

December 31, 2023~ The Holy Family of Jesus



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, December 30:
People of the Parish**

Sat., Jan. 6, 2023~4:30 pm

Sun., Jan. 7, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, December 31:

Living & Deceased Sarnac Family
Giovannie Stella
Mike & Joyce Dwyer
Cindy Eddy
Jeannette & Ernest Talbot

GREETERS

Dave & Jeanie Alt

Kristin Shields
Peaches Holland

Monday, January 1:

Solemnity of Mary
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/
Lk 2:16-21

LECTORS

Mary Ann Thatcher

Matt Shields

SERVERS

Tripp & Vaughn Langenderfer
Brylee Grime

Anna & Marian Shields
Brylee Grime

Tuesday, January 2:

Sts. Basil the Great &
Gregory Nazianzen
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Mike & Joyce Britenriker
1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

USHERS

Dave & Jeanie Alt

Chris Lopez
Matt Pacholski

ROSARY LEADER

Evelyn Roth

Wednesday, January 3:

The Most Holy Name of Jesus
St. Peter~9:00 am
1 Jn 2:29-3:61/Jn 1:29-34

MONEY COUNTERS

Dave & Mari Yoder
Ron & Carlene Reese

Thursday, January 4:

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Communion Service
1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.****Friday, January 5:**

St. John Neumann
St. Peter~9:00 am
Communion Service
1 Jn 4:11-21/Jn 1:43-51

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

Saturday, January 6:

St. Andre' Bessette
No Morning Mass
1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11

ARCHBOLD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Vigil

St. Peter~4:30 pm

People of the Parish**Sunday, January 7:**

The Epiphany of the Lord
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Marcel Bonin
Ron Lichtenwald
St. Peter~10:30 am

Jeremy Belson

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 50-6/
Mt 2:1-12

**JANUARY 12-
MARCH 29**



**Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Weekend of December 30/31, 2023**

When Jesus is presented in the Temple, our Blessed Mother formally offers him to God's service without reservation. It is a service that Simeon prophetically foretells: a service to God that will turn the old laws and cultural norms upside down. Are we destined to hold on to old habits and customs tightly, or like Jesus, are we willing to serve the Lord and proclaim the Gospel in new and creative ways?

St. Sylvester, born in Rome, was ordained by Pope St. Marcellinus during the peace that preceded the persecutions of Diocletian. He passed through those days of terror, witnessed the abdication of Diocletian and Maximian, and saw the triumph of Constantine in the year 312. Two years later he succeeded St. Melchiades as Bishop of Rome. In the same year, he sent four legates to represent him at the great Council of the Western Church, held at Aries. He confirmed its decision and imparted them to the Church.

The Council of Nice was assembled during his reign, in the year 325, but not being able to assist at it in person, on account of his great age, he sent his legates, who headed the list of subscribers to its decrees, preceding the Patriarchs of Alexandria and Antioch. St. Sylvester was Pope for twenty-four years and eleven months. He died in the year 335. His Feast Day is December 31st.





**St. Peter: New Year's Eve Holy Day Mass
Sunday, December 31
4:30 pm**

**Our Lady of Mercy: New Year's Holy Day
Monday, January 1
9:00 am**

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

On Sunday, January 7 there will be coffee and rolls served after Mass. Everyone is invited!

There are McDonald gift cards for all our servers in the sacristy. Thank you for being a part of this ministry and serving our parish!

Please check your mailbox! If you discover you do not have one, please contact the office.



Wednesday, January 3
Religious Education K-12
6:30 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: \$9353.50

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget:
\$5461.50

Past collections:

December 17 \$3892.00
December 10 \$4,475.00
December 3 \$4,042.00



Dear Padre

December 31, 2023

How much should we support our adult children? We have a niece and a daughter who are both healthy, capable, and in their twenties. We have set boundaries and continue to give to them but they just can't seem to get their act together. Would it be unchristian to cut them off?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes in detail the duties of family members toward each other (CCC 2214–33). Parents are responsible to ensure that their children grow up in faith and to meet their basic needs. Children should show respect toward their parents and, as they grow older, assist them as needed. As children become adults, they should take on responsibility for themselves and parents are not to pressure them into choices of a profession or a spouse, while at the same time, “giving their children judicious advice...” (CCC 2230). At some point, children need to become responsible adults, which brings us to your point.

You seem to have done what is required as parents. At the same time, you would not want to abandon young adults if physical, mental, or emotional factors prevent them from assuming the responsibility of adulthood. If they are healthy, capable young people they should be able to progress in life without your financial assistance. To help them toward this goal, you may want to set very specific limits, perhaps with the help of a counselor, and then consistently follow those limits. ●

Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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