

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

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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

Saturday, Nov. 7:
People of the Parish

Sunday, Nov. 8:
Marcel Bonin
Gina Damman
Celeste Grime

Monday, Nov. 9:
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
No Mass
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday, Nov. 10:
St. Leo the Great
St. Peter~7:00 pm
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday, Nov. 11:
St. Martin of Tours
St Peter~9:00 am
St. Peter Cemetery~6:30 pm
Mass, Rosary & grave blessing
Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday, Nov. 12:
St. Josaphat
Weekday
OLOM~9:00 am
Chuck Wurth
Phlm 7:20/Lk 17:20-25

Friday, Nov. 13:
Weekday
St. Peter~9:00 am
2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday, Nov. 14:
Vigil
St. Peter ~4:30 pm
Tom Young
3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8

Sunday, Nov. 15:
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Mercy~8:30 am
Jeannette Tidwell
Shirley Taylor
St. Peter ~ 10:30 am
People of the Parish
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30

	Sat., Nov. 14, 2026~4:30 pm	Sun., Nov. 15, 2026~10:30 am
GREETERS	Dave & Jeanie Alt	The Smith Family
LECTORS	Peg Hines	Steve Bernath
SERVERS	Langenderfers	Connor & Dalton Smith Colton Rogers
USHERS	Dave & Jeanie Alt	Tina Short Matt Pacholski
ROSARY LEADER		Bonnie Wickerham
MONEY COUNTERS		Karen Dominique Nick & Susan Wlasiuk

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.

39th Annual Christmas in the Country Craft Show

Sponsored by the New Bavaria Sacred Heart RAS

Sunday, November 22
10:00 am-2:30 pm
Sacred Heart Church, New Bavaria

Come enjoy lunch: homemade soups, sandwiches, salads, pie, and more! Carry-outs are available. After lunch visit the craft tables, bake shop, and twice but nice garage sale. There will also be raffles! Free admission.

Matthew 25:1–13

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus uses the parable of the bridegroom and 10 girls to tell his disciples to remain vigilant. The parable describes some of the girls as foolish and some as wise. Those who were ready for the bridegroom went into the wedding feast. The bridegroom, however, didn't even acknowledge those who didn't prepare. Jesus teaches us to always be prepared and to do good things. We never know when he will return. This is an opportune time to recognize that when we make good choices, we are preparing for Jesus' coming.



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HOLIDAY DECORATIONS MARKET sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society will be held *November 7 & 8* in the church foyer. Items will be sold for a free will donation.

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Cemetery Cleanup Day

All ground flowers and decorations must be removed from the cemetery by Sunday, November 20. If not removed, items will be disposed of in order to do seasonal maintenance and cleanup. Flowers in vases or items permanently attached can remain, however.

Contact Andy Dominique if you have any questions. (419) 445-5911

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November is St. Peter Church month to collect for the Archbold FISH pantry.

The most needed items right now include:

Canned corn

Canned peas

Small cans of mushrooms

Canned peaches

1b white rice

1lb dry PINTO beans

1lb dry BLACK beans

Kraft mac & cheese

1lb box pasta

Yellow cake mix

Vegetable oil

20oz or less shampoo &/or conditioner

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

ST. PETER CEMETERY

Rosary, Mass, and grave blessing

Wednesday, November 11

Starting at 6:30 pm

This service is open to everyone.

Our FISH toilet paper count for October: 190 rolls.

— Upcoming —

EVENTS

Tuesday, November 10

Finance Meeting

11:30 am



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:

$4249.00

Weekly Budget: $3375.00

Over/(Under) Budget:

$874.00

Past collections:

October 25	$2,503.00
October 18	$2,698.00
October 11	$3401.00

Dear Padre

November 8, 2026

What happens to the sacred treasures in a deconsecrated Catholic church?

When a diocesan bishop deconsecrates a church, he issues a decree that removes a church's dedication and relegates it to "profane but not sordid use" when it "cannot be used in any way for divine worship and there is no possibility of repairing it" (*Code of Canon Law*, 1222). The impossibility of repairing a badly damaged church doesn't mean only an architectural impossibility. Inadequate finances to maintain the church properly, an insufficient number of parishioners to foster ecclesiastical vitality, and a shortage of priests are also grave causes for a church's closure. Decorative appointments and sacred treasures in these relegated churches often find new homes in other churches and religious institutions.

This traditional custom of dissemination is a sign of solidarity with the broader Church and in continuity with its rich heritage. It honors the faith and sacrifices of the charter members when the church was built and the generations that followed. Remaining religious items in a relegated church, such as an unmovable altar, "lose their dedication or blessing if they have been destroyed in large part, or have been turned over permanently to profane use by decree of the competent ordinary or in fact" (CCL 1238). Stained glass windows, mosaics, and other sacred art that remain in a repurposed church don't lose their aesthetic beauty and evocative power, however. "A thing of beauty is a joy for ever," wrote the poet John Keats. ●

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