

St. Peter's Church

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Religious Education Office: 570-724-9789
Website: www.stpeterswellsboro.com

Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Wednesday, 8:00am–2:00pm
Thursday, 9:00am–1:00pm

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Joseph Mosley – joseph.mosley81@gmail.com
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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, 4:30-4:45pm or by appointment



*4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 30, 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 after hours, please leave call our emergency number 570-439-2219. If no answer, please leave a message and Fr. Mosely 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!

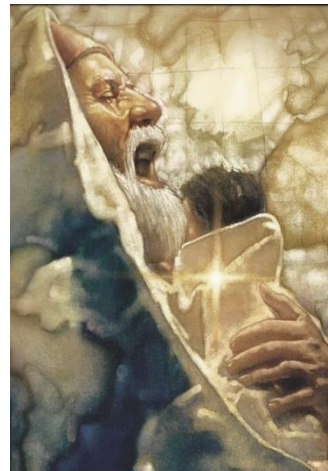
If you are visiting Tioga County this weekend, welcome and thank you for worshiping with us! If you are searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us and invite you to become part of our church family. Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory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

Request for Parishioner Registration Form

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____



Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:
"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace.
For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the sight of all people,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." (Luke 2:28-32)

The Presentation of the Lord ~ February 2nd

Parish Contact Listing

Women's Bible Study – Sue Singer 570-948-2184
Knights of Columbus – George Gamble 570-724-5216
Social Concerns – Karen Plumley 570-439-0175
Parish Rummage Sale – Mary Lasko 570-439-7706
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 – Eileen Evert 570-439-4470
Prayer Chain – Kate Black 570-916-9573
ChristLife – Norb Josten 570-724-9095
Prayer Shawl Ministry - Michelle Sepiol 570-439-6206

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday 1/31	12:10pm	In Memory of Eugene David Getgen (Joan)
Tuesday 2/1	7:30am	In Memory of John & Linda Lunger (Singer Family)
Wednesday 2/2	12:10pm	In Memory of Ira & Elaine McDowell (Mickey Romania)
Thursday 2/3	No Mass	
Friday 2/4	12:10pm	Living & Deceased Members of the Walter Schaut Family (Singer Family)
Saturday 2/5	5:00pm (Mass is livestreamed)	In Memory of Wayne Singer (Tom & Deb Rudy)
Sunday 2/6	8:30am	In Memory of David Sweeney (Sue Singer)

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of Eileen Evert (Black Family)

Parish News and Activities

CHURCH HOURS/ADORATION

The church will be open for private prayer, Monday 11:30am–5:00pm (to allow for thorough cleaning from the weekend), Tuesday through Friday, from 8:00am–5:00pm. If the front doors are not open for entry, please use the door on the parking lot side of the church. Adoration will take place on Tuesday from 8:00am–6:00pm, with Benediction but no evening prayer. The church will also open on Saturday at 4:30pm & Sunday at 8:00am.

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for January 23, 2022: \$4,044.70
 Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$6,100.00
 Difference: (\$2,055.30)
 Year-to-Date Budget Variance: (\$4,807.24)

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

2022 CALENDARS ARE HERE

The 2022 Catholic family calendars have arrived and can be found at each entrance to the church and on the handout table. Special thanks to Tussey-Mosher Funeral Home for their full sponsorship of these beautiful calendars.

UPDATED INFORMATION

Please let the rectory know whenever you make changes to your mailing address or telephone number or email. We know that many no longer use a landline. If you are one of those who has made that change, please let the rectory know so that our records can be as up to date as possible.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, Jan. 30th – Religious Education Classes
 8:30am Pre-School; 9:30am K-12th
 9:30am Parent Mtg. First Holy Communion
 Middle School Youth Group Gathering – 10:45am
Tuesday, Feb. 1st – Women’s Bible Study, 9:00am
 Parish Council Meeting – 6:15pm, Parish Center
Wednesday, Feb. 2nd – Finance Council Mtg., 8:00am
Sunday, Jan. 30th – Religious Education Classes
 Confirmation Prep Class – 6:00pm

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

For the safety of our parishioners, if the local school are closed, there will be no daily Mass or Adoration. If the schools are delayed on a Tuesday, there will be no daily Mass or Adoration. If schools are delayed on a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, there will be 12:10pm Mass. The Church will remain open for private prayer using the parking lot side entrance.

As we approach the Easter season, we are preparing to purchase a new Paschal Candle. If anyone would like to donate this year’s candle in memory of a loved one, please contact the rectory. This will be on a first come, first serve basis.



Liturgical Reflection ~ 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

The First Reading relates the call of the prophet Jeremiah and begins to develop the theme that God has given each of us a mission to proclaim the Good News. Knowing the challenges that faced God's prophets, Jeremiah demurred from accepting God's call, giving all the reasons that he would not be a good prophet. Following God's path is never easy. The Lord tells Jeremiah as much. But, at the same time, God promises Jeremiah that he will never abandon him.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 71

The Responsorial Psalm continues the themes found in the First Reading. We are called to proclaim the justice of God. We have been taught God's ways from our youth. We have to proclaim those ways both in word and deed. This is not simply a job to do as if we can live our faith when it is convenient. This is who we are, for this is why God created us. We cannot do this on our own. We must depend on God's strength, because he will accomplish great things in and through us.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Paul was and is known for the power of his teaching and for his skill in building up the Church. Yet here he makes his priorities clear. No accomplishment has value without love. In the end, the love we have poured forth will be the measure of our lives. Only the faith we shared, the hope on which we have relied, and the love we have expressed will last when our earthly achievements have passed away.

GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30



Last Sunday's Gospel related Jesus' preaching in the synagogue in Nazareth. Today's Gospel shows the aftermath of that preaching. While the people were impressed by his preaching, they could not accept that it came from someone familiar to them. They wanted more proof. Jesus responds not with proof, but by reminding his listener that God does not act in the way we expect. He seeks out those disregarded by others and he protects all of those he calls. The people were enraged and wanted to drive him out of town, but like Jeremiah in today's First Reading, God protected him so that he was able to slip away from the angry crowd, even as they were about to throw him off a cliff. It can be difficult to see the goodness of the people who are closest to us. We see their flaws all too easily and we can be blind to their better qualities. This is why the relatives and acquaintances of Jesus could not recognize what he was when he entered the synagogue. This passage challenges us to see the talents and good qualities in those around us, and also to be less judgmental concerning their flaws.

Notre Dame H.S. Grades 7-12 Open House For Prospective Students & Families

Notre Dame High School, Grades 7-12 is hosting an *Open House on Monday, January 31, from 6:30-8:30pm for prospective students and their families*. The evening will begin with a brief presentation in the Charles and Mary Crossed Auditorium with campus tours to follow. Open House is your chance to meet the faculty, administration, and students, tour the campus, learn about the benefits of a Notre Dame education, and explore the many opportunities your student can have as a student of Notre Dame. Notre Dame is a college preparatory school offering an inclusive environment that is rich in the traditions of the Sisters of Mercy and academic excellence. Additionally, Notre Dame offers a competitive athletic program, many opportunities to participate in the performing, visual, and language arts along with a variety of extra-curricular activities such as FTC & FRC Robotics, Science Olympiad, MaryLeaf, Yearbook, and Quiz League. Notre Dame H.S. is located at 1400 Maple Avenue, Elmira. Please note: COVID-19 safety precautions will be followed and all attendees will be required to wear masks while inside the building. To RSVP, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ndhsopenhouse>. Notre Dame is currently accepting applications for new students for the 2022-23 school year. To apply visit notredamehighschool.com. Questions? Please contact Brett Moore, Director of Enrollment at 607-734-2267 option 8.

The Diocese of Scranton strongly recommends that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass, regardless of vaccination status. As Catholics, we have a responsibility to protect our friends and neighbors and mask wearing remains an important mitigation tool against community spread.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

The Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on **Wednesday, February 2nd**. On this day we remember the entry of Christ, the light of the world, into the temple of Jerusalem. This day is also known as Candlemas Day. Traditionally, candles are blessed for use in the church and in one's home on this feast day. Bringing the candle into the home is a sign that Christ is with you in your everyday life.

Candles will be blessed at the beginning of the 12:10 p.m. Mass on this day, followed by a small procession with lighted candles. Individual boxes of candles for home use will be available for purchase at a cost of \$5 per box. May Christ, the true light of the world, dispel the darkness of our minds and hearts.



Blessing of Throats

The Church celebrates the feast of Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr on Thursday, February 3rd. Saint Blaise has traditionally been associated with the healing of throats, so it is the practice of the Church to have a blessing of throats around his feast day to seek his intercession. A blessing of throats will take place after **all weekend Masses on February 5th and 6th**.



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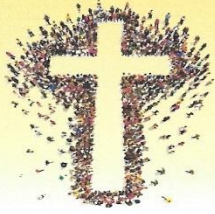
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*Creating Parish Communities Rooted
in the Life of Jesus Christ*

MISSION STATEMENT OF VISION 2030

The Vision 2030 Blueprint Process is a long-range pastoral planning process for the Diocese of Scranton. While looking proactively at the realities of our local church in the present moment, this process strives to meet the **opportunities** and **challenges** of the coming decade in order to create vibrant expressions of parish life rooted in the life of Jesus Christ.

— LIVING OUR MISSION TOGETHER —

The Vision 2030 Blueprint process is a prayerful and participative process. As we seek to bring new life to our mission to spread the Good News of the Gospel, every one of us has an important role to play. We do not have the luxury of sitting on the sidelines. By virtue of our Baptism, we must participate in this process in an informed way, putting aside emotion, working to determine how best our local community and the entire diocese moves forward. As baptized Catholics, we are all called to participate fully in the life and mission of the Church. The mission of the Church is rooted in the mission of Christ who commanded everyone (clergy, religious and laity) to:

“Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.” (Mark 16:15)

In order to create vibrant parish communities rooted in the life of Jesus Christ, all parishes should focus on:

- ◆ Helping people encounter Jesus
- ◆ “Mission” over “Maintenance,” especially in regards to feeding the poor, helping the vulnerable and comforting the lonely
- ◆ Reawakening the understanding and awareness of the Sunday Eucharist and the celebration of Sacraments
- ◆ Inviting people to take their faith more seriously and become more faithful disciples of Jesus Christ
- ◆ Accompanying young people in the creation of a hope-filled future
- ◆ Embracing new immigrants and individuals moving into our communities and diocese
- ◆ Encouraging lifelong faith formation
- ◆ Creating a sense of unity and community
- ◆ Increasing charitable works and outreach
- ◆ Promoting vocations to the priesthood, religious life and diaconate

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

AND

Sending Forth

FOR

**BISHOP-ELECT
JEFFREY J. WALSH**



Tuesday, February 15, 2022


at 12:10 p.m.

Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton

On December 21, 2021, Pope Francis appointed the Reverend Jeffrey J. Walsh, Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish and Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Carbondale, as the Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Gaylord, Michigan.

As Bishop-elect Walsh prepares for his Episcopal Ordination and Installation as Bishop of Gaylord on March 4, 2022, parishioners and friends of the Bishop-elect are invited to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving and Sending Forth in gratitude for his ministry of service to the People of God in the Church of Scranton. The Mass will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at 12:10 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral. It will also be televised live on Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton.

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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.

Eileen Evert

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.