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A Program for Catholic Living

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening	4:00pm
Sunday	7:30, 9:30, 11:30am and 7:00pm
Weekdays	6:45 and 9:00am
Saturdays	9:00am
Holy Days	watch the bulletin for schedules

Information

Rectory: 43 West Maple Avenue
Ph: 856-663-1373 Fax: 856-488-0647
Religious Education: 43 W. Maple Ave.
Ph: 856-663-4490
Web: www.saintpetermerchantville.com
Rectory Office Hours:
Monday through Thursday
9:00am-12 Noon & 12:30pm-4:00pm
Friday 9:00am-12 Noon & 12:30pm-3:00pm

School: 51 West Maple Avenue
Ph: 856-665-5879
Web: www.stpetersschool.org

Education

ST. PETER SCHOOL

To register your children, please call the principal at 856-665-5879.
Religious Education: 856-663-4490.
CCD for Kindergarten-Grade 3 is a family based program on Sunday mornings 9am twice a month. Grades 4-8 classes are weekly on Tuesday at 5:30pm.

JUNE 27, 2021 - THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday at 12:45pm. Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Jordan Baptism class. Please call the Rectory to register for a class so that we have adequate materials. Godparents and children are welcome to attend.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE - In order to accommodate our own Parishioners, only Parishioners of St. Peter (Bride or Groom) will be able to be married in St. Peter Church. Couples planning to marry at St. Peter are expected to contact the priest to arrange a date and time first. Second, they must attend the Pre-Cana Conferences as mandated by the Bishop. The period of preparation for marriage is a minimum of six months to ensure completion of all arrangements before the wedding date. For Pre-Cana reservations call 663-1373. Only Parish Musicians are permitted for Wedding Masses. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK - The priests may be called at any time day or night for the Sacrament of the Sick. Furthermore, the priests will be happy to visit the Sick with Holy Communion upon request.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Tuesday 12 Noon-1:00pm; Saturday 2:30-3:30pm and 7:00-7:30pm

FUNERALS - The proper form of Church burial for a baptized Catholic is the Mass of Christian Burial, not a service at a funeral home. Viewings in the Church are not permitted. Funeral Masses are scheduled at 10:00am. No eulogies in church, and only Parish Musicians are permitted for Funeral Masses, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

New Parishioners - ALL ARE WELCOME - Please register with the parish... so we know who you are, so if you ever need a letter, etc., you're on record, so you can be on our mailing list, and most importantly, so we can serve YOU! 

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 27, 2021



RCIA For Non-Catholics and Catholics



RCIA is an acronym for the “Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults”. This liturgical rite is the process by which adults receive what we call the three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. The process usually entails receiving the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) as well.

The adult who is seeking these three Sacraments is called a Catechumen. An adult who is already baptized and wishes to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church, and thus intends to receive Confirmation and the Eucharist is called a Candidate. This would be the case for all those Christians who are converting to Catholicism. Catechumens and Candidates receive their Sacraments during Holy Mass at the Easter Vigil. Sometimes there is a “Mystagogia”, a brief period of formation that occurs after the Easter Vigil experience.

The period of preparation and formation prior to receiving the Sacraments is called the Catechumenate, or simply the RCIA preparation. This is a period of prayer, instruction, short liturgical celebrations, encounters with other

Catholics, selection of a sponsor and general growth in the mystery of Christ and his commandments.

At St. Peter’s, the Catechumenate begins in September and continues until the following spring when the Catechumens and Candidates receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. The primary formation occurs on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm – 8:00pm throughout that period.

Who can join the RCIA? Any adult who is not baptized and desires the Sacraments of Initiation. Also, any baptized Christian who wants to enter fully into the Catholic Church.

Finally, the RCIA is for any baptized Catholic adult whose religious and sacramental formation was truncated at a young age for one reason or another. Now as an adult, this person is experiencing a desire to deepen his or her relationship with Jesus and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, and in concert with this, the Sacrament of Penance (Confession).

If you or someone you know seems to be a person likely to benefit from or aspire to the fulness of sacramental faith as a Catholic, please encourage them to call the rectory (856-663-1373) by September 10, in order to register for our RCIA program. At this time, they will receive more information about our program.

St. John the Baptist, pray for us!

Fr. Tim Byerley
Pastor



Parish Sick List

Please contact the Rectory @ 856-663-1373 to add a loved one to the list. *You are kindly asked to inform the person that their name will appear in the Bulletin. Call the Rectory when the person has recovered. Thank you!*

Please pray for: Steve Bagocius, Helen Bennett, Theresa Berrios, Marie Bivetta, Joseph Blahut, Ginny Irwin-Boyles, Mary Anne Brogan, Barbara Brownholtz, Bernadette Burke, Craig Campbell, Joelle Chattin, Anthony Ciarroccki, Ed Cigich, Joseph DelRossi, Dr. Luis Baez- Diaz, David DiMenna, Rose Marie Finnegan, Vijay Gambhi, Matthew Herb, Bob Jamison, Ellen Jamison, Thaddeus Kanigowski, Emma King, Joseph Lesniak, Jose Marrero, Savannah McHughes, Gladys Meade, Jacob Mika, Matthew Moran, Eileen O'Brien, Marilyn Ott, Amelia Paternoster, Frank Pedano, Patricia Pellegrino, John Phillips, Bob Piekarski, James Poulson, Rafael Rubino, Elsie Schatzle, Steve Schatzle, Anna Marie Schickling, Fred Schwartz, James Shue, Rose Smyth, John Stadtler, Mark Stevens, Frank Tarantini, Joe Teti, Joseph Vena, IV, Alan Young.

May God heal them in mind, body and spirit! Thank you for your prayers for our sick and shut-ins.

Saint Peter's Youth Group

There will not be a youth group meeting on Sunday, June 27th or Sunday, July 4th.
Happy Independence Day!

Parish Weekly Offerings

First Collection for the weekend of
First Collection for the weekend of June 19 – 20
was \$9,133.11. Second Collection was \$2,730.05 for a
total of \$11,863.16.

The Rectory Office & Adoration Chapel will be CLOSED

Monday, July 5
in observance of



Independence Day!

PLEASE NOTE

NO 6:45 AM Mass ~ Monday, July 5

2021-22 Religious Education Catechists:

Do you believe deeply in Jesus and Catholic Tradition and want to share that belief with others? Do you believe that parents are the first teachers of their children and want to empower them in this crucial role. If so, please consider this exciting opportunity to serve as a catechist for our *A Family of Faith* program. It meets two Sunday mornings a month from September through May.

First Grade Co-Catechist - two positions open

Second Grade Co-Catechist - backup to our current Catechist

Third Grade Co-Catechist - two positions open

Fourth Grade Co-Catechist - backup to our current Catechist

5-8th Grade Co-Catechist - two positions open

Hospitality - 3 positions open; includes shopping for supplies, setup & cleanup before/after classes

Babysitter - 3 positions open; care for pre-schoolers while parents are in class

Please email Stephanie at:

stpeterparish.religious.ed@gmail.com to inquire further.

SANCTUARY LAMP



To request that the Sanctuary Lamp (in the Church, and the Adoration Chapel) burn for your intentions or in memory of a loved one, please complete the form below and return it to the Rectory.

Thank you!

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUEST

Please burn the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of
or for the special intentions of

Requested by:

Phone #:

☐ Church ☐ Chapel Donation is \$25.00 (each)



TB = Fr. Tim Byerley ~ WP = Fr. Wilson Paulose ~ MS = Deacon Mike Scott

Intentions:	Requested by:	*Mass Celebrant
Monday, June 28		
6:45 AM Living & Decd. Members of the George & Reiter Families	Joseph Maccarato	TB
9:00 AM Daniel Cooney	Charlotte & Ray Teel	TB
Tuesday, June 29		
6:45 AM Tom Segrest, Sr.	Family	TB
9:00 AM Theresa Smurlo	Julia Wakelee	WP
Wednesday, June 30		
6:45 AM Rush Limbaugh	Michael	WP
9:00 AM John Hughes	Janet Hartigan	WP
Thursday, July 1		
6:45 AM Cynthia Brown	Friend	TB
9:00 AM Theresa Smurlo	Andy & Maria Lipenta	WP
Friday, July 2		
6:45 AM Cynthia Brown	SPS Class of 83	WP
9:00 AM Emillo Andracchio & Teresa Varano	The Faust Family	TB
Saturday, July 3		
9:00 AM Intentions of the Purgatorial Society		TB
4:00 PM Ints. of Michael Gannon	Joe & Kay Foht	WP
Sunday, July 4		
7:30 AM John & Mary Cornely	Michael	TB
9:30 AM Theresa Smurlo	The Kendall Family	WP
11:30 AM Dr. Bernie Aghaji	Family	TB
AM John Joseph Blessinger, Sr.	Knights of Columbus #6735	TB
AM Living & Decd. Members of St. Peter's Parish		TB
7:00 PM Harold Dix	A Friend	WP

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in Memory of
Theresa Smurlo
the week of June 27 – July 3 requested by
the Salvatore Proffitt Family.

Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the
Holy Souls in Purgatory
the week of June 27 – July 3
requested by A Parishioner.

Father's **Q**uick **Q**uote: **"W**ithout the burden of
afflictions, it is impossible to reach the height of
grace. The gift of grace increases as the struggle
increases **"** ~**St. Rose of Lima**

Altar Flowers

Flowers on the Altar for the week of
June 27 – July 3
have been donated in Memory of
Judith Wasyluk
requested by Richard and Diane Iardella.

Readings for the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 27, 2021

First Reading – Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. For he fashioned all things that they might have being; and the creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them nor any domain of the netherworld on earth, for justice is undying. For God formed man to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made him. But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world, and they who belong to his company experience it.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13

***R.* I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. O LORD, you brought me up from the netherworld; you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.

***R.* I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger lasts but a moment; a lifetime, his good will. At nightfall, weeping enters in, but with the dawn, rejoicing.

***R.* I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; O LORD, be my helper. You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

***R.* I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Brothers and sisters: As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also.

For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs, so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. As it is written: Whoever had much did not have more, and whoever had little did not have less.

Gospel – Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, "My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live." He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him.

There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak. She said, "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who has touched my clothes?" But his disciples said to Jesus, "You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet you ask, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?" Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha kum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.



ST. PETER'S PRO-LIFE INITIATIVE

We will gather as a parish to pray the
Rosary in front of the
Cherry Hill Women's Center
502 N. Kings Hwy, Cherry Hill
Saturday, **July 3 at 7:30 am**
and return to St. Peter's for the
9:00 am Mass.
Join us for this important Mission.

Religious Education Registration OPEN!

Deadline July 15th

Forms available in front and back of church.

Forms also available

at www.stpetermerchantville/religion-ed-1

Grades 1-4: A Family of Faith is an in-person whole family catechesis program with a goal to encourage and equip parents to live and teach their children the Faith at home. With one adult meeting and one family meeting each month, this program replaces CCD and will give you the knowledge and the tools you need to bring your children up in the Faith.

Kindergarten & Grades 5th-8th ~in-person classes students only offered weekly on Tuesday nights 5:30- 6:45 p.m. September through May.

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stpeterparish.religious.ed@gmail.com with any questions.

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