

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 15, 2018



*Peace be with you.*

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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

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, April 16, Easter Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Parish

**Tuesday, April 17, Easter Weekday**

7:00 am Stephen Wiecher

8:15 am Elementary School Mass

3:15 pm Mansfield Place

**Wednesday, April 18, Easter Weekday**

7:00 am Parish

**Thursday, April 19, Easter Weekday**

7:00 am Julieann Gremling

9:15 am Junior High/High School Mass

**Friday, April 20, Easter Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Theresia Merkli

**Saturday, April 21, Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

5:00 pm Gustav and Theresia Merkli

**Sunday, April 22, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Gary D. Shoemaker

11:30 am Mary Bohland

**Lector/Communion Minister****Saturday, April 21**5:00 pm **L** B Linkenbach, D Falquette**D** V Zack, B Nihei, D Hipp, T Hipp,  
C Sgambellone**Sunday, April 22**7:30 am **L** S VanDerGriend, M Santoro**D** B Danuloff, K Reindl, K Reindl,  
A Holloway, L Danuloff, K Randall, D  
Givens9:30 am **L** A Seiss, M Meinzer**D** D Dreskler, R Sliney, F Schuster,  
J Brennan, J Kastelic, D Forster, T  
Etwiler,  
S Weitzel11:30 am **L** D Creamer, T Malec**D** K Yockey, J Wendling, J Liston,  
F Leitenberger, S Rizzo, M Selby, T  
Fesler**Mass Servers****Saturday, April 21*****"Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe."******--Saint Augustine***

As I contemplated what to write for this bulletin, I did what I always do: I prayed. I always try to open myself up to something significant that I can share with you. The topic for this article was pretty easy though. A few weeks ago, I was in a classroom conducting a formal teacher observation. I must admit that teacher observations are one of my favorite responsibilities, as I get to see our faculty in action. Watching our teachers and students interact is truly inspirational for me. On this particular day, there were about five minutes left in the class, and the students were cleaning up. One of the students approached me and asked me if we could talk. I've known this student for four years, and quite honestly, she's a terrific young lady. She's smart, motivated, determined, and a practicing Catholic. As we sat in the back of the room, she looked me directly in the eye and said, "I respect you so much Ms. Haus... I need your advice... I'm having trouble with my faith."

My immediate thought was "Oh my! I'm not a priest!" Frankly, I'm not qualified to give advice. I'm constantly trying to be a better person--a better Catholic. However, as I looked at this student, I knew she came to me because she trusted me, so I started with full honesty. I told her I wasn't an expert. I told her that I could contact someone more qualified to help her. And I also told her that I understood what she was going through. As she explained that she was raised in a devout Catholic home, she expressed the fact that she never really questioned her faith; it was always just there, but recently, she started to question it because it wasn't meshing with all the scientific theories that she'd been researching.

Wow. What do you say to that? You see, I'm lucky; I've always believed in God. My faith has been strong my entire life--not because I grew up in a religious home, but because I never really doubted the love and grace of God. However, when my daughter was diagnosed with cancer ten years ago, I doubted God. This was the one and only time I doubted--dare I say, I temporarily lost my faith. My experience ten years ago was the perfect experience to share with this student.

She and I talked about the "questioning" that we (as humans) do, and most importantly, I could share the fact that my faith is stronger now because I went through

### Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish



Prayer Requests

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, Theresa Prendergast, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, Mary Ann Switzer, MaKaya Butler, Thomas Julian, Mildred Corbin, Julie Krouse, Hilda Schemine, Marilou Marshall, Elizabeth Osmond, Jim Wetzels, Connie Streff, Carol Pittenger, Michael Davis, Mary Keil, Theresa Schmidt, Paige Divelbiss, Fred Shambre, Alex Milli, Wesley Thomas, Beth Weiland, Barb Riley, Joann Glowe, Lindsey VanDyke, Sydney Foltz, Maria Loschinkohl.

### In God's arms....

Melvin Alt

Sandra Luers

### 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

The 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign is underway. The campaign goal is \$2,800,000 and our parish goal is \$54,300.00. We can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our Diocese each year; education of our seminary students, care of the sick and needy are among them. We ask you once again for your help; we have to work together. Please respond generously when you are asked to make your pledge. Thank you for your attention and

### Prison Ministry Corner



All are invited to donate cookies for the next Catholic Retreat at Richland Correctional (RiCI). Thank you to all who have been so supportive thus far! Cookies can be brought to the Parish Center May 1st to 4th—or contact Lynne for pick-up that week. RiCI prison ministry has a history of fruitful retreats, thanks to the efforts of Deacon Terry initially invited his fellow team members from Cursillo Retreats and introduced the retreat concept to our brothers at RiCI. These efforts resulted in retreats twice a year (spring and fall), followed by periodic "mini-retreat-reunions." We are very blessed at RiCI, thanks to

### Adult Faith Opportunities



Join us for an hour each Wednesday evening starting at 6:10 as we continue Bishop Robert Barron's *Catholicism* series. Enter thru the Parish Center, take elevator to 2nd floor, turn left to the west hall—Room 216.

Also plan to join us for "Third Thursday" Catholic enrichment films. This Thursday, April 19, at 6:30 pm we will view *Oceans of mercy*, an inspiring video about the intersecting lives of three saints, Pope John Paul II, Sister Faustina Kowalska and Fr. Maximilian Kolbe. Enter thru

*Year to date through*

### Sunday Collection

Total Sunday Collection To Date:

Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:

**Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)**

### School Collection

Total School Collection To Date:

Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:

**School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)**

**Capital Campaign Financial Update**

<b>Total Pledged:</b>	<b>\$2,641,503</b>
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$358,497
Payments to Date:	\$1,881,214

**2018-2019 Annual Fund Campaign**

<b>Total Pledged:</b>	<b>\$82,285</b>
Payments to Date:	\$73,353
Amount needed to reach goal:	\$17,715

As of March 16, 2018

**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,*

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Of course, they would never admit this, but they are. During their junior year of high school, they can't wait to move out and be on their own. By the time they enter their senior year, they realize that life is about to change--big time. Although this is exciting, it is frightening!

If we, as parents, teachers, and the Catholic community, have done our jobs correctly, these young people will leave St. Peter's with not only a strong sense of faith, but also the desire to live their lives emulating the saints that they've studied. As far as this particular student, she's incredible. I have no doubt that the change she brings to the world will be based off of her faith. In case you're wondering, she and I check in regularly, often times sharing experiences that have strengthen our relationship with God.

On a final note, I am so lucky to get to work with our young people. Every time I hope to impact a student's life, they change mine forever! I'm thankful that God put this student in my life. Even though I was nervous

**FOR ALL ST. PETER'S SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**

If you have volunteered in any capacity for St. Peter's School this year, you are cordially invited to a casual breakfast in your honor on Thursday, April 26. Please join us at your convenience throughout the 7:45-9:00 a.m. time frame in the FAC Atrium. Following breakfast, Father Hite will preside at the 9:15 all-school Mass with reserved seating for school volunteers in the front pews. Reservations are not required for either but if you plan to attend, it would help us in planning for food and

**First Eucharist**

First Eucharist will be taking place at the 11:30 am Mass of Sunday May 6, 2018. Due to the fact that a Sacrament of Initiation is taking place at this Mass, the church is likely to have a higher attendance than normal. Please be aware of the special celebration that will be taking

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## Head Boys Soccer Position



St. Peter's High School has an open position for a Boys' Varsity Soccer Coach who can develop & implement a comprehensive soccer program for grades 9-12. The head coach & staff are expected to be committed to St. Peter's Catholic mission & core values, as well as continue the Spartan tradition of soccer excellence. Candidates must possess or be able to obtain a valid Pupil Activity permit from the Ohio Department of Education & meet all OHSA coaching requirements. Candidates must also complete the Toledo Diocese VIRTUS Training. Coaching experience at the collegiate level and/or Head Varsity coaching experience preferred. Interested applicants should send cover letter, resume, coaching philosophy & at least three references to Annemarie

## Boys Assistant Tennis Coach



St. Peter's High School has an open position for a Boys Varsity Asst. Tennis Coach who can develop & implement a comprehensive boys' tennis program for grades 9-12. The head coach & staff are expected to be committed to St. Peter's Catholic mission & core values. Candidates must possess or be able to obtain a valid Pupil Activity Permit from the Ohio Department of Education & meet all OHSA coaching requirements. Candidates must also complete the Toledo Diocese VIRTUS Training. Coaching experience at the collegiate level and/or Head Varsity coaching experience preferred. Interested applicants should send cover letter, resume, coaching philosophy & three references to



## Girls Tennis Coach

St. Peter's High School has an open position for a Girls Varsity Tennis Coach who can develop & implement a comprehensive girls' tennis program for grades 9-12. The head coach and staff are expected to be committed to St. Peter's Catholic mission and core values. Candidates must possess or be able to obtain a valid Pupil Activity permit from the Ohio Department of Education and meet all OHSA coaching requirements. Candidates must also complete the Toledo Diocese VIRTUS Training Coaching experience at the collegiate level and/or Head Varsity coaching experience preferred. Interested applicants should send cover letter, resume, coaching philosophy and three

## Mark Your Calendars!



The St. Peter's Department of Theater and Performing Arts will be performing Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella.

### Show Times & Dates

Friday April 20, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Saturday April 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Sunday April 22, 2018 at 3:00 pm

Tickets may be purchased at [www.mansfieldstpeters.org](http://www.mansfieldstpeters.org)

## 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.

- 80 Hot Dogs
- 80 Hot Dog Buns
- 1 container of clean up wipes
- 8 containers of finger paint
- 320 juice boxes (any flavor)
- 80 mozzarella cheese sticks (that come individually wrapped in clear wrapper)
- One large package of white card stock paper



**Recycling—Next Date: May 11, 2018**

**10:00 am—11:00 am & 2:00 pm—4:00 pm**

**BLUE BARRELS: May 12 & 13**

**Night of Healing** on Thursday April 19 from 7– 8:00 pm at St. Jerome church, 300 Warner Street in Walbridge OH join us for Adoration with Praise & Worship a Short teaching from Fr. Tom Oedy, Group Prayer for Healing of Memories, and Group Prayer for other needs. After the service an opportunity for Anointing of the Sick by Fr. Tom and Personal prayer ministry.

**HUGE Jewelry Sale** at St. Joseph Parish in the Old Gymnasium, 36 Melmore Street in Tiffin OH. Thousands of pieces only \$2 each! You have to see it to believe it! The sale runs Thursday April 26 from 9—6 :00 pm, Friday April 27 from 9—7:00pm, and Saturday April28 from 9—3:00 pm. Proceeds benefit Calvert Catholic Schools and the Missions. Don't miss it!

**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](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) for a registration packet. We hope you can join us!





## BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are many ways in which religious communities are organized. Some have a central authority in a congregation, and others have a "rule" that is shared by all the members, but are a kind of federation of independent houses. Sometimes, congregations with distinct histories and ministries decide to merge. Several years ago, one of the largest mergers on record took place. Seven independent congregations of Dominican women religious, most in the Midwest, are now one new congregation enfolding more than seven hundred members spanning thirty-six states. The oldest of the founding groups, the so-called "Kentucky Dominicans," began as a frontier community in 1822. Other communities have European roots. To get to this historic moment, the sisters spent many years in conversation, and approved the new structure by a two-thirds majority vote. This was then ratified by the Holy See. The merger allows the sisters to pool their resources in order to be more effective in ministry. They are living the Paschal Mystery, experiencing Christ's dying and rising in an inspiring way.

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## TODAY'S READING

**First Reading** — The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

**Psalms** — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

**Second Reading** — The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments (1 John 2:1-5a).

**Gospel** — Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you" (Luke 24:35-48).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;  
Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a,  
17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday:  
Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE



The Apostles were afraid of Jesus until he ate with them and they touched him. In your family, the ordinary acts of eating together, touching, embracing not only confirm our love for each other, but also celebrate God's presence in your family. These "ordinary" moments contain the "Extraordinary."

*This week's cover art:*



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