

March 24, 2024 ~ Palm Sunday



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 23:**  
**Dick Roth**  
**Daryl Graber**

Sat., Mar. 30, 2023~8:30 pm

Sun., Mar. 31, 2023~10:30 am

**Sunday, March 24:**  
 Ron Lichtenwald  
 Muriel Pennington  
**People of the Parish**

**GREETERS**

Chuck &amp; Theresa McColl

Brooke &amp; Sheri Bosco

**Monday, March 25:**  
 Monday of Holy Week  
 No Mass  
 Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

**LECTORS**

Steve Bernath

Matt Shields

**Tuesday, March 26:**  
 Tuesday of Holy Week  
 St. Peter ~ 7:00 pm  
 Is 49:1-6/Jn 12:21-33, 36-38

**SERVERS**Brennan Garrow  
SeibertsAnna & Marian Shields  
Caleb Harrow

**Wednesday, March 27:**  
 Wednesday of Holy Week  
 St. Peter ~ 7:10 am  
 Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

**USHERS**

Chuck &amp; Theresa McColl

Chris Lopez  
Gary Morman

**Thursday, March 28:**  
 Thursday of Holy Week  
 Our Lady of Mercy ~ 6:00 pm  
 St. Peter ~ 8:00 pm  
 Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

**MONEY COUNTERS**Chuck & Theresa McColl  
Leonard Gustwiller

**Friday, March 29:**  
 Good Friday  
 St. Peter ~ 12:15 pm  
 Our Lady of Mercy ~ 3:00 pm  
 Is 52:13-53:12/Heb 4:14-16,  
 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19

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

**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.**

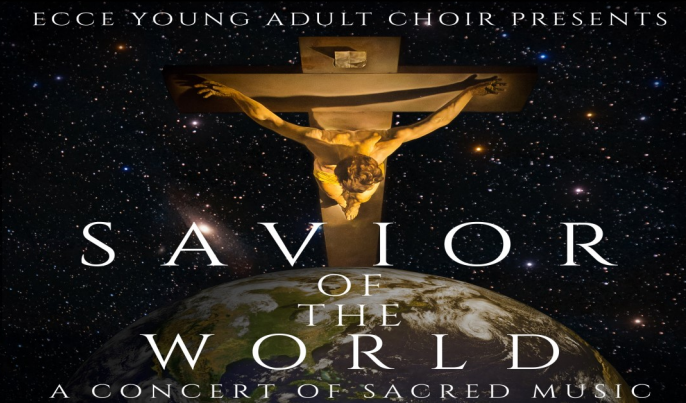
**ROSARY ~ The Rosary is said every Sunday at 10:00 AM before Mass.  
 No weekday rosary.**

**Saturday, March 30:**  
 No Morning Mass  
 Gn 1:1-2:2/Ex 14:15-15:1/  
 Is 54:5-14/Rom 6:3-11/  
 Mk 16:1-7

Vigil  
 St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm  
**Tom Stierwalt**  
**Sharon Gigax**

**Sunday, March 31:**  
 Easter Sunday  
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
 People of the Parish  
 St. Peter ~ 10:30 am  
**Gina Damman**  
 Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/  
 Mk 16:1-7

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A CONCERT OF SACRED MUSIC

**APRIL 14TH AT 3:00PM ~ TOLEDO, OH**  
 OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL

**APRIL 27TH AT 2:00PM ~ NEW HAVEN, IN**  
 ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

**APRIL 28TH AT 3:00PM ~ CAREY, OH**  
 NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION

**MAY 4TH AT 2:00PM ~ FORT WAYNE, IN**  
 ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

ALL CONCERTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JESSICA SCHUSTER DIRECTOR: JESSICA.SCHUSTER155@GMAIL.COM  
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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion  
Weekend of March 23/24, 2024

This weekend we participate in the proclamation of the passion and death of Jesus according to the Gospel of Mark. In the extended version of this weekend's Gospel reading, Jesus is at Gethsemane, praying to his Father, in much emotional distress. He knows he can save himself. He can escape over the Mount of Olives in the dead of night and make his way safely into the Judean desert. Instead, Jesus chooses obedience to his Father and waits for his persecutors. As Saint Paul puts it in the second reading, Jesus is "obedient to the point of death." Jesus' obedience is a lesson for those who are good stewards of their life in Christ. Let us reflect on how we might be more obedient to the will of God instead of our own will.

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**Tuesday, March 26**

*Confessions* 5:30-6:30 pm  
*Stations of the Cross* 6:30 pm  
*Mass* 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, March 27**

*Mass* 7:10 am

**Holy Thursday, March 28**

*Our Lady of Mercy* 6:00 pm  
*St. Peter* 8:00 pm

**Good Friday, March 29**

*St. Peter* 12:15 pm  
*Our Lady of Mercy* 3:00 pm

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, March 30**

*St. Peter* 8:30 pm

**Easter Sunday, March 31**

*Our Lady of Mercy* 8:30 am  
*St. Peter* 10:30 am

**THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER**

The Pastoral Council is an advisory group appointed by the pastor and meets with him to discuss relevant parish matters. If you or someone you know may be interested to serve a term on the Council please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Bill.

Thank you to everyone who donated pies, brought baked goods or helped work the K of C Bake Sale. The Rosary Altar Society made \$557.95.



Thank you to everyone who donated cupcakes and helped at the Community Meal!

*There are prayer cards in the pew (St. Michael/Priest Vocation) for anyone who would like one. A wonderful way to help memorize and reflect upon two powerful prayers.*

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: \$2901.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget: (\$474.00)

Past collections:

March 10 \$2438.00  
March 3 \$6,204.00  
February 25 \$2,426.01



# Dear Padre

March 24, 2024

***I am the divorced mother of three young children. My daughter is making her first Communion and I want to go to Communion with her. But I haven't been to Mass in three years because of my divorce. I am nervous and embarrassed about returning to the Church. What can I do?***

Sharing in your daughter's preparation for holy Communion is a lovely desire and a good chance to look closely at your own faith; it may be the "little push" you need. She needs to see in you someone who has faith and is committed to the Church. Taking your children to Mass each Sunday is a good start.

You mentioned that you haven't been to church in three years because of your divorce. You may be confused about the teachings of the Church concerning divorce. Divorced Catholics are still full members of the Church and can receive holy Communion. If you have remarried outside the Church, it is a more complicated issue, yet not hopeless.

Since you haven't been to Mass in three years, the first step is to talk to your pastor or another priest with whom you feel comfortable. Be honest. Explain why you have stayed away from the Church. Then set up a time to go to confession. And please don't be ashamed or embarrassed about coming back to church. No matter how long it has been, the Church welcomes you home. ●

*The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org*

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