

# St. Peter's Church



## The Most Holy Trinity June 4, 2023

### 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 – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Pre-K (ages 3-5) is held during the 8:30am Mass. K-12<sup>th</sup> 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-4<sup>th</sup>) 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 \_\_\_\_\_

47 Central Avenue, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901  
Rectory Phone: 570-724-3371 ~ Fax: 570-724-6322  
Religious Education Office: 570-724-9789  
Website: www.stpeterswellsboro.com

### Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Thursday, 9:00am-1:00pm

### Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Jacek Bialkowski  
Secretary: Connie Spang – stpch@ptd.net  
Bookkeeper: Louise Wheaton – stpadm@ptd.net  
Religious Education: Melissa Mann – stpreled@ptd.net  
Maintenance Staff: Connie Spang, Rob Minnich

### Schedule of Weekend Masses

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

### Reconciliation

Tuesday through Friday, 11:45am-12:00pm;  
Saturday, 4:30-4:50pm; or by appointment

### Let There be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth  
and let it begin with me.  
Let there be peace on earth  
the peace that was meant to be.  
With God as our Father  
brothers all are we.  
Let me walk with my brother  
in perfect harmony.  
Let peace begin with me  
let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take  
let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each  
moment in peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth  
and let it begin with me.



### 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  
Diane Bill 516-458-9130  
Church Decorations – Sue Singer 570-948-2184  
Buildings & Grounds – Rick Joachim 570-439-2591  
Cemetery Committee – Howard Rutledge 570-724-4529  
Dinner Committee – Karen Novak 570-982-5115  
Music Ministry – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085  
Samaritan House – Mary D. Grab 607-857-3447  
Youth Group – Melissa Mann 570-724-9789  
Eucharistic Adoration – Rhonda Gooch 570-724-3092  
Finance Council – Tim Gooch – 570-971-5826  
Parish Council – Steve Tokarz 570-404-0693  
Worship Committee – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085  
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  
Fundraising Committee – Tim Gooch 570-971-5826  
Welcoming Committee – Melissa Mann 570-724-9789

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday 6/5	No Mass	Father Jacek is away at a retreat this week.
Tuesday 6/6	No Mass	
Wednesday 6/7	No Mass	
Thursday 6/8	No Mass	
Friday 6/9	No Mass	
Saturday 6/10	5:00pm Mass is livestreamed	All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish
Sunday 6/11	8:30am	In Memory of Antonio Gabriel (Dio & Marilyn DeGuzman)

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Honor of the Children and Grandchildren of 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. From 8:00-9:00am, the only entrance will be through the door on the main parking lot side. From 9:00am-5:00pm, the front door and carport entrance will be open. If for some reason the main door is not unlocked, please enter through the parking lot door, as this entrance will always be open from 8:00am-5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Saturday, the church will be open from 8:00am-4:30pm using only the parking lot door. The front and carport doors will be unlocked at 4:15pm 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.

#### Flower Arrangements

Parishioners are now able to purchase the flower arrangements that are placed at the altar, tabernacle, or by the Mary statue in memory or in honor of someone. The cost is as follows:  
 Altar Flower Arrangements-1 arrangement \$70, 2 arrangements \$140  
 Tabernacle Arrangements - 2 arrangements \$40  
 Mary Arrangement - 1 arrangement \$25

You may request a particular flower(s) or color scheme and Akiko's will do their best to honor that if at all possible. The Arrangements will arrive in time for the weekend Masses and remain for the following week. Please stop in or call the rectory for available dates. The Memorial/Honorarium will be listed in the bulletin.

#### Funeral Mass

There will be a Funeral Mass for Loretta Ann Nonnenmacher on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm at St. Peter's Church.

#### Happening This Week

**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**  
 Graduation Mass & Brunch - 8:30am; St. Peter's

#### Stewardship

Sunday Collection for May 28, 2023: \$6,668.00  
 Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$6,100.00  
 Difference: \$568.00  
 Year to Date Budget Variance \$4,672.91

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

#### Deanery Mass

*All are welcome!*

The annual Deanery Mass held at the deGuzman residence will be celebrated on Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Please bring a dish or snack to pass and a lawn chair. Questions? Call 570/376-5427.

#### Directions:

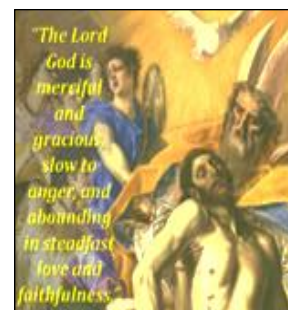
287 N to 249N to Keeneyville.  
 Turn right to Osceola.  
 Travel 1 1/2 miles to Box 818.



## Liturgical Reflection ~ The Most Holy Trinity

### FIRST READING: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

Moses has begged to see the glory of God, and God grants his request. On Mount Sinai, God proclaims his name, and lets Moses glimpse his glory as he passes by. But most revealing of all is what God cries out about who God is: “merciful and gracious...slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.” This solemnity does not explain God, but gives us a glimpse of God as a community of love and a fountain of mercy.



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm Daniel 3:52,53,54,55

Today’s text comes from the Book of Daniel and the song of the three young men cast by Nebuchadnezzar into the fiery furnace. Miraculously preserved from death, they sing in praise of God. The canticle expresses God’s sublimity, transcendence, and omniscience.

### SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The simple words of St. Paul to the Corinthians come in sharp contrast to the splendid imagery of the first two readings. God does not confine himself to a throne, high above the cherubim; wherever his people live in peace, reforming their lives, encouraging, and supporting each other, God dwells there also. The last sentence in this passage is a clear expression of the Triune God, and one that is echoed almost verbatim in the greeting at the beginning of Mass – *The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.*

### GOSPEL: John 3:16-18

In these famous words from John, we meet the same God of overflowing love that Moses encountered on Mount Sinai in today’s First Reading. This reading is full of contrasts: perish/live, condemn/save, disbelieve/believe. God’s will is always for our life and salvation, and Jesus comes to be savior, not judge. Through faith we enter into this relationship of love. The third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, is not explicitly mentioned, yet we know that it is through the Holy Spirit that we come to faith in God.



### ABOUT THIS SUNDAY



“In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Christians who use this phrase repeatedly could easily lose sight of the powerful mystery it expresses. Today, Trinity Sunday, the Scriptures call for reflection on this central belief of Christianity: the Trinity. One of the greatest gifts of the Christian faith is

the dogma of the triune God: God is three (tri) in one (une). Christians name God as a Trinity of the Father, Son, and Spirit but only in light of Jesus Christ does such language and insight fully emerge.

### Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

*When the Gospel is lived in its fullness, we do not turn in on ourselves, but bear witness to the faith by making it become a contagious faith. Our passion for evangelization is born in this way. - Pope Francis*

## June – Month of the Sacred Heart

On the Friday following the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Because this Solemnity usually falls in June, this month is also known as the “Month of the Sacred Heart.” Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is all about pondering Christ’s love and meditation on Christ’s suffering.



### Father’s Day Envelopes

Special Father’s Day intention envelopes can be found in your packets to remember living and deceased fathers. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for Father’s Day weekend Masses. Please place your envelopes in the collection basket.

### Lector Training Session

All new lectors and anyone interested in joining this ministry are asked to attend a lector training session on Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> after the 8:30am Mass. For more information please call the Parish Office at 570/724-3371.



## Join us on the Fairway!

### Diocese of Scranton Vocations Golf Classic - John Yourishen Memorial Tournament

**Monday, July 10, 2023**, at the **Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club, Mountain Top, PA.**

Registration begins at 10:00am / Grill lunch at 11:00am / Shotgun start at noon.

Special “Beat the Seminarian Putting Challenge” at 11:00am

*Join us for a day of great golf, great food, and fellowship in support of our Diocese of Scranton seminarians, the future shepherds of our Church.*

For more information and to register, visit the Diocese of Scranton website at [Dioceseofscranton.org](http://Dioceseofscranton.org)

### A Message From Father Jacek

Father Jacek extends his apologies for being unavailable for the Blessing of Graves on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. After Mass that morning he was called away to administer Last Rites at a location between Morris and Liberty, and unfortunately there was no way to communicate this to parishioners before the Blessing of Graves was scheduled. He is sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

### Saint Peter’s Prayer Shawl Project

The St. Peter’s Prayer Shawl Project created 37 prayer shawls, lap robes and hospice bed throws last year. These projects are knit or crocheted by our own parishioners then donated to those in need. Father Jacek blessed the projects before they were donated to the local hospice program. These projects are a loving act that we can share Christ through our love, and prayers. Each of these projects has a prayer tag attached when they are completed and blessed for the new recipients so that they feel the love of our Savior wrapped around them as they go through difficult times.

If you have a project to donate, *or are in need of a project*, please call/text Michelle Sepiol at 570/439-6206.

Basic Prayer Shawl Directions:

**Knitting:** Use needles size 11 or 13, cast between 54-63 stitches, knit 3, purl 3 to end of row and repeat.

**Crocheting:** Using a P hook, chain 48 loose hooks, turn and double chain and repeat.

The shawl should measure approximately 50”x24”. Optional fringe can be added. Variegated Lion Brand Yarn is wonderful to use. Yarn and needles can be provided.

***We are currently in need of prayer shawl projects for both men and women.***

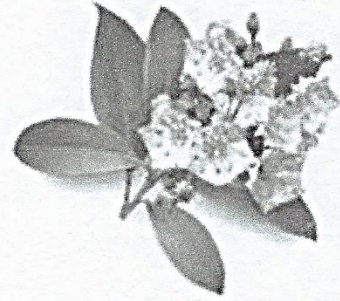



## Join us for Coffee and Donuts this Summer!

Throughout the summer months, coffee and donuts will be available in the Parish Center after several weekend Masses. All parishioners and guests are invited to stop by for coffee and conversation. Watch the bulletin for upcoming dates and we hope to see you there!

**Our first Coffee and Donuts event is scheduled for Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> after the 8:30am Mass and will be hosted by St. Peter’s Parish Council.**

2023 Pennsylvania State Laurel Festival



**St. Peter's**  
**Strawberry**  **Shortcake**  
**Booth**

**Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**&**  
**Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**

*We cannot do this fundraiser without enough  
volunteers.*

*Please consider assisting with preparation or working a  
2-hour shift in the booth. **No experience necessary.***

*We are also in need of some **donated items.** Monetary  
donations to offset the cost of strawberries  
are always appreciated.*

**Volunteers Needed!**

**Sign up sheets can be found in the back of the church.**

**We are in need of a volunteer to co-chair this event!**


If you are interested in volunteering as a co-chair to help make this event a success, please see Sue Sticklin or contact the rectory at 570/724-3371.

Please patronize our sponsors and thank them for their support. Their advertising helps to make our bulletin possible.

<p><b>Advertise with us!</b> <b>See your ad here</b></p>	<p><b>WALRATH &amp; COOLIDGE</b>                  Probate &amp; Estate Administration                  Real Estate                  Personal Injury  <b>570-724-3801</b>                  R. Lowell Coolidge, Esq • Priscilla Walrath, Esq                  Fax: 570-724-7239 126 Main St • Wellsboro, PA</p>	<p><b>Take advantage of a unique marketing opportunity and advertise in the church bulletin.</b></p>
<p><i>Akiko's Floral Arts</i>                    31 East Avenue                  Wellsboro                  (570) 724-1509  <b>"If Akiko's Not Your Florist, She Should Be"</b>                  Shop24/7 at <a href="http://www.akikos.com">www.akikos.com</a>                  Akiko, Clark &amp; Joe Hewitt</p>	<p><b>OVER 125 YEARS OF SERVICE</b>  <b>TUSSEY-MOSHER</b>                  FUNERAL HOME, LTD.  <i>Calvin T. Mosher, Supervisor</i>                  139 Main St. Wellsboro, PA 16901                  (570) 724-4637   <a href="http://TusseyMosher.com">TusseyMosher.com</a></p>	<p><b>Call the rectory at 570/ 724-3371 for information</b></p>
<p>                  25 Main Street                  Wellsboro, PA 16901                  570-723-4263  <a href="http://www.popscultureshoppe.com">www.popscultureshoppe.com</a>  <b>Games * Imagination * Fun</b>                  Your proprietors Julian and Anja Stam                  Consider it all joy! James 1:2</p>	<p>  <b>NESSMUK'S SPORTING GOODS</b>                  Hunting~Fishing~Trapping~Trekking                  1803 Route 287, Morris 570-404-6159  <a href="http://www.Nessmuks.com">www.Nessmuks.com</a>                  A Family Owned Small Business  <b>Zack &amp; Tracy Buck</b></p>	<p><b>A Gift in Your Will</b>                  We hope you'll consider including a gift to St. Peter's Church in your will or living trust. Called a charitable bequest, just a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed. Share this sample bequest language for St. Peter's Church with your estate planning attorney:</p>
<p>                  MITCHELL'S CARQUEST AUTO PARTS                  FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1950                  kenneth@mitchellcarquest.com                  688 South Main Street                  Mansfield, PA 16933                  T 570.662.2277                  F 570.662.1078                  Kenneth Mitchell Owner</p>	<p>  <b>TOKARZ</b>                  CUSTOM WOODWORK                  Stephen F. Tokarz                  • Artisan                  • Craftsman                  Specializing in Custom Wood Products                  570-404-0693                  Established in Tioga County, PA</p>	<p><i>"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."</i></p>

### Parish Prayer List

Trish Knowlton, Judy Nagel, Shirley Mekos Broughton, Donna Brennan, Mary Mekos, Jonathan Hardman, Stephen Hurd, Stephanie Hemighaus, Suzie Alexander, Syler Sullivan, Adrienne Gilbert, Bob Murphy, Sylvia Smith, Tom Mohr, Carol Weatherby, Carol Shine, Teresa Pavlock, Joann Black, Patricia Quattrone, Larry Jackson, Katie Seip, Lisa Jones, Renee Kennedy, Gay Furlong, Fran Rose, June Sherman, Kathy Smith, Tim Bogaczyk, Beth Valdez, Charles Barrett, Joe Engel, Darleen Kohler, Victoria Salerno, Paul Beuter, Cole Salerno, Mark Kilmer, Stephen Horvatch, Fr. Paul Mullen, Helene Carpenter, Everett Dean Brown, Roberta Mahar, Bud Boyce, Marian Coolidge, Kay Evans, Elizabeth Payne, Cindy Sereno, Carolyn Tester, Richard Stankiewicz, Jim Callahan, Mary Antoniow, Ruth Russell, Anne Marie Beuter, Skip Warriner, Stephanie Calicchia, Jacoby Aratari, Lou Kirby, Shannon Jones, Steve Ziemak, Cody Bowers, Carolyn Clark, Don Hayden, Lisa Neil-Keller, Ann Callahan, John Harling, Shawn Wheeler, John Wheeler, Kayleigh Johnson, Mary Clark, Ruth Braham, Richard and Valerie Tobin, Shirley Dixon, Lucy Whitney, Adele Young, Suzan Richar, Lucille Keck, Gloria Fermenic, Alice Kohut, John Bowe, Kathy Wheeler, Phyliss Davis, Sammi Swinnich, Raymond Butler, Michael Joseph Harris, Maggie Stirnaman, Jane Johnson, Maureen Bailey, George Hill, Kami Maloof, Don Gordon, B.J. Butler.

 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.