

December 22, 2024 ~ 4th Sunday of Advent



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 21:
Christmas Novena

Sat., Dec. 28, 2024~4:30 pm

Sun., Dec. 29, 2024~10:30 am

Sunday, December 22:
Christmas Novena

Monday, December 23:

St. John of Kanty

No Mass

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday, December 24:

Christmas Eve

St. Peter~4:30 pm & 9:00 pm

Our Lady of Mercy~ 7:00 pm

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/

Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday, December 25:

Christmas

Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am

Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/

Jn 1:1-18

Thursday, December 26:

St. Stephen

Our Lady of Mercy ~ 9:00 am

Communion Service

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59/

Mt 10:17-22

Friday, December 27:

St. John

St. Peter~9:00 am

Communion Service

1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday, December 28:

Vigil

St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm

Jose Sandoval

1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Mt 2:13-18

Sunday, December 29:

The Holy Family of Jesus,

Mary and Joseph

Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am

People of the Parish

St. Peter ~ 10:30 am

Cindy Eddy**Loman Radabaugh**

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/

Lk 2:41-52

GREETERS

Dave & Cindy Gustwiller

Alt Family

LECTORS

Amy Zientek

Dexter Krueger

SERVERS

Carson Armstrong

Lainey Zientek

Plus One

Kruegers

USHERS

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Mike Kennedy

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Judy Smith

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl

Leonard Gustwiller

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.

Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist

Location: Fremont Performing Arts Center 1100 North Street
Fremont, OH 43420

Show times and ticket prices

Sunday, January 5 at 3:00 pm or Friday, January 17 at 6:30 pm \$5 for adults/\$3 for Senior Citizens and Teens/\$3 for ages 8-12

Free for ages 7 and under, but you must reserve a seat. You can do that by texting: (419) 355-9169 or emailing: healthnowjo-



THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER



In Sunday's Gospel, Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth. The two of them demonstrate just how to trust God's word and to rejoice in God's blessings. They both praise God, and Elizabeth gives us the words that are central to the Hail Mary: "Blessed is the fruit of your womb." The mystery of the Incarnation—God taking on human flesh by the Virgin Mary—is the great sign of divine care for us all.

Pray!

Jesus, teach us to love your mother, Mary, like you do. Amen.

Think!

In what ways can you imitate Mary and help bring Jesus to others?

Act! Talk about what our Blessed Mother, Mary, means to your family. Before a statue or image of Mary in your domestic church, pray a Hail Mary together.



MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES-Tuesday, Dec. 24

(4:30)

Greeters: Andy & Lois Grime
Lector: Jenny Graber
Servers: Kruegers
Ushers: Tom Young, Tami Bevins

(9:00)

Greeters: Chuck & Theresa
Lector: Theresa McColl
Servers: Seiberts
Ushers: Chuck McColl, Plus ONE

Christmas Eve:

Tuesday, December 24
4:30 pm ~ **St. Peter**
7:00 pm ~ **Our Lady of Mercy**
9:00 pm ~ **St. Peter**

Christmas Morning:

Wednesday, December 25
9:00 am ~ **Our Lady of Mercy**

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, December 31
4:30 pm ~ **St. Peter**

New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 1
9:00 am ~ **Our Lady of Mercy**

There will be
NO ADORATION

Tuesday, December 24 &
Tuesday, December 31.

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:
\$2696.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:
(\$679.00)

Past collections:

December 8 \$4997.00
December 1 \$3941.12
November 24 \$3289.00

Dear Padre

December 22, 2024

Where does the Hail Mary prayer come from?

The Hail Mary owes its origin to the rosary. The traditional story of the rosary was that Mary herself appeared to St. Dominic in the twelfth century and gave him the rosary with the promise that if he spread devotion to the rosary, his religious order would flourish. In the twelfth century, religious orders recited together the 150 psalms as a way to mark the hours of the day and the days of the week. In order to pray the psalms, though, people had to know how to read. People who didn't know how to read wanted to share in the practice, so the rosary, or praying on beads, began as a parallel prayer practice. It was a way that illiterate people could remember the Lord and his Mother throughout the day.

The first rosaries consisted of a string of 150 beads, and, much as we do now, a person would pass over each bead after saying a prayer, usually the Our Father. Later, people added the Archangel Gabriel's greeting—"Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee"—and later still, Elizabeth's prayer we hear in today's Gospel—"Blessed art thou among women." Finally this prayer was added in the sixteenth century: "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death." ●

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