

September 21, 2025 ~ 25th Sunday in Ordinary Times



# 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, September 20:**  
People of the Parish

Sat., Sept. 27, 2025~4:30 pm      Sun., Sept. 28, 2025~10:30 am

**Sunday, September 21:**  
Rosemary Pontious  
**Frank O & Mary Smith**  
**Dick & Susan Saaf**

**GREETERS**

Sylvia Miller

Pacholski Family

**Monday, September 22:**  
Weekday  
No Mass  
Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18

**LECTORS**

Peg Hines

Dexter Krueger

**Tuesday, September 23:**  
St. Pius of Pietrelcina  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/  
Lk 8:19-21

**SERVERS**

Langenderfers

Alexa & Gia Alt  
1 Krueger

**Wednesday, September 24:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

**USHERS**Tyson Langenderfer  
Tami BevinsAaron Alt  
Matt Pacholski**ROSARY LEADER**Alexa Alt  
Chris Lopez

**Thursday, September 25:**  
Weekday  
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am  
Giovanni Stella  
Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9

**MONEY COUNTERS**Chuck & Theresa McColl  
Leonard Gustwiller

**Friday, September 26:**  
Sts. Cosmas & Damian  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

**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 27:**  
Vigil  
St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm  
**Lowell & Barbara Merillat**  
Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/  
Lk 9:43b-45

**Sunday, September 28:**  
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
People of the Parish  
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am  
**Al Holland**  
**Gina Damman**  
Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/  
Lk 16:19-31

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**Mass on the Anniversaries of Marriage**

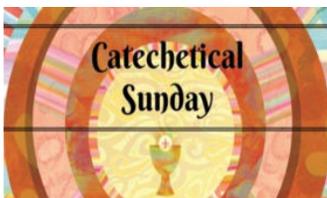
**October 26**

**3:00 pm**

**Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral**

Save the date! 2025 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries  
If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2025-25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years-plan to join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas for the **Order of Blessing Married Couples within Holy Mass**. Registered couples receive a commemorative certificate and are invited to a reception following Mass.

To register visit: [www.toledoanniversarymass.org](http://www.toledoanniversarymass.org)



## *A Prayer for Our Catechists*

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### **2025/2026 Religious Education Team**

**K/1<sup>st</sup>: Missy Krueger**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Kristin Shields**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Tammy Ankney**

**4<sup>th</sup>: Mary Schrock**

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: Christina Alt & Olivia Smith**

**Confirmation: Dexter Krueger**

**High School: Fr. Bill Team**

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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.

There will be an introductory meeting preparing for **“The 33 day total Consecration to Jesus through Mary”** on Wednesday, September 24 at 6:45 pm at St. Peter. There is detailed information on this program found in the newsletter you should have recently received. If you did not get one mailed to you, please contact the office.

**Religious Ed K-12**  
*Wednesday, Sept. 24*  
6:30 pm



### **ORDINARY LIVES, EXTRAORDINARY MISSION**

*FEATURING: CATHOLIC  
AUTHOR & SPEAKER, Dr.  
John R. Wood*

*Wednesday, October 22*  
*7:00 PM*  
*St. Peter Catholic Church*

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:  
\$2808.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:  
(567.00)

Past collections:

September 7     \$3346.00  
August 31       \$3283.00  
August 24       \$1853.00

# Dear Padre

September 21, 2025

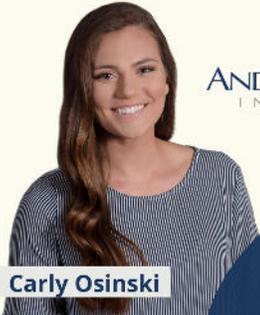
**At a recent gathering, a relative questioned my family's continued participation in the Catholic Church because of the sexual abuse cover-up. What is the best way to address this question?**

Resist the temptation to argue or make any response that is not respectful. Choose to respond with empathy and understanding; perhaps something like this: "I understand and respect your feelings. Some have made the difficult choice to leave the Church. Others find the choice to remain also difficult.

"As a mature and discerning person, I am not making excuses for behaviors that are inexcusable. I cannot and will not defend behavior that should not be defended. I choose to remain in the Church because I choose to remain in a relationship with Jesus, and that relationship includes my reception of the sacraments of the Church. I value the sacraments even as I remain vigilant about the conduct of those who have been entrusted with celebrating those sacraments. I retain my practice of the sacraments and, at the same time, I retain my responsibility to be alert to abusive behavior. This is not acceptance or approval of what most certainly happened. It is continuing to participate in what is beautiful and wise and true so that, in the company of other believers, I may become more like Christ." ●

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

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