

September 14, 2025 ~ The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



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

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Saturday, September 13:
Loman Radabaugh
Lowell & Barbara Merillat

Sat., Sept. 20, 2025~4:30 pm

Sun., Sept. 21, 2025~10:30 am

Sunday, September 14:
 Rosemary Pontious
 Edward Joseph Britenriker
Terri Bennett

GREETERS

Mike & Brigitte Schrickel

Herman Family

Monday, September 15:
 Our Lady of Sorrows
 No Mass
 1 Tm 2:1-8/Jn 19-25-27

LECTORS

Linda Lauber

Theresa McColl

Tuesday, September 16:
 Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian
 No Service
 1 Tm 3:1-13/Lk 7:11-17

SERVERS

Seiberts

Milan Herman
 Carson Armstrong
 Plus ONE

Wednesday, September 17:
 Sts. Robert Bellamine &
 Hildegard
 No Service
 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35

USHERS

JR Lauber
 Mike Schrickel

Steve & Barb Dominique

ROSARY LEADER

Judy Smith

Thursday, September 18:
 Weekday
 No Service
 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
 Leonard Gustwiller

Friday, September 19:
 St. Januarius
 St. Peter~9:00 am
 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3

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.

Saturday, September 20:
 Vigil
 St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm
People of the Parish
 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15

Sunday, September 21:
 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 Rosemary Pontious
 St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Frank O & Mary Smith
Dick & Susan Saaf
 Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/
 Lk 16:1-13

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
 FEAST DAY CELEBRATION
 Saturday, September 20,2025**



5:00 P.M.

DOORS OPEN

5:15 - 5:45 P.M.

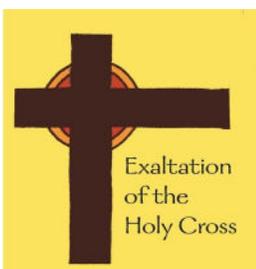
DESSERT CONTEST

Everyone is invited to join in the yummy fun!
 (Please have your desserts here by 5:10 p.m.)

5:45 P.M.

DINNER IS SERVED (BBQ Chicken half, potato & macaroni salad, cole slaw & baked beans)

Silent Auction throughout the event with a MYSTERY table
 Concluding the evenings festivities will be the Rosary at
 approximately 6:45 p.m. in front of the church around our
 Blessed Virgin Mary (weather permitting, we will move in
 side the church)





God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. –John 3:17

Salvation is not a passive gift that we receive simply by looking at a crucifix. Our active reception of the gift is necessary for us to have a share in the salvation Jesus offers from the cross. Jesus extends this gift to all the world; he did not come to condemn the world but to save it. When we profess this belief, we accept the gift of salvation that Jesus is giving us. Through our liturgical observance today, we honor Christ’s cross as the symbol of our salvation and proclaim our faith to all the world.



It is that time of year! We are starting to plan for our next year **Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission Trip!** This is a life changing experience for all those involved: youth participants, adult leaders, and those whose path our St. Peter members will cross. While we are not sure on location at this time, the week we are looking at is **June 13-19**. The camp is open to incoming freshman to outgoing seniors. We would like to have registration numbers by *Tuesday, September 23* because registration opens on Wednesday, September 24.

Kevin Seibert is our contact person if you have any questions.



Thank you to Bonnie Wickerham and the Rogers family for hosting coffee and rolls last weekend!



Thank you to our helpers, donators, and customers who made the Rosary Altar Society Garage Sale a big success!

There is a Rosary Altar Society meeting today after Mass. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to attend.

Our August FISH pantry toilet paper donation: 235 rolls.

Religious Education Opening Night

Wed., September 17
6:30 pm

The Rosary will be said with a Pizza Party to follow. Everyone is invited!

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:
\$3346.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:
(\$29.00)

Past collections:

August 31	\$3283.00
August 24	\$1853.00
August 17	\$2612.00

Dear Padre

September 14, 2025

A Protestant friend tells me that Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins. That doesn't seem accurate to me. What does the Church teach about the meaning of Jesus' death on the cross?

Jesus understood his mission to be sacrificing his own life "as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was even at the cost of death. However, saying Jesus' death was payment for our sins doesn't mean that a vengeful God was appeased by the slaughter of his own innocent son. Rather, we are redeemed because of the mutual love between Father and Son, as well as the love Christ had for us all when he offered his life. "It is love 'to the end' (see John 13:1) that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice "that completes and surpasses all other sacrifices," when "the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself," and the Son of God freely and lovingly offered his human life to his Father "in reparation for our disobedience" (CCC 614). Christ "bore our sins in his body upon the cross.... By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24). Viewed in light of the resurrection, Christ's death has meaning in eternal life's triumph over sin. ●

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