

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Mark 9:2-3



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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 - 7:30 pm
Friday 7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00

pm

Sunday
12:30 pm

Pastoral Care Contacts:

Ms. Kristi Reindl
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.

8:30 am -

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.

Bulletin Deadline:

Friday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email and must receive prior approval.

Parish Administrative Assistant:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572 ext.2122

Pastoral Staff:

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*
Fr. Austin Ammanniti, *Parochial Vicar*

A Parish of the Saint Juan Diego Deanery, Diocese of Toledo

Mass Intentions**Monday, February 26, *Lenten Weekday***

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Darlene Redfield

Tuesday, February 27, *Lenten Weekday*

7:00 am Peter Dignan

8:15 am Eva Nail, Elementary School Mass

Wednesday, February 28, *Lenten Wednesday*

7:00 am Paula Renie

Thursday, March 1, *Lenten Weekday*

7:00 am Parish

9:15 am Dolores Fancher, Jr/HS Mass

Friday, March 2, *Lenten Weekday*

5:00 pm Stations of the Cross

5:30 pm Florence Kastelic

Saturday, March 3 *Vigil of Third Sunday of Lent*

5:00 pm Cindy (Cates) Congeni

Sunday, March 4, *Third Sunday of Lent*

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Nicholas "Nick" Schemine

11:30 am Parish

Lector/Communion Minister**Saturday, March 3**5:00 pm **L** T Mulherin, D Creamer**D** D Hipp, T Hipp, D Falquette, B Nihei, M Joyce, H Deel, C Sgambellone**Sunday, March 4**7:30 am **L** J Kennedy, L Lukach**D** M Collet, J Porch, P Taylor, B Danuloff, L Danuloff, K Reindl, K Randall9:30 am **L** C Henrich, M Ambrose**D** S Weber, L Steggall, K Wehinger, T Frasz,

T Etzwiler, S Herlihy, S Weitzel

11:30 am **L** S Rizzo, J Liston**D** F Leitenberger, K Yockey, S Rizzo, T Fesler, J Laskey, K Schreck, L Strauser, B Riley**Mass Servers**

Saturday, March 3

5:00 pm B Dix, G Dix, Z Daniels

Sunday, March 4

St. Peter's has a long history of offering Catholic education to countless generations of students. From our earliest days the transmission of the Faith through our schools has been central to our parish mission. And so it continues to today.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to all in our parish who sacrifice for our schools – parishioners, parents, teachers, staff, and the efforts of our young people. Parishioner and parent volunteers, for example, offer countless hours to the athletic, academic, extracurricular activities and service of our school. Thank you from all who benefit from your service!

In 2017, it was reported by our diocese that we have 58 Catholic elementary schools and 13 Catholic high schools. We serve more than 17,000 students and rank 30th in the nation in the number of Catholic students. In addition, 99% of these students graduate from high school and 95% pursue higher education. Although the student population in Catholic schools across the nation has had a minor decline, the Diocese of Toledo enrollment remains strong.

As I have said many times, our parish school system was founded to continue to **teach the Faith. Academic excellence, consistent discipline, and Christian values that permeate our curriculum must remain our focus.** Our school operates on a lean budget, and wage increases to all staff have been very modest. So, in many ways, the continuance of our parish school system depends on the continued sacrifice and support of our entire parish. I ask our families who have their children enrolled in our system and religious education classes to make Sunday worship a priority.

Catholic schools offer us a reason to hope! The smiles, activity, achievements, and service of our students continue to impact individuals and the community daily! The Spirit is alive in our buildings! And so I invite YOU, your friends and neighbors – and parishioners – to visit our school

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish



Rose Mary Lang-Martin, Gwen Yockey, John Henney, Debbie Ashley, Mike Payton, Bill Ruhl, Jeannie Burkhalter, Ken Kayden, Krista Marshall, Colleen Behr, Aaron Blank, Don Blank, Marilyn Williamson, Theresa Prendergast, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, Mary Ann Switzer, Joe Palmer, Louis Gaul, Joanne Glowe, Rosemary Quitter, MaKaya Butler, Thomas Julian, Theresa Schmidt, Sandra Barrick, Sr. Bernard Marie Campbell, Victoria Murar, Mildred Corbin, John Ziegler, Julie Krouse, Michael Smith, Hilda Schemine, Pierce Chitwood

Cold And Flu Season Is Upon Us

Please be mindful of the health of others. If you have the flu or a cold please refrain from drinking from the Communion cups at Mass. Our faith teaches us that the entire Christ, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity are contained

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal, which in turn fosters the Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal of \$ 54,300.00 and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on

Prison Ministry Corner



Thank you to all who regularly express interest in our parish prison ministry programs. Please make it part of your Lenten prayer to pray for all involved – our brothers and sisters who are incarcerated, their victims, all families who have a loved one in the penal system or who have lost loved ones to violence, all who minister in prisons, and all who work on the outside to reduce recidivism. The spiritual goal of prison ministry is to share the Good News of God's unconditional love. All other goals flow from that. On the inside, we strive to be the face of Christ, to help inmates function more positively within the prison environment. There is much work to be done on the outside, including assisting and

Adult Faith Opportunities

Wednesdays of Lent - 6:15 pm—*Catholicism* series by Bishop Robert Barron. Immerse yourself in the beauty and power of our faith. Upcoming topics:

- Feb. 28—Mary
- Mar. 7—Peter and Paul

Thursdays of Lent—EPIC: Journey through Church History - 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for this informative course. Upcoming topics:

- Mar. 1 - Revolutions and Modernism
- Mar. 8 - A World at War

Enter thru the Parish Center entrance, 104 W. First Street,

Fish Fry Dinners



Fried Alaskan cod, and baked fish along with a variety of sides at the K of C Hall from 5:30-7:30 pm for the next six weeks. We will be closed Good Friday.

SUNDAY OFFERING



*Year to date through
02/09/2018*

Sunday Collection

Total Sunday Collection To Date:	\$523,175.00
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$520,094.12
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$3,080.88

School Collection

Total School Collection To Date:	\$109,147
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$113,711
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$4,564)



ST. PETER'S SCHOOL, "OPEN HOUSE"

Sunday, March 4

Begins promptly at 1:00 pm

Location: Franciscan Activity Center, 111 W. First Street

(snow date: Sunday, March 11)



This is a day to celebrate with our **current** St. Peter's School students and families so if your children are enrolled this year, please join us!

This is a day also designed for **prospective** St. Peter's School students and their families.

Meet administrators, teachers, coaches and current families, tour the building, receive information on curriculum, extracurriculars, tuition assistance and State of Ohio School Choice scholarships and enjoy fun and games!

The mission of St. Peter's School is to graduate students who practice Christian spirituality, achieve academic excellence and are prepared to be of service to the world. St. Peter's School stresses family spirit among its students, faculty, parents, and alumni, who by their example, instruction, and concern mutually support and assist one another.

Grade levels: Montessori Preschool through grade 12,

Capital Campaign Financial Update



Total Pledged:	\$2,629,971
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$370,029
Payments to Date:	\$1,786,233

As of January 15, 2018

2018-2019 Annual Fund Campaign



Total Pledged:	\$76,901
Payments to Date:	\$68,532
Amount needed to reach goal:	\$23,099

As of January 15, 2018



Hamilton Insurance Group Inc.
1669 Lexington Ave. Suite B
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Vacation Bible School Wish List

It is through the generosity of our parish family that we are able to keep Vacation Bible School affordable for all children who want to attend. This year's VBS, "Jesus Is My Superhero" will be taking place July 9—12. Below is our "wish list" to help make our VBS a success. If you could prayerfully consider donating one item, it would mean a lot to the program in general and the children that we serve. All donations can be dropped off at the parish center prior to June 30.

- Sharpies (of several colors)
- Blue Stick Tac
- 80 Hot Dogs
- 80 Hot Dog Buns
- 1 large hand sanitizer
- 4 large rolls of paper towels
- 1 container of clean up wipes
- Six hula hoops
- 320 juice boxes (any flavor)
- 80 mozzarella cheese sticks (that come individually wrapped in clear wrapper)
- One large package of XL white lunch bags

SCHOOL News

VISIT OUR SCHOOL ANY DAY WITH APPOINTMENT

Parents, if you are considering St. Peter's School for your child's education, you are invited to spend part of a school day here at St. Peter's with your child to experience all the activities and classroom instruction that take place.

Please call the school administrators to arrange a visit that is convenient for you and your child.

- Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer – Montessori Director
419.524.2572 ext. 4113
- Mrs. Madalyn Bauer – Elementary Principal
419.524.2572 ext. 4101
- Ms. Tammy Haus – High School & Junior High Principal
419.524.2572 ext. 3100

St. Peter School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It

Lent & Easter Calendar of Events**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

- ◆ **St. Peter's**—Confession times are on Saturdays from 3:00-4:30 pm.
- ◆ **Tri-Parish Communal Penance Service at St. Mary of the Snows**—Mansfield, Sunday March 4, 3:00 pm.

Deanery Lenten Penance Services

- ◆ **Mansfield, St. Peter**—Tuesday, March 6, 10:30 am.-12:00 pm., and 1:00 pm.-2:30 pm.
- ◆ **Shelby, Most Pure Heart of Mary**—Wednesday, March 7, 7:00 pm.
- ◆ **Mansfield, St. Mary**—Thursday, March 9, School Penance Service, 1:00 pm.
- ◆ **Mansfield, St. Mary**—Thursday, March 15, Youth, 7:00 pm.
- ◆ **Lexington, Resurrection**—Wednesday, March 21, Youth, 7:00 pm.
- ◆ **New Washington, St. Bernard**—Thursday, March 22, 6-8:30 pm.
- ◆ **Bethlehem, Sacred Heart**—Sunday, March 25, 3:00 pm.
- ◆ **Mansfield, St. Mary**—Sunday, April 8, Confirmation Candidates, 6:00 pm.

Holy Week Liturgies—St. Peter's

- ◆ **Palm Sunday**—March 25, 2018
Blessing and distribution of palms and Proclamation of the Lord's Passion at all Masses.

Sacred Triduum

- ◆ **Holy Thursday**—March 29, 2018
7:00 pm—Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Presentation of the Holy Oils, Washing of Feet, Eucharistic Procession
8:00 pm—Midnight, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
11:30 pm—Compline (Night Prayer) for Holy Thursday
- ◆ **Good Friday**—March 30, 2018
3:00 pm—Celebration of The Lord's Passion
7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross
- ◆ **Holy Saturday**—March 31, 2018
9:00 am—Morning Prayer, Blessing of Easter foods, RCIA Anointing with the Oil of Catechumens
8:30 pm—Easter Vigil (Blessing of Fire & Water and reception of RCIA & Elect into the Catholic Church)
- ◆ **Easter Sunday**—April 1, 2018 Masses at regular times:
7:30 am., in Church
9:30 am., (Masses in Church **and** High School Auditorium)
11:30 am., in Church

Stations of the Cross

March 2 at 5 March 9 at 5 pm
March 16 at 5 pm March 23 at 5 pm **March 30 at 7 pm**

Sorrowful Mysteries Rosary on Mondays at 5:00 pm.

Easter Bake Sale

Our huge Easter Bake sale is on March 27 & 28. Baked goods are greatly needed. We need items for our raffle—if you can donate, please call Joanne Winters-Jerger

Important Upcoming Events

March 6 & 7—Candy making in Franciscan Center Begin at 8:00 am on Tues. we make molded candy, cream eggs, etc. Wed. we dip cream eggs in chocolate. Finish packaging

March 12, 13, 14—Cabbage roll making in HS Cafeteria. Begin at 8:00 am in cafeteria. Mon. we core, cook cabbage. Tues. We cook, prepare, cabbage and onions.

Wed. we start at 9:00 am in Cafeteria Wed. we put cabbage rolls together and bake them. Sit down jobs on all the days.

March 15—Presale of Cabbage rolls in HS 7 - 10:30 am in HS. We appreciate your bringing your own container. Cabbage rolls freeze well for almost a year.

March 21— One day only, Potica Baking Beg. At 8:00 am in cafeteria. Roll out poticas in morning. Package in the afternoon. Plenty of sit down jobs after 11:30 am. **Need lots of help.**

March 25— Cooking potatoes, Coloring Eggs, Preparations in cafeteria, beg. At 9:00 am. **We need lots of help.** Sit down jobs. We slice, chop and prepare onions, celery, potatoes, etc.

March 26—Bake Butter Rings & Braided bread , etc. We continue food preparations beg. At 8:00 am in cafeteria. We need someone to stay in church basement after noon and help monitor donations of baked goods.

March 27—Easter Bake Sale 7 am - 6 pm A very busy day, **Lots of Help Needed Everywhere.**

March 28— Easter Bake Sale 7 am - 2 pm School students come in morning. We need lots of baked goods and lots of help. Clean up starts at 1:00 pm.

Recycling—Next Date: March 9, 2018

10:00 am—11:00 am & 2:00 pm—4:00 pm

(Every 2nd Friday of the month) in the Franciscan Activity Center parking lot

BLUE BARRELS: March 10-11

50th Year Wednesday Noon Lenten Service will be held Feb 28 at First United Methodist Church, "downtown on the square" at 12 N. Diamond Street, with Captain Melissa Betts of the Salvation Army. The service is from 12:05—12:30 pm. Lunch is available for worshippers, with a \$3 donation. For more information call 419.522.8623.

Lenten Fish Fry, St. Mary of the Snows All you can eat fish served with your choice of mac-n-cheese or Au gratin potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, roll, dessert and beverage. Adult meal \$10.00, children 12 and under \$5.00. Mar. 9 & 16. Doors open at 5:00pm until sold out. Call 419.589.2114 for more information.

Teens Encounter Christ Applications for TEC, or Teens Encounter Christ, are now available in the parish office. Ladies' TEC is taking place March 10-12 and April 7-9. Men's TEC is taking place March 17-19. If you are a junior or senior in high school or post high school by one year, consider taking a TEC retreat! Call Elizabeth Wurm at the Parish Office.

Steubenville Youth Conference We are now taking registrations for the SYC. This year's conference, "Revealed", is taking place June 15-17. All incoming freshmen to outgoing seniors are invited to attend. If you have a youth who is interested in attending please contact Elizabeth Wurm at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org for a registration packet. We hope you can join us!

Senior Girls Scholarship The Catholic Women's Club of St. Juan Diego Deanery is announcing a Scholarship for \$500 to be offered to a qualified senior girl who will be graduating in 2018 and going on to college. Interested? Contact Carol Sgambellone at 419.529.2758 or 419.631.5839.

THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The second Sunday of Lent every year recalls the Transfiguration of the Lord. Since the fourth century, Mount Tabor has been the focus of devotion to this event. As mountains go, it is not particularly lofty, rising about fifteen hundred feet, within view of the Sea of Galilee and very close to Nazareth. Scripture doesn't identify the mountain, but in the year 348 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem said he preferred Mount Tabor to Mount Hermon as the site of the Transfiguration, and his opinion won. It has long been a strategic military site, and ancient fortresses are visible on the heights. Over the centuries, churches and fortified monasteries rose on the mountaintop, only to be destroyed by various invaders. Six hundred years ago, local Christians started to decorate the ruins with flags and banners on the Feast of the Transfiguration. In 1631, the Sultan granted permission to the Franciscans to live on Mount Tabor, and they have been there ever since, discovering the ruins of an old Crusader church and constructing the present church on the site in 1924.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18).

Psalm — I walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — God did not spare his own Son (Romans 8:31b-34).

Gospel — This is my beloved Son (Mark 9:2-10).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE



The apostles thought they knew Jesus, but when he changed in front of them at the Transfiguration, they were "afraid." In families, we cannot freeze relationships because change and growth are inevitable. Children grow up, parents grow old and spouses change. Transfigurations are all around us and within us. Relationships can only grow when we embrace the new and let go of the old.

This week's cover art: Pinterest: Jesus transfigured with brilliant light

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