

March 17, 2024 ~ 5th Sunday of Lent



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, March 16:
People of the Parish

Sat., Mar. 23, 2023~4:30 pm Sun., Mar. 24, 2023~10:30 am

Sunday, March 17:
 Muriel Pennington
Gina Damman
Marysusan Vinsky

GREETERS

Alt Family/Jeanie Alt Pacholski Family

Monday, March 18:
 St. Cyril of Jerusalem
 No Mass
 Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Jn 8:1-11

LECTORS

Jenny Graber Dexter Krueger

SERVERS

Karter Zachrich Kruegers
 Alexa Alt
 Plus ONE

Tuesday, March 19:
 St. Joseph
 St. Peter~7:00 pm
 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/
 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

USHERS

Aaron Alt Matt Pacholski
 Dave Alt Mike Schrickel

Wednesday, March 20:
 Lenten Weekday
 St. Peter~7:10 am
 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/
 Jn 8:31-42

ROSARY LEADER

Kruegers

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
 Leonard Gustwiller

Thursday, March 21:
 Lenten Weekday
 Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
 Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

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

Friday, March 22:
 Lenten Weekday
 St. Peter~9:00 am
 Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

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, March 23:
 St. Turibus of Mogrovejo
 No Morning Mass
 Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

Vigil
 St. Peter~4:30 pm
Dick Roth
Daryl Graber

Sunday, March 24:
 Palm Sunday
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 Ron Lichtenwald
 Muriel Pennington
 St. Peter~10:30 am

People of the Parish
 Mk 11:1-10/Is 50:4-7/
 Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47



19 MARCH 2024
06:30PM

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TOPIC THE TERROR OF DEMONS: THE VIRTUES OF ST. JOSEPH

"I believe John is one of the great emerging Catholic voices of our time. John Wood has a passion that is contagious... make an effort to go and hear him speak!"
Matthew Kelly | The Dynamic Catholic Institute



Fifth Sunday of Lent
Weekend of March 16/17, 2024

If your parish celebrates the Mass for the Third Scrutiny for catechumens preparing for Baptism at the Easter vigil, you may hear the Gospel story of Jesus raising his friend, Lazarus, from the dead. One of the many lessons learned from this Gospel story is that of Martha's confession of faith in her friend: "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." Raising Lazarus from the dead was a miracle and a clear display of God's power. It was also an unmistakable sign that Jesus was the Christ. Good stewards of their faith see signs of Christ's presence all around them and are eager to respond in faith. The stewardship question for us is: Who or what will be the Lord of our lives? Will it be Christ Jesus? And if so, how will we respond to him? Are we willing to walk in his footsteps and follow his example? If your parish does not celebrate the Mass for the Third Scrutiny for catechumens, you may hear the Gospel story of Jesus inviting his disciples into a great mystery with curious pronouncements: Those who love their lives just as they are will lose them. If a grain of wheat dies, it will bear much fruit...What does Jesus mean? The climactic event of Jesus' passion and death is drawing closer; a time when the great confrontation between Jesus and the powers of darkness take place. When Jesus is lifted up, he will draw all to himself. The Christian steward knows life can't be lived in complacency. We are called to die to self, bear more fruit, be raised up with Jesus. Jesus brings discomfort to those who are comfortable. Jesus urges us to give witness in his name. How will we respond?



Help us now, Lord, in our feeble attempts to make up for past sin. Bless our efforts with the rich blessing of Your grace.

Country Prayer for Lent

Dear Lord, we are now in the holy season of Lent. We begin to realize anew that these are the days of salvation, these are the acceptable days. We know that we are all sinners. We know that in many things we have all offended Your infinite majesty. We know that sin destroys Your life in us as a drought withers the leaves and chokes the life from the land, leaving an arid, dusty desert. Help us now, Lord, in our feeble attempts to make up for past sin. Bless our efforts with the rich blessing of Your grace. Make us realize ever more our need of penance and of mortification. Help us to see, in our ordinary difficulties and duties, in the trials and temptations of every day, the best opportunity of making up for past infidelities. Every day we are so often reminded in field and wood, in sky and stream, of Your own boundless generosity to us. Help us to realize that You are never outdone in generosity, and that the least thing we do for You will be rewarded, full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and flowing over. Then we shall see, in our own souls, how the desert can blossom, and the dry and wasted land can bring forth the rich, useful fruit that was expected of it from the beginning. Amen.

Our Community Meal Day is on Tuesday, March 19. Please drop off cupcakes at St. John Christian Church on that day. Volunteers should arrive by 4:45 pm. Thanks!

We recently received a rebate check for \$551.65 from **Archbold Super Valu** from the receipts we have collected and turned in. Please continue to put your shopping receipts from them in the box provided in the church entrance. This money goes into our general fund. Thanks to all of you who turn in receipts!

This Week

Tuesday, March 19
Stations of the Cross 6:30pm
Parish Council Mtg. 7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 20
Religious Education
Family Catechesis Night 6:30
Penance Service-OLOM
7:00 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: \$2438.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$937.00)

Past collections:

March 3	\$6,204.00
February 25	\$2,426.01
February 18	\$2585.00

Dear Padre

March 17, 2024

What is the difference between temptation and sin?

The temptations of Jesus, as they are recorded in the Gospels (Mark 1:12, Luke 4:1, and Matthew 4:1), give us the proper direction with regard to sin and temptation. Jesus was tempted three times, but he did not sin. More than that, Jesus put his trust in God during the temptations. Jesus' message is clear: if you feel tempted, call out to God!

The Church teaches that sin is a deliberative process. Temptation is something that happens to you without your consent: a thought or desire pops into your mind. For temptation to become a sin, you have to entertain that thought or desire, or plan to act on it, or do it. That's when temptation "turns a corner" and becomes sin.

Although the sacrament of penance is available throughout the year, the Church places a special emphasis on it during Lent. There may be a communal penance service in your area. Perhaps you can commit now to participating in the service. If it's been a while since you've been to confession or you're not sure what to do or say, just tell the priest. He will show you. ●

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