

September 20, 2026 ~ 25th 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](http://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. 19:**  
Cari, Lenny and  
Andy Breidenbach

Sat., Sept. 26, 2026~4:30 pm

Sun., Sept. 27, 2026~10:30 am

**Sunday, Sept. 20:**  
Gianni Stella  
Mike & Joyce Dwyer  
**Gina Damman**  
**Homer Scott**

**GREETERS**

Chuck &amp; Theresa McColl

Brooke &amp; Sheri Bosco

**Monday, Sept. 21**  
St. Matthew  
No Mass  
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13

**LECTORS**

Theresa McColl

Matt Shields

**Tuesday, Sept. 22:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~7:00 pm  
**Audrey Dominique**  
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21

**SERVERS**2 Seiberts  
1 KruegerAnna & Marian Shields  
Colton Rogers

**Wednesday, Sept. 23:**  
St. Pius of Pietrelcina  
St Peter~9:00 am  
Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

**ROSARY LEADER**

Bonnie Wickerham

**Thursday, Sept. 24:**  
Weekday  
No Mass  
Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9

**MONEY COUNTERS**Chuck & Theresa McColl  
Leonard Gustwiller

**Friday, Sept. 25:**  
Weekday  
St. Peter~9:00 am  
Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22

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.

**Saturday, Sept. 26:**  
Vigil  
St. Peter ~4:30 pm  
**Paul Young**  
**Tom Young**  
Eccl 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45

**Help Support Our Diocesan Priests' Retirement!**

**Sunday, Sept. 27:**  
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am  
People of the Parish  
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am  
**Gina Damman**  
**Al Holland**  
Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11/  
Mt 21:28-32

Your gift to the ***Perpetuate The Gift*** appeal supports our retired diocesan priests, enabling them to pay for their living expenses, such as medical, housing, car, clothing, and food. Our priests have given their lives in service to us and our parish, and we are most grateful! Please offer your gratitude for those who faithfully served the Diocese of Toledo today! All funds contributed between September 17 through December 31, 2022, assist our parish in fulfilling its assessed contribution to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate The Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697, or placed in the parish collection.

A gift may also be made online at [www.toledodiocese.org](http://www.toledodiocese.org) under the **Give** tab. You can also make a gift on your handheld device by holding the camera up to the QR code. Our parish and our retired priests are so very grateful for your support!



THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER

Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus' parable about the workers in the vineyard unsettles today's audience just as it unsettled the priests and elders who first heard it. It is just not fair! Some get paid a full day's wages for one hour of work while others who worked all day long receive the exact same pay. This story, after all, is not about fair wages. It is about God's love, which abounds for all. The parable is a way to talk to young people who are ever troubled by unfairness about God's generous love.



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**Tuesday, September 29**  
9:00 am –11:00 am



Come join us for a morning of fellowship, coffee, and sweet treats in celebration of **NATIONAL COFFEE DAY!**

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**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!



The Rosary Altar Society will be holding a **"BAKELESS BAKE SALE"** to replenish the church flower fund. This is different than the Easter & Christmas flower collections. If you would like to donate, please put your offering in an envelope with **FLOWERS** written on it. You can place your donation in the collection basket at Mass or the bin outside of the office.



**Tuesday, September 22**  
*Finance Council Meeting*

**Wednesday, September 23**  
*K-12 Faith Formation  
Opening Night  
(Rosary, Mass, Pizza Party)  
6:30 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: \$1999.00

Weekly Budget: \$3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:  
(\$1376.00)

Past collections:

|             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| September 6 | \$4243.00 |
| August 30   | \$2582.00 |
| August 23   | \$3430.00 |

# Dear Padre

September 20, 2026

**Adam and Eve had two sons and maybe others not mentioned in the Bible. How were others born without having committed incest?**

This is a perfectly valid question, and one that I think many people have probably asked themselves at one time or another. Unfortunately, it is the wrong question, because it does not reflect the true meaning of the story.

The story about Adam and Eve is not a literal story or, in other words, a story that would be reported by CNN or FOX News. It is a teaching story, intended to encourage belief in the creative power of God at work in his creation. It is not, nor has it ever been, a literal step-by-step tutorial of the early days of the human race.

The bible includes different literary forms: narrative or history, poetry and songs, parables, letters, genealogies, and more. Knowing what form is being used, the purpose of the passage, who is writing or talking, and the intended audience is the work of Scripture scholars. The story of creation is not intended to be literal; it is inspirational. ●

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

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