

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 29, 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 - Thursday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm
Friday: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

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, September 30, Saint Jerome, Priest and
Doctor of the Church**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Clarence Beat

**Tuesday, October 1, Saint Therese of the Child Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

7:00 am Paula Renie

Wednesday, October 2, The Holy Guardian Angels

7:00 am Anton (Tony) Klupp

Thursday, October 3, Weekday

7:00 am Parish

Friday, October 4, Saint Francis of Assisi

9:30 am All School Mass

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Leona M. Gordon

**Saturday, October 5, Vigil of the Twenty Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Ryan Schmidt

**Sunday, October 6, Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

7:30 am Bernard Alfieri

9:30 am Parish

11:30 am Richard (Dick) Spires

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER

Saturday, October 5

5:00 pm **L** B Linkenbach, J Riedl

D D Falquette, T Hipp, D Hipp, M Joyce,
K Randall, D Campbell, C Campbell

Sunday, October 6

7:30 am **L** B Danuloff, J Kennedy

D L Danuloff, A Holloway, D Givens,
L Burgess-Keffalas, K Reindl, K Reindl,
M Collet

9:30 am **L** S Vaccaro, L Brackett

D S Weber, F Schuster, R Sliney, M Meinzer,
S Weitzel, K Wehinger, M Riggelman,
L Steggall

11:30 am **L** S Andrews, S Rizzo

D F Leitenberger, K Leitenberger, J Laskey,
T Fesler, L Strauser, J Wendling, K Yockey

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, October 5

5:00 pm G Dix, B Dix, Z Keffalas

Sunday, October 6

7:30 am S Tridico, A Gasper

9:30 am A Saltzgeber, B Ball, J Ambrose

11:30 am A Pindel, U Ezike, E Henderson

THE CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD

October 6 9:30 am and 11:30 am Angie

On the road where we live there was a terrible accident a few weeks ago. Essentially what happened, from what I can understand, is that a motorcyclist lost control of his bike on one of the winding country roads in the dark, and somehow ended up in a field. The poor man lay in that field for almost 12 hours before his mother, who knew he never made it to his destination, started searching for him. I understand that this woman took every road that she thought might be plausible that he would take and was yelling for him, when finally, somehow, she heard his voice. They found him, they rescued him, and now he is undergoing extensive medical care to try to heal his wounds.

This situation has haunted me for the mere fact that we are moving houses, and during that twelve hour period of time I must have driven up and down that road no less than 25 times moving things from one house to the other. I never noticed a thing: not a skid mark on the road, not an indentation in the field, not so much as a sound from anywhere that would have struck me as unusual... and yet he was there and he needed help. I went by the next day and looked again all around to see if there was something, anything, any kind of indicator that I should have seen to let me know that I needed to stop and help someone. I saw nothing.

How could someone have been so close to me, literally less than 100 feet away from me, desperately needing my help and I didn't see them?

This was a tragic accident, but I think a similar scenario plays out all the time in our lives. We walk through life so focused on our business, our lives, and our needs that we can walk past people who are so desperately crying out for our help. I myself have, on occasion, needed help and as I made my way through life, wondered, "Can people really not see me, not see what is going on, see that I need help?"

As Christians we are called to search for those people among us, and there are many. Just like the story of the lost sheep, that shepherd gave up everything that he had, his entire flock, to find one sheep that needed him. As Catholics we are called through our Works of Mercy to help, anything from feeding the hungry to comforting the afflicted. Although we are tied to these basic commands, it brings us to wonder how often we fall short. How often do we fail to see that person who needs us, who is literally right there in front of us?

Saint Teresa of Calcutta said it best when she said, "Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you." On occasion we need to get back to the basics and remember this awesome challenge that is put in front of us, to live for others as a means to change the world, one person at a time.

Elizabeth Wurm

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



Prayer Requests

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, Theresa Schmidt, 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, John Kocher, Dana Henry, Michael Krempel, Chief Master Sergeant Joseph Basting, Sarah Basting, Peggy Basting Taylor, Colleen Lynch, Kathy Carcione, Gervace Kavishe., Lucy Atherton, Bernie Neel & family, Michael Krebs, Carol Pittenger.

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...

Kathryn Keil Mary Kay Futty



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD.

ST. PETER'S MUSIC SERIES

St. Peter's Music Series invites you to join us as famed a cappella ensemble *The Thirteen* will present *Tallis Through the Looking Glass* on Tuesday evening, October 22, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Peter's Church. Featuring Tallis' symphonic-in-scope work *Gaude Gloriosa Dei Mater* as well as Benjamin Britten's touching and powerful *Hymn to St. Cecilia*, and Pulitzer Prize winner Caroline Shaw's *Fly Away I*, and selected pieces from the American Sacred Harp repertoire, this concert promises to be a performance of virtuosity and artistry. Admission is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be accepted. Call the Parish Music Office at 419-524-2572, ext. 2113, for more information.

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER



Journey of Hope...from Violence to Healing is an organization led by murder victim family members, conducting public education speaking tours and seeking to end the death penalty. Many years ago when this group came to our area, we hosted a luncheon for them at the parish and had the opportunity to meet individuals such as Bud Welch, whose only child was killed in the Oklahoma City bombing. Journey of Hope is again coming near our area. If anyone is interested in learning more, please see journeyofhope.org or ohiocathconf.org (Ohio Catholic Conference) - or contact Lynne at the parish center to carpool to their main event in Columbus Oct. 12.

SAVE THE DATE!



2019 DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

**Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral
October 27, 2019 | 3:00 pm**

If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2019 – 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years – plan to join Bishop Daniel Thomas for the Order of Blessing Married Couples within Holy Mass. Registered couples receive a commemorative certificate and are invited to a reception following mass. To register go to: www.toledoanniversarymass.org or call Alice Jacobs at 419-214-4978, or contact your parish secretary for more information.

WEDDING BANNERS

II — Morgan Mayer and Bror Axelsson

PSR CLASSES



PSR classes have started for those who are in Preschool—12th grades! Classes take place on Wednesday evenings from 6:00—7:30 pm. Children who are anticipating receiving First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation are expected to have registered and attend weekly classes. It is not too late to register your child! If you are interested in registering, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org or just come to class! We would love to see you there!

SUNDAY OFFERING

Year to Date
September 13, 2019



Sunday and Holy Day Collections

Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$177,169
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$177,100

Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit) \$69

School Collection

Total School Collection To Date:	\$29,244
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$30,000

School Collection Surplus/(Deficit) (\$756)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE



Cash Available for Auditorium	\$339,809
Stage One Cash Goal:	\$379,000
Amount Needed to complete first stage:	\$39,935
Uncollected Pledges:	\$172,570

As of September 1, 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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Every other year we have representatives from the National Evangelization Team who work with our Junior and Sophomore classes on their retreat days. We would love to provide dinner for them on Wednesday October 9 and Thursday, October 10 as well as breakfast on Thursday and Friday mornings. The representatives will be departing Friday morning. If you are able to help out, please contact Charlie Henrich at henrich.charlie@myspartans.org.

SAVE THE DATE—FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2019

St. Peter's School Fall Gala Presents: **Family Feud Live and Silent Auction! Games and Fun! Mid-Ohio Conference Center 6-11:00 pm.**



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WORSHIP WEDNESDAYS

We hope your child can join us for Worship Wednesdays! This is a great hour of fun, where we will learn a little about Christ and then sing and dance to praise Him! All Worship Wednesdays will take place **once a month** in Assisi Hall in the High School building from **4-5:00 pm**. If your child attends St. Peter's, they may stay after school and spend that first hour studying or doing homework before Worship Wednesdays begins and a snack will be provided or you can choose to bring them back at 4:00 pm. If your child attends PSR and would like to stay until PSR starts, they are also welcome to stay and share some food with us before class begins. The dates for Worship Wednesdays are: **October 16th, November 20th, January 15th, February 19th, March 18th**. If you are interested in your child attending Worship Wednesdays, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org.

TOLEDO DIOCESE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is pleased to invite all women of the diocese to the Toledo Diocese Women's Conference 2019. This conference will be Saturday October 5, 2019 at Kalahari Resort and Conference Center, Sandusky OH. The time is from 8:30—3:30 pm and our theme is: "The Fire of His Love comes down from Heaven". We will be celebrating Mass first thing at 8:30 am. Our guest speakers include Elizabeth Ficocelli, best-selling, award winning author and radio personality; Leah Swindon US Executive Director of Mary's Meal, and others. Pre-conference dinner is optional (\$40) and of interest to those involved in TDCCW or would like to be. Registration is required for the conference. (\$45/\$50/\$55). Contact Debbi Luman, TDCCW President at 419.734.4004 or 419.898.0906 or debluman@aol.com for registration forms or questions.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

We want to recognize and say a special prayer for the parishioners celebrating birthdays in October, especially those who are 85 years of age and above:



Anthony Marinelli, Florence Jocha, John Schwartz, Dorothy Studer, Jack Walter, Marjorie Rychman, Frances Bender, Kathleen Patterson, Lawrence Tisdale, Rita Day, John Rincich, Virginia Anton, Jean Cullen, Marilyn Clement, Annette Togliatti, Gertrude Steele.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST



The Knights of Columbus Council 687, will be serving a pancake, sausage and egg breakfast this Sunday, September 29 after all of the Masses in the church basement. Everyone is welcome, and if you wear red you will receive an extra pancake. A free will donation will be accepted.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

Thank you to all who attended our first session of **ROMANS: The Gospel of Salvation**. All are welcome. There is no fee or registration. We meet Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Enter thru the Parish Center entrance and take the elevator to the 4th floor Assisi Hall. This week's topic: Romans Chapter 1-2: Paul's Gospel and the Universality of Sin.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

A group will be meeting on Mondays at 6:15 p.m., starting Oct. 14. We will be watching Jeff Cavins video series "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible." This series will run through Dec. 2. Please join us if you are interested. We will meet in the Assisi Hall, 4th floor, parish center. A workbook can be purchased for \$27.50 but is not required. If you plan on attending, please contact either Dianne Randall at 567-341-6608 / diannecream-er@yahoo.com or Kelly Wurm at 419-884-7785 / kmwurm@yahoo.com. We hope you can join us and learn more about our Catholic faith.



MANDATORY SACRAMENTAL MEETINGS

If your child is of sacramental age, please mark these dates on your calendar. There is a **mandatory** parent/child meeting for those who are wishing First Eucharist for your child in 2020 on October 5th from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the FAC Atrium. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org.

The parent/child **mandatory** parent/child meeting for Confirmation on Saturday, October 12th from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the FAC Atrium. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org.

HEARTS AND MINDS

Hearts and mind will resume on Tuesday, October 1 at 4:00 pm. We will be meeting at Resurrection Parish at 2600 Lexington Avenue. Please contact Rosemary Malaska at 419.756.0932 or vmalaska@neo.rr.com for more information.



MARY POPPINS AUDITIONS

Auditions for The Saint Peter's Department of Theater and Performing Arts' 2020 performance of Mary Poppins will begin on October 1st. As this is a Parish and school production, auditions are open to all parishioners between the ages of 6-200. All materials needed to prepare and sign up for a time are available online at www.spspringmusical.wordpress.com. If a print version is needed, please contact Cassandra Parente at CassandraParente5@gmail.com or (216)798-6306.

175TH ANNIVERSARY NOTES

With this column we continue our look at the pastorate of our eleventh Pastor Father Herb Weber, who served here from 1994 until 2005. Our Pastoral Associate, Lynne Lukach, has graciously agreed to share some of her memories of working with Father Herb during his time here.

As noted in last week's column, Father Herb had a rich background in social justice issues. He even wrote *The Parish Help Book: A Guide to Social Ministry and Faith*. His years at St. Peter's were marked by his interest and leadership in the area of social justice.

In the late 1990's the State of Ohio began plans to resume executions, with death row inmate Wilford Berry scheduled to be executed in January of 1998. Father Herb called together a team of parishioners to discuss how best to peacefully and publicly stand up against the death penalty. It was decided we would hold a Candlelight Prayer Vigil the night of the scheduled execution, standing across Route 13 from the entrance to Mansfield Correctional Institution, where Ohio's death row was located at that time.

Over 30 people attended that first vigil – including Bishop James Hoffman. As it turned out, the execution was stayed for legal reasons; however, the following year we gathered again for Mr. Berry's new execution date. Our second Vigil was February 19, 1999, the night of the first execution in Ohio's modern history. We continued our faithful practice of holding vigil before every scheduled execution, with Father Herb very actively involved in planning, securing proper paperwork, and standing prayerfully with us.

Father Herb was actively involved in prison ministry; he and our associate pastors made weekly visits to the Catholic inmates on death row while it was located at Mansfield Correctional Institution (MANCi), celebrating the Eucharist, hearing Confessions, lifting spirits, and, when requested, walking with condemned inmates to their execution. Father Herb had the profound experience of being the Minister of Record for inmate Glenn Benner and was with him in the death chamber at Lucasville for Mr. Benner's execution February 7, 2006.

Father Herb also spearheaded efforts to reach out in a more global way. He led two pilgrimages through Food for the Poor – first a team of adult parishioners to Haiti in September 2003, then a group of adults and high school students to Jamaica in January 2005. As he wrote in the Oct. 5, 2003 bulletin: *Ten members of St. Peter's Parish, including myself, traveled to Haiti last week. Although I had been there once before, it was still a trip that opened my eyes and ears to the "cry of the poor." And like any good pilgrimage, it was a journey into my heart, making me ask questions about how better live God's call to follow the Gospel.*

In our next column we will look at other ways Father Herb influenced parish life here at St. Peter's.



RECYCLING—NEXT DATE: OCTOBER 11, 2019

BLUE BARRELS: October 12 & 13

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, OH invites you to come for the annual Family Day today Sunday, September 29th. Mass at 11:00 am in the Basilica, followed by a free lunch served in the Shrine Cafeteria. At 1:30 pm there will be Devotions along with an outdoor Rosary procession. All are welcome! For more information call the Shrine office, 419-396-7107 or www.olcshrine.com.

Catholic Womens Club will hold their next luncheon and meeting on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at the Ontario Events Center (behind the Brown Derby Roadhouse) at 3985 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, Ohio 44903. The lunch will start at 12:00 p.m. and the meeting and program will follow. All Catholic women in the Saint Juan Diego Deanery are invited. If you are new, you are encouraged to come and join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area. Please call Betty Smollen, October Chairperson at 419.747.2214 or 419.610.5575 or Joan Schonhardt, President at 419.366.0188. Reservations must be made by October 4, 2019 before 12:00 p.m. We are looking forward to seeing current members and meeting new members!

Volunteers Needed, Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers for various work areas: volunteer guardians, H.O.P.E. Food pantry, clerical/office/reception. If you are available for a couple of hours a week your help is greatly appreciated! Without our volunteers, we would not be able to serve the many needs of the community. We appreciate any amount of time you are able to give and we thank you for your support. Contact Pam Sellards 419.524.0833 x235 or psellards@toledodiocese.org.

*“What we need is a cup of understanding, a barrel of love,
and an ocean of patience.”*

~Saint Francis deSales~

HOW GOD INTENDS US TO LIVE

Today's readings are again directed to believers, communities of faith. As in last week's reading, Amos confronts us with a condemnation of those whose lives are focused on pleasure and self-absorption. The psalm contrasts that focus with the Lord's--justice for the oppressed; food the hungry; freedom for captives; sight to the blind; raising of those who are bowed down; loving the just; protecting strangers, orphans, and the widow; and by doing so, thwarting the way of the wicked. Writing to Timothy, Paul urges the pursuit of righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Luke tells the familiar tale of the wealthy man and the poor beggar at his doorstep, who experience life very differently in this world and in the next. We are once again being given clear indications about how God intends for us to live our lives.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the past century, a desire to recover a deep sense of unity among all believers in Christ has grown. The ecumenical movement (from the Greek word meaning the the whole inhabited world) began among Protestant Christians, but was given great energy in 1920 with a letter from the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, calling for closer dialogue and cooperation among Christians. In 1960, Pope John XXIII invited Protestant and Orthodox observers to the Second Vatican Council. In 1964, the Council's Decree on Ecumenism named these Christians separated brethren, a huge leap forward from the time of labeling them as outside the Church. A year later, a new pope, Paul VI, and the Orthodox Patriarch officially nullified the condemnations that walled off East from West for nine hundred years. The pace and optimism of the 1960s has sadly waned, and the signs of progress toward unity are few; yet there are wider agreements on sharing Communion among various Christian denominations, and among Protestants agreements regarding sharing of ecclesiastical life and ministry. Among the success stories of the ecumenical movement are greater cooperation among Christian clergy, a similar Lectionary for Protestants and Catholics, and even experiments in the monastic life and common worship.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Woe to the complacent, stretched comfortably on their couches! (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

Psalm -- Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146)

Second Reading -- Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

Gospel -- There was a rich man who dined sumptuously each day. Lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

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