

October 8, 2023~ 27th 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. 7:
People of the Parish

Sat., Oct. 14, 2023~8:30 pm

Sun., Oct. 15, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, Oct. 8:
Marcel Bonin
Ruth Obermoser
Severa Salvador

GREETERS

Paul & Deb Herring

Andy & Lois Grime

Monday, Oct. 9:
Sts. Denis & John Leonard
No Mass
Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37

LECTORS

Peg Hines

Arlene Hicks

Tuesday, Oct. 10:
Weekday
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Pat & Juanita Arend
Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42

SERVERSKarter Zachrich
Makayla Felder
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Kruegers

USHERS

Paul & Deb Herring

Andy & Lois Grime

Wednesday, Oct. 11:
St. John XXII
St. Peter~9:00 am
Joh 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

ROSARY LEADER

Kruegers

Thursday, Oct. 12:
Weekday
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13

MONEY COUNTERSAndy & Lois Grime
Cindy Krueger

Friday, Oct. 13:
Weekday
No MORNING Mass
Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26

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

Saturday, Oct. 14:
St. Calistus
No MORNING Mass
Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

**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
Grace New

Shalom Counseling
Annual Fall Fundraiser & 25th Anniversary Celebration

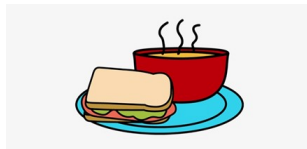
Sunday, Oct. 15:
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Jeannette Tidwell
Anne Obermoser
St. Peter~10:30 am
People of the Parish
Is 25:6-10a/
Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14

Sunday, October 8
Ruihley Park in Archbold

We will be serving your choice of a BBQ chicken or a pulled pork meal by donation from 11am-1:30pm. Event proceeds help cover the cost for the clients who can't pay their full fees for counseling. This year is extra special, as we will be celebrating Shalom's 25th anniversary.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekend of October 7/8, 2023

This weekend's Gospel reading poses some challenging stewardship questions, particularly at a time when so many people are becoming disengaged from their faith communities. When Christ returns, will we be found working diligently in the Lord's "vineyard;" converting our own hearts into a rich harvest of love and compassion? Calling those outside our vineyard to enter into the joy of the Lord? Or will we just be living off of what the Lord has given us, but not sharing God's love with others? Jesus' parable suggests that if we aren't good stewards of the gifts we've been given then the gifts will be taken away, and we will be called to give an account for our failures. We have all we need for a bountiful harvest, even during these disquieting times. What will our Lord find when He returns and asks us to give an account?



There will be a complimentary **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon** on *October 15* 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!



October Stewardship Prayer

Gracious and Loving God,

We gather in your name as stewards of this hour: to reflect, learn, give and receive. This time belongs to you, entrusted to us to shine Christ's light on whom-ever we encounter; among our family and friends, colleagues and strangers, in our Church or in our world, desperate for your presence.

Teach us to use this time prayerfully, with prudence, and with hearts that listen for the promptings of Your Spirit. May we return this hour to You with a fruitful account of our stewardship, hopeful you will find us trustworthy in the small matters, so we may be entrusted with even greater ones.

We ask this through Christ Jesus, Our Lord, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Thank you to Ali & Stella Gracia and Andy & Lois Grime for hosting coffee and rolls on Sunday!

There is a Rosary Altar Society meeting today after Mass. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to attend.



Tuesday, October 10
Finance Meeting
7:30 pm

Wednesday, October 11
Religious Education K-12
6:30 pm

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: \$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 8, 2023

How is an icon different from a regular painting of a saint?

Generally, *icon* means a symbol or image. In the Church, it refers to an image depicting Bible stories or holy people. "Icons express in images the same Gospel message that Scripture communicates by words" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1160).

Even though an icon is an image created with paints, icons are written, not painted. Icon writing, called iconography, is a vocation as well as a talent. The difference between a painter and an iconographer is that iconographers follow strict rules and standards set forth in Eastern Church canon law and Christian tradition. Rooted in God's word, icons are rich in symbolism. The colors, gestures, and shapes speak spiritually to invite us to pray and worship.

Icons can be written on almost any surface, but historically most were written on wood and had a gold-leaf background. One example of this type of icon is Our Mother of Perpetual Help, which is believed to have been written in the fifteenth century. Pope Pius IX gave it to the Redemptorists in 1865, telling the order to "make her known throughout the world." It now hangs in the Church of Sant' Alfonso in Rome.

To see the original icon in real time and learn more about icons, please visit omphicon.org. ●

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