

St. Peter's Church

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Website: www.stpeterswellsboro.com



31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 30, 2022

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

Business Manager: Patti Mitchell - stpadm@ptd.net

Religious Education.: Melissa Mann - streled@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, 4:20-4:50pm 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 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.

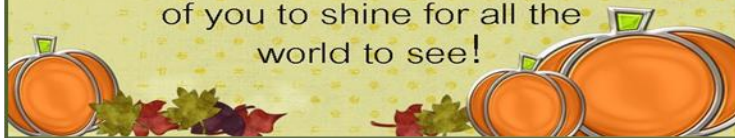
Request for Parishioner Registration Form

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Being a Christian is like being a **pumpkin**. God **picks you** from the patch, brings you in, and **washes off** all the dirt. Then He cuts the top and **scoops out** all the yucky stuff. He **removes the seeds** of doubt, hate, and greed. Last, He **carves you** a new smiling face and **puts His light inside** of you to shine for all the world to see!



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 - 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 - 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

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday 10/31	6:00pm	In Memory of Wanda Sulewski (Daughter, Kathy)
Tuesday 11/1	12:10pm	In Memory of Paul Mays (Jackson Family)
Wednesday 11/2	12:10pm	All Souls Intentions
Thursday 11/3	12:10pm	In Memory of James & Martha Hopkins (Mickey Romania)
Friday 11/4	No Mass	
Saturday 11/5	5:00pm (Mass is livestreamed)	In Memory of Joe Grab, Sr. (Grab Family)
Sunday 11/6	8:30am	All Deceased Members of Ragus Family (Tom & Deb Rudy & Family)

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of Sung Kum (Black Family)

The Altar Flowers are in Honor of all who joined the church through the RCIA process.

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.

BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION OPENING

St. Peter's has an immediate opening for a Business Manager. The Parish Business Manager is a professional administrator in service to the Church. The minister is a steward of the physical, financial, and personnel resources of the parish. He or she responsible for budget development and organizing the parish finances, scheduling of parish facilities and ministries, public relations, coordination of stewardship program, and coordination of fundraising efforts. In collaboration with the pastor and other staff members, he or she integrates effective parish management within the overall parish mission. For more information please stop in the rectory during business hours or contact Fr. Jacek.

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for October 23, 2022: \$4,895.00
 Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$6,100.00
 Difference: (\$1,205.00)
 Year-to-Date Budget Variance: (\$4,586.75)

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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 30th

Religious Education Classes – 8:30am Pre-School; 9:30am K-12th

Marian Afternoon of Reflection – 2:00pm

Tuesday, November 1st

Rectory Closed – All Saints Day

Women's Bible Study – 10:00am, Parish Center

Adoration – 1:00–6:00pm, Church

Wednesday, November 2nd

Staff Meeting – 10:00am, Rectory

Blessing of Graves – St. Peter's, 2:00pm, Antrim, 2:30pm

ChistLife – 6:00pm

Cemetery Committee Meeting – 7:00pm, Music Room

Thursday, November 3rd

Fundraising Committee Mtg – 9:00am, Rectory

Saturday, November 5th

ChristLife Retreat – 9:00am

Sunday, November 6th

Religious Education Classes – 8:30am Pre-School; 9:30am K-12th

Liturgical Reflection ~ 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

The author of this text addresses the Lord as Creator of the whole universe. There is immensity about the Creator that is described through a contrast with creation as a grain or a drop of dew. This contrast serves to instill awe at the greatness of God's love of all that is created and to offer praise of God who has placed "your imperishable spirit" in all things. This reading set the stage for Zacchaeus' conversion in today's Gospel reading.

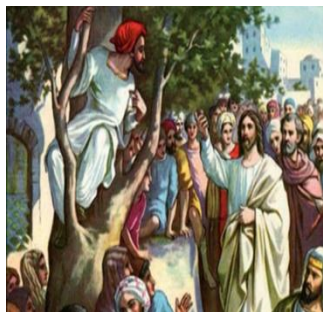
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 145

Psalm 145 is a hymn of praise for the greatness of God who is known to be gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness. The psalmist prays that all the works of God give thanks. The works of God are personified as "your faithful ones" and they in turn bless the Lord whose holiness is found in them.

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Paul assures the brothers and sisters in Thessalonica that he constantly prays for them and encourages them to be steadfast in their calling as disciples. He reminds them that their calling has come from God. It is the grace of God that will give them strength; they have no need to be "shaken" in their gathering in the Lord's name.

GOSPEL: Luke 19:1-10



Luke recounts for us the delightful story of Jesus inviting himself to the home of Zacchaeus. It is one of the many teaching stories of Jesus that takes place in connection with a meal. The presence of Jesus in his house moves Zacchaeus to repent of his wrongdoing and promise to change his life. The grumbling of the crowd leads Jesus to state his mission "to seek and to save what is lost." Salvation came to Zacchaeus' house that day, but its journey likely started long before with tugs at his heart and pangs in his conscience. It was because Zacchaeus yielded to those dimly felt promptings that this is a story of salvation.

All Saints Day - On November 1st we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, remembering all the saints known and unknown to us who enjoy the glory of heaven. In the day's Gospel account we hear the Beatitudes, which are guidelines for true joy and the attainment of sanctity in our Christian lives. We hear how to live lives of holiness so that we may attain happiness in this life, but even more happiness in the next life as we strive to likewise be numbered among all the saints in heaven. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

All Saints Day Mass Schedule

October 31st - 6:00pm ~ November 1st - 12:10pm

All Souls' Day - On November 2nd we commemorate all the Faithful Departed. All Souls' Day is unique on the liturgical calendar. Neither a solemnity nor a feast, this commemoration outranks other feasts and even takes the place of a Sunday in Ordinary Time (should this commemoration fall on a Sunday). Prayer for the dead reaches deep into our human history, and it has been our custom from the earliest days of the Church. The belief that our prayers can be of assistance to the dead is a treasured tenet of our Catholic faith. We profess it every time we recite the Nicene Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

Visiting a Cemetery - From November 1st through November 8th, a plenary indulgence is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the dead. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls in purgatory.

Blessing of Graves - A blessing of St. Peter's Cemetery and Antrim Cemetery will take place on All Souls' Day. First, the cemetery will be blessed, followed by blessing of individual graves for those in attendance who would like their loved ones grave blessed. St. Peter's Cemetery will be blessed at 2:00pm, followed by Antrim at 2:45pm.



Marian Ministries



Living Rosary Update

Participants from St. Peters and Holy Child parishes have offered two Living Rosaries to our Blessed Mother every day throughout October. What a gift of grace, given and received! We plan to continue this devotion through the end of December, when we will reevaluate the participants desire to continue. Ideally, we hope to offer at least one Living Rosary indefinitely. Contact Linda Sampson if you are no longer able to pray your chosen decade or if you would like to join the Living Rosary family. (Email sampson4509@gmail.com; text or call 570-404-2180)

Marian Retreat ~ It's not too late to participate in the Marian Afternoon of Reflection. Come and spend the afternoon in the presence of Jesus and our Blessed Mother. Guest speaker, Dave Nodar, will lead us with two presentations: Gabriel's greeting to Mary, "Hail Full of Grace" and Mary's encounter with Elizabeth, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord." Dave asks that all participants prayerfully read Chapters 1-2 of Luke's Gospel to prepare for his talks and to jot down one critical insight from these scriptures. We hope to fill the Parish Center with our prayers and praise!

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 each week.

SUPER

ALL PAPER

Sunday

PAYOUTS	
100 OR LESS PLAYERS	\$2,000
120 OR LESS PLAYERS	\$2,500
121 PLUS PLAYERS	\$3,000

November 13, 2022

Knoxville Community Center
Main Street, Knoxville, PA

\$30.00

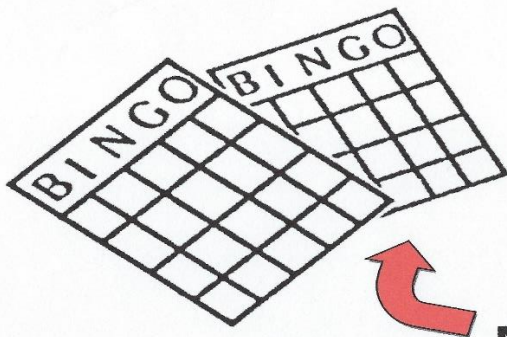
Purchase at the Door

Doors will open at **10:30 am**
Bingo starts at **12 pm (Noon)**
Kitchen will be Open

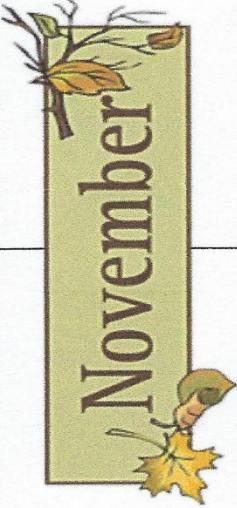

MYSTERY NUMBER TOTAL \$475.00

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St. Peter's Parish & St. Thomas Parish - Activity Calendar - November 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 All Saints Mass - 12:10pm Rectory Closed Women's Bible Study - 10:00am AA & -Al-Anon-6:00pm	2 All Souls Day Mass - 12:10pm Mass - 6:00pm St. Catherine Staff Meeting - 10:00am, Rectory Blessing of Graves - St. Peter's, 2:00pm; Antrim, 2:45pm ChristLife - 6:00pm Cemetery Mtg-7:00pm, Music Room	3 St. Martin de Porres Mass - 12:10pm with St. Jude Novena Fundraising Committee Mtg - 9:00am, Rectory	4 St. Charles Borromeo Mass - 12:10pm Confessions - 11:45am St. Peter's Rectory Closed	5 Mass - 5:00pm Confessions - 4:20-4:50pm Mass - 7:00pm St. Catherine ChristLife Retreat - 9:00am
						
6 32nd Sun. Ordinary Time Mass - 8:30am Mass - 11:30am St. Thomas Rel. Ed.-Pre K 8:30am; K-12 th 9:30 - 10:40am	7 No Mass	8 No Mass Women's Bible Study - 10:00am AA & -Al-Anon-6:00pm St. Thomas Rectory Closed	9 Dedication Lateran Basilica No Mass ChristLife - 6:00pm	10 No Mass	11 St. Martin of Tours No Mass St. Peter's Rectory Closed	12 St. Josaphat Mass - 5:00pm Confessions - 4:20-4:50pm Mass - 7:00pm St. Catherine
13 33rd Sun. Ordinary Time Mass - 8:30am Mass - 11:30am St. Thomas Rel. Ed.-Pre K 8:30am; K-12 th 9:30 - 10:40am Super Bingo At St. Thomas	14 No Mass	15 St. Albert the Great Mass - 12:10pm with Miraculous Medal Novena Adoration - 1:00-6:00pm Women's Bible Study - 10:00am Worship Committee Mtg. - 6:30pm AA & -Al-Anon-6:00pm	16 St. Margaret of Scotland Mass - 12:10pm Confessions - 11:45am ChristLife - 6:00pm	17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary Mass - 12:10pm with St. Jude Novena Family Advent Set Up -3:15pm	18 Mass - 12:10pm Confessions - 11:45am St. Peter's Rectory Closed	19 Mass - 5:00pm Confessions - 4:20-4:50pm Mass - 7:00pm St. Catherine
20 Christ the King Mass - 8:30am Mass - 11:30am St. Thomas Family Advent Celebration- 9:30am Family Advent Celebration	21 Presentation of Virgin No Mass	22 St. Cecilia No Mass Women's Bible Study - 10:00am AA & -Al-Anon-6:00pm	23 St. Clement I, St. Columban No Mass ChristLife - 6:00pm	24 No Mass Rectory Closed 	25 St. Catherine of Alexandria No Mass Rectory Closed	26 Mass - 5:00pm Confessions - 4:20-4:50pm Mass - 7:00pm St. Catherine
27 1st Sunday of Advent Mass - 8:30am Mass - 11:30am St. Thomas	28 No Mass	29 Mass - 12:10pm with Miraculous Medal Novena Adoration - 1:00-6:00pm Women's Bible Study - 10:00am AA & -Al-Anon-6:00pm	30 St. Andrew Mass - 12:10pm Confessions - 11:45am			

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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.