone which leads to missing ministry roles. Please step up (or send your child to serve) to fill in any role that is lacking.

If you are not currently serving in a ministry and would like to join or you have questions, contact the office. We have positions open in all areas: greeters, lectors, servers, ushers and rosary leader.

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

**Stewardship of Treasure**  
Sunday Offering: \$3069.45

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$305.55)

Past collections:  
June 25 \$2876.00  
June 18 \$2458.61  
June 11 \$4289.60

# Dear Padre

July 16, 2023

***I have a friend who has been coming to church with me, and he often has questions I can't answer. The big one last week was, "Why don't Catholics have more Bible preaching instead of all this ceremony?" I try to explain, but I don't think I have the right words. Help!***

Your friend's question is very common because our Catholic ceremony can be confusing to those of other faiths.

The Catholic Mass comes from two prayer traditions. First, there is the tradition of the Jewish synagogue service where people gather to read and study the word of God. Second, there is the tradition of the early Christians who met in their homes to celebrate the breaking of the bread.

The earliest Christians, Jewish converts, maintained their Sabbath tradition of reading and studying the word of God. They added to that the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave them. Our Mass puts these two together in the Liturgy of the Word (readings, preaching, prayers) and the Liturgy of the Eucharist (offering, eucharistic prayer, holy Communion).

The homily may not be as long as it is in some other Christian traditions, but the preaching should be solid, based on Scripture, and in line with the teaching of the Church. We are a Church of word and sacrament. We listen to the word of God and we celebrate the breaking of the bread. ●

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