

August 20, 2023~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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, Aug. 19:
Gina Damman
Mona LaNeve

Sat., Aug. 26, 2023~8:30 pm

Sun., Aug. 27, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, Aug. 20:
Jeannette Tidwell
Lott Obermoser
Natividad Anonar
Pat & Juanita Arend

GREETERS

Steve & Barb Dominique

Jeanie Alt
Kristin Shields**LECTORS**

Jenny Graber

Matt Shields

Monday, Aug. 21:
St. Pius X
No Mass
Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22

SERVERS

Seiberts

Anna & Marian Shields
Alexa Alt

Tuesday, Aug. 22:
The Queenship of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Mike & Joyce Britenriker
Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30

USHERS

Steve & Barb Dominique

Dave & Aaron Alt

ROSARY LEADER

Carol Breidenbach

Wednesday, Aug. 23:
St. Rose of Lima
St. Peter~9:00 am
Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16

MONEY COUNTERSRoger Johnson
Nick & Susan Wlasiuk

Thursday, Aug. 24:
St. Bartholomew
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

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

Friday, Aug. 25:
Sts. Louis & Joseph Calasanz
St. Peter~9:00 am
Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/
Mt 22:34-40

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, Aug. 26:
Weekday
No Morning Mass
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17/
Mt 23:1-12

Vigil
St. Peter~4:30 pm
Gina Damman
Wayne & Nance Grime

Sunday, Aug. 27:
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Giovanni Stella
St. Peter~10:30 am
Mary Grime
Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/
Mt 16:13-20

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekend of August 19/20, 2023

In today's first reading, the Lord speaks through the prophet Isaiah during a time of political dissolution and moral decline. The prophet had warned God's judgment against people for the feelings of self-importance they found in their possessions, and condemned them for various forms of economic injustice such as exploiting the poor and immigrants. Good stewards know that Isaiah's message is as compelling today as it was in the time of the kingdom of Judah: Do the right thing. Offer justice and compassion toward others. Be honest in all your dealings. And remember to observe the day of the Lord.

St. Bernard of Clairvaux



St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church St. Bernard was born of noble parentage in Burgundy, France, in the castle of Fontaines near Dijon. Under the care of his pious parents he was sent at an early age to a college at Chatillon, where he was conspicuous for his remarkable piety and spirit of recollection. At the same place he entered upon the studies of theology and Holy Scripture. After the death of his mother, fearing the snares and temptations of the world, he resolved to embrace the newly established and very austere institute of the Cistercian Order, of which he was destined to become the greatest ornament. He also persuaded his brothers and several of his friends to follow his example. In 1113, St. Bernard, with thirty young noblemen, presented himself to the holy Abbot, St. Stephen, at Citeaux. After a novitiate spent in great fervor, he made his profession in the following year. His superior soon after, seeing the great progress he had made in the spiritual life, sent him with twelve monks to found a new monastery, which afterward became known as the celebrated Abbey of Clairvaux. St. Bernard was at once appointed Abbot and began that active life which has rendered him the most conspicuous figure in the history of the 12th century. He founded numerous other monasteries, composed a number of works and undertook many journeys for the honor of God. Several Bishoprics were offered him, but he refused them all. The reputation of St. Bernard spread far and wide; even the Popes were governed by his advice. He was commissioned by Pope Eugene III to preach the second Crusade. In obedience to the Sovereign Pontiff he traveled through France and Germany, and aroused the greatest enthusiasm for the holy war among the masses of the population. The failure of the expedition raised a great storm against the saint, but he attributed it to the sins of the Crusaders. St. Bernard was eminently endowed with the gift of miracles. He died on August 20, 1153. His feast day is August 20.

We still need catechists and helpers for Religious Ed! See the bulletin board for more information. If you have questions or interest, contact Father Bill or Deb Herring.



2023 Catholic Community Fair Booth

Many hands make light work...If you can volunteer just 2 hours on one of the days for which we are responsible for staffing the booth, you would be so very much appreciated! There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the entrance hall or you can call or text Steve Bernath: (419) 525-3744 or email bernath.stephen@gmail.com.



Savannah Short & Trent Crouch

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: \$3067.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$308.00)

Past collections:

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| August 6 | \$5670.13 |
| July 30 | \$2661.66 |
| July 23 | \$2942.16 |

Dear Padre

August 20, 2023

Why are the Scripture readings for Mass so piecemeal? We read part of a verse then jump to another part. Doesn't reading it like this distort the meaning of the passage?

The readings for Mass are in a book called the *Lectionary*. Our current *Lectionary* was set up after the Second Vatican Council. It uses a three-year cycle for the Sunday readings, so over three years we hear the majority of the Bible at Mass. Its introduction states, "The present Order of Readings for Mass, then, is an arrangement of biblical readings that provides the faithful with a knowledge of the whole of God's word, in a pattern suited to the purpose" (*General Introduction to the Lectionary*, Second Edition, 60).

So the readings are not "piecemeal" but rather arranged so that we are exposed to the whole of God's word within three years. At times a given reading may not be complete—for example, the second reading for today is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, chapter eleven, verses 13–15 and 29–32. This is done not only for brevity but for clarity. Those who organized the *Lectionary* thought that this excerpt made the message clearer or gave better emphasis to a point in the reading. It certainly is good to get out your Bible and read the whole section so you can see what is missing, but when the word is proclaimed at Mass, the current arrangement is most effective. ●

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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