

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 23, 2017



Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy.

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am
Monday & Friday: 5:30 pm
Tuesday - Thursday: 7:00 am

Spanish Mass:

Resurrection Parish, Lexington

Sunday: 6:00 pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am - 8:30 pm
Friday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Pastoral Care Contacts:

Mrs. Vickie Palmer 419-524-2572
*Hospital & Follow-up
Nursing Homes/Assisted Living &
Prayer Pipeline*
Deacon John Reef 419-529-3694
Shut-ins/Homebound

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

Sunday Nursery:

Sunday Nursery is temporarily unavailable until further notice. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email.

Pastoral Staff:

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*
Fr. Jeremy Miller, *Parochial Vicar*
Mr. Bill Johnson,
Director of Music & Liturgy
Ms. Lynne Lukach, *Pastoral Associate*
Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm, *Director of
Religious Ed. & Youth Minister*

Deacons:

Mr. John Reef
Mr. Dennis Striker

St. Peter's School:

Mr. Michael Wasiniak
High School, Jr. High School
Mrs. Madalyn Bauer
Elementary School
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer *Montessori*

Parish Business Manager:

Mr. Jon Blazak

Director of Development:

Mr. Jason Crundwell

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 24, Easter Weekday, Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

5:00pm Rosary
5:30pm Joe & Virginia Boyd

Tuesday, April 25, Saint Mark, Evangelist

7:00am Parish
9:15am Jennie Finnan

Wednesday, April 26, Easter Weekday

7:00am Chris Byrne

Thursday, April 27, Easter Weekday

7:00am Margureta Chevalier

Friday, April 28, Easter Weekday

5:00pm Rosary
5:30pm Landree Rennpage

Saturday, April 29, Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

5:00pm Ralph & Shirley Ruhl

Sunday, April 30, Third Sunday of Easter

7:30am Furrow / Steele
9:30am Stephan Phalor
11:30am Parish

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER

Saturday, April 29

5:00pm **L** B Rader, J Riedl **D** V Zack, C Campbell, D Campbell, D Hipp, T Hipp

Sunday, April 23

7:30am **L** D J Morvai, T Mulherin **D** M Collet, K Reindl, K Reindl
9:30am **L** K Bird, C Henrich **D** J Kastelic, J Brennan, I Cervinski, C Merle, M Riggleman, F Schuster, R Sliney, L Steggall, S Weitzel
11:30am **L** T Malec, C Mears **D** K Yockey, C Mears, B Riley, K Schreck, J Wendlin, M Selby

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, April 29

5:00pm L Rhodes, A Saltzgeber, R Pruettmiller

Sunday, April 30

7:30am G Farrgher, A Gasper
9:30am A Baldasare, A Baldasare
11:30am B Ball, A Pindel, T Schreck

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, April 23

9:30am Marie
11:30am Angie

I wish everyone a Blessed and Happy Easter from the students and staff of St. Peter's.

My article will be specific to the Elementary building.

The Elementary had a busy Lenten season. We attended Mass weekly and received the Sacrament of Penance in March. We had a total of nine Priests with us. Many non-Catholic students even visited with the Priests just to speak about their behavior and ways for improvement. It is wonderful to see all students participating.

We also did our alms giving. We have become pen pals with a school in Ghana, Africa named St. Peter's Elementary. The students collected monies for them and we sent it. Father Sebastian, their Parish Priest, was so very thankful. We have Skyped the children there twice. It is a wonderful experience for our students to actually speak with children across the globe. We should be so thankful to the Lord for what He has given us. Giving to those less fortunate can be a wakeup call in our lives.

On March 20th we celebrated the 90th birthday of laying of the cornerstone in the Elementary. Farther Jeremy prayed with us as we gathered in the main hallway of the building. He read from the Gospel for us, then we sang and prayed together. Exiting the building, all students and staff touched the cornerstone as we moved to attend Mass that morning. It was very touching and a piece of history.

"Cory the Dribbler", a former Harlem Globetrotter, visited us speaking on education, attitude, respect, don't bully or do drugs. Along with his message, of course, was dribbling and shooting skills. He himself attended a Catholic school growing up. The students of all ages enjoyed his presentation.

Dear God:

Spring is a metaphor for change. Some changes we eagerly await, and some we abhor. Some changes we plan and others arrive uninvited. To all these changes we ask the gift of Your perspective beckoning us to expectation, hope, and rebirth. May the sunlight and the rain be reminders that You are at work renewing the earth. As a God of renewal, You are ever at work in our lives, too.

Open our eyes and lives to the needed changes in our lives this Spring. Awaken us to new life and perspective, for we pray in Jesus' name.

Amen.

by Rev. Mark Bekkedahl

Madalyn Bauer, Elementary Principal

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



Don Blank, Aaron Blank, Andy Taracko, Rose Mary Lang-Martin, Gwen Yockey, MaKaya Butler, Helen Green, Mary Ann Gibson, Nancy Stanton, Dina Riley, Sue Romanchuk, Joan Phalor, Theresa Prendergast, Duane Moser, Bill Martin, Paul Conry, John Zeigler, John & Rose Anne Henney, Ralph Dillon, Debbie Ashley, Pat Colarosa, Julie Krous, Laura Demarest, Mike Payton, Mary Ann Voytko, Hope Daugherty, Krista Marshall, Nick & Hilda Schemine, Dan Rhea, Corbin Adams, Beverly Strauser, Rose Pfeil.

Names will only be listed for 4 weeks. If you wish to have your name appear an additional 4 week period, contact the Parish Center at 419-524-2572.

IN GOD'S ARMS...

JIM SPEELMAN, POLLY EARICK

ST. PETER'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

St. Peter's Elementary School is accepting applications for substitute teachers.

Please submit your application to the principal, Mrs. Madalyn Bauer at bauer.madalyn@myspartans.org



WEDDING BANNERS

|| Robert Pittman & Karen Gibbs

|| Bryan Fike & Sara Lybarger

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- ◆ **April 28** – Party with the Millers! (see pg.5)
- ◆ **May 20** – Flag Retirement Ceremony



Knights of Columbus Hall

1114 Park Ave. West — Phone 419.529.5532

Open to all. Please contact the club at 419.529.5532 to

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

We extend our congratulations to our brothers Jamie, Jerry, Daniel, Richard, Charles and Gene who entered the Church at the glorious Easter Vigil Mass at RiCI. We send a special thanks to Fr. Phil Feltman for celebrating the Vigil Mass at RiCI and to Fr. Hite, Fr. Jeremy, Fr. Nick Weibl, Deacon John Reef, Deacon Dennis Striker, Bill Johnson and all who contribute all through the year to our faith formation at RiCI

ANDREW DINNER – MAY 2ND AT OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

Join Bishop Daniel Thomas, Monsignor Charles Singler and other priests for an evening of prayer, dining and reflection to learn more about the diocesan priesthood.

Participants are asked to contact their parish priest to accompany them to the dinner. This event is for young men who are high school juniors and seniors and men in college. Participants must be accompanied by a priest. The event is from 6-8pm and is free..

Register by April 25th at the Office of Diocesan Priestly Vocations at 419.244.6711, ext. 4941. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish 2255 Central Grove Ave., Toledo OH 43614

YES—YOUTH ELECT SERVICE

YES, or **Youth Elect Service** is currently looking for sites this year. During **YES**, youth from the area go out into the community to help people with small home rehabilitation projects for those who may have difficulty completing them on their own. Projects can include but are not limited to painting, housework, yardwork and small construction projects. To be eligible for the program you must own your home (not rent it). If you or someone you know would be interested in having **YES** come to your home this year please contact Elizabeth Wurm at the Parish Office. All services are free of charge to the homeowner.

Are you going to be an incoming freshman or an outgoing senior for the 2017-2018 school year? Are you looking to make a difference? Consider signing up for **YES!** YES is Youth Elective Service where the youth of our area go into the community to help others with home rehabilitation projects. This can be yard work to painting, cleaning to small construction. There is a place for everyone to help! **YES** is taking place June 23-June25. If you are interested please contact Elizabeth Wurm at the Parish Office or by email at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org. **We hope you will join us!**

SUNDAY OFFERING



**Week of
April 1, 2017 - April 7, 2017**

Sunday Collection	\$18,962
Total Sunday Collection to Date	\$651,236
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection to Date	\$647,166
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$4,070
School Collection	\$2,798
Total School Collection to Date	\$123,507
Total Budgeted School Collection to Date	\$157,500
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$33,993)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE



Total Pledged:	\$2,580,679
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$419,321
Payments to Date:	\$1,397,500

As of April 5, 2017

ST. PETER'S ANNUAL FUND UPDATE



Total Pledged:	\$93,645
Amount needed to reach annual goal:	\$6,355
Payments to Date:	\$85,810

As of April 5, 2017

PARISH SECRETARY POSITION OPENING

St. Peter's is currently accepting applications for our Parish Secretary position in anticipation of Vickie Palmer's retirement in June. Please visit www.mansfieldstpeters.org/careers for more information or to apply.

ST. PETER'S JUNIOR/HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OPENING



St. Peter's Junior High and High School, Mansfield, Ohio, is currently seeking a Principal for the 2017/2018 academic year. Primary responsibilities will include:

- Witness the mission of Catholic education in an urban school system;
- Provide educational leadership for faculty, staff and students grades 7-12;
- Supervise, evaluate and develop faculty;
- Work cooperatively with parents and constituents regarding academic and extra-curricular concerns;

Qualified candidates will have prior experience in teaching and school administration, preferably within a non-public environment. Candidates should also have excellent written and verbal communication skills, as well as multidisciplinary project management experience within an academic setting. Given the nature of the position, only practicing Catholics will be considered. All candidates must be able to pass various background checks as well as complete the Diocese of Toledo VIRTUS training if hired. Candidates must hold or be qualified to obtain all necessary Ohio licensure(s).

Compensation will be commensurate with experience.. Competitive benefits are offered to all full-time employees including health, dental and vision insurance as well tuition discounts for school aged dependents.

Interested candidates should submit their resume, three references, and a letter of interest via email to employment@myspartans.org



FINDaPARISH.com
Online National Directory of
Catholic Parishes

SAVE THE DATES

Be sure to mark your calendars for these special events later this year.



FR. JEREMY FAREWELL

- 11:30 a.m. Mass with reception to follow in Church Basement



2017 SPARTAN SCRAMBLE @ WESTBROOK CC
Presented by Spartan Athletic Boosters

- 10 a.m. shotgun start
- Lunch & Dinner included
- \$500 per Foursome / Sponsorships Available
More info: mansfieldstpeters.org/scramble



100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH

- 2 p.m. Mass with Bishop Thomas with reception to follow in Franciscan Activity Center



2017 FALL GALA / LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

- 5:30—Midnight @ Franciscan Activity Center
- Tickets on sale in August



50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION FOR REV. RICHARD KENNEDY, M.S.C.

- 11:30 a.m. Mass with reception to follow in Franciscan Activity Center

THE TRINITY DOME

The completion of the Trinity Dome, in preparation for the one hundredth anniversary of the placing of the foundation stone of the National Shrine in 2020, is a monumental undertaking for which the Bishops of the United States have approved a special one-time collection to take place in-pew on Mother's Day 2017.

The national collection for the Trinity Dome offers the faithful an opportunity to leave a lasting legacy by honoring their Catholic heritage and entrusting themselves and their families to the Mother of God. Thanking you in advance for your support of this collection.

FEED THE NEEDY

Please note that St. Peter's monthly Feed the Needy schedule has been changed to the second week of each month beginning with May 2017. We will be serving from 11:30-1:00pm.



A Team Captain is still needed for Tuesdays. Please contact Dick Renie, Coordinator at 419.756.4483 or 419.566.7511.

HELLO VOLUNTEERS

Mark your calendars! On Tuesday, May 16 St. Peter's School will celebrate all volunteers with a 9:15am all-school Mass and lunch to follow. If you are a volunteer in any capacity, please plan to join us that day so we can show our appreciation and thank YOU! At a later date, we will ask for RSVPs.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY-BAPTIZED & NEWLY-RECEIVED!

Welcome to the following who celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation at the beautiful Easter Vigil Mass: Ashton Drozda, John Jackson Harvey, Chad Kingery, Patricia Kingery, Jill Leiendecker, Brandon Litteral, Zachary Sendelbach, Lyndsee Spanger. Thank you to Fr. Hite, Fr. Jeremy, Bill Johnson, Elizabeth Wurm, Kim Randall and all who taught, guided and supported our Elect these many months.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School for Saint Peter's is scheduled for July 10- 13. Right now we are looking for adult volunteers & for youth (6-12th grades) who are willing to help make this week a success. Vacation Bible School for our volunteers runs daily from 8 - 12: 30pm. All adults who volunteer must be VIRTUS trained, & if you have not already completed the program we are happy to help you complete this requirement. Contact Elizabeth Wurm at the parish office or through e-mail wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org.



If you and/or someone you know are experiencing mental or emotional issues and you would like some spiritual and educational support, please consider coming to our parish "Hearts and Minds" group on Tuesday, April 25th at 5:30 in Assisi Hall. Contact Sue Malaska vmalaska@neo.rr.com or 419-756-0962

AN "ENTERING CANAAN" DAY OF PRAYER & HEALING RETREAT

For women who are suffering as a result of an abortion will be held Saturday, April 29, 2017. The day is hosted by Project Rachel, a ministry of Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo. For more information and confidential reservations, please call 888.456.HOPE or 419.260.5811. Or email projectrachel@toledodiocese.org. Come and experience God's mercy!

END OF LIFE SEMINAR

Please join us for a free informative session at St. Peter's Parish on End of Life planning. These sessions are sponsored by the Mansfield Area Catholic Cemetery Committee. This event will be held at St. Peter's Parish (handicap accessible), Franciscan Center from 1-3 pm on April 30th. Attorney Jack Stewart will speak on Elder Law and Financial matters, Very Reverend Gregory R. Hite, V.F. will address Catholic doctrine as it pertains to burial or cremation, and David Barber, Chair of the Cemeteries Committee, will provide information on our two Mansfield Area Catholic Cemeteries.

RECYCLING (Every 2nd Friday of the month)
May 12, 2017 — 10-11 am / 2-4 pm Franciscan Activity Center parking lot.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL REPORT

Annual Catholic Appeal UPDATE: You can stillFor more information on the impact of your I make a gift and do our part for the greater Diocesan Church and the programs served by the Annual Catholic Appeal. **To date, \$32,680.00 has been pledged, representing gifts from 236 households.** Although this is **60%** of our parish goal of **\$54,300.00**, only **14.6%** of the parish has responded. Please prayerfully consider a gift in accordance with your financial blessings. Every gift, no matter how big or how small, will make a difference. Envelopes can be found in the pews if you do not have one. You can either mail them directly to the diocese or drop them in the collection basket. Pray also for the success of this **appeal. Thank you for your support. support for the appeal, visit <http://toledodiocese.org/page/CATHOLIC-FOUNDATION#ANNUALCATHOLICAPPEAL>**

SISTER TERESA NOSER



On Saturday, June 24, the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate (Joliet Franciscans) will be celebrating the Jubilees of 15 of their Sisters at a special Mass held at the Cathedral of St. Raymond at 10:30 a.m. Sister Teresa Noser, a member of our congregation from St. Peter's Parish, is celebrating her 60th Jubilee this year.

Sister Teresa attended St. Peter in Mansfield, OH for both grade school and high school. She earned her bachelor's degree from the College of St. Francis (now University of St. Francis), Joliet. She Received a Master of Arts degree in English from Loyola University, Chicago, IL and a Master of Arts degree in Theology from the University of Dayton, OH.

Sister Teresa will be celebrating her anniversary with the other Jubilarians of the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate.

PARTY WITH THE MILLERS—APRIL 28

Ron and Fr. Jeremy and Company

Proceeds to benefit St. Peter's Youth Program.

Doors open at 6:30pm.
 Adults only, \$25.00.
 Tickets are available (cash or check) in the Parish Office. (419-524-2572)

Knights of Columbus Hall
 1114 Park Ave. West



BLUE BARRELS: May 13-14

Yom Hashoah Holocaust Memorial Day This is an invitation to your church family to attend our Sunday afternoon commemorative community annual service for Yom Hashoah Holocaust Memorial Day, April 23, 2017 at 3:00pm at Emanuel Jacob Congregation at 9734 Larchwood Rd., Mansfield, OH 44907 (419-756-7355)

The Toledo Diocese Catholic Council of Women is sponsoring a Spiritual Day of Renewal at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey on Wednesday, May 10, from 9 am to 3 pm for all women. Elizabeth Ficocelli, author, speaker, radio host will be presenting The Age of Mary: A Talk on Spiritual Warfare and Bleeding Hands, Weeping Stone. The day includes Liturgy, Marian Devotions, light breakfast and lunch. Pre-registration is required by April 28. Cost \$15. Contact Judy Wartz at 419 867-1227 or Susie Pinkham, Pastoral Center, 419 244-6711, Ext. 4929 to register.

HUGE Jewelry Sale at St Joseph Parish in the Old Gymnasium, 36 Melmore Street, Tiffin, Ohio. Thousands of pieces only \$2 each! You have to see it to believe it! The sale runs Thursday, April 27 from 9 am - 6 pm, Friday, April 28 from 9 am - 7 pm, and Saturday, April 29 from 9 am - 3 pm. Proceeds benefit Calvert Catholic Schools and the Missions. Don't miss it!

The JOY People invite adults with disabilities to their annual retreat, Saturday, May 6, at the Lial Renewal Center in Whitehouse. Please contact Marsha Rivas, Office for Persons with Disabilities, 419.214.4938, for more information

Did you know? All dioceses and eparchies have Victim Assistance Coordinators, assuring that victims of abuse will be heard. In 2016, dioceses and eparchies provided out reach and support to 250 victims/survivors and their families who came forward to report abuse. Continued support was also provided to 1,510 victims/survivors and their families who reported abuse in prior years.

Rooms are going fast for the trip of a Lifetime! Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Mary's final appearance at Fatima. The day the sun danced in the sky. You could be part of the celebration! Join Fr. Steve Schroeder and Deacon Ron Plenzer for a faith filled week in Fatima. Trip Name: 100th Anniversary of Fatima with Fr. Stephen Schroeder. Dates: October 7-15, 2017. Cost: \$4,200.00. Contact: Pro Catholic Tours. Register through www.procatholictours.com or by calling Customer Service at 769.220.2702.

A SEASON OF JOY

"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). This first line of today's first reading sets the tone as this fifty-day celebration of Easter opens before us. Today we listen to the teachings of three apostles— Luke, Peter, and John—who remind us that even though we have not seen Christ, we nonetheless are filled with joy as we place our belief in his saving death and resurrection. Each week during the Easter season we will gather as a community of faith to find strength and support from our God and from one another. Each week we will gather to break bread and offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, actions that will manifest the very presence of the risen Christ in our midst. Let us be open to the wonders of this season of joy.



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Annual Catholic Appeal Update

I would like to express my gratitude to all who have assisted me in challenging our parish to reach our Annual Catholic Appeal goal this year. Last count, we were at about 63% of our goal of \$54,000. *To date, unfortunately, not every household has responded, even with a modest sacrificial gift.* People like our seminarian, Andrew, who is to be ordained a deacon in May, depend on your support. Our teachers and catechists depend on your support. Our school system depends on your support, and our local Catholic Charities depends on your support. The Pastoral Center in Toledo, as a demonstration of good stewardship, froze wages in 2017, and implemented a 20% reduction in staff -- a reality which faces all institutions today, including pastoral services locally. Having personally spoken with the Bishop when he was here on Friday, April 7th, I know he is encouraged by the generosity of our people. He has made numerous efforts to be present among us throughout the past three years, demonstrating that - while we are located at the furthest southeast corner of the diocese - we are a viable parish, encouraging vocations, assisting the poor, and planning for our future. Diocesan offices do support us! **It is not too late to consider your sacrificial pledge or gift to the diocese.** While envelopes are provided in the entrance areas, we will mail it in if you like. Mark your envelope "Annual Catholic Appeal." Putting a name to your gift is appreciated, but you can make an anonymous gift as well. **God bless you for your sacrifice!**

-- Father Gregory Hite, Pastor

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart. (Apostles of Acts 2:46)

Psalm — This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad. (Psalm 118:24)

Second Reading — Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet you believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy. (1 Peter 8)

Gospel — Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." (John 20:27)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:7-12; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2,3; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 150:1-6; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-5

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 36; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

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A Family Perspective: "Whose sins you forgive, are forgiven" means the grudges we carry only make us miserable. The Kingdom of God begins in your home where children learn the paths to peace promised in today's gospel through merciful and forgiving demonstrations by their parents. ~By Bud Ozar~

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