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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

Saturday, Sept. 16:

Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian No MORNING Mass 1 Tm 1:15-17/Lk 6:43-49

Vigil

St. Peter~4:30 pm

Deceased Members of the French & Florence

Dominique family

Sunday, Sept. 17:

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am Mike Dwyer St. Peter~10:30 am

People of the Parish

Sir 27:30-28:7/Rom 14:7-9/ Mt 18:21-35

Our Lady of Mercy Feast Day & Festival

September 24, 2023

Starting with a Special Holy Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Followed by our annual Festival

Light breakfast, Silent Auction & other fun activities

Ending with an Our Lady of Mercy traditional festival dinner

COMPLIMENTARY!

COME JOIN THE FUN!



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend of September 9/10, 2023

In Saint Paul's letter to the Romans he suggests that God lavishes his love upon us through Jesus Christ, who calls us to the kind of loving relationship, if we so choose it, that demands accountability. It is like, in Saint Paul's vocabulary, a kind of "debt" that we can never "pay-in full." But we begin to repay by following the direction of one of the most familiar statements in the Bible: "Love your neighbor as yourself." Good stewards realize that God does not call them just to love those who are easy to love, but to love the unloved and the hard-to-love people in this world as well. This week, remind yourself: "I am put here as an ambassador of God's love."

To continue our efforts to defeat the proposed abortion amendment, Issue 1, we are asking Catholics across Ohio to unite in a 54-Day Rosary Novena, starting on Sept. 15, the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, through election day, November 7.

An extreme amendment is on the Ohio ballot in November that threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of pre-born babies up to 9 months.





Join Catholics across Ohio in praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena beginning Friday, Sept. 15, for the defeat of this dangerous amendment.

Sign up for a daily email reminder with novena prayers here ■ or at pray54ohio.org.



Heavenly Father,

September is a month that offers hope for things to come: our daily life has a new rhythm, there are new beginnings and new encounters, and a new energy is seen in the parish community. In this month of accelerating activities, keep us mindful that we live for Christ and not for ourselves.

Give us the strength and the wisdom to be "Doers" of Your Word, and not just listeners; to be good stewards of the Gospel each and every day.

In this month of transition help us find a deeper spiritual balance in our lives that takes time for you, listens to the promptings of your Spirit and give us hope that the body of Christ has well begun the transformation of a troubled world.

We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Thank you to Matt Pacholski and Nick & Susan Wlasiuk for hosting coffee and rolls on Sunday!



Thank you to all who volunteered for the Church Booth at the fair!

There is a Rosary Altar Society meeting immediately after Mass today. All women of the parish are encouraged to join us and find out more about what we do and how you can be involved!



Tuesday, September 12 Finance Council Meeting 7:30 pm

Wednesday, September 13
Religious Ed Registration
6:00 pm-7:45 pm

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: \$5383.30

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00 Over/(Under) Budget: \$2008.30

Past collections:

August 27 \$2990.45 August 20 \$1836.34 August 13 \$3067.00

Dear Padre

September 10, 2023

Recently our new pastor relocated the rectory away from the church and parish office. Why is this becoming more common?

"The laborer deserves his payment" from Luke 10:7 has been traditionally interpreted to suggest that ministers for the Lord engaged in pastoral service are provided with certain basic necessities, such as a place to call home. Some priests are now choosing a distinct location in which to live that is apart from where their ministry is primarily conducted. A reason for this move is often attributed to rectories that have no clear boundaries between the private living space and the parish office.

While clergy in apostolic ministry are not necessarily seeking a cloistered existence, they do deserve the fundamental privacies enjoyed by everyone else. Sometimes this courtesy is not respected by those who have an unhealthy curiosity about the lives of their parish priests or by those who are preoccupied with being "in the know" (and sharing what they know with the rest of the congregation).

Dedicated priests can be accessible and available at various hours during the day or night without having to live in a fishbowl. Sometimes this may warrant a new rectory location or facility, especially if the pastor in stocking feet on his day off can't pour his morning coffee without stumbling into a DRE staff meeting!

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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