

St. Peter's Church

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Religious Education Office: 570-724-9789

Website: www.stpeterswellsboro.com

Rectory Office Hours

Labor Day to Memorial Day - Monday through Wednesday, 8:00am-2:00pm;
Thursday, 9:00am-1:00pm

Memorial Day to Labor Day - Monday through Thursday, 9:00am-1:00pm

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Jacek Bialkowski

Secretary: Connie Spang - stpch@ptd.net

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Schedule of Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm (Livestreamed); Sunday 8:30am

Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 11:45am-12:00pm;

Saturday, 4:15-4:45pm or by appointment



*19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 7, 2022*

Mission Statement

We, the parishioners of St. Peter's Church, are called to holiness by God as present-day disciples of Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united in service to God to share our faith with one another and our community. May our participation in the Holy Sacraments, our ministries and our devotion to Mary bring glory to God and His Kingdom.

Pregnancy Support

Catholic Social Services (800) 982-4310

Crisis Pregnancy Help line (888) 4-OPTIONS

Heart of Tioga County Pregnancy & Parent Support 570-948-2020

Emergency Contact

In the event of an emergency, please call the rectory at 570-724-3371. If no answer, please leave a message. Fr. Jacek will return your call as soon as he is able.

Religious Education and Formation

Religious Education classes are held for Pre-K - 12th grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Pre-K (ages 3-5) is held during the 8:30am Mass. K-12th begins at 9:30am and concludes at 10:40am. To register, please contact the Religious Education Office at 570-724-9789 or the Rectory at 570-724-3371. Children's Liturgy (grades K-4th) is held during the 8:30am Mass when Religious Education classes are in session.

Welcome to St. Peter's Church!

If you are visiting Tioga County this weekend, welcome and thank you for worshipping with us! If you are searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us and invite you to become part of our church family. Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.

Request for Parishioner Registration Form

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____



Parish Contact Listing

Women's Bible Study - Sue Singer 570-948-2184

Social Concerns - Karen Plumley 570-439-0175

Parish Rummage Sale - Pat Gorda 570-404-8918

Church Decorations - Sue Singer 570-948-2184

Buildings & Grounds - Rick Joachim 570-439-2591

Cemetery Committee - Howard Rutledge 570-724-4529

Fundraising Dinners - Michelle Sepiol 570-439-6206

Music Ministry - Christina Simonis 570-724-2085

Samaritan House - Linda Sampson 570-404-2180

Youth Group - Melissa Mann 570-724-9789

Eucharistic Adoration - Rhonda Gooch 570-724-3092

Finance Council - Priscilla Walrath 570-724-2056

Parish Council - Rectory 570-724-3371

Worship Committee - Rectory 570-724-3371

Sunday Nursing Home Communion - Rectory 570-724-3371

Prayer Chain - Kate Black 570-916-9573

ChristLife - Norb Josten 570-724-9095

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Michelle Sepiol 570-439-6206

Marian Ministries - Linda Sampson 570-404-2180

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday 8/8	No Mass	
Tuesday 8/9	12:10pm	In Honor of Norb & Nona
Wednesday 8/10	No Mass	
Thursday 8/11	12:10pm	In Memory of Stanley Myslinski (Tom & Linda Sampson)
Friday 8/12	12:10pm	In Memory of Victor deGuzman (Dio & Marilyn deGuzman)
Saturday 8/13	5:00pm (Mass is livestreamed)	All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish
Sunday 8/14	8:30am	In Memory of Paul & Anna Beuter (Family)

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of Ralph & Doris Sampson (Tom & Linda Sampson)

Parish News and Activities

Church Hours/Adoration
 The church will be open for private prayer, Monday through Friday from 8:00am–5:00pm. Generally, all three doors leading into the church will be unlocked. If for some reason the front and carport doors are not open for entry, please use the door on the parking lot side of the church. Saturday, the church will be open from 8:00am–4:30pm using only the parking lot side door. The front and carport doors will be unlocked at 4:30pm for those attending Mass. All doors of the church will be unlocked on Sunday morning at 8:00am for those attending Mass. Adoration will take place on Tuesday from 1:00pm-6:00pm, with Benediction but no evening prayer.

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for July 31, 2022: \$8,232.00
 Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$6,100.00
 Difference: \$2,132.00
 Year-to-Date Budget Variance:(\$2,463.00)

We are grateful to all those who are able to financially support our parish.

CARPOT ENTRANCE TO CHURCH CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

The carport entrance to the church will be closed until further notice due to a motor vehicle accident that occurred on Wednesday, July 13th. Significant damage occurred and we will not be able to use that entrance until repairs can be made. For weekend Masses only, the temporary handicap entrance to the church will be through the parish center side door; located just beyond the carport, next to the three, handicap parking spaces. The church can then be accessed through the music room. These doors will be open until Mass begins. As usual, once Mass begins, the side doors will be locked and the church will have to be accessed through the front doors. At the conclusion of Mass, you will be able to exit the church through the music room to the parish center side door. Those attending weekday Masses will enter and exit through the front door or parking lot side door. Thank you for your assistance as we await the repairs to the carport.

RUMMAGE SALE MEETING

All of those interested in helping with the Fall Rummage Sale in September are asked to meet on Wednesday, August 10th at 10:00pm in the Parish Center. We will finalize the dates and times of the sale. We also need a co-chair. Please consider volunteering to help in this way.

NEW BOILERS NEEDED

The two boilers used to heat the church, are in need of replacement at a cost of approximately \$20,000. Contributions to help offset this cost are greatly appreciative. If you are an envelope user, please include your contribution in your Building Fund envelope that is included in your monthly packet. If you are not an envelope user, please just note on your check or the envelope that your donation is for the boilers. Please give as you are able.

Liturgical Reflection ~ 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING: Wisdom 18:6-9

The context for this passage from Wisdom is the tenth plague in Egypt, the killing of the firstborn as the Israelites celebrated their first Passover and the angel of death passed over the houses marked with the blood of the lamb. Trust in God's covenant promises and attunement to God's ways lead the Israelites to wait on the Lord with certain knowledge that God would act on their behalf, liberating them from Egyptian slavery. By routing their enemies, God remembered the people, heard their cries, and responded with love and compassion, thus glorifying them as God's special people. Yearly, the divine institution of Passover is celebrated to remember God's covenant fidelity to the people and their constant need to trust in and be attuned to God's ways.

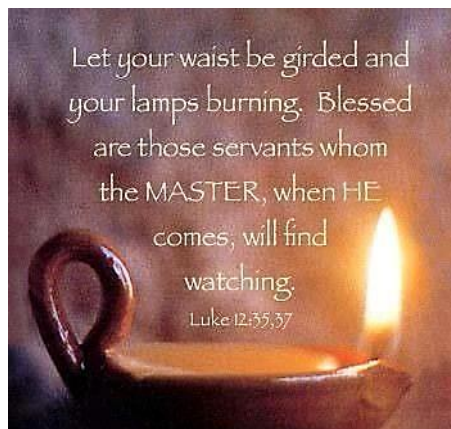
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 33

The Responsorial Psalm continues the wisdom teaching that God will bless those who trust in him. It is fitting to praise God, not because we are obliged to, but rather because praising God is the most rewarding thing that we can do. Our words of praise remind us of our dependence on God. We thus have confidence that he will respond to our every need.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

In this passage from the Letter to the Hebrews, faith is defined as the realization of what is hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. Abraham and Sarah are presented as an ideal example of people who hoped and trusted in God, not knowing where it would lead, or how it would turn out. They trusted when asked to leave home for a new promised land. They trusted when told that their descendants would be countless, even though they were both old and had no children. They even trusted when God asked them to sacrifice Isaac, their only hope for future progeny. They trusted because they had faith in God beyond this time and place, assured that God knows better than we limited human beings, and that faith in God would eventually lead to eternal dwelling with God. Sooner or later each of us will face that test, and we can only pray that God will give us the wisdom and courage to trust.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-48



Luke's Jesus counsels us to trust and not be afraid for the Father is pleased to give you the kingdom! However, we are warned to be ready and vigilant, for we do not know the time or day when the master will return to hold us accountable. A simple life style, unattached to the goods of this world and striving always for heavenly treasure, is the best form of readiness, for where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. Jesus relates two parables that stress the need for vigilance in waiting upon the master's return. All are to be ready but disciples will be held to greater standards of accountability, since they have been entrusted with much. Any abuse will be punished while loving attention to and service of others will be greatly rewarded.

FROM POPE FRANCIS

“Accumulating material goods is not enough to live well, for Jesus says that life does not consist in what one possesses (Lk 12:15). It depends, instead, on good relationships – with God, with others, and even with those who have less.”

“Dear young people, in a world in which scandals, war, injustice, environmental destruction, indifference towards those in need, disillusionment on the part of those who should be giving an example, are not lacking, you are the answer because the future is in your hands.”

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Knights of Columbus

On Sunday, August 14th, at the 9:30 am Mass in St. Michael's Church, 107 N. Washington Street, Canton, PA 17724, the Knights of Columbus will offer the Mass intention for the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney. A Rosary and Litany of Blessed Father Michael McGivney will begin at 8:45 am led by the Knights of Columbus. Michael McGivney was born August 12, 1852. He was Ordained December 22, 1877. He founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882. He died August 14, 1890, at the age of 38 after serving in the Priesthood for 13 years. He was declared Venerable on March 15, 2008. A miracle was approved for his Beatification on May 27, 2020. Venerable Father Michael McGivney was beatified on October 31, 2020. His Feast Day is established as August 13th.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Greetings Catholic Men - We are pleased to announce that our 7th annual Be A Catholic Man Conference is now open for registration. The Conference will be on October 8, 2022, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes Barre, PA. and will be favored with nationally known Catholic Speakers: Father Stan Fortuna, Dr. Ralph Martin, and Kevin Wells. This year's theme is "Be Not Afraid" under the patronage of Saint Joseph. All of us are challenged to live virtuous lives in this secular world, --- whether single, married, or clergy. Men are encouraged to set this date aside and attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacramental Confession, and lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. For reservations, write a check payable to "Be A Catholic Man" for \$40.00 (early bird price \$30.00 till September 9th) and mail to: Bill Leandri, 239 Hayfield Road, Shavertown, Pa. 18708; or Online at BeACatholicMan.com. Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer, Conference Chairman, at 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

Hebrews 11:1

The Third Commandment



The Third Commandment calls us to keep holy the Sabbath day. For Christians, the observance of the Sabbath is transferred to Sunday, the day that Jesus rose from the dead. God, through the Church, obliges us to make Sunday holy by participation in the Eucharist and by our being prayerfully reflective as far as possible. Sunday observance fulfills the interior law inscribed in the human heart to render to God visible and public worship as a sign of radical dependence upon God and as gratitude for all the blessings we have received.

Every seven days, the Church celebrates the Easter mystery. This tradition goes back to the time of the Apostles. It takes its origin from the actual day of Christ's Resurrection. Sunday extends the celebration of Easter throughout the year. It is meant to be illumined by the glory of the Risen Christ. It makes present the new creation brought about by Christ.

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Saint of the Week St. Jane de Chantal

JANUARY 28, 1572 – DECEMBER 13, 1641
FEAST DATE: AUGUST 12

At 20, **Jeanne-Francoise Fremyot of Dijon**, France, married Baron Christophe de Rabutin-Chantal. They were happy, but after eight years she was widowed and left with four children. In 1604 St. Francis de Sales became her spiritual director; they collaborated on the founding of the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary, designed for women unsuited for the more rigorous life of other religious communities. At her death there were about 80 Visitation convents. St. Vincent de Paul, a contemporary, called her "one of the holiest people I have ever met on this earth."



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"I, [name], of [city, state, zip], give, devise, and bequeath to St. Peter's Church, Wellsboro [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."

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Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord and
Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

Lord, this we know, no matter how difficult life may be at this time, we know you will not stop loving us and will always hold us in the palm of your hand. We are reaching to you, Lord, to hold us, comfort us, and heal us. Lord, this we know, you are faithful in your love for us today and forever. You are with us, and we are with you. Amen.