

St. Peter's Church



Pentecost Sunday *May 19, 2024*

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–2:00pm

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Jacek Bialkowski
Secretary: Connie Spang – stpch@ptd.net
Bookkeeper: Melissa Mann – stpadm@ptd.net
Religious Education: Jen Minnich – stpreld@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-12:10pm;
Saturday: 4:30-5:00pm; or by appointment

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 available at St. Peter's for grades K – 12. Classes are held in the Parish Center immediately following Sunday Mass, from 9:30am until 10:40am, from September through May. To register, please contact the Religious Education Office at 570-724-9789. 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 _____

A PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Lord Jesus Christ,
Send down your Spirit upon me.
When I am uncertain, grant me **wisdom**.
When I am confused, grant me **understanding**.
When I am ignorant, grant me **knowledge**.
When I am wandering, grant me **counsel**.
When I am afraid, grant me **fortitude**.
When I am separated from you, grant me **piety**.
When I am selfish, grant me the **fear of the Lord**.
I ask for an outpouring of your Spirit with all of these gifts in your name.
Amen.

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 Grab – 607/857-3447
Youth Group – Steve Tokarz – 570/404-0693
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
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
Fundraising Committee – Tim Gooch 570/971-5826
Knights of Columbus – Mike Buono 717/320-2305

| Date | Time | Mass Intention |
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| Monday 5/20 | No Mass | |
| Tuesday 5/21 | 12:10pm | All Souls in Purgatory (Ostapowicz Family) |
| Wednesday 5/22 | 12:10pm | In Memory of Lenna Gill (Family) |
| Thursday 5/23 | 12:10pm | In Memory of Dorothy Ellison (B.J. Butler) |
| Friday 5/24 | 12:10pm | All Souls in Purgatory (Families) |
| Saturday 5/25 | 5:00pm Mass is livestreamed | Deceased Members of Joseph & Clara Patt Family (Diane Young) |
| Sunday 5/26 | 8:30am | Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish |

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of Carrie Daugherty (Niles & Daugherty Families)

Church Hours / Adoration

Monday – Friday: The church doors will be open for private prayer from 8:00am – 5:00pm. If the main doors of the church are locked, please enter through the side parking lot door.

Saturday: The side parking lot door (only) will be open from 8:00am – 4:30pm for private prayer. All church doors will be unlocked at 4:30pm for Mass.

Sunday: All church doors will be unlocked at 8:00am for Mass and will remain open until 9:30am when religious education classes begin.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Tuesdays from 1:00pm - 6:00pm, with Benediction.

Happening This Week

Sunday, May 19th

Confirmation – 8:30am Mass

Tuesday, May 21st

Adoration – 1:00pm – 6:00pm; Church Women’s Bible Study – 10:00am; Parish Center

Sunday, May 26th

Holy Hour – Following 11:30am Mass; St. Thomas Church

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.

Parish Office Hours



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

For the safety of our parishioners, if the local school is **closed**, there will be **no daily Mass or Adoration**. The Church will remain open for private prayer, using the parking lot side entrance, and the parish office hours may be affected.

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for May 12, 2024: \$6,134.45
 Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$6,100.00
 Difference: \$34.45
 Year to Date Budget Variance: \$11,516.17

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



Pentecost marks the occasion of God sending the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples after his Resurrection. The book of Acts describes how the disciples were gathered together in one place on the day of Pentecost. The Jewish feast of Pentecost (Shavuot or the Feast of Weeks) was a day that commemorated the giving of the law to Moses, a day soon to be marked as well by the giving of the Holy Spirit. On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit gave the disciples the strength to fulfill their commission to spread the Good News to Jesus.

The Solemnity of Pentecost, which crowns and fulfills the Easter season, is a good time to pray for a deeper indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

The Senior Mass and Brunch is scheduled for Sunday, June 9th. Invitations have been mailed to 12th grade students of St. Peter's Parish. If your senior has not received an invitation, please contact the parish office at 570/724-3371.



Join us on the Fairway!
**14th Annual
Vocations Golf Classic**

**Diocese of Scranton Vocations Golf Classic
John Yourishen Memorial Tournament**

Monday, July 8, 2024

Blue Ridge Train Golf Club, Mountain Top, PA

Registration begins at 10:00am

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

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

For more information or to register, visit the Diocese website at Dioceseofscranton.org.

Living Rosary for May



The Living Rosary is a powerful devotion that allows people to pray the Rosary together even when they can't be in the same place.

Twenty participants each pray a different designated decade of the Rosary daily, so all together, the group prays an entire Rosary every day.

This devotion creates a sense of community even when people can't be physically together. Our collective intention for May is:

*"Peace in the world and
peace in the hearts of all people."*

To participate in the Living Rosary devotion, Call Laurie Coffee at (703) 470-2975 or (570) 549-2210.



**Memorial Day Mass
and
Blessing of Graves
Monday, May 27th**

Mass

10:00am

St. Peter's Church

Blessing of Graves

St. Peter's Cemetery
10:45am

Antrim Cemetery
11:30am

**St. Peter's Prayer Shawl Ministry
Chairperson Needed**

Members of St. Peter's Prayer Shawl Ministry knit or crochet prayer shawls, lap robes, and hospice bed throws to be donated to those in need within our community. Each of these projects has a prayer tag attached when they are completed and are blessed for the new recipients, so that they feel the love of our Savior wrapped around them as they go through difficult times.

We are looking for a volunteer to lead the Prayer Shawl Ministry. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at 570/724-3371.

Events Sponsored by Marian Ministries

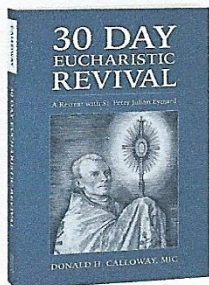


NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

"Several years ago a survey done in the United States revealed that 69% of Catholics no longer believe in the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament (Holy Communion). Looking at it from another perspective, this means that only 31% of Catholics in the United States believe in the source and summit of the Christian faith." -Fr. Donald Calloway

Marian Ministries is hosting another book study focused on the National Eucharistic Revival.

"Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist." - National Eucharistic Revival website.



From June 18 to July 17, we will read, discuss, and share the book, "30 Day Eucharistic Revival: A Retreat with St. Peter Julian Eymard", written by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC.

Anyone interested in joining the study group can contact Chris Troncone (570-404-7278 call/text) or Linda Sampson (570-404-218 call/text) or email marian-ministries@outlook.com to get on the email list. All participants will be responsible for purchasing their own book.

"A Marian Pilgrimage" at Notre Dame Retreat House



Nine pilgrims from St. Peter's & Holy Child parishes enjoyed a lovely day at Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua, NY. Christine DiNovo presented "A Marian Pilgrimage," taking us to Guadalupe, Lourdes, and Fatima with her beautiful pictures and stories. Our trusty Teen Center van took us there and back. A perfect Spring day!

Upcoming Pilgrimages

Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception



Saturday, June 29th, 2024

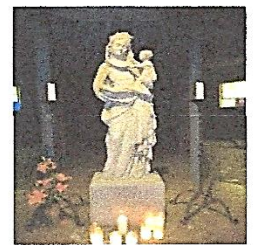
Pickup locations: 5:00 AM St. Peter's Church
Wellsboro PA 5:10 AM CVS Plaza Mansfield PA 16933
5:20 AM Park & Ride - Blossburg PA 16912
6:00 AM Burger King 50 Maynard St Williamsport PA

Cost \$50.00

Contact Terrie Thomas (570) 418-3881
to reserve your seat.

Mt. Saviour Monastery Saturday, September 21st 9am-3pm

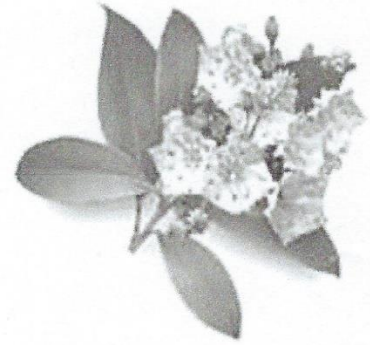
Limited to 18 participants.
Mark your calendars and
watch for details.




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. 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.

2024 Pennsylvania State Laurel Festival



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

Friday, June 14th
&
Saturday, June 15th

*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.

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

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| <p>Advertise with us! See your ad here</p> | <p>WALRATH & COOLIDGE Probate & Estate Administration Real Estate Personal Injury 570-724-3801 Wills • Corporate Adoptions Family Law R. Lowell Coolidge, Esq • Priscilla Walrath, Esq Fax: 570-724-7239 126 Main St • Wellsboro, PA</p> | <p>Take advantage of a unique marketing opportunity and advertise in the church bulletin.</p> |
| <p><i>Akiko's Floral Arts</i>  31 East Avenue Wellsboro (570) 724-1509 "If Akiko's Not Your Florist, She Should Be" Shop24/7 at www.akikos.com Akiko, Clark & Joe Hewitt</p> | <p>OVER 125 YEARS OF SERVICE TUSSEY-MOSHER FUNERAL HOME, LTD. Calvin T. Mosher, Supervisor 139 Main St. Wellsboro, PA 16901 (570) 724-4637 TusseyMosher.com</p> | <p>Call the parish office at 570/724-3371 for information.</p> |
| <p> 25 Main Street Wellsboro, PA 16901 570-723-4263 www.popscultureshoppe.com Games * Imagination * Fun Your proprietors Julian and Anja Stam Consider it all joy! James 1:2</p> | <p> Hunting-Fishing-Trapping-Trekking 1803 Route 287, Morris 570-404-6159 www.Nessmuks.com A Family Owned Small Business Zack & Tracy Buck</p> | <p>A Gift in Your Will 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> U-Haul Dealer Since 2011 uhaul.com Ken Mitchell Mitchell's Carquest Auto Parts 688 South Main Street Mansfield, PA 16933 Business: (570) 662-2534 www.mitchellcarquest.com </p> | <p> TOKARZ CUSTOM WOODWORK Stephen F. Tokarz • Artisan • Craftsman Specializing in Custom Wood Products 570-404-0693 Established in Tioga County, PA</p> | <p>"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."</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, Paul Beuter, Mark Kilmer, Stephen Horvatch, Fr. Paul Mullen, Everett Dean Brown, Bud Boyce, Marian Coolidge, Kay Evans, Elizabeth Payne, Cindy Sereno, Richard Stankiewicz, Jim Callahan, Mary Antoniow, Ruth Russell, Anne Marie Beuter, Skip Warriner, Stephanie Calicchia, Lou Kirby, Shannon Jones, Steve Ziemak, Cody Bowers, Carolyn Clark, Don Hayden, Shannon Slaton, Lisa Neil-Keller, Ann Callahan, John Harling, Shawn Wheeler, Kayleigh Johnson, Mary Clark, Ruth Braham, Richard and Valerie Tobin, Shirley Dixon, Lucy Whitney, Adele Young, Suzan Richar, Gloria Fermenic, Alice Kohut, John Bowe, Kathy Wheeler, Phyliss Davis, Michael Joseph Harris, Maggie Stirnaman, Jane Johnson, George Hill, Kami Maloof, Don Gordon, Christopher Moore, Kassie Nowak, Sr. Sally Villa; SSJ, Bill Cizek, Carter Benjamin, Elexxa Germino



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

John Wheeler

To add a name to the bulletin prayer list, please contact the Parish Office at 570/724-3371. **For privacy reasons, the person making the request must be the individual themselves or an immediate family member.** This would include a spouse, child, sibling, parent, or grandparent of the person to be added.