

October 15, 2023~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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, Oct. 14:
Mike & Joyce Britenriker
 Grace New

Sat., Oct. 21, 2023~8:30 pm

Sun., Oct. 22, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, Oct. 15:
 Jeannette Tidwell
 Anne Obermoser
People of the Parish

GREETERS

Dave & Jeanie Alt

Susana & Anahi Garcia

Monday, Oct. 16:
 Sts. Hedwig &
 Margaret Mary Alacoque
 No Mass
 Rom 1:1/Lk 11:29-32

LECTORS

Amy Zientek

Matt Shields

SERVERSKassidy & Lainey Zientek
 Baylen CordesAnna & Marian Shields
 Allie Buehrer

Tuesday, Oct. 17:
 St. Ignatius of Antioch
 St. Peter~7:00 pm
Mary Grime
Pat & Juanita Arend
 Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41

USHERS

Dave & Jeanie Alt

John Smith
 Susana Garcia**ROSARY LEADER**

Anna & Marian Shields

Wednesday, Oct. 18:
 St. Luke
 St. Peter~9:00 am
 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9

MONEY COUNTERSAndy & Lois Grime
 Cindy Krueger

Thursday, Oct. 19:
 Sts. John de Brebeuf &
 Isaac Jogues
 Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
 Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.**

Friday, Oct. 20:
 St. Paul of the Cross
 St. Peter~9:00 am
Fr. Norbert Howe
 Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7

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

Saturday, Oct. 21:
 Weekday
 No MORNING Mass
 Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12

Vigil
 St. Peter~4:30 pm
People of the Parish

Sunday, Oct. 22:
 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 Giovanni Stella
 St. Peter~10:30 am
Mike & Joyce Britenriker
Pat & Juanita Arend
 Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/
 Mt 22:15-21

Reach Up Inc. Jail Ministry Benefit

On Saturday 21, 2023 Reach Up Inc. will be having a Jail Ministry Benefit at Mancino's in Archbold. Please enjoy a delicious lunch and/or dinner at Mancino's. Ten percent of the day's proceeds will go to help us purchase Bibles for inmates and provide a Lead Chaplain at CCNO, plus provide clothing upon release for the indigent if needed. We need your help to keep this ministry going. Also, donations may be sent to Reach Up Inc., P.O. Box 422, Archbold, OH 43502.



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekend of October 14/15, 2023

There are a number of Bible verses Christians have memorized. One of them is in Saint Paul's letter to the Philippians found in this weekend's second reading: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Phi. 4:13). Most people define themselves either by their problems or their possibilities. Fearful people wake up each morning ensnared by their problems. Christian stewards wake up reflecting on their possibilities with confidence and hope. Some stewardship reflection questions for the week: What challenges do you back away from because you doubt that you are up to them? What would you attempt tomorrow if you were sure God would help you?

TODAY IS THE DAY



There is a complimentary **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon** today after the 10:30 Mass, courtesy of the Rosary Altar Society. All members of our parish family are invited to join us for some food and fellowship!

STEWARDSHIP SAINT for October Saint Paul of the Cross

Saint Paul of the Cross was born in 1694 in the town of Oavada, in northern Italy, to a wealthy merchant family, the second of sixteen children. At age 19, after a normal childhood, he experienced a conversion that drew him to a life of prayer. When he was 26 years old, during a period of intense prayer and solitude, Paul of the Cross had a series of prayer-experiences which made it clear to him that God was inviting him to form a community of men who would live together and dedicate themselves to preaching the Passion of Christ. His main aim in the community was, as he wrote, to form a man totally centered on God, a man of prayer who is detached from possessions so that he may be free to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. His first companion was his own brother, John Baptist, who was ordained to the priesthood with Paul by Pope Benedict XIII in 1727, in St. Peter's Basilica. After ordination they devoted themselves to preaching missions in parishes, particularly in remote country places where there were not enough priests. Their preaching and retreats gained the attention of others and gradually the "Passionist" community began to grow. The Passionist community was in great demand in many areas of Italy, in part because of the community's success in bringing lapsed Catholics back to the Church, and in their ministry to the sick and dying. During his lifetime, Paul of the Cross was best known for his preaching and spiritual direction. More than two thousand of his letters, most of them letters of spiritual direction, have been preserved. He died in Rome in 1775, at the age of 81. He was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1867. His feast day is October 20.



The Fall Newsletter is coming soon!

Remember to check your mailboxes! If you discover you do not have a box, please let the office know.



Tuesday, October 17
Parish Council Meeting
7:30 pm

Wednesday, October 18
Religious Education
(AT HOME)

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: \$5996.30

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: \$2621.30

Past collections:

September 24 \$3143.00
September 17 \$3249.71
September 10 \$3621.30

Dear Padre

October 15, 2023

My prayer-group leader is encouraging us to write our own prayers for our meetings. Don't you need some formal religious training to write prayers? Will our prayers count?

It's given to every human being to be able to pray. On the level of the spiritual life, prayer is as basic as breathing is to physical life. Everyone at every moment has the grace to say a prayer.

Sometimes I ask people, "Do you pray?" At times they tell me they don't. Then I ask them, "Well, do you talk with God?" And most answer, "Of course." That's praying.

When writing your prayers, I suggest you use this ancient definition as inspiration: Prayer is the raising of the mind and heart to God. I'm sure your prayers will be that in word and feeling, and they will count.

When writing more formal prayers, it's nice to include the prayer elements the Church considers important: adoration of God, contrition and sorrow for sin, thanksgiving for life and for God's care of us in good times and bad, and petition for what we desperately need in our poverty. And for you, a final word. Remember that no matter how bad things may get, no matter how out of control things feel, you always have the gift and power of saying a prayer. Especially in time of temptation—when things really go bad—ask Mary your Mother to pray with you. ●

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