

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 7, 2017



Jesus said: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice. But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers."

John 10:1-5

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am
Monday & Friday: 5:30 pm
Tuesday - Thursday: 7:00 am

Spanish Mass:

Resurrection Parish, Lexington
Sunday: 6:00 pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am - 8:30 pm
Friday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Pastoral Care Contacts:

Mrs. Vickie Palmer 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 pm
Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:

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

Sunday Nursery:

Sunday Nursery is temporarily unavailable until further notice. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email.

Pastoral Staff:

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

Deacons:

Mr. John Reef
Mr. Dennis Striker

St. Peter's School:

Mr. Michael Wasiniak
High School, Jr. High School
Mrs. Madalyn Bauer
Elementary School
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer *Montessori*

Parish Business Manager:

Mr. Jon Blazak

Director of Development:

Mr. Jason Crundwell

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, May 8, Easter Weekday**

1:00pm All School - May Crowning
 5:00pm Rosary
 5:30pm North Central Ohio Vocations

Tuesday, May 9, Easter Weekday

7:00am Clarence Beat

Wednesday, May 10, Easter Weekday

7:00am Madeline Taddeo

Thursday, May 11, Easter Weekday

7:00am Delores Pitroff

Friday, May 12, Easter Weekday

5:00pm Rosary
 5:30pm Marilyn Mertler

Saturday, May 13, Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter

2:00pm Bryan Fike and Sara Lybarger Wedding
 5:00pm Joseph Sr. and Mary (Egloff) Berger Family

Sunday, May 14, Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30am Joe and Virginia Boyd
 9:30am Fran Glodowski
 11:30am Rose Lanni Stumbo

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER**Saturday, May 13**

5:00pm **L** C Taddeo, B Linkenbach **D** V Zach, B Nihei,
 D Falquette, M Joyce, D & T Hipp, D DeCenso

Sunday, May 14

7:30am **L** J Morvai, L Danuloff **D** K Randall, P Taylor
 J Porch, D Givens, A Holloway, K & K Reindl
 9:30am **L** P Kastelic, F Schuster **D** D Dreskler,
 R Harraman, S Weitzel, S Weber, T Baker,
 B Connolly, A Harraman, M Riggelman
 11:30am **L** T Malec, F Leitenberger **D** F Leitenberger,
 K Yockey, J Laskey, J Liston, B Riley, S Rizzo,
 H Deel, need two

MASS SERVERS**Saturday, May 13**

5:00pm AM Coontz, E Cavanaugh, K Delano

Sunday, May 14

7:30am G Farragher, M & S Tridico
 9:30am J Rose, B Ball, A Boyce
 11:30am A Pindel, S Putt, T Staab

THE SHEPHERD**AND GUARDIAN OF OUR SOULS**

I get excited each year when the reading from Acts 2:36-41 is proclaimed. It's that last verse that gets me: "Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand persons were added that day."

I picture an RCIA class of 3000 people! I get a little nervous when I think of the logistics – and the paperwork needed – but I become elated imagining 3000 people being baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil!

Who were those 3000 or so people Peter brought into the Church? I believe they were just like our catechumens today – open to God's call, seeking the truth and peace that only Jesus can give, desiring to know, love, and serve our Lord.

An important verse in this reading from Acts is Peter's response when the seekers ask, "What are we to do?" Peter tells them: "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made...to whomever the Lord our God will call."

The Lord our God calls us! For those of us already baptized, we're called to continually grow in our faith and use our God-given gifts to serve our Lord and our brothers and sisters, especially those most marginalized.

In today's second reading we hear exactly how to do that: Be patient, know that suffering is a grace, follow Christ's footsteps from the Cross to Resurrection, and truly believe "by his wounds [we] have been healed." And, finally, we have the beautiful Gospel from John 10 – Jesus giving us the image of the shepherd calling his sheep by name and leading them. "He walks ahead of his own, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice."

Jesus, Good Shepherd and Guardian of our souls, guide us in your ways and help us always to hear and heed your voice.

Your sister in Christ,

Lynne Lukach

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



Don Blank, Aaron Blank, Andy Taracko, Rose Mary Lang-Martin, Gwen Yockey, MaKaya Butler, Helen Green, Nancy Stanton, Dina Riley, Sue Romanchuk, Joan Phalor, Theresa Prendergast, Duane Moser, Bill Martin, Paul Conry, John Zeigler, John & Rose Anne Henney, Ralph Dillon, Debbie Ashley, Pat Colarosa, Julie Krous, Laura Demarest, Mike Payton, Mary Ann Voytko, Hope Daugherty, Krista Marshall, Nick & Hilda Schemine, Liam Young, Dan Rhea, Corbin Adams, Beverly Strauser, Bill Ruhl, Carol Pittinger, Thomas Conrad, Jeannie Burkhalter.

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...

JOANNE STOVER CARL "JOE" GRASSMAN
MARY ANN OROSAN GIBSON

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- ◆ **May 5**—Pasta & Meatballs—by MVP
- ◆ **May 12**—Smothered Chicken—by Bobbi
- ◆ **May 19**—Beef & Noodles—by MVP
- ◆ **May 20** – Flag Retirement Ceremony
- ◆ **May 26**—Schnitzel—by Bobbi



Knights of Columbus Hall

1114 Park Ave. West — Phone 419.529.5532
(all meals 5:30-7:30pm)

Open to all. Please contact the club at 419.529.5532 to let us know how many in your party.

COFFEE CANS FOR SCIENCE CLASS

Keep saving empty large metal coffee cans for our junior high science class. Clean cans can be dropped off to the Parish Center now through the month of May.

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

The State of Ohio has an execution schedule reaching beyond 2019. We were ready to resume Candlelight Vigils next week, due to the scheduled execution date of May 10 for Ronald Phillips. However, just as this bulletin was going to print, Governor Kasich used his executive clemency authority to reschedule the next nine executions due to the court battle over lethal injection and the procurement of drugs. The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will hold a hearing June 14. Ronald Phillips' new execution date is July 26. Please continue to pray for an end to the death penalty and write letters to our Governor and legislators requesting a moratorium on executions and eventual abolition of capital punishment in our state.

YES—YOUTH ELECT SERVICE

YES, or **Youth Elect Service** is currently looking for sites this year. During **YES**, youth from the area go out into the community to help people with small home rehabilitation projects for those who may have difficulty completing them on their own.

Projects can include but are not limited to painting, housework, yardwork and small construction projects. To be eligible for the program you must own your home (not rent it). If you or someone you know would be interested in having **YES** come to your home this year please contact Elizabeth Wurm at the Parish Office. All services are free of charge to the homeowner.

Are you going to be an incoming freshman or an outgoing senior for the 2017-2018 school year? Are you looking to make a difference? Consider signing up for **YES!** YES is Youth Elective Service where the youth of our area go into the community to help others with home rehabilitation projects. This can be yard work to painting, cleaning to small construction. There is a place for everyone to help! **YES** is taking place June 23-June 25. If you are interested please contact Elizabeth Wurm at the Parish Office or by email at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org. **We hope you will join us!**

TRINITY DOME COLLECTION

Next week, our parish will participate in a national collection for the Trinity Dome to complete the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, before its 100th anniversary. Also known as America's Catholic Church, the National Shrine has been a century in the making, built by and for the faithful of our great nation in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States. Become a part of Mary's Shrine and help to bring to completion our church! For more information, Please visit: www.trinitydome.org.

SUNDAY OFFERING



**Week of
April 22, 2017 - April 28, 2017**

Sunday Collection	\$16,113
Total Sunday Collection to Date	\$685,622
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection to Date	\$680,354
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$5,268
School Collection	\$6,785
Total School Collection to Date	\$134,100
Total Budgeted School Collection to Date	\$165,577
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$31,477)
Easter Collection Total	<u>\$39,127</u>
Easter Collection Budget	<u>\$40,000</u>
Easter Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$873)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE



Total Pledged:	\$2,592,453
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$407,547
Payments to Date:	\$1,460,374

As of April 28, 2017

ST. PETER'S ANNUAL FUND UPDATE



Total Pledged:	\$94,360
Amount needed to reach annual goal:	\$5,640
Payments to Date:	\$88,270

As of April 24, 2017



You are invited to attend an informational meeting to learn more about the **Ohio Opportunity Scholarship** (Senate Bill 85). If passed, the **Ohio Opportunity Scholarship** would give middle and low income families the opportunity to choose a private school for their children's education. Scholarships would be worth up to \$5,000 for elementary and \$7,500 for high school tuition. Families with a household income at or below 400% of the poverty level would be eligible. For example a family of four earning \$98,400 would qualify.

Ohio Senator Matt Huffman, the sponsor of the bill, will be at the meeting to talk about how this bill will increase access to quality education to a new level in Ohio.

School families, parishioners, teachers, school advisory councils and parish finance councils should all attend to learn more about this chance for a private education for the children in our community. For questions contact Katie Sliwinski at 419-244-6711 or email ksliwinski@toledodiocese.org

SUMMER INTERN POSITION

A summer Intern position for a Mansfield Church History Museum Researcher is available through St. Luke's Point of Grace. For more information...please see posted flyers.



Andrew M. Gast, D.D.S
1 Marion Avenue, Suite 201
Mansfield, OH 44903

GRADUATING SENIORS



We will be celebrating all graduating Seniors at Mass on June 4 at 11:30 a.m. If you are a graduating senior, we cordially invite you to come and be recognized on that day. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at the parish office or by email at: wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org

SCHOOL NEWS



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 419-524-2572
- Mrs. Madalyn Bauer-Elementary Principal 419-524-2572
- Mr. Mike Wasiniak-High School & Junior High Principal 419-524-2572.

St. Peter 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.



ALL ST. PETER'S SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

If you have volunteered in any capacity for St. Peter's School this year, you are cordially invited to Mass and lunch to follow on Tuesday, May 16. Mass at 9:15 with reserved seating for school volunteers in the front pews will be followed by a brief church tour and then a "Thank You" lunch in the Franciscan Activity Center Atrium. If you plan to attend, please call the elementary or high school/junior high office by Friday, May 12. 419-524-2572 Thank you!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School for Saint Peter's is scheduled for July 10- 13. Right now we are looking for adult volunteers & for youth (6-12th grades) who are willing to help make this week a success. Vacation Bible School for our volunteers runs daily from 8 - 12: 30pm. All adults who volunteer must be VIRTUS trained and if you have not already completed the program, we are happy to help you complete this requirement. Contact Elizabeth Wurm at the parish office or through e-mail wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org.

ATTENTION—MOTHERS DAY MAY 14



Remember to bring flowers for Mary. You bring the flowers, we furnish the vases. Our Lady will love them.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EVENT
PANCAKE AND EGG BREAKFAST**



Please join us on June 4, 2017 for our Pancake and Egg Breakfast. It will take place after all Masses in the Church Basement. There will be a freewill offering. Please call Mike Winters 419-543-3080 or Kim Randall 419-528-9856 for any questions. All are welcome!



A huge thanks to all who supported our huge Easter Bake Sale. Whether by praying for us, donating, baking, or working—all help was needed and very appreciated. A very special thanks to all the hard working volunteers who put in so many hours to make this event so successful.

Thanks to Brenda and her cafeteria staff for your wonderful cooperation—we could not do this without you. The parish and school staff and the polite and helpful students made our work much easier. Our special “core group” who were there for every step—you made it happen. Your generosity, hard work, thoughtfulness and dedication never cease to amaze and inspire us. You define what a parish community should be. Thank you so much. Over \$18,600.00 was raised—incredible— *Molly and Ann*

PRINCE OF PEACE CEMETERY



The Mansfield Catholic Cemeteries Committee will be holding our annual Open House at the Prince of Peace Cemetery on Sunday May 21 2017 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Representatives of the Committee will be present to answer any questions and to assist with the purchase of grave spaces in either

the Prince of Peace Cemetery or the Mansfield Catholic Cemetery. During the month of May we will be reducing a grave space from \$500 to \$450. These lowered prices will be in effect from May 1, 2017 until May 31, 2017. Questions can be directed to the St. Peter's Parish Office (419-524-2572 ext. 8803). The Prince of Peace Cemetery is located at the southern end of Ridge Avenue in Madison Township (262 South Ridge Road).

EASTER THANK YOU



So many volunteered hours of preparation, often unnoticed, to plan for our Holy Triduum and Easter celebrations. I cannot begin to **thank everyone** for their help; and I am hesitant to begin to acknowledge individuals for fear I may leave someone out. What I can say is that our Heavenly Father was pleased with your gift of time, talent, and treasure. The celebrations reminding us of the power of the Risen Christ were overwhelming.

For all who were involved in planning and the celebrations of our liturgies, I wish to offer thanks to you and gratitude to our loving and merciful God! We were also blessed with beautiful weather!

Let us remember that the Easter Season is 50 days, culminating in the Solemnity of Pentecost. Spring, nicer weather, warmer temperatures, and the joy of our liturgical celebrations remind us of the love God has for each of us, every day!

MAY 2017 BIRTHDAYS



We want to recognize and say a special prayer for the 318 parishioners celebrating birthdays in the month of May especially the seventeen people who are 85 and above:

Andrew Schweitzer, Helen Green, Jenny Wala, Aileen McFarland, Stella Radzaunas, Mary Lou Moritz, Marianne Cappadonna, Thomas Miller, George Berick, Jennie Petrella, Mary Deklyn, Josephine Chinni, Geraldine Harriman, Mary Lou Mathews, Richard Kulka, Marilyn Romano, and Melvin Switzer.

May God continue to shower his blessings upon you. If you are above 85 and we missed your birthday, please let us know.

FEED THE NEEDY



Please note that St. Peter's monthly Feed the Needy schedule has been changed to the second week of each month beginning with May 2017. We will be serving from 11:30-1:00pm. A Team Captain is still needed for Tuesdays. Please contact Dick Renie, Coordinator at 419.756.4483 or 419.566.7511.

RECYCLING (Every 2nd Friday of the month)
May 12, 2017 — 10-11:00am / 2-4:00pm
Franciscan Activity Center parking lot.



BLUE BARRELS: May 13-14

St. Peter Mission Society will host their annual Buy-Me-Now/Silent Auction on Friday afternoon, May 12 from 2:30-5:30 PM and Saturday morning, May 13 from 9:00AM—Noon. 70+ items/gift certificates can be purchased at a great deal predetermined Buy-Me-Now prices and taken home that day. If items aren't purchased immediately, the highest bid wins. Proceeds benefit local charities. Event takes place in the church basement at 220 East Butler Street in Loudonville. Any questions, call Susie Henley Piskur 614-571-5357.

One sees the violence and conditions in our world today regarding life. Much prayer is needed to change our country & the world to respecting all life and it starts with praying for the unborn. Join us in praying the ***Spiritual Adoption Prayer***. There are copies at the Church entrance. It takes only seconds to save an unborn baby from death by abortion. Thank you doing this for Life. SPRLC

Our Lady of Consolation Shrine, Carey, OH invites you to "Our Journey with Our Blessed Mother." The first "Journey" will be on Sunday, May 21 with Fr. David Ross, from St. Rose Parish, Lima, Ohio as the celebrant and preacher at the noon Mass. Plan to attend our monthly "Journey." Any questions call 419-396-7107.

Act Justly, Love Tenderly, Walk Humbly – Lunch & Learn, Wednesday, May 24, 2017, 12:00-2:00 Led by Fr. Charles Ritter. In preparation for the feast of Pentecost join Fr. Ritter for lunch and reflection on Micah 6:8 Cost \$15 Includes Lunch — Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center 1250 Tiffin St. Fremont OH 43420 - 419-332-6522

Are you a Catholic homeschooling family in the Toledo diocese? Then please join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo for our **13th Annual Diocesan Homeschooling Mass**. The Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas, Bishop of Toledo, will be celebrating our Mass. It's a wonderful evening of prayer, fellowship, food and fun! Please bring a finger-food dish to share for the reception immediately following the Mass. If you have a student who will be graduating 8th grade, or a graduating high school senior, and would like your graduate to participate in the ceremony after the Mass, please email Lisa-Ann Brickner at oyc81@yahoo.com by **May 26th**.

THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The fact that many monastic churches do not have a prominent tabernacle shapes the patterns of liturgical prayer. Monastic communities often protect the ancient value of "receiving from the same sacrifice," meaning that the communicants are assured that what they eat and drink in the Holy Mysteries actually comes from the same celebration. It surprises many to learn that the Church does not foresee, nor does it provide for, Communion of the faithful from the reserved Sacrament. Liturgical laws have long defended your right to receive from the same sacrifice, the same Mass, that you attend.

At one time, of course, the bread for the Eucharist was the ordinary bread of the day, except unleavened, probably prepared at home. It was broken and distributed to the faithful. Early on the loaf itself was referred to as the *hostia* in Latin, meaning the "sacrifice," the same word for the sacrificial animal in Jewish worship, and for Jesus as the Lamb of God. By giving his life on the cross, Jesus became the *hostia* for us. To this day in the Greek Church, one of the tasks of the priest's wife is to bake the bread for the Divine Liturgy, sometimes in a bakery oven dedicated to that purpose and called a "Bethlehem."

Today's familiar individual hosts first appeared in the eleventh century at about the time when tabernacles were coming into use. The turn away from "bready" bread allowed the hosts to be reserved since they did not spoil like regular bread, and made the annual "Easter duty" counts easier.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized. (Acts 2:14a, 36-41)

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Psalm 23)

Second Reading — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian. (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

Gospel — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life. (John 10:1-10)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;
Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;
Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:



In today's gospel Jesus tells us, HE IS THE WAY and warns anyone who offers "another way" to happiness is "a thief and a bandit." Strong words! Don't listen to the sales pitch of society for happiness. Look to yourself where God is present and "calls you by name and leads you to abundant life." ~ by Bud Ozar

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