

February 18, 2024 ~ 1st Sunday of Lent



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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](http://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, February 17:**  
Cindy Eddy  
Cathy Warner

Sat., Feb. 24, 2023~4:30 pm

Sun., Feb. 25, 2023~10:30 am

**Sunday, February 18:**  
People of the Parish  
Gina Damman  
Mary Susan Vinskey

**GREETERS**

Dave &amp; Jeanie Alt

Alt Family

**Monday, February 19:**  
Lenten Weekday  
No Mass  
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

**LECTORS**

Dexter Krueger

Steve Bernath

**SERVERS**

Kruegers

Karter Zachrich  
Alexa Alt  
Makayla Felder

**Tuesday, February 20:**  
Lenten Weekday  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
Communion Service  
Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

**USHERS**

Dave &amp; Jeanie Alt

Steve &amp; Barb Dominique

**Wednesday, February 21:**  
St. Peter Damian  
St. Peter~7:10 am  
Communion Service  
Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

**ROSARY LEADER**

Mary Schrock

**MONEY COUNTERS**Karen Dominique  
Nick & Susan Wlasiuk

**Thursday, February 22:**  
The Chair of St. Peter  
No Mass  
1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

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

**Friday, February 23:**  
St. Polycarp  
No Mass  
Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

**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, February 24:**  
Lenten Weekday  
No Morning Mass  
Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

**ADULT EPIC**

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

EPIC stands for Evangelizing People in Catholicism and is the Faith Formation Program at Saint Patrick Catholic Church in Bryan, Ohio

*Be sure to mark your calendars*

**Wednesday, February 21 at 6:45 PM**  
for the next Adult EPIC featuring:

**Sunday, February 25:**  
2nd Sunday of Lent  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
Chuck Wurth  
Giovanni Stella  
Ronald Keil  
St. Peter~10:30 am  
Larry Miller  
Maryann Thatcher  
Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/  
Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

**Rick Lingvai**, son of Tom and Sue Lingvai and co-host of **“Casting the Net”** and **Fr. Dave Nuss**, Pastor of Christ the King Parish in Toledo and long-time weekly host on Annunciation Catholic Radio and podcast co-host of **“Casting the Net.”** They will speak on **“Let the Children Come to Me: Raising Faithful Kids in a Faithless World.”**

*There is a \$5 fee per session.**All programming takes place in the church/school cafeteria.*

Second Sunday of Lent  
Weekend of February 24/25, 2024

The Gospel story of the transfiguration of Jesus holds many lessons; the most prominent being the transformation of Jesus from simply being perceived as a wise and gifted prophet to the one who has fulfilled the sacred traditions of the Mosaic law and the hope of the prophets, the Messiah, the Christ. The Lord calls his stewards to participate in His redemptive activity. Heeding this call requires transformation, being willing to renounce patterns of behavior that draw us away from God. In this coming week of Lent, let us pray for the grace to be transformed, so that by our goodness and generosity, we may walk more authentically in the footsteps of Jesus. ICSC@catholicstewardship.org (800) 352-3452 International Catholic Stewardship Council www.catholicstewardship.

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2024 Annual Catholic Appeal starts  
**February 17 & 18, 2024**  
**Our Prayer for 2024's Annual Catholic Appeal**

Jesus Christ, Yesterday, Today, and Forever, we thank you and praise you for Your boundless love, and the gift of yourself in the Holy Eucharist. Your Word declares that we can do all things through you. As we come together in support of our Annual Catholic Appeal, grant us discernment to see as you see, generous hearts to love as you love, and the courage and wisdom to do the Father's Will, as you did. May we persevere in all our work in your name and never stop seeking you. Fill us with grace to wonder at your Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, to receive you with great faith and love, and to be transformed by your Body and Blood to be your presence in the world. Amen.

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STEWARDSHIP SAINT for February

Saint Miguel Febres Cordero Saint Miguel Febres Cordero is Ecuador's first canonized saint. He was born in 1854 in the city of Cuenca, which is located 8,000 feet high in the Andes Mountains. He joined the Christian Brothers as a young teenager and during his first years as a brother developed a Spanish grammar textbook that was published when he was 19 years old. Brother Miguel's grammar book eventually became the standard text for all schools in Ecuador. He continued his work on similar educational publications and became recognized internationally as a Catholic educator. Brother Miguel also ministered extensively in the area of religious education and he made a lifelong commitment of preparing young people for the sacraments. He was a humble, dedicated religious who devoted himself to the stewardship of education, both in the Spanish language arts and in religious formation for youth. He died in 1910 at the age of 56 and was canonized by Saint John Paul II in 1984. His feast day is February 9.

As we mark President's Day, February 19, let us pause and remember the words of Abraham Lincoln on prayer. "I have been driven many times upon my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had no where else to go. My own wisdom and that of all about me seemed insufficient for that day."

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*Rice Bowls are on the table for anyone who would like to enrich your Lenten journey by supporting this ministry.*

The flowers for this weekend are in memory of Lowell and Barbara Merillat.



STATIONS of the CROSS

**St. Peter**  
TUESDAYS DURING  
LENT  
6:30 pm

**Our Lady of Mercy**  
Wednesday, Feb. 21  
7:00 pm  
Wednesday, March 13  
7:00 pm



Rosary: 6:45 am  
Mass 7:10 am

*This week there will be a Communion Service not a 7:10 am Mass.*

Religious Ed is on-site this week.

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: \$3571.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: \$196.00

Past collections:  
February 4 \$3267.67  
January 28 \$1995.00  
January 21 \$3276.00



# Dear Padre

February 18, 2024

**We're in the middle of home renovations, and the season of Lent is beginning. Everything is in total disarray. Any ideas to help me "keep my religion" at this time?**

"There is...a time to tear down, and a time to build" (Ecclesiastes 3:1, 3). During the season of Lent—a word meaning "spring"—we are called to put away the "dead" deeds of winter. It's a time of spiritual "spring cleaning" for the individual and for the faith community. As nature renews herself every spring, so do we. The change of season may even prompt a renovation project—the kind you are now undertaking. The structural changes to a home afford many spiritual parallels—the redoing of your physical home can be a challenge to realign your spiritual home during Lent.

In the Genesis story, God is pleased with the handiwork of his creation. Likewise, our stamina, perseverance, and patience to see a work through to its completion are cause for great satisfaction and celebration. This would remind us that we are made in the same image of God, who took delight in his own work. Lent also can become a time of delighting in ourselves as God's special and ongoing creation.

When your home improvement project is completed, arrange for a blessing of your home. Enthroned a special cross or icon to venerate, light a devotional candle, and use holy water in the area of the home that was improved. At that time, remind yourself again that you and your home belong to the Lord—renewed during the spring cleaning of Lent! ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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