

March 23, 2025 ~ 3rd 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 22:

John Van Pelt
Dick Roth

Sat., Mar. 29, 2025~4:30 pm

Sun., Mar. 30, 2025~10:30 am

Sunday, March 23:

Rosemary Pontius
Ron Lichtenwald
People of the Parish

GREETERS

Steve & Barb Dominique

Bryan & Jessica Miller

Monday, March 24:

Lenten Weekday
No Mass
2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30

LECTORS

Barb Dominique

Steve Bernath

SERVERS

Langenderfers

Brooks & Layne Miller
Milan Herman**Tuesday, March 25:**

The Annunciation of the Lord
St. Peter~7:00 pm
(*Stations of the Cross~6:30 pm*)

Rod Britenriker

Is 7:10-14, 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/
Lk 1:26-38

USHERSTyson Langenderfer
Steve DominiqueChris Lopez
Joe Gonzales**Wednesday, March 26:**

Lenten Weekday
St. Peter~7:10 am
(*Rosary 6:45 am*)
Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

ROSARY LEADER

Judy Smith

MONEY COUNTERSChuck & Theresa McColl
Leonard Gustwiller**Thursday, March 27:**

Lenten Weekday
Our Lady of Mercy ~ 9:00 am
Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.****Friday, March 28:**

Lenten Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

ROSARY ~ The Rosary is said every Sunday at 10:00 AM before Mass.**Saturday, March 29:**

Vigil
St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm
Lydia Wlasiuk
Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Speaker: St. John Catholic Church

St. John Catholic Church Defiance, OH
Tuesday, March 25
7:00 pm

Sunday, March 23:

4th Sunday of Lent
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Giovanni Stella

Rosemary Pontius
Living & Deceased Members
of Sarnac Family
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Frank O & Mary Smith
40th Wedding Anniversary
Albert & Kathryn
(Brittenriker) DeVeau

Jos 5:9a, 10-12/

2 Cor 5:17-21/

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Please join us to listen to Josh Kuhn who is originally from Divine Mercy in Payne where he now lives in Defiance as a fire-fighter and attends St Mary's. He will be speaking at 7 pm at St John's Defiance on March 25 after the 6:30 Mass about how he lived a crazy life doing things of the world being miserable then God gave him a purpose.

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER



On Tuesday, March 25, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. This feast commemorates the angel Gabriel's announcement that God had chosen Mary to be the mother of his Son. Mary's free and faithful response, "May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38), models the response we are all called to make to God's will. In these days of Lent, let's reflect on our priorities and what changes may be needed to ensure that God's will is on the top of the list.

Pray! Lord, increase your love in me so that I may increase the fruits of your love. Amen.

Think! How can you bear good fruit with your life?

Act! Notice the wine brought forward during the Presentation of the Gifts. Consider the good fruit that went into making it. Ask God to help your actions also reflect his goodness.



Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage Sites



Bishop Daniel E. Thomas has designated four locations in the Diocese of Toledo as Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites:

- Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral (Toledo)
- The Sorrowful Mother Shrine (Bellevue)
- Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church (Attica)
- The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation (Carey).

A pilgrimage to any of these sites can apply to the reception of the Jubilee Indulgence. Learn more at toledodiocese.org/jubilee.

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER



Tuesdays during Lent
6:30 pm



Rosary: 6:45 am
Mass 7:10 am



St. Caspar-March 26 6:00 pm
St. Peter-April 2-6:45 pm

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal! We are at \$6,079.00 (week 4) toward our parish goal of \$10,345.29. We are hopeful to meet our goal this year.



Wednesday, March 26
Religious Education
6:30 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:
\$3423.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:
\$48.00

Past collections:

March 9	\$2536.00
March 2	\$4757.00
February 23	\$1980.00

Dear Padre

March 23, 2025

May I receive Communion if I'm divorced and haven't gotten an annulment?

Yes, you may. Divorce, in itself, is not an impediment to the reception of Communion. Divorce, although regrettable because of the many ramifications that may be part of the experience, is not in itself a sin. There are situations when divorce may be the most loving choice and make it possible for all parties involved to live the lives God is calling them to live.

Remarriage, when a person is not free to marry because of the presence of a previous bond, is an impediment to the reception of holy Communion. Although this situation is more and more common, it does not mean that the law of the Church, representative of the teaching of Jesus, can be set aside. As part of the process of healing from your divorce and moving on with your life, you may want to seek an annulment, particularly if you think you might want to marry again. The annulment process can often be healing and a source of great blessing. It also provides a rare opportunity to reflect on what was lost as a result of the original divorce and what can be learned as a way of moving forward and building a second marriage that is strong and life-giving. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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