

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOVEMBER 10, 2019



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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.
Sunday: 7:30 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:30 A.M.
Monday & Friday 5:30 P.M.
Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 A.M.

Spanish Mass:

Resurrection Parish, Lexington

Sunday: 6:00 P.M.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Friday: 7:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Saturday: 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Pastoral Care Contacts:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572
*Hospital & Follow-up
Nursing Homes/Assisted Living &
Prayer Pipeline*
Deacon John Reef 419.529.3694
Shut-ins/Homebound

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 P.M.
Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least ten months in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

Bulletin Deadline:

Friday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email and must receive prior approval.

Parish Administrative Assistant:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572 ext.2122

Pastoral Staff:

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*
Fr. Austin Ammanniti, *Parochial Vicar*
Mr. Bill Johnson,
Director of Music & Liturgy
Ms. Lynne Lukach, *Pastoral Associate*
Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm, *Director of
Religious Ed. & Youth Minister*

Deacon:

Mr. John Reef

St. Peter's School:

Mr. Jonathan Cuttitta
High School, Jr. High School
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer
Elementary School and Montessori

Parish Business Manager:

Mr. Evan Mumea

Director of Development:

Mr. Jason Crundwell

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, November 11, Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm North Central Ohio Vocations Club

Tuesday, November 12, Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

7:00 am Clarence Beat

**Wednesday, November 13, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini,
Virgin**

7:00 am Parish

Thursday, November 14, Weekday

7:00 am Parish

9:30 am All School Mass

Friday, November 15, Weekday

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Johanna Cappadonna

**Saturday, November 16, Vigil of the Thirty Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Frank Edward Brucato

Sunday, November 17, Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Kenneth Day

11:30 am Samuel Colarosa

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER**Saturday, November 16**

5:00 pm L D Randall, K Cannon

D D Falquette, K Randall, D Hipp, T Hipp,
M Joyce**Sunday, November 17**

7:30 am L J Kennedy, B Schartl

D L Simmons, A Holloway, B Danuloff,
D Givens, M Collet, P Taylor, L Danuloff

9:30 am L D Forster, M Ambrose

D D Dreskler, S Weber, M Meinzer, R Sliney,
H Deel, L Steggall, C Merle

11:30 am L S Rizzo, T Malec

D K Yockey, S Elliott, S Rizzo, J Wendling,
K Schreck, F Leitenberger, C Mears, T Fesler**MASS SERVERS****Saturday, November 16**

5:00 pm E Holzmiller, L Rhodes, A Baldasare

Sunday, November 17

7:30 am A Saltzgeber

9:30 am J Ambrose, S Ambrose, G Ambrose

11:30 am K Elliott, E Fesler, C Fesler

THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**November 17** Patti Sarah

Weeks have passed since my last article, and I almost missed the deadline for this article! There is no particular theme, just a lot of things that have been going on in our parish that I would like to bring to your attention.

November is set aside in the Church's calendar as time for remembering our deceased family and friends. We celebrated as a parish community Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3, with our annual Mass for All Souls. We prayed that all in the Communion of Saints intercede for us, and that all of our faithful departed, especially those being purified to behold the face of God, benefit from our prayers. Special thanks to our Bereavement Committee for organizing the event. November is the customary time to visit cemeteries and to visit our deceased. Thank you to Dave Barber who is our parish overseer of Mansfield Catholic and Prince of Peace Cemeteries.

On another note, I am conscious that this is the time of the year we hear **a lot about money**. *I don't like to ask for financial support, but it's part of my job as the pastor. Moreover, I feel the need to communicate how we spend our treasure, as well as rely on your generosity, to keep our parish in good stead. To that end:*

+ **Our Annual Catholic Appeal** is nearing our parish goal. If you have made a gift in the past, and missed the opportunity to do so this year, we still need about \$9,000 to make our diocesan goal. Locally, in recent years, Fr. Austin received the benefit of your giving in graduate studies, as well as the new pastor of St. Mary's and Resurrection – a former student of mine – Fr. Matthew Frisbee.

+ In this weekend's bulletin, you have **the written financial report**. *Please review it. We will have an oral presentation next weekend.*

+ Other **diocesan appeals** are usually made at this time of year: Missions (Propagation of the Faith) and Priests' Retirement. Please consider an offering as you are able.

+ Following the **oral financial report the weekend of November 16/17**, an update on our **Strategic Plan** will also be given.

+ After a successful church restoration, our attention is now being directed to our **high school auditorium project**. Phase I of our second major project has received full financial support, and seating continues to go in this week. If you have **made a pledge to our Capital Campaign, yet-to-be fulfilled pledges and additional gifts will be received until December 31, 2019**. *Your gift will help us to continue the work in the auditorium. Thank you!!*

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



Mike Payton, Bill Ruhl, Jeannie Burkhalter, Krista Marshall, Aaron Blank, Don Blank, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, MaKaya Butler, Mildred Corbin, Sharon Valdry, John Henney, Paige Divelbiss, Maria Loschinkohl, Sherry Studer, John Ziegler, Marlene Ziegler, Kim Rucker, Dorothy Trinter, Marti Selby, JoAnn Marbaugh, Baby Greyden Jack, Gwen Yockey, Mary Ann and Mel Switzer, Louise Steggall, Tammy Dudley, Keith Combs, Mady Ziegler, Elaine Johnson, Cindy Jasnek Cartier, Jeannine Klotz, Marilyn B. Williamson, Paul Schopp, Tom Powell, Dana Cullen Henry, Chief Master Sergeant Joseph Basting, Sarah Basting, Peggy Basting Taylor, Colleen Lynch, Kathy Carcione, Gervace Kavishe, Lucy Atherton, Bernie Neel & family, Carol Pittenger, Margie Caldwell, Sharon Wynn, Brad Dunleavy, Mary Ann Williams, Gladys Williams, Tanya Wilson, Eva Pickens, Francis Paul Nestor, Charlie Henrieck, Danny Rhea, Barb Jefferies, Amelia Moser.

Names will only be listed for 4 weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at 419.524.2572.

IN GOD'S ARMS...

James Costell

Jennifer Stahlheber



James Blank Albert Drozda

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

To date, our parish has contributed **\$46,065.50 of our parish goal of \$55,000**. This represents a gift from **356 (of 1650) households**. Please consider helping us to reach our goal - **only \$8,934.50 to go**. In the big picture, your gift will help support a future pastor or associate pastor to serve at St. Peter's, Mansfield!! - Father Hite

PARISH AND SCHOOL MINISTRIES

Did you know that there are many ways in which you can become more involved at St. Peter's? We are always looking for volunteers for the various ministries provided by both the parish and school. The complete list can be found on our website at mansfieldstpeters.org or by contacting the Parish Center office at 419.524.2572.

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER



Because of our dedicated Parish Prison Ministry team, our brothers at Richland Correctional are able to gather every evening for prayer and faith enrichment opportunities. As would be expected, the largest number of the week is 70-75 men participating in Mass (offered on Saturday evenings). We invite interested adults in our parish to consider attending Mass with us at RiCI just once to experience this vibrant faith community. Contact Lynne at the Parish Center for details and available dates.

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+ There is much anticipation about **our parish's 175th celebration that will be occurring the weekend of November 23-24**. Keep your eyes open in the parish bulletin for details of events. The 11:30 Mass on Sunday, November 24, will be celebrated by Bishop Daniel Thomas.

We are approaching the "beginning of the holiday (holydays) season." *It is a time when we all should give thanks to God for his gifts and blessings. We have all been blessed in abundance by our Gracious God. Please take time to pray as a family on **Thanksgiving Day, and if you can – worship with us at 9 am here in church.***

And as we approach the beginning of the Advent Season, expect a mailing from me soon. Remember, Confession is good for the soul!


Grateful for your continued support, and many blessings to you!

Father Gregory Hite, Pastor

175TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE PROJECT



This year we are celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the founding of St. Peter Parish. Our theme focuses on Presence, Service and Light in the Mansfield community. As we reach out into the community, we will be having a collection of new and gently used coats, hats, scarves, gloves, mittens and boots (winter style, not fashion) for the men, women and children of those in need in the neighborhoods around the church. Donations can be brought to church on November 16 and 17. Please place them in the laundry baskets at any entrance to the church. They will be sorted and will be distributed during our Free Lunch Week in December. Thank you for your generosity. Contact Angie Dillon if you have questions at 419.524.2572 x3108.

SUNDAY OFFERING	<i>Year to Date</i>
	<i>October 18, 2019</i>
Sunday and Holy Day Collections	
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$259,977
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$257,600
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$2,337
School Collection	
Total School Collection To Date:	\$44,344
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$45,000
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$656)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE



Cash Available for Auditorium	\$391,162
Stage One Cash Goal:	\$379,000
Amount Needed to complete first stage:	GOAL REACHED!
Uncollected Pledges:	\$144,319

As of October 11, 2019



ST. PETER'S SCHOOL



VISIT OUR SCHOOL ANY DAY WITH APPOINTMENT

Parents, if you are considering St. Peter's School for your child's education, you are invited to spend part of a school day here at St. Peter's with your child to experience all the activities and classroom instruction that take place.

Please call the school administrators to arrange a visit that is convenient for you and your child.

- Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer – Montessori Director and Acting Elementary School Principal 419.524.2572 ext. 4101
- Mr. Jonathan Cuttitta – Acting High School & Junior High Principal 419.524.2572 ext. 3100

St. Peter's School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school-administered programs.

OPEN TEACHING POSITIONS

St. Peter's School is looking for qualified substitute teachers for all grade levels. Substitute teachers require a Substitute Teaching License from the Ohio Department of Education. This requires a minimum of a Bachelor's degree as well as BCI and FBI background checks and completion of the Diocese of Toledo VIRTUS program. Interested candidates should contact the appropriate building principal: Jon Cutitta, Acting HS/JH Principal, at cuttitta.jon@myspartans.org or Ashley Rastorfer, Acting Elementary Principal at rastorfer.ashley@myspartans.org.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We want to recognize and say a special prayer for the parishioners celebrating birthdays in November, especially those who are 85 years of age and above: Evelyn Twardzik, Sr. Paula Bingert, Jennie Reale, Gieslle Sgambellone, Margaret Soulen, Bill Spognardi, Ross Frisbee, Betty Finlayson, James Buckley, Jerrina Heston, Donald Saxton, Helen Gustin, Frances Schmidt, Janet Dignan, and Patricia DeCenso.



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175TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. PETER PARISH

The weekend of November 22-24, we will be celebrating the 175th Anniversary of St. Peter Parish. We are in need of volunteers to help with the setup of historical displays and decorating the cafeteria for our Birthday Party on Saturday, November 23. We are also in need of donated desserts for the birthday party. Volunteers are also needed on Sunday, November 24 at Mid-Ohio Education Service Center to help take tickets and assist anyone who will be in need. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Angie Dillon at dillon.angie@myspartans.org or call 419.52.2572 x.3108.

32ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CLASSIC

Mark your calendars for the upcoming baking schedule for the 32nd Christmas Classic on Saturday December 7 from 9:00 - 2:00 P.M. in the St. Peter's High School Cafeteria.



Tuesday, December 3 starting at 8:00 A.M.—Kieffel baking in HS Cafeteria

Thursday, December 5 and **Friday, December 6** starting at 8:00 A.M.—Potica baking in HS Cafeteria

Saturday, December 7 starting at 8:00 A.M.—Butter Ring baking in HS Cafeteria.



RCIA—SPECIAL INVITATION

Parishioners often ask if they may attend an RCIA class to increase their own knowledge of Catholicism and to see what RCIA is like. For those who have asked but have never pursued the idea—and for anyone interested in experiencing our class—here is an ideal opportunity! Next Sunday, November 17, our topic is the Bible. We invite anyone interested to join us that morning. Meet our RCIA candidates and increase your love of Sacred Scripture. We meet from 9:00—11:00 A.M. Please contact Lynne at the Parish Center this week for details and to reserve a seat.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE SERVING IN THE US MILITARY

Do you know someone serving in the US Military or someone who gave their life for our country while serving in the armed forces? These people can be honored by submitting their names to St. Peters. They will then be placed on bulletin board by the cry room at the main entrance to St. Peters. These people will then be remembered by many parishioners prayers. What a great gift to be given to these serving our country.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

Adult Faith opportunities are held in Assisi Hall, 4th floor Parish Center. Enter thru Parish Center entrance, 104 West First Street.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We meet each **Monday at 6:15 P.M.** Our study is the Jeff Cavins video series "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible." Open to all women.

Contact Dianne Randall - 567.241.6608
diannecreamer@yahoo.com or Kelly Wurm - 419.884.7785 / kmwurm@yahoo.com.

THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY—A JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

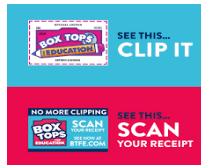
Open to all. No fee or registration. This six-week series is held **Thursday evenings at 6:30 P.M.** This week's topics are "Wedding at Cana, Garden in Eden" and "The New Eve." Make this a part of your faith journey through Advent.

K OF C FEATHER PARTY



Something brand new and sure to please. Two of our Brothers have seized upon an opportunity to help two great organizations with one very generous donation to the feather party raffle this year! You'll just have come to see what it is and take a chance at these Ohio Sports Legends Collectors items! Oh are they sweet! Friday, November 22 at 7:30 P.M. Get your tickets by calling Dave Riggenbach at 419.571-0800 or email MansfieldKofC687@gmail.com.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!



For years, St. Peter's has participated in the Box Tops for Education program. Each box top is worth 10 cents, and the program has provided thousands of dollars for our school. (Nearly \$30,000 since 1996). There is an important change coming—soon you will no longer have to clip your box tops. The box top program is going digital, and with their new app, all you do is take a picture of your receipt. You can find the Box Tops App in the App Store or Google Play. You can continue to keep dropping off box tops in the Sunday Collection basket until they are phased out.

WE STILL SELL GARBAGE BAGS FROM THE YELLOW BAG PEOPLE IN THE PARISH CENTER.

 **RECYCLING—NEXT DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2019**

BLUE BARRELS: December 14 & 15

175TH ANNIVERSARY NOTES

In this column, we continue our look at the pastorate of Father Tony Borgia, the twelfth Pastor of St. Peter's Parish. Father Tony's approach to ministry was very informal and uncommon. At the time of his departure from our parish in 2011 at a Farewell Gathering at Spartan Field, Rand Smith (the leader of the development efforts at the new athletic complex) described Father Tony as "fearless." That assessment was true enough, and a better word might not readily come to mind, although it is certain that many other adjectives could be employed. Perhaps another good description would be "unabashed."

Father Tony took pleasure in being seen as "just one of the gang." It was not unusual to see him up to his elbows in dirty dishes or manning a grill or actively enjoining others to step up and help. One of his consistent mantras throughout his ministry was, "Many hands make light work!" You could always tell that he spoke from experience and, for many parishioners, his willingness to muck in with everyone else was just the spark they needed to step up and help, too.

Beyond that, Father Tony was willing to allow himself to be a figure of fun in his ministry. No one who knew him can forget the picture of Father Tony holding up and kissing a brightly colored parakeet at our annual Blessing of Pets. The picture made the front page of the *News Journal* and was used again on a large billboard celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood.

And who can forget the white horse? When the Parish celebrated the 100th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone for our present Church, it was revealed that at the original event in 1911, the Parish celebrated with a lengthy parade through town up to the site of the new building, and that the parade was led by the Assistant Pastor, riding on a white horse. When the suggestion was made that we should recreate the parade, including the horse, everyone on the committee knew that Father Tony had to be the one to ride the horse. Of course, Father Tony said yes to the idea and rode through town on the day of the centennial on a white horse, while an amused Bishop Leonard Blair waited on the front lawn of the rectory as the parade wound up Mulberry Street to the Church.



Fr. Tony Borgia leading the parade in 2011

Father Tony was a favorite with students in St. Peter's School. From visiting classrooms to his informal preaching style at Mass to lunches in the cafeteria, students resonated with Father Tony's warmth and kindness. At Father Tony's twenty-fifth anniversary celebration in 2009, the St. Peter's Mini-singers performed a rousing and humorous song composed for the occasion by Music Teacher and Assistant Principal Mrs. Beverly Brook. It was the highlight of the day.

We will continue our look at Father Tony's pastorate in the next column.

St. Peter's Elementary is looking for a volunteer crossing guard Monday—Friday 7:15—8:00 A.M. If interested, please email Ashley Rastorfer at rastorfer.ashley@myspartans.org.

Annual Craft Show at St. Mary's School on Saturday, November 16 from 9:00—3:00 P.M. All articles are handmade. Address is 16030 Ashland Road in Mansfield. Concessions are available. All proceeds benefit St. Mary's School. Contact Mary Rennpage at 419.524.8162 if you would like to reserve a table.

St. Mary's Senior Citizen Luncheon at 1630 Ashland Road on Tuesday November 26, 2019. The luncheon will be at 12:15 P.M. and the cost is \$3, the menu is hot ham and cheese sandwich, green beans, applesauce, cake and beverage. Reservations are required please call 419.589.2114.

Fall Sharathon "Be Not Afraid" on Tuesday, November 12—Friday, November 15 from 7:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M. Keep Catholic Radio going strong by supporting Auunciation Radio during the Fall Sharathon **November 12-15**. During these four days, Sharathon hosts will interview many of our local priests, deacon and other special guests who will share their enthusiasm for Catholic radio. Tune in and call toll-free 1-888-215-0624 between 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. You can also donate securely online at www.annunciationradio.com. Your support is needed to help keep Catholic radio on the air here in NW Ohio. On your FM radio at 89.7 in the Toledo area, 88.1 in Sandusky, 89.5 and 90.9 in the Mansfield and Willard areas, and 89.9 in Bryan.

"It is not those who commit the least faults who are the most holy, but those who have the greatest courage, the greatest generosity, the greatest love, who make the boldest efforts to overcome themselves, and are not immediately apprehensive about tripping."

~Saint Francis de Sales~

CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD

We are nearing the end of the liturgical year. Today's readings remind us that our own lives will draw to a close one day, and we can be certain that the Lord will encourage, strengthen, and save us--both now and at the last. The astonishing story of the Maccabees invigorates our faith as we behold an entire family willing to die rather than deny the Law of Moses. The psalm response echoes the faithful cries of the Maccabees: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God. That same confidence appears in Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonians. "The Lord is faithful", he testifies; "he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one." In the Gospel, Jesus explains just how long God's protection will endure. The children of God whom God guards, Jesus says, will live forever like angels.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the seventeenth century, English Catholics, many of them wealthy and well educated, looked to the American colonies as a place to regain a measure of religious freedom. In Ireland, the so-called penal laws were even harsher than in England, as a minority Parliament tried to force the conversion of the population by denying the majority political and economic power. Beginning in 1691, laws were passed that punished dissenters, principally Catholics, but also causing hardship for Jews, Quakers, and others. There were acts forbidding mixed marriage or sending children "beyond the seas" for schooling. Catholics were taxed at double the common rate, barred from the legal professions and from university, and not allowed to build churches or own a decent horse.

In 1793 the situation began to change, as it became clear that the economic persecution would not drive the majority away from Catholicism. Gradually, laws were repealed until by 1829 freedom was won, although Catholics at university were ineligible for honors, and until the 1920s when the Republic was formed, the Church of Ireland was the state church, funded by the taxes of all citizens. -

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm -- Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading -- May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 -- 3:5).

Gospel -- Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23 -- 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b -- 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175;
Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43;
Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

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