

July 6, 2025 ~ 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



# 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

**Saturday, July 5:**  
**Frenchy Dominique**

Sat., July 12, 2025~4:30 pm

Sun., July 13, 2025~10:30 am

**Sunday, July 6:**  
People of the Parish  
**Frank O & Mary Smith**  
**Al Holland**  
**Gina Damman**

**GREETERS**

JR &amp; Linda Lauber

Dean Thatcher  
Chris Lopez

**Monday, July 7:**  
Weekday  
No Mass  
Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26

**LECTORS**

Linda Lauber

Chris Lopez

**Tuesday, July 8:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32:38

**SERVERS**

Cordes

Langenderfers

**Wednesday, July 9:**  
St. Augustine Zhao Rong  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24/  
Mt 10:1-7

**USHERS**JR Lauber  
Tami KuneshTyson Langenderfer  
John Smith**ROSARY LEADER**

John Smith

**Thursday, July 10:**  
Weekday  
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am  
Giovanni Stella  
Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5/  
Mt 10:7-15

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

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

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

**Friday, July 11:**  
St. Benedict  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
*Communion Service*  
Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23

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

**Saturday, July 12:**  
Vigil  
St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm  
**John Van Pelt**  
Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a/  
Mt 10:24-33

**Cedar Point Day**

Join youth, families, and parish groups for a day of faith and fun at the **Diocese of Toledo Day at Cedar Point** on Sunday, July 27! Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will celebrate Mass inside the park at 11:00 a.m. at the Convention Center (across from the Wind Seeker and Pavilion). Tickets are just \$34.28. The first 100 people at Mass will receive free Diocesan swag to wear in the park! Don't miss this joyful tradition of community and celebration.

Learn more and purchase tickets: [toledodiocese.org/ceda](https://toledodiocese.org/ceda)

**Sunday, July 13:**  
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
Marcel Bonin  
Rosemary Pontius  
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am  
**Rod Britenriker**  
**Dick & Susan Saaf**  
Dt 30 10:14-Col 1:15-20/  
Lk 10:25-37



**“Rejoice because your names are written in heaven.” –Luke 10:20**

*The final week of Jesus’ life is so compelling in its details that we spend a full week of every year reflecting on it. Only the first day of that week, Palm Sunday, is a happy experience. The rest is a quicksand rushing toward tragedy.*

*So we may be pardoned for overthinking the dire parts of the Gospel story. Yet no one followed Jesus originally because of the way he died. The first disciples were drawn in by the way he lived. Jesus taught with authority (not like other religious leaders). He backed up soothing words with healing actions. He spoke of justice and then treated the poor and the unwelcome with dignity and tenderness. He denounced evil and then bounced demons out on their ears. The day-to-day story of Jesus was a litany of joy for those who followed after him. We can’t afford to forget joy as we follow him today.*

*Let’s make room for joy in the practice of our faith. Attend Mass like you’re really celebrating. Dare to smile in church. Let them know you are Christian by your laugh. Bring joy to others daily too.*

*Who or what brought me joy recently?  
How can I bring joy where I go today?*



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The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric, or any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

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



*If you would like to register as a parishioner you can find a membership form on the table in the entryway.*

Coffee and rolls will be served today after Mass .  
Everyone is invited!

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**



**Andrew Shininger  
Morgan Medina  
(July 25, 2025)**

**HELP WANTED**

Our Lady of Mercy is looking for a part time (6 – 9 hours per week) cleaning person for the church and office. Starting date will be July 1, 2025. Please contact Father Bill or call the office 419-237-2441, if you are interested or know of someone.

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: \$3559.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget: (\$184.00)

Past collections:

June 22	\$2116.25
June 15	\$2453.00
June 8	\$3634.00

# Dear Padre

July 6, 2025

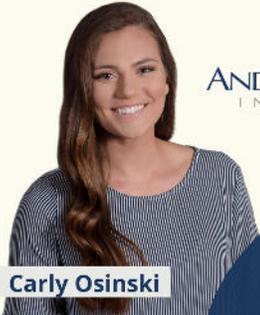
**At Mass during the Our Father, should we hold hands, lift our hands up, or keep our hands to ourselves?**

Among many ancient religions, it was common to extend one's hands toward heaven while praying. This practice has continued in the Mass, where the rubrics indicate that the priest should extend his hands at certain points, including during the Our Father. The celebrant represents all the people with this gesture. The deacon is expressly forbidden to hold his hands up in prayer. There is no particular gesture assigned to the rest of the congregation. Some may be holding hands, some lifting their hands, some standing with arms crossed.

The variety of postures is not a problem in itself. The problem is when people become distracted or judgmental of others. As a rule of thumb, I suggest doing what the rest of the congregation does. As stated in the "Order of the Mass," written by the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy in 2003, "The people are called as members of an organic whole, not as disparate individuals. A Christian assembly that worships 'with one heart and mind' (Acts 4:32) naturally moves toward and consciously chooses a common posture as a sign of its unity. Such common posture 'both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants'" (28). The gestures at Mass are not as important as the essence of the Mass, and part of that essence is our unity in the body of Christ. ●

*Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org*

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