

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## AUGUST 18, 2019



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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 - Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Saturday: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Sunday Closed

**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 pm  
Other times by appointment.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least eight 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.

**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, August 19, Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Linda Horning

**Tuesday, August 20, Saint Bernard, Abbot**

7:00 am Parish

**Wednesday, August 21, Saint Pius X, Pope**

7:00 am For the intention of Asha Dhanarajan

**Thursday, August 22, Queenship of the Blessed Virgin**

Mary

7:00 am Dr. Fred Wiecher

**Friday, August 23, Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Angela Oriol

**Saturday, August 24, Vigil– Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary**

Time

5:00 pm John and Margaret Scharl

**Sunday, August 25, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am Clara Robison

9:30 am Paul Forster

11:30 am Parish

**LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER****Saturday, August 24**5:00 pm **L** K Cannon, D Creamer**D** D Falquette, K Randall, M Joyce, D Hipp,  
T Hipp**Sunday, August 25**7:30 am **L** B Scharl, M Santoro**D** M Collet, P Taylor, B Danuloff, D Givens,  
A Holloway, L Danuloff, L Burgess-Keffalas9:30 am **L** P Kastelic, M Meinzer**D** B Genter, J Brennan, T Etwiler, T Frasz,  
D Forster, C Merle, A Harraman, F Schuster11:30 am **L** T Malec, M Ambrose**D** F Leitenberger, S Rizzo, T Fesler,  
L Strauser, J Wendling, K Schreck**MASS SERVERS****Saturday, August 24**

5:00 pm K Pollock, E Holzmilller, D Stanford

**Sunday, August 25**

7:30 am A Gasper

9:30 am A Baldasare, J Ramey, G Farragher

11:30 am M Osborne, N Osborne, C Fesler

**Welcome back!** I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing summer! I am looking forward to working with all of our families and students in my new role as Elementary Principal and I am excited to begin a new school year! I would like to welcome all the new families and staff to St. Peter's as well as our returning families and staff. We have had some changes/additions to staff for the 2019-2020 school year.

Our new Elementary Physical Education teacher is Mrs. Jamie Stima (Reynolds). She has previously worked as an aide at St. Peter's and is currently working in the Parish Center. She will continue to work in the Parish Center during the 2019-2020 school year.

Our new Religion teacher for Grade 5 and 6 is Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm. Mrs. Wurm will also teach Religion only to our third grade students. She will continue to work in the Parish Office as Director of Religious Education and Youth Minister as well.

Our new Montessori teacher is Mrs. Kim Bryant. She has worn many hats at St. Peter's, most recently, an aide in San Damiano Hall.

Finally, Mrs. Hannah Ginn will be our 3rd grade teacher and Mrs. Penny Priess will be our 4th grade teacher this year.

Please join me in welcoming these familiar faces in their new roles at St. Peter's Elementary! We're so happy they are here!

As always, please feel free to stop in or make an appointment! My door is always open!

In closing, a back to school prayer:

*"Gracious God,*

*As the summer begins to fade, new possibilities lie on the horizon.*

*Bless all of those who are beginning or returning to their roles as teachers and catechists as well as those who lead and support them in their efforts.*

*May this school year be a time of grace and potential as they teach, share, and challenge others to grow in faith, knowledge, and wisdom.*

*Bless children and youth, along with their parents, as they begin a new school year.*

*May their eyes be open to learning and to the wonder of discovery and insight.*

*Be with us as we embark on this new school year.*

*Amen."*

*~Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer, Elementary Principal/Montessori Director*

**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, Ken Kayden, John Henney, Theresa Schmidt, Paige Divelbiss, Maria Loschinkohl, Carol Pittenger, 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 Stegall, Tammy Dudley, Keith Combs, Mady Ziegler, Elaine Johnson, Cindy Jasnek Cartier, Jeannine Klotz, Marilyn B. Williamson, Rex Linkenbach, Helen Philpott, Kathryn Keil, Paul Schopp, Tom Powell, Danny Rhea, Sharon Berger, George Elish, Mike Krebs, Christopher Hout, John Kocher, Dana Henry, Michael Krempel, George Elish.

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...**

Ann Beaver Stanley Twardzik



*Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord.*

**PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS**

Our Pastoral Care team is looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit patients at OhioHealth Mansfield and residents at Wedgewood Estates. Any all ready commissioned Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion interested in visiting should contact Kristi Reindl at 419.524.2572 ext. 2122 or email reindl.kristi@myspartans.org.

**PARKING LOT AND SAFETY EMERGENCY**

Please remember to lock car doors and keep valuables out of sight when you come for weekend Mass or to visit our school. Also, please do not park in emergency lanes, behind the priests' garage doors or the center aisle lane, it makes it impossible for emergency vehicles to help us.

**PRISON MINISTRY CORNER**



Death Penalty update: For over 20 years now our parish has coordinated candlelight prayer vigils on the eve of all executions in Ohio. As we continue to work and pray for an end to the death penalty, recent news has been encouraging. Governor DeWine has postponed the upcoming execution of Warren Henness amid struggles to find a company that will provide the state with drugs for a new lethal injection protocol. Prison officials are finding it impossible to locate a supplier of drugs to use for the purpose of executions, as the drugs were never intended for that use.

**A NEW LOOK FOR OUR DEACONS:**

Effective August 10, 2019, the Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, Bishop Thomas has given permission to the deacons of the Diocese of Toledo, if they so choose, to wear a gray clerical shirt when they are exercising their diaconal ministry in the Diocese. The Bishop's permission comes in response to a recommendation made by the Diocesan Deacon Council. The permission to wear clerical attire in ministerial settings, if the deacon so chooses, is meant to assist the deacon as a visible sign of his ministry of service and to help the faithful recognize the role of deacons in the life of the Church. Deacons are members of the Catholic clergy. The wearing of the gray clerical shirt is strictly optional on the part of the deacon.

**ACA (ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL) UPDATE:**

To date, St. Peter's Parish has pledged \$32,720.50 of our \$55,000 goal. To date, this represents 59.5% of our share to the diocesan appeal. This represents gifts from 253 households.

***Please prayerfully consider your gift to this year's appeal. Seminarians from our diocese (including Hayden Eighinger, who will be attending Mt. St. Mary of the West, Cincinnati, Ohio as a seminarian for the Toledo diocese, and who spoke at all Masses two weekends ago) are the future priests of our parishes. Without your help, the number of vocations serving our parishes is in jeopardy.*** ACA also supports our schools, our religious education programs, the permanent diaconate and outreach to those in need. Please consider your gift today, and return your pledge

**VOLLEYBALL BAKE SALE**

The High School Volleyball team will be holding a bake sale in the church basement following all of the Masses this Sunday, August 18.

**SUNDAY OFFERING**



*Year to Date  
August 2, 2019*

**Sunday and Holy Day Collections**

Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$72,045
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$80,500
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$8,455)</b>

**School Collection**

Total School Collection To Date:	\$12,752
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$14,400
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$1,648)</b>

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE



Cash Available for Auditorium		\$319,024
Stage One Cash Goal:		\$370,000
Amount Needed for project to begin:		\$50,975
Uncollected Pledges:		\$160,071

As of July 29, 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.*

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Starting August 21 the Parish Office will be open on Monday—Thursday from 7:30 am—7:30 pm, Friday from 7:30 am — 6:00 pm, Saturdays from 10:00 am—2:00 pm and Sunday from 8:30 am—12:30 pm.

### BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION, POP TABS AND GARBAGE BAGS

Please keep saving Box Tops For Education and Pop Tabs. These can be turned in to the Parish Center or High School Offices. And, we still sell Garbage Bags from the Yellow Bag People in the Parish Center.



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### WLP Music

1.800.566.6150 wlpmusic.com

## MUSIC IN THE AIR!

Summer is already flying by and we will soon be ready for the start of a new music season at St. Peter's. The **St. Peter's Traditional Choir will continue its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season** with rehearsals beginning on September 5, 2019, at 7:00 PM. In addition to their usual performances at Christmas Midnight Mass, Holy Week and the Easter Masses, this year's Choir will also perform the annual Lessons and Carols for Advent, featuring our newly refurbished organ, and, in celebration of the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Parish, a springtime performance of the *Magnificat* and the *Requiem* by renowned composer John Rutter. If you have ever thought you'd like to be part of the Music Ministry at St. Peter's, now's the time! We're recruiting new singers to join us and if you can sing, we need you! We rehearse on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm and perform most usually at the Sunday 11:30 Mass.

If you're not really keen on a traditional style choir, why not consider trying the Parish **Handbell Choir** (rehearsals beginning September 4, 2019) or the Parish **Contemporary Ensemble** (rehearsals going on now)? The Bell Choir can always use additional ringers — the ability to count and some rudimentary musical reading ability are useful for this group. The Contemporary Ensemble is always in need of additional singers, and if you can play the guitar or other select instruments, so much the better!

If you have children aged between Kindergarten and 12<sup>th</sup> grade, the **Children's Choir** is also looking for more singers.

Call the Parish Music Office at (419)-524-2572, ext. 2113, for more information about any of these musical opportunities.

### OPEN TEACHING POSITIONS

St. Peter's School has open teaching positions for full time Algebra and English and part time Theology in the Junior High and High School.

Qualified candidates will have prior experience teaching the subject matter to similar aged students. All candidates must hold a current Ohio teaching license or be in the process of obtaining a license. Special consideration will be given to candidates with familiarity with ODE standards for education. Additionally, preference will be shown to current practicing Catholics and those who demonstrate strong understanding of the Catholic faith and commitment to Church teachings. All candidates must have or be able to obtain BCI and FBI background checks as well as complete the Diocese of Toledo VIRTUS program if hired.

This position is full-time, salaried position with a contract for the 2019-2020 school year. Salary will be commensurate with experience. Competitive benefits are offered to all full-time employees including tuition discounts for school age dependents.

Interested candidates should email their cover letter, resume and other relevant documentation to Jon Cuttitta, Acting High School Principal, at [cuttitta.jon@myspartans.org](mailto:cuttitta.jon@myspartans.org).

## ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

All are welcome to our upcoming Adult Faith course entitled **ROMANS: The Gospel of Salvation**. We will meet Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in Assisi Hall, Parish Center 4th floor, beginning Sept. 26.

## RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is a process for adults who are non-baptized, baptized in another Christian church, or baptized Catholic who have not yet celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation **and** Eucharist and are interested in becoming fully initiated in the Catholic Church. You - or someone you know - may have the desire to become fully Catholic. Please call the **Parish Office** at **419-524-2572** for information on beginning or completing the initiation process. We also receive requests from individuals interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith, with or without the intention of becoming a member. You are also welcome to join the RCIA process by calling the above number.

## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

PSR or Parish School of Religion will be beginning again in September! This is a program that is dedicated to all youth of Saint Peter's Parish, who are not otherwise enrolled in a parochial school, from preschool to twelfth grade. Our classes meet on Wednesday nights from 6:00- 7: 30 p.m. Included in this program is sacramental preparation for those wishing to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist (generally second grade) or Confirmation (generally seventh grade). **Parents: Children anticipating First Eucharist and Confirmation are required to attend all classes and parent sessions, per Diocesan policy.** We also have a program for those under 18 who would like to enter the Church. If you are in need of more information, or would like to register, please contact Elizabeth Wurm, [wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) or call the Parish Office.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

St. Peter's annual Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be Sunday, September 22 at 2:00 p.m. in the church. This beautiful Mass offers the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to those with acute or chronic illnesses and those with other physical or emotional infirmities and the elderly.



We also offer a special blessing to all those who are caregivers, health service providers, doctors, nurses, and others who work in the fields of medicine or health care. We encourage you to attend with your family. If you are not in need of anointing but know of a parishioner or relative who is, please invite them to join you.

Mass will be celebrated Sunday, September 22 at 2:00 p.m. Please call 419-524-2572, ext. 2113 for more information.



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

**BLUE BARRELS: September 14 & 15**

## 175TH ANNIVERSARY NOTES

Last week in this column we began our look at the pastorate of our tenth Pastor, Father John Blaser, who served here from 1984 to 1994.

When Fostoria native Father John Blaser was appointed tenth Pastor of St. Peter's Parish, he described himself in a May 12, 1984, interview with the *Mansfield News Journal* as feeling "overwhelmed." When Toledo Bishop James Hoffman asked him to become Pastor of St. Peter's, Father Blaser reflected on the differences between his previous assignment and St. Peter's. "Moving from the flat land of Bowling Green into the scenic area of Mansfield was appealing to me...St. Peter's Parish is a special parish not only to me but to Bishop Hoffman too because it was his first appointment..." (*Mansfield News Journal*, May 12, 1984, pg. 6.)

Father Blaser's tenure at St. Peter's offered opportunities for the Parish to grow and prosper at the same time that it saw the rise of some challenges the Parish had to overcome. The Parish Council was re-structured to allow for greater participation by parishioners in the life of the Parish. In 1985 a Parish census was conducted as part of Father Blaser's intensive efforts to know and understand his new parish and its people. In the wake of the Parish census, Father Blaser initiated a new program of evangelization. He also added to the number of staff by hiring a Pastoral Associate and by expanding the responsibility of the Business Manager and by adding a liturgist whose responsibility focused on coordinating the liturgical life of the Parish.



Fr. John R. Blaser

Another aspect of the growth of the Parish focused on new construction and program expansion. In 1985 the Properties Committee, under the leadership of the late Paul Malaska, authorized several physical improvements to the buildings and grounds. The Parish Center was made handicapped accessible by raising the level of the floor and elevator in the entry of the Parish Center. The restroom there was also renovated to make it handicapped accessible as well.

In 1987, in response to a considerable need at the time, the St. Peter's Daycare Center began operations. Parishioner Judy Wiparina was hired as the first director. The former Home Economics classrooms in the east wing of the ground floor of the High School were converted to accommodate the new Daycare Center. The Daycare operated until 2015, when declining enrollment and greatly increased costs made it necessary to discontinue the program.

We will continue our look at Father Blaser's time at St. Peter's in the next column.

**Shelby Knights of Columbus** at 250 Vernon Rd, Shelby is holding a Spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Sadie Kreinbrink. Sadie is an adorable, spunky 2 1/2 year old who was diagnosed with Rhabdomyosarcoma. Please contact 419.342.5396 for more information.

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**, 109 N. Main St. Glandorf, OH is Hosting Fr. Mitch Pacwa S.J. Saturday, August 24, 2019, 9am to 3:30pm. Fr. Mitch Pacwa S.J. is well known as an EWTN TV & Radio Host, Scripture Scholar, Catholic Author, World Renowned Lecturer, & is Fluent in 12 Languages. Theme: ' ALL THINGS CATHOLIC'. Eucharist, Mary, Prayer, & Q & A Session. RSVP to 419-890-3724 or [jmschroeder51@gmail.com](mailto:jmschroeder51@gmail.com). Free Will Offering Will Be Taken. \$6.00 Lunch Available (RSVP by Aug. 19 for lunch). Coffee/Pastry Break after 8:00AM Mass. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**St. Mary of the Snows is having their Famous Feast and Raffle** on September 8, 2019. The quilt will be raffled off that same day. Go to [mansfieldstmarys.org](http://mansfieldstmarys.org) or call St. Mary of the Snows at 419.589.2114 for more information and/or to purchase tickets.

**St. Edward's Parish in Ashland** has an opening for a full time maintenance person. Persons interested in the position should visit the St. Edward's Parish website, [stedwardashland.org](http://stedwardashland.org), or contact Fr. Rod Kreidler at 419.289.7224 or 501 Cottage St., Ashland, OH.

*"It's not how much we give but how much we put into giving."*

*~Mother Theresa~*



## LISTEN TO JESUS AND THE PROPHETS

Prophets have always had a tough row to hoe. Their words, often unwelcome, are used against them to persecute and even kill them. Such was the fate of the Old Testament prophets, and Jeremiah is a great example of this. Jesus endured opposition from sinners, and did not turn back from a shameful death in order to rise to a glorious new life. The ultimate prophet, Jesus sought to warn the people of his time and ours of the divisions that his words would cause, showing himself to be the prophet of all time. We all need to look at our divisions and dilemmas in light of Jesus teachings and warnings, and seek to understand all that he has proclaimed and taught about what will happen if we fail to listen.

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent weeks, we have reviewed how the Churches of East and West have enriched one another, and this past Thursday's solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was born in the Eastern Church. It is a gift from the ancient Church of Jerusalem, a commemoration of the death of Mary, and a feast charged with a deep sense of the Resurrection. Mary, the first disciple, is the first to share fully in Christ's victory over death. In the tradition of the East, August 15 is the "Dormition of the Theotokos", or the "Falling Asleep of the God-bearer". There is no shadow of death or gloom in the theology, since this is seen as a transformation of Mary's life into a heavenly and immortal existence. There is a sense in the tradition that she who made earth heavenly and exalted the human race by her faithfulness is glorified today. A persistent legend among Orthodox Christians tells how all the disciples, except Thomas, who was preaching in India, were present at Mary's death and burial, and sat by the tomb for three days. On the third day, Thomas saw Mary's body rising to heaven. She greeted him as my friend, and he was escorted by angels to proclaim her assumption to the others, who then realized her tomb was empty. Thus Thomas, the one who expressed doubt at the resurrection of Christ, received a gift from Mary: the chance to proclaim resurrection faith to the disciples.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

**Psalm** — Lord, come to my aid! (Psalm 40).

**Second Reading** — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith (Hebrews 12:1-4).

**Gospel** — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing (Luke 12:49-53).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

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