

February 15, 2026 ~ 6th 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

THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

Saturday, February 14:
People of the Parish

Sat., Feb. 21, 2025~4:30 pm

Sun., Feb. 22, 2025~10:30 am

Sunday, February 15:
Giovanni Stella
Dick & Susan Saaf

GREETERS

Paul & Deb Herring

Steve & Barb Dominique

Monday, February 16:
Weekday
No Mass
Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

LECTORS

Deb Herring

Karen Dominique
Nick & Susan Wlasiuk

Tuesday, February 17:
Weekday
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

SERVERS

Cordes

Alexa & Gia Alt
Carson Armstrong

Wednesday, February 18:
Ash Wednesday
St. Peter~7:00 am
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
St. Peter~6:30 pm
Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

USHERSPaul Herring
Tami BevinsAaron Alt
Steve Dominique**ROSARY LEADER**

Judy Smith

Thursday, February 19:
Thursday after Ash Wednesday
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

MONEY COUNTERSKaren Dominique
Nick & Susan Wlasiuk

Friday, February 20:
Friday after Ash Wednesday
St. Peter~9:00 am
Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.**

Saturday, February 21:
Vigil
St. Peter ~ 4:30 pm
Betty Zimmerman
Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

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

Sunday, February 22:
1st Sunday of Lent
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
People of the Parish
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Al Holland
Gina Damman
Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7/
Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:1-11

February 18, 2025**St. Peter-7:00 AM***Mass with distribution of ashes***Our Lady of Mercy-9:00 AM***Mass with distribution of ashes***St. Peter-6:30 PM***Mass with distribution of ashes**Ash Wednesday*

*Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.*

ECCLESIASTES 3:20





Matthew 5:17-37

The Law of Moses contains 613 laws. Some of these laws are simple, basic, you-shall or you -shall-not commands, of which the Ten Commandments are typical. Some of these laws govern worship. A good many of the 613 laws are what-if laws that apply the Commandments to everyday life. In the Gospel, Jesus' New Law asks people to deepen their keeping of the laws and to follow his new Law of Love.



Be the Difference in a Young Person's Life

Did you know that **24% of young people feel their life has no meaning or purpose?** But when just **one adult mentor** walks with them, that number drops to **6%**.

Our parish is seeking adults to serve as **Spiritual Mentors**—faith-filled men and women who will invest in the lives of our youth through small group discipleship. Mentors meet twice a month with a group of up to 6 young people, helping them grow in friendship, faith, and their relationship with Jesus.

If you have an active, committed, intimate relationship with God, care about young people, and want to make an eternal impact, we invite you to prayerfully discern this call.

Learn more about small group discipleship and serving the youth of our parish as a spiritual mentor by contacting Deb Herring at debh.stpeterarchbold@gmail.com or 419-467-4870.

Annual Catholic Appeal

We want to thank all of our parishioners who joined together in pledging their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not made your commitment, today would be a convenient opportunity to do so. Pledge cards, envelopes, and pencils are available in pews. Once completed, kindly place your pledge card in the offertory. Every gift is so significant. Thank you for your generosity.

**St. Peter 2026 goal
\$10, 211.82**



Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wed., Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older. Fasting and abstinence is observed on Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 19 years of age up through the 59th year. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

K-12 Faith Formation
Wednesday, February 18
ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Mentor Meeting
Thursday, February 19
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

K of C FISH FRY
Friday, January 9 -April 3
4:30-7:30 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:
\$3187.26

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:
(\$187.74)

Past collections:

February 1	\$3980.00
January 25	\$1865.00
January 18	\$2012.00

Dear Padre

February 15, 2026

My grandkids' parents don't want them to be baptized. Can I do it myself secretly so as not to cause problems?

Your concern is understandable, but secret baptisms are prohibited in the Catholic Church. The decision to baptize a child is determined by his or her parents. To secretly usurp their decision may cause problems of its own. For an infant to be baptized, "The parents or at least one of them or the person who legitimately takes their place must consent," and "There must be a founded hope that the infant will be brought up in the Catholic religion" (Code of Canon Law, 868 §1). An exception is permitted when the child's life is in immediate danger: "An infant of Catholic parents or even of non-Catholic parents is baptized licitly in danger of death, even against the will of the parents"(CCL 868 §2). Here, the Church's pastoral concern is for the child to receive the immediate graces from the sacrament; the question of raising the child in the faith becomes moot in a life-or-death situation.

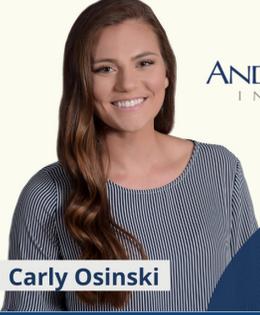
"Since the earliest times, baptism has been administered to children, for it is a grace and a gift of God that does not presuppose any human merit.... Entry into Christian life gives access to true freedom" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1282). Continue to pray that your family may see baptism as a sign of God's love, which offers true freedom for humanity. ●

Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

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