

August 30, 2026 ~ 22nd 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, Aug. 29:
Cari, Lenny, Andy
Breidenbach
Rev. James E. Auth

Sat. Sept. 5, 2026~4:30 pm

Sun. Sept. 6, 2026~10:30 am

Sunday, Aug. 30:
 Chuck Wurth
 Mike & Joyce Dwyer
People of the Parish

GREETERS

Paul & Deb Herring

Ruth Solarik

Monday, Aug. 31:
 Weekday
 No Mass
 1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30

LECTORS

Peg Hines

Chris Lopez

Tuesday, Sept. 1:
 Weekday
 St. Peter~7:00 pm
Communion Service
 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37

USHERS

Paul & Deb Herring

Chris Lopez
Aaron Alt

Wednesday, Sept. 2:
 Weekday
 St Peter~9:00 am
Communion Service
 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44

ROSARY LEADER

Evelyn Roth

MONEY COUNTERSChuck & Theresa McColl
Leonard Gustwiller

Thursday, Sept. 3:
 St. Gregory
 Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
Communion Service
 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11

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

Friday, Sept. 4:
 Weekday
 St. Peter~9:00 am
Communion Service
 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39

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

Saturday, Sept. 5:
 Vigil
 St. Peter ~4:30 pm
People of the Parish
 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT FOR ALL MARRIED COUPLES

Sunday, Sept. 6:
 23rd Sunday in Ordinary
 Time
 Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
 St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Betty Zimmerman
Frank Grime
 Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/
 Mt 18:15-20

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2026**Time: Full day retreat (schedule forthcoming)****Location: St. John XXIII Parish****Address: 24250 N. Dixie Highway, Perrysburg, OH****Who is invited: All married couples in the Diocese of Toledo****Hosted by: Worldwide Marriage Encounter partnered with the Diocese of Toledo**

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekend of August 29/30, 2026

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus brings up the topic of the cross to his followers. They would not realize the cross was part of God's plan and was to be their legacy until after the Resurrection. Today's followers of Christ recognize they are stewards of his entire legacy, including his cross; that through their mutual sacrifices God's glory is revealed. They don't live their lives in Christ only when it is convenient for them. They make a decision to take up their cross and carry it, no matter what the cost. In the midst of the uncertain times we live in, what crosses do we bear in order to reveal God's glory?



Coffee and rolls will be served next Sunday after Mass. Everyone is invited!

We are in need of a catechist for an elementary classroom as well as helpers for the Religious Education program. Contact Deb Herring or Father Bill if you are interested or have questions.



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:

Not available at time of printing. Check our website for updates.

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Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:

Past collections:

August 23	\$3008.00
August 16	\$3430.00
August 9	\$3022.00

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

It's time to sign up for a photo session for you to be included in our new parish pictorial directory! Photography dates are October 1, 2, and 3.

Signing up is easy:

Online signup is available Monday through Friday. Instructions for online signup were included in our recent newsletter. Extra copies of the instructions are on the table in the parish hall.

In-person signup is available after the weekend Masses at the table in the parish hall. Contact Jeanie Alt (419-230-8560) or the office with any questions!

FULTON COUNTY FAIR BOOTH

The Catholic parishes of Fulton County will once again host an informational booth at the Fulton County Fair. St. Peter Church has been assigned the following shifts: **3pm to 6pm on Friday, September 4th ; 4:30pm to 7pm on Tuesday, September 8th ; and 11am until 9pm on Wednesday, September 9th (Senior Citizen Day).** If you would like to take a shift, a sign up sheet is on the table in the hallway. Volunteer information will be provided to those who sign up. Contact Dave or Jeanie Alt if you have any questions.

Thanks in advance for helping.



Dear Padre

August 30, 2026

Are we required to disobey or break an evil law?

According to St. Thomas Aquinas, a just law has four characteristics. It must be (1) an ordinance of reason, (2) for the common good, (3) properly promulgated, and (4) by a legitimate authority. According to St. Augustine, evil is a lack of something that should be there. When applied to law, if one of the four characteristics is missing, the law lacks something that should be there, and thus is evil. An unjust law, in other words, is an evil law. As Christians, we are generally encouraged to obey the laws of the state. As the Apostle Paul states, "Let every person be subordinate to the higher authorities, for there is no authority except from God" (Romans 13:1). At the same time, we also have the responsibility of forming our consciences according to God's revelation in Scripture and Tradition as interpreted by the divinely ordained teaching authority of the Church. Although we are not bound to follow an unjust law, the degree to which we should actively disobey it depends on the level of evil the law promotes. Because of its serious nature, a law promoting abortion, for example, should be actively resisted through peaceful protests and appropriate legal and civil activism. Laws that promote lesser evils need to be carefully evaluated by Church authorities and our own well-informed consciences. ●

Fr. Dennis J. Billy, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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