

September 13, 2026 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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THE CATHOLIC, CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

A MEMBER OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE DEANERY

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

Website: stpeterarchbold.com

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, Sept. 12:
People of the Parish**

Sat., Sept. 19, 2026~4:30 pm

Sun., Sept. 20, 2026~10:30 am

Sunday, Sept. 13:

Frank Grime
Cameron Laney & Family
Dick & Susan Saaf
Audrey Dominique
Betty Britenriker

GREETERS

Mike & Barb Britenriker

Steve & Barb Dominique

Monday, Sept. 14

The Exaltation the Holy
Cross
No Mass
Nm 21:4b-9/Phi 2:6-11/
Jn 3:13-17

LECTORS

Linda Lauber

Barb Dominique

SERVERS

3 Cordes

2 Langenderfers
1 Miller

Tuesday, Sept. 15:

Our Lady of Sorrows
St. Peter~7:00 pm
1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/
Jn 19:25-27

USHERS

Mike & Barb Britenriker

Tyson Langenderfer
Steve Dominique

ROSARY LEADER

Langenderfers
Chris Lopez

Wednesday, Sept. 16:

Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian
St Peter~9:00 am
1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 7:31-35

MONEY COUNTERS

Chuck & Theresa McColl
Leonard Gustwiller

Thursday, Sept. 17:

Sts. Robert Bellamine &
Hildegard
Our Lady of Mercy~9:00 am
1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50

Please find a sub if you cannot make your scheduled date.**Servers should arrive 15 minutes before Mass time.****Friday, Sept. 18:**

Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

ROSARY ~ The Rosary is said every Sunday at 10:00 AM before Mass.**Saturday, Sept. 19:**

Vigil
St. Peter ~4:30 pm
Cari, Lenny and
Andy Breidenbach
1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/
Lk 8:4-15

OUR LADY OF MERCY FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, September 19, 2026 5:00 P.M.

DOORS OPEN 5:00 – 5:45 P.M. GAMES

5:15 – 5:45 P.M. DESSERT CONTEST Everyone is invited to join in the yummy fun!
Contest is DUMP Cakes. Bring your favorite dump cake. (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)

Silent Auction throughout the event with a MYSTERY table. Concluding the evening's
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 inside the
church).

Sunday, Sept. 20:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Gianni Stella
Mike & Joyce Dwyer
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
Gina Damman
Homer Scott
Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
Mt 20:1-6a

'Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' –Matthew 18:33

The story continues to sound fantastic, though we've heard it many times. A servant is forgiven a sum so astronomical he could never have paid it back. Yet this same servant throws his own debtor in prison for comparatively pennies. What kind of whacked-out standard was this guy living by? Why wasn't he consumed by his own good fortune enough to share a little of the joy with a fellow servant?

And then it hits us like a two-by-four. Oh. This isn't a tale of unbelievable smallness of heart. It's how you and I behave every day. Jesus goes to the Cross to demonstrate the absolute forgiveness of the entire debt of human history. And we respond by gross irritation at every trifling offense we perceive against us. Someone takes our parking place, gets our order wrong, cuts us off in conversation, and we're ready to erase them from the book of life. If we begin each day reminding ourselves how wealthy in forgiveness we are, we might dole some out by the hour.

In which circumstances do you find yourself routinely prepared to "make someone pay"? What does it take to return you to the spirit of charity?

LET US PRAY... Lord of our journeys, you walk with us in seasons of darkness and light, even through the valley of the shadow of death. Send your Spirit to guide us so that we can be closer companions to your will, always attentive to the sound of your voice in our days. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Have you signed up yet?

If not, please sign up for a photo session! We want for you to be included in our new parish pictorial directory!

Photography dates are October 1, 2, and 3.

Signing up is so easy:

Online signup is available Monday through Friday. Instructions for online signup were included in our recent ; 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!

Thank you to Arlene Hicks and John & Judy Smith for hosting coffee and rolls last weekend.

A special shout out to those who recently helped clean the church kitchen and to everyone who volunteered to work the church booth at the fair!

There will be a Rosary Altar Society Meeting today after Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.



Tuesday, September 15
Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 16
K-12 Faith Formation-Parent Meeting & Registration



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: \$4243.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:
\$868.00

Past collections:

August 30	\$2582.00
August 23	3430.00
August 16	3430.00

Dear Padre

September 13, 2026

If Catholics say the Confiteor at Mass, then why do we still need to go to confession?

Recall when Jesus told Simon and his fishing companions to lower their nets after they had caught nothing. (See Luke 5:1–11.) When their boats began to sink with so many fish, Simon fell at Jesus' feet and said, "Leave me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." Likewise, at Mass, we're so filled with awe upon entering the presence of God that we become aware of our own sinfulness.

The penitential act prepares the assembly to enter the celebration in a proper spirit of humility. The priest and the faithful observe a period of silence to acknowledge their sinfulness and confess their awe of Christ's love and mercy. This is expressed in different forms, one of which is the Confiteor, a general confession that invokes the support of the communion of saints and the specific community gathered at Mass. It includes the instruction to strike one's breast, an ancient gesture of humility and penitence. (See Luke 18:13; 23:48.) The rite concludes with the priest's absolution, but it "lacks the efficacy of the sacrament of penance" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 51). Thus, the penitential act isn't a substitute for absolution from sins confessed in the sacrament of penance, particularly serious, mortal sins. Rather, it prepares the faithful as a unified community to properly listen to God's word and celebrate the Eucharist worthily (GIRM 46). ●

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