

September 7, 2025 ~ 23rd 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

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Saturday, September 6:
People of the Parish

Sat., Sept. 13, 2025~4:30 pm Sun., Sept. 14, 2025~10:30 am

Sunday, September 7:
 Rosemary Pontious
 Marcel Bonin
Frank O & Mary Smith
Daryl Graber

GREETERS

Paul & Deb Herring
 Karter Zachrich
 Chris Lopez

Monday, September 8:
 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin
 Mary
 No Mass
 Mi 5:1-4a/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

LECTORS

Deb Herring
 Steve Bernath

SERVERS

Cordes
 Brooks & Layne M.
 Taylor Schrock

Tuesday, September 9:
 St. Peter Claver
 St. Peter~7:00 pm
Communion Service
 Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19

USHERS

Nick Wlasiuk
 Paul Herring
 Karter Zachrich
 Chris Lopez

Wednesday, September 10:
 Weekday
 St. Peter~9:00 am
Communion Service
 Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26

ROSARY LEADER

Evelyn Roth

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
 Leonard Gustwiller

Thursday, September 11:
 Weekday
 Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Communion Service
 Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38

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

Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.

Friday, September 12:
 The Most Holy Name of
 Mary
 St. Peter~9:00 am
Communion Service
 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42

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

Saturday, September 13:
 Vigil
 St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm
Loman Radabaugh
Lowell & Barbara Merillat
 1 Tm 1:15-17/Lk 6:43-49

**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)

Sunday, September 14:
 The Exaltation of the
 Holy Cross
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 Rosemary Pontious
 Edward Joseph Britenriker
 St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Terri Bennett
 Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/
 Jn 3:13-17

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)



“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” –Luke 14:27

Some people shoulder light loads that are easily carried while others bear bigger burdens. The diagnosis at the doctor’s office that changes the very metric of our lives—that’s a sobering hour hard to live past. If the roof really is falling in and there’s no money to fix it, we’re paralyzed as to how to proceed. The addictions of adult children, the unemployment of a spouse, the persistent memories of old injuries that echo into the present are real obstacles to happiness. We all carry crosses even if others can’t see them.

Still, we follow Jesus. The Stations of the Cross is among the most popular devotions for a reason. As we stagger and fall and get up and continue, we’re judged and betrayed, stripped and abandoned, then offered unexpected kindnesses along the way. Death is at the end of this path, and more. We journey forward together, believing in that “more.”

Reflect on your personal crosses. Who or what makes it possible to carry them?



Protecting Youth Statement

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.



Welcome to all who are new or visiting St. Peter Church. 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!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, Sept. 10
Parent Mtg. & Registration
7:00 pm

Sunday, Sept. 14
Rosary Altar Society Mtg.

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: \$3283.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget: (\$92.00)

Past collections:

August 24	\$1853.00
August 17	\$2612.00
August 10	\$1929.25

Dear Padre

September 7, 2025

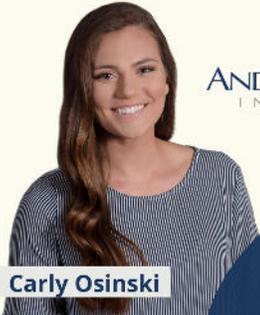
Why is RCIA now called OCIA? And why do people have to go through that process anyway? Can't they just talk to the priest if they want to be Catholic?

The reason why Christian Initiation for Adults is now identified as the "Order" rather than the "Rite" is that the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) changed the name in November 2021. The name change more accurately reflects the English translations of the Latin texts and emphasizes the ongoing development of participants in the faith. Within the Order are different rites, such as the Rite of Entrance to the Catechumenate, the Rite of Sending, the Rite of Election, the Scrutinies, and the Rites of Initiation.

Although it is still possible to become a baptized Catholic or a confirmed Catholic after a simple conversation with a priest or a catechist, the preferred way is the communal encounter. The Christian community plays an important role in calling us to faith, enabling our practice of the faith, and helping us persevere in our baptismal call to faith. We are not alone; we are part of the people of God. We are the community that is called into life by the Spirit of God and that is nourished by the Eucharist we share and the sacraments we celebrate. ●

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

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