

May 3, 2026 ~ 5th Sunday



# 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

<b>Saturday, May 2:</b> Audrey Dominique Cari, Lenny, Andy Breidenbach		May 9, 2026~4:30 pm	Sun., May 10, 2026~10:30 am
<b>Sunday, May 3:</b> Frank Grime Loman Radabaugh Daniel Ramirez Carrillo	<b><u>GREETERS</u></b>	Chuck & Theresa McColl	Matt & Kristin Shields
<b>Monday, May 4:</b> Easter Weekday No Mass Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26	<b><u>LECTORS</u></b>	Jenny Graber	Matt Shields
<b>Tuesday, May 5:</b> Easter Weekday St. Peter~7:00 pm Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-13a	<b><u>SERVERS</u></b>	Cordes	Marian & Anna Shields Milan Herman
<b>Wednesday, May 6:</b> Easter Weekday St Peter~9:00 am Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8	<b><u>USHERS</u></b>	Chuck & Theresa McColl	Joe Gonzales Matt Pacholski
<b>Thursday, May 7:</b> Easter Weekday Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11	<b><u>ROSARY LEADER</u></b>		Vicki Williams Chris Lopez
<b>Friday, May 8:</b> Easter Weekday St. Peter~9:00 am Betty Zimmerman Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17	<b><u>MONEY COUNTERS</u></b>		Andy & Lois Grime Cindy Krueger
<b>Saturday, May 9:</b> Vigil St. Peter ~4:30 pm People of the Parish Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21			
<b>Sunday, May 10:</b> 6th Sunday of Easter Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am Marcel Bonin St. Peter ~ 10:30 am Dick & Susan Saaf Betty Britenriker Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/ 1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21			

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.

### **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.





John 14:1-12

Jesus directs us to not let our hearts be troubled. Our faith in Jesus can keep us filled with God's peace. In this week's Gospel, Jesus promises that he is preparing a place for each of us in Heaven. We will get there through following Jesus, who is the way, the truth, and the life. As Jesus tells his Apostles, whoever has seen him has seen the Father.



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**Sunday, May 3**

*Coffee & Rolls*

**Wednesday, May 6**

*Catechist Dinner*

**Saturday, May 9 & Sunday May 10**

*Youth Group Pie Sale*

**Tuesday, May 12**

*Finance Council*

**Friday, May 15**

*Plant Sale (9-5)*

**Saturday, May 16**

*Plant Sale (9-12)*

**Sunday, May 17**

*Baccalaureate (Senior) Mass*

*Knights of Columbus luncheon celebrating seniors*



*Coffee and rolls will be served after Mass today. Everyone is invited!*



***Thank you to our catechist this year who answered the call to this ministry:***

- Missy Krueger
- Kristin Shields
- Tammy Ankney
- Mary Schrock
- Christine Alt
- Olivia Smith
- Dexter Krueger
- Bonnie Wickerham
- Jessica Miller
- Brittan Bosco
- Deacon Larry
- Father Bill
- Amy Zientek



**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:  
\$2339.12

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:  
(\$1035.88)

Past collections:

April 19	\$2525.00
April 12	\$2686.00
April 5	\$8257.00

# Dear Padre

May 3, 2026

**I have one daughter and a grandchild who say they are bisexual and very much into the LGBTQ lifestyle, where they feel like they belong. I do not know how to handle all of this. They left the Catholic faith years ago. I do not believe they are atheists. Please help.**

You are not alone in your struggle to know how to "handle all of this." It's hard for parents when their children choose a different lifestyle.

Try not to confuse gender expression with faith. Try not to confuse sexual orientation with faith. Just because a person is attracted to someone of the same sex does not mean they are not a person of faith. They may believe in God and even worship God in their own way. It sounds like your daughter and grandchild are honest with you. If they are willing, perhaps talking with them about how they experience God in their lives would be a fruitful conversation.

Whatever you do, the best practice is to love. Love your daughter and grandchild. When they express to you what they believe to be true about themselves, they are not asking for your permission. They are entrusting you with what they believe they have learned about themselves. Perhaps that very openness with you is a lesson that you taught them and a sign that they want to share with you what is important to them. ●

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

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