

December 7, 2025 ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent



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, December 6:

John Grieser
Lenny, Andy,
Cari Breidenbach

Sat., Dec. 13, 2025~4:30 pm

Sun., Dec. 14, 2025~10:30 am

Sunday, December 7:

Eddie Tidwell
 Rosemary Pontius
Frank Grime
Cathy Warner
Carolyn Bigger

GREETERS

Dave & Jeanie Alt

Drew & Melissa Pifer

LECTORS

Barb Dominique

Chris Lopez

Monday, Dec. 8:

The Immaculate Conception
 Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
 St. Peter~7:00 pm
 (*Rosary 6:30 pm*)
 Gn 3:9-15, 20/
 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

SERVERS

Makayla Felder
 Taylor Schrock
 Plus ONE

Cordes

USHERS

Dave Alt
 Steve Dominique

John Smith
 Matt Pacholski

Tuesday, Dec. 9:

St. Juan Diego
 St. Peter~7:00 pm
 Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

ROSARY LEADER

John Smith

Wednesday, Dec. 10:

Our Lady of Loreto
 St. Peter~9:00 am
 Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
 Leonard Gustwiller

Thursday, Dec. 11:

St. Damasus
 Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
 Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15

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.****Friday, Dec. 12:**

Our Lady of Guadalupe
 St. Peter~9:00 am
 Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:39-47

Saturday, Dec. 13:

Vigil
 St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm
John Van Pelt
 Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/
 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

PROTECTING YOUTH

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.

Sunday, Dec. 14:

3rd Sunday of Advent
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 Marcel Bonin
 Rosemary Pontius
 St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Al Holland
Lowell & Barbara Merillat
 Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/
 Mt 11:2-11



In this Sunday's Gospel, John the Baptist urges people to turn toward God. He baptizes people when they want to change their lives. John insists that Baptism expresses a real change of heart and not a shallow safeguard against God's judgment. Note: For this year, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation that will be celebrated Monday, December 8.





Donations are due **TODAY** Sunday, December 7. We will need volunteers to deliver collected items at 9:00 am to the Jr. Fair Building in Wauseon on **Monday, December 8.**



The Immaculate Conception
Monday, December 8

Our Lady of Mercy- 9:00 am
St. Peter: Rosary 6:30, Mass 7:00 pm

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS

Saturday, December 13
4:30 pm



A free Mexican dinner will follow the service. Everyone is invited!

Our parish potluck, cookie walk, and silent auction will be held **TODAY Sunday, December 7** following the 10:30 am Mass. Please plan to attend for great fun, food, and fellowship!

K-12 Faith Formation
Wednesday, December 10
(AT HOME)

St. Peter-Confessions
Tuesday, December 16
5:30-6:30 pm

Local Penance Services:

Wed., December 17
Holy Trinity, Assumption

6:30 pm

St. John, Defiance
6:00 pm



Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesdays 8 am-7 pm
Mass at 7 pm

Contact Pat Dominique if you want to commit to a Holy Hour. 419-446-2206

Stewardship of Treasure
Sunday Offering:
\$3607.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:
\$232.00

Past collections:

November 23 \$3533.00
November 16 \$3781.00
November 9 \$4354.00

Dear Padre

December 7, 2025

Do non-Catholics go to heaven?

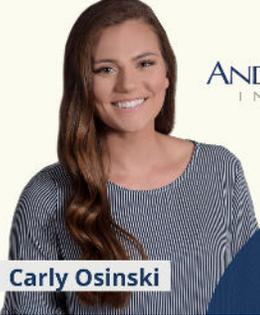
Yes, they do, because of the grace of God at work in his people. To suggest otherwise would seem to imply that Catholics somehow have a "golden ticket," or some kind of right that simply does not exist.

The Incarnation of Jesus healed the division between heaven and earth, a division established by the "sin of Adam" and confirmed by our own lives of sin. Through his passion, death, and resurrection, all has been restored to the manner that the Father first envisioned through his Creation. The division was between humanity and divinity, not between religious practices and divinity. Catholics believe and celebrate that God accepts all people of a good heart and a good spirit. God is not blinded by the labels that sometimes blind his people to the bigger reality.

When Catholics, or people of any religion, proclaim exclusivity and specialness, particularly when it concerns eternal life, all people should be very cautious about what they assume. To assume a certain type of arrogance—to yourself and to your belief and life of faith—that excludes others or separates another as "not one of us" simply has no place in the kingdom of God. ●

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

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