St. Peter's Church



6th Sunday of Easter - May 22, 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	

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

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. Joseph Mosley – joseph.mosley81@gmail.com Secretary: Connie Spang – stpch@ptd.net Business Manager: Patti Mitchell– stpadm@ptd.net Religious Education.: Melissa Mann – stpreled@ptd.net Maintenance Staff: Connie Spang, Francis Kennedy

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

"Each of us is called to holiness, to a unique and unrepeatable form of holiness. The Lord has a design of love for everyone. He has a dream for your life.

Welcome it!
Pursue it joyfully!"

Pope Francis

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 – 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

6th Sunday of Easter

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday 5/23	12:10pm	Living & Deceased Members of the Stan Dragovich Family (Jean Dragovich)
Tuesday 5/24	7:30am	In Memory of Paul Urner (Knights of Columbus)
Wednesday 5/25	6:00pm	In Memory of Frank & Maria Buccialia (Connie Spang & Family)
Thursday 5/26	12:10pm	In Memory of Anne, Lynne, & Jeanne O'Hearn (Mary Alice Doyle)
Friday 5/27	No Mass	
Saturday 5/28	5:00pm (Mass is livestreamed)	In Memory of Joseph & Clara Patt (Family)
Sunday 5/29	8:30am	All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Honor of Mary Clark (Pat Gorda)

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 8:00am-6:00pm, with Benediction but no evening prayer.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 24th – Women's Bible Study, 9:00am **Thursday, May 26**th – Rectory Closed

The Rectory is closed on Thursday, May 26th for the Ascension of the Lord, Holy Day of Obligation.

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for May 15, 2022: \$4,466.00 Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$6,100.00 Difference:(\$1,634.00)

Year-to-Date Budget Variance:(\$1,441.75)

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

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Please note, there will be no Mass on Friday, May 27th, as Fr. Mosley will be away.

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS

From Memorial Day to Labor Day, the hours for the Rectory will be Monday through Thursday, 9:00am - 1:00pm.



Liturgical Reflection ~ 6th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Today's reading accounts a major controversy and pivotal meeting in Jerusalem on how Gentiles should be accepted into the faith. While in his letters Paul often asserts his authority as an Apostle, here we see him acknowledging a higher authority within the Church as he and Barnabas set out for Jerusalem to consult with Peter, James, and other elders of that local church. This gathering does not put an end to the Mosaic Law; rather, it exempts the Gentiles from becoming Jews so that they may become followers of Jesus Christ. The dispute concerning circumcision provided the church with the opportunity to enter into the work of discernment and clearly define what is necessary for Christian unity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 67

This psalm is a hymn of Thanksgiving based upon the blessing of Aaron found in the Book of Numbers (6:24). It celebrates God's abundant blessings on Israel, but calls upon all nations on the earth to give praise to the Lord. God's blessing upon Israel was a model of the way that God would now treat all the peoples upon the earth. They were now all his chosen people, all his beloved.

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

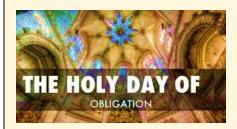
In this chapter of the Book of Revelation John is led to a "great, high mountain" and is shown "the holy city of Jerusalem coming down out of heaven." This speaks of the passing away of the old creation, which is replaced by a new heaven and a new earth. This vision of Jerusalem is glorious, perfect, whole, and complete. The twelve tribes are represented by the Twelve Apostles. The city does not need a temple because the presence of God and the Lamb make the entire city a temple of the Divine. God no longer dwells in a house of stone, but in the hearts of his people. This vision is designed to give great hope to a Church struggling for its earthly survival.

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

Today's passage reads as a series of easy to recall phrases: "Whoever loves me will keep my word," "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you," "Do not let you hearts be troubled," and most importantly "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." Jesus is about to surrender his life and soon thereafter will return to the Father. In this discourse, set within the context of his final meal with them, Jesus offers assurance that they will lose nothing of what they've learned because another Advocate, "the Holy Spirit," will come to help them remember and understand all that Jesus taught them. But first, Jesus again the teacher, reminds the disciples



that there is no love without obedience. Anyone who keeps his Words receives the Father's love and becomes a living tabernacle, a place where God can dwell. Jesus promises peace to those who keep his Word. In receiving the Spirit, we receive the peace of Christ. There is a great deal in human life designed to cause unrest and to even destroy peace. The offering of the sign of peace in the Mass, reminds us that we are given the peace of Christ and commanded to share it.



The Ascension of the Lord Mass Times

Wednesday, May 25th 6:00pm (Vigil Mass) Thursday, May 26th 12:10pm

Memorial Day Mass and Blessing of the Graves

Mass, Monday, May 30th 9:00am Blessing St. Peter's Cemetery on Pearl Street, 9:30am Blessing Antrim Cemetery, 10:30am



2022 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 26. The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. The



registration deadline for this event is May 29, 2022. To register, please go to www.dioceseofscranton.org or contact Jen Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104 or jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org). Those celebrating couples who speak Spanish may contact Jose Flores (570-207-2213 x 1130 or jflores@dioceseofscranton.org).



UPCOMING RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND FOR COUPLES

AUGUST 19 - 21, 2022 AT THE TOWNEPLACE SUITES, MOOSIC

Is your marriage going down the right road, or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, as can the challenges you face in marriage. If the distance between you seems wide, if you are looking for a better way, even if you are already separated, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, rebuild intimacy, and heal - just as the team couples have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. For more information, contact our team @ 631-338-5413 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org



WHAT: Diocese of Scranton's 12th Vocations Golf Classic WHEN: Monday June 27, 2022, with shotgun start at noon (Captain and Crew)

WHERE: Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club, 260 Country Club Drive, Mountain Top, PA

REGISTER TO GOLF, BECOME A SPONSOR, BUY A 50-50 TICKET OR MAKE A DONATION TO SUPPORT SEMINARIANS AT:

https://bit.ly/vocationsgolf

Quo Vadis Days 2022 will be held June 19-21 at Marywood University, Scranton. This camp is for young Catholic men in High School (who were in 9-12th grade during the 2020/2021 school year) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet Bishop Bambera, priests, seminarians, and young adults of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open at vocations.dioceseofscranton.org. For more information, call 570-207-1452.



If you or someone you know would like to attend the conference but can't afford the price of the ticket, contact Cecilia Carr at 570-430-2735 or ccarr18414@yahoo.com to reserve a GOOD SAMARITAN TICKET.

CATHOLC MEN'S CONFERENCE SAVE THE DATE

The 7th Annual Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, October 8th at Holy Redeemer High School in Wilkes-Barre from 8:00am to 3:00pm. More information will be published as the date gets closer.

Prayers for Ukraine

As you came into church this weekend, you may have noticed the addition of a table with a cross and candle on it that is located in the sanctuary near the papal flag. The purpose is to remind us that the people of Ukraine are still in need of our prayers as they are experiencing the cruelty of war. The table is draped in blue and yellow, the colors of the Ukrainian flag. The three-bared cross was used because it is the predominant cross of many eastern Catholic and eastern Orthodox churches, including the Ukrainian Catholic Church. The candle represents our prayers.

We will conduct another Holy Hour for peace in Ukraine on **Tuesday**, **June** 14th at 5:00pm The holy hour will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00pm.



A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength, and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

WAR CHALLENGES CONSCIENCE OF EVERY CHRISTIAN

Referring to the war in Ukraine, Pope Francis spoke about the responsibilities of Christian Churches. He stated that this war "is cruel and senseless like any war," but "has a greater dimension and threatens the whole world, and cannot fail to challenge the conscience of every Christian and every Church." "We must ask ourselves: what have the Churches done and what can they do to contribute to the development of a world community, capable of creating fraternity starting from peoples and nations who live social friendship?" Pope Francis went on to say, "in the face of the barbarism of war, this yearning for unity must be nurtured again. Ignoring the divisions among Christians, out of habit or resignation, means tolerating the pollution of our hearts that makes the ground fertile for conflict." He added, "The proclamation of the Gospel of peace, that before the armies disarms the hearts, will only be more credible if announced by Christians finally reconciled in Jesus, Prince of Peace; Christians that are animated by His message of universal love and brotherhood, which goes beyond the boundaries of their own community and nation."



Holy Mary, Our Lady of Fatima, we entrust ourselves to your heart. We are your beloved children. You never tire of visiting us and inviting us to conversion. You know how to untie the knots of our hearts and our times. In you we place our trust

Our Lady of Fatima, our Mother, through your intercession, may God's mercy be poured out on the earth and the gentle rhythm of peace return to mark our days. Restore among us the harmony that comes from God. Make us artisans of communion. Guide us on the paths of peace. Amen.

#PrayTogether #Peace







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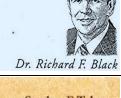
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"I, [name], of [city, state, zip], give, devise, and bequeath to St. Peter's Church, Wellsboro [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property | for its unrestricted use and purpose."

Parish Prayer List

Nan Bowser, 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, Jerry Pierce, Joann Black, Lori Lopaz, 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, Bob Snyder, Don Brooks, Paul Beuter, Cole Salerno, Mark Kilmer, Stephen Horvatch, Fr. Paul Mullen, Helene Carpenter, Clark Hewitt, Everett Dean Brown, Roberta Mahar, Bud Boyce, Marian Coolidge, Kay Evans, Elizabeth Payne, Cindy Sereno, Carolyn Tester, Richard Stankiewicz, Jim Callahan, Mary Antoniw, Ruth Russell, Edward Cruttenden, Anne Marie Beuter, Skip Warriner, Stephanie Calicchia, Jacoby Aratari, Lou Kirby, Shannon Jones, Steve Ziemak, Cody Bowers, Carolyn Clark, Don Hayden, Shannon Slaton, 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, Tom Patt, Sammi Swinnich, Claire Smith, Raymond Butler, Michael Joseph Harris, Maggie Stirnaman, Jane Johnson, Dan Usavage, Philip Kniceley, Maureen Bailey, George Hill, Mary Kay Clark, Luis Ang, Colleen Rose, and Kami Maloof.



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.