

April 14, 2024 ~ 3rd Sunday of Easter



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, April 13:**  
People of the Parish

Sat., April 20, 2023~4:30 pm

Sun., April 21, 2023~10:30 am

**Sunday, April 14:**  
Eddie Tidwell  
**Tom Stierwalt**  
**Sharon Gigax**

**GREETERS**Peaches Holland  
Susan Grieser

Mike &amp; Barb Britenriker

**Monday, April 15:**  
Easter Weekday  
No Mass  
Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

**LECTORS**

Linda Lauber

Steve Bernath

**Tuesday, April 16:**  
Easter Weekday  
St. Peter ~ 7:00 pm  
Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

**SERVERS**

Kruegers

Karter Zachrich  
Brylee Grime  
Baylen Cordes

**Wednesday, April 17:**  
Easter Weekday  
St. Peter ~ 9:00 am  
Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

**USHERS**Tom Young  
JR Lauber

Mike &amp; Barb Britenriker

**Thursday, April 18:**  
Easter Weekday  
Our Lady of Mercy ~ 9:00 am  
Joy Short  
Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

**ROSARY LEADER**

Mary Schrock

**MONEY COUNTERS**Sheri & Brooke Bosco  
Bryan & Jessica Miller

**Friday, April 19:**  
Easter Weekday  
St. Peter ~ 9:00 am  
*Communion Service*  
Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

**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, April 20:**  
Vigil  
St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm  
**Grace New**  
**Gina Damman**  
Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

**Robert Rogers-Mission**

When: Thursday, April 25 @ 6:30 pm

Where: St. Peter Catholic Church

Robert Rogers has suffered an unthinkable tragedy in his young life when he lost his precious wife and all four children in a flash flood in Kansas in 2003. In the midst of it all he has found the Presence and Love of God. Robert shares practical and inspirational encouragement when sorrow and pain seem too much to bear. It will truly take you on a journey to rise above your own adversity, and overcome whatever situation you encounter.

Bring your families of all ages. Invite neighbors and friends. This is truly an uplifting experience you won't want to miss!

**Sunday, April 21:**  
4th Sunday of Easter  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
People of the Parish  
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am  
**Sharon Gigax**  
Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/  
Jn 10:11-18



Third Sunday of Easter  
Weekend of April 13/14, 2024

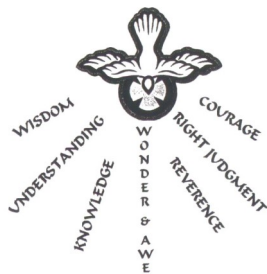
An underlying lesson from all three readings this weekend is that the Risen Christ has wiped away our sins, not only for individuals, but throughout the world and its history. The terrible power of sin has now been reversed and our coming to perfection through the love of God is part of the Easter experience. As stewards of God's love we are called to participate in Christ's redemptive activity. The stewardship questions for us are many: How do we resist injustice at home or in the workplace? How do we confront violence in our language and attitudes? How do we bring Christ to others?

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- Carson Armstrong
- Brenden Bosco
- Tyson Bosco
- Mylee Dominique
- Makayla Felder
- Anahi Garcia
- Brylee Grime
- Callie Guelde
- Zachary Krueger
- Tripp Langenderfer
- Layne Miller
- Vivianne Pifer
- Brendan Woenker
- Lainey Zientek

Be filled with the Holy Spirit!



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The Rosary Altar Society T-Shirt orders can be turned into collection basket, office (or bin outside of office). Extra order forms are on the table in entryway or can be found on our church website.

Thank you to our hosts for coffee and rolls last Sunday: the Bernath, Bosco, Guelde, Schaffner and Zientek families!

There will be a *Rosary Altar Society meeting today after Mass. All women of the parish are invited to attend.*

Next Sunday, April 21 the youth group will be having a *Breakfast Fundraiser* for their mission trip this summer. Please support this ministry!

There is a cookie sign-up sheet on the table in the entryway for the Robert Rogers mission on Thursday, April 25.



Wednesday, April 17  
*Religious Education*  
(At HOME)

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: \$2817.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00  
Over/(Under) Budget:  
(\$558.00)

Past collections:

March 31	\$6341.00
March 24	\$2987.00
March 17	\$2901.00

# Dear Padre

April 14, 2024

## What is a "covenant," and how are marriage and covenant related?

"Covenant" is the word the Church employs to define and describe the sacrament of matrimony. It is clearly based on the idea of "covenant" contained in Scripture. In contrast, society uses the related word "contract," as in the "marriage contract." However, these two words do not mean the same thing.

The meaning of "contract" is too limited to contain the full commitment of Christian marriage. When you sign a contract, you are legally bound only to its terms. You need not do more or less than what is stipulated in its wording. Warmth and concern for the well-being of one party for the other are not stipulated in a contract.

A covenant, on the other hand, is different. Although it may contain some aspects of contract, it establishes a personal relationship of closeness, affection, and warmth, and it locks the couple into a mutual commitment to each other's well-being.

As God freely chose Israel from all the nations possible, so do two people choose each other from all other people. As God declared, "I will take you as my people, and I will be your God" (Exodus 6:7). In the same way, a husband and wife pledge total commitment to each other.

Christian marriage bears the same characteristics of covenant commitment—the personal relationship of caring, loyalty, intimacy, exclusivity, permanency, and, above all, love; hence the use of "covenant" to define Christian marriage. ●

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