

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 9, 2021



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## Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.  
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.  
Monday & Friday 5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday 7 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3 - 4:30 p.m.  
Other times by appointment.

## Sacrament of Baptism:

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

## Sacrament of Marriage:

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

## Parish Priests:

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*Pastor*  
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Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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Bulletin Deadline: Friday at 12 p.m., one week prior to publication date. All submissions must be in writing and approved.

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**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday, May 10***St. Damien de Veuster, Priest*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm North Central Ohio Vocations

**Tuesday, May 11***Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter*

7:00 am Delores Pitroff

**Wednesday, May 12***Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr*

7:00 am Ken Conrad

**Thursday, May 13***Our Lady of Fatima*

7:00 am Parish

**Friday, May 14***St. Matthias, Apostle*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Parish

**Saturday, May 15***Vigil of the Solemnity of the Ascension of The Lord*

5:00 pm Mary Sigg

**Sunday, May 16***Solemnity of the Ascension of The Lord*

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Bill Connolly

11:30 am Jonathon Walbert

**SAINT PETER'S PARISH MASK POLICY**

Richland County is still under a **"Red Level"** for the COVID-19 virus, but the State of Ohio is still under mandatory mask wearing orders.

We respectfully ask that all who come to worship with us **WEAR A MASK OR FACIAL COVERING, USE HAND SANITIZER, AND RESPECT SOCIAL DISTANCING OF SIX FEET.**

Dispensation to attend Sunday Mass, Holy Days of Obligations, remains in place for the foreseeable future until we are notified otherwise. ***Mary, Help of the Sick, Pray for us!***

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRIES OF ST. PETER'S PARISH**

By mailing in your offering envelopes, or by visiting the website at [www.mansfieldstpeters.org](http://www.mansfieldstpeters.org), to learn about opportunities for electronic giving.

We greatly appreciate your generosity and support during these difficult days!

Dear Friends in Christ,

The weekend of April 24, 2021, I made the announcements at all of our Masses that – through the generosity of two donors – our parish has secured a new altar and ambo for our parish church. Highlighting my comments, I stated:

- No direct appeal was made by me at any time to "fund" this project;
- The new altar and ambo are not being taken from our parish operating budget;
- These donors made a *sacrificial gift for the purchase of the altar and ambo as a "restricted gift," meaning I have a responsibility to honor their request and direct this gift for this specific purpose.*

I am humbled and grateful to these donors for a gift that will bless our sanctuary for generations to come, and is a testament to the faith of our people. Bishop Thomas, in his letter of approval to me, stated: "Father Hite, the altar and ambo will be a testament to the generosity of the faithful and the crowning feature to your church restoration project. It is my sincere hope that, when I bless the ambo and consecrate the altar, you will return to concelebrate on such an auspicious occasion."

The altar and ambo are being crafted in Carrara, Italy – the same type of marble that was used to construct the "high altar" and communion rail. It is a veneer that will be consistent with the architectural style of our present sanctuary. Installation date is scheduled for sometime in late October, 2021, but certainly before Thanksgiving.

**CATECHESIS ON THE ALTAR AND AMBO**

Stone altars have a rich history in the Catholic Church, one that has multiple levels of symbolism.

*The General Instruction of the Roman Missal advises, "In keeping with the Church's traditional practice and with what the altar signifies, the table of a fixed altar should be of stone and indeed of 'natural stone.'"*

*The General Instruction goes on to explain, "It is desirable that in every church there be a fixed altar, since this more clearly and permanently signifies Christ Jesus, the Living Stone." This refers to multiple scripture passages, such as, "You are fellow citizens with the holy ones and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the capstone [Ephesians 2: 19-20]".*

Even Jesus referred to himself as the "cornerstone." "Jesus said to them, did you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes. [Matt. 21:42]?" Historically speaking, stone has the added dimension of recalling the first Christians, who celebrated Mass on the top of stone tombs in the catacombs, remembering Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and the placement of his body in a stone tomb.

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Names will only be listed for 4 weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at 419.524.2572.



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**IN GOD'S ARMS**



**Ann Cruikshank**

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**PRISON MINISTRY CORNER**



We are happy to report plans are in process to resume religious services at Richland Correctional. Our dynamic Parish Prison Ministry Team very much looks forward to returning to RiCI for Mass, Rosary Prayer, Music & Fellowship, and other catechetical classes. Father Kevin and Deacon John Reef have been blessed to celebrate Mass at Mansfield Correctional for six consecutive weeks now.

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Nikolaus Gihl explains this history in *The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass*: "In the Catacombs, as a rule, the martyr's grave, covered with a stone slab or with a large stone projecting from its side, formed the altar for the celebration of the Sacrificial Mysteries. This form of our altar reminds us of the stone on which the martyred Body of Christ reposed when in the sepulcher, and, consequently, the death of Christ. Christian altars were, therefore, formerly made of wood and sometimes of stone; they were in the shape sometimes of a table and sometimes of a coffin."

The ambo (pulpit) is not only the place where we venerate God's holy Word, but the place from which this Word is proclaimed to us. It forms one of two of the parts of our celebration of the Eucharist: the Liturgy of the Word. The ambo will be placed on the right side (to the congregation's left) in our sanctuary.

The altar is clearly the focal point of our sanctuary. It is the place where the Sacrifice of Christ is offered – sacramentally re-presented – and has particular prescriptions according to the Roman Missal. For example, a relic of St. John the Apostle will be inserted under the top of the altar, and is to be immovable – that is, permanent. The top of the altar will be inscribed with 5 small crosses, representing the five wounds of Christ, whose sacrifice is continually offered – sometimes as often as three times daily, as well on every weekend and holyday.

For those who have not been able to view the picture or design of the new altar and ambo, it can be found on the last page of this week's bulletin.

*Father Gregory Hite, Pastor*

**HOLY OUTPOURING**

Bishop Thomas and seminarians will be joining us for praise and worship with John Trabbic, 3:00 P.M, on May 23, 2021 at St. Jerome, 300 Warner Street, Walbridge OH. 43465.

Teen groups, families, and people of all ages are invited. Reception after will also honor our Executive Director Steve Toth as he retires.

**SUNDAY OFFERING**



*As of April 2021  
Sunday Collection*

**Sunday and Holy Day Collections**

Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$727,223.00
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$710,000.00
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$17,223.00</b>

**School Collection**

Total School Collection To Date:	\$95,457.00
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$120,000.00
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$24,543.00)</b>

# FORMED

All are welcome to join us on the following Saturday evenings as we continue the series

**Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist.**

**Time:** 6:00 (after 5:00 Mass)

**Location:** Church

**Duration:** Approximately 30 minute video followed by short period of discussion, faith sharing, and fellowship

Topics:

- May 8 - Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist (first part)
- May 15 - Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist (second part)

Other Formed recommendations to view at home at your convenience:

- *Lectio: Unveiling Scripture and Tradition in MARK* - Watch Dr. Tim Gray's series to learn more about this Gospel writer and saint.
- *A Bible Study on the Mysteries of the Rosary* - During May, consider spending time with one of the many topics about Mary, the Rosary, Pentecost, the early Church, and more. This series on the Mysteries of the Rosary is excellent.
- In this year dedicated to St. Joseph, consider entering into prayer with *Novena to Saint Joseph*.

## PSR CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are searching for some catechists for our PSR program for the 2021-2022 year. The year starts in September and ends in April, and the commitment is for 1 1/2 hours per week along with completing a VIRTUS Child Protection Training and background check through the Diocese of Toledo (which is all on-line and takes one hour). The greatest gift you could ever share is your experience and knowledge of the faith to help our smallest disciples! If you have any interest in either our Wednesday night or Sunday morning program, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at [wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) or at the parish office at 419-524-2572 x 2114. Each of us has a story to tell about our faith... share yours and help a young person take a step farther on their faith journey! I look forward to hearing from you!

## NIGHTS OF HEALING

Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal will hold two Nights of Healing on Tuesday, May 11 and Tuesday, June 8. Please join Fr. Kevin Moebius, as well as Fr. Anthony Coci, Fr. Tom Oedy and Fr. Jim Brown at St. Jerome Walbridge, 300 Warner St., Walbridge from 7 pm to 8:30 pm for worship, witness, adoration, word and healing. Please visit [www.mccrholyspirit.org](http://www.mccrholyspirit.org) for more information.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION AND ENRICHMENT

If you or a loved one may desire to learn more about the Catholic faith or to begin preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation, please call the Parish Center. Watch this bulletin space for details of upcoming sessions for RCIA and adult enrichment programs being planned for summer.

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**Please RSVP by May 6, 2021**

Questions? Contact Tom Waniewski  
at 419.214.4890

## CAR FOR SALE!

A 2018 Chevy Spark is for sale, as a result of an estate left to St. Peter's Church. If you are interested in more information, please contact Fr. Hite at 419.524.2572. Car is in excellent condition, and would be a great car for "running around town."

**RECYCLING — FRIDAY, MAY 14**

**FOOD COLLECTION: MAY 15 & 16**

**MAY CROWNING 2021**



On Monday, the Class of 2021 celebrated May Crowning. This year, the Senior Class elected Emily Tanchevski as the May Crowning Queen. She was escorted by Caden Brubaker. This years court included, Abi Baldasare, Cara Brubaker, Katie Elliott, Julia Rizzo, Joey Couch, Donavon Duncan, Grant Farragher and Trevin Lucanegro.

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St. Peter's School is currently accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year. Call Jason Crundwell (419) 524-2572 to schedule a tour to visit our school and see what a Catholic education is all about!



**SIXTH GRADE DAMASCUS RETREAT**



Our sixth graders visited Damascus Catholic Mission Campus last week for a multi-day retreat. Despite the rain, they had a great time expanding their faith and having a great deal of fun along the way. Fr. Kevin traveled with our young people to celebrate Mass with the class.

APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

VIRTUE  
COURAGE

**EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT DONATIONS NEEDED**

My name is Jaxon Westwood, and I am a Life Scout in St. Peter's Parish Boy Scout Troop 121, and a junior at St. Peter's High School. I am currently working towards my Eagle rank, and a scout must plan and carry out an Eagle project.

My project for Shelby's Safety Town project will consist of assembling, priming and painting six model homes. I am estimating that my project will cost \$1,000 and I am looking for sponsors that could include donations of supplies of required materials. I am looking for plywood, paint, piano hinges, paint rollers, wood screws and wood glue.

THANK YOU in advance for helping with this project, donations may be sent to: ATTN: Stacey E. Baldasare, St. Peter's Parish Boy Scout Troop 121 Treasurer, 1642 Nantucket Drive, Lexington OH 44904. Please make checks payable to "St. Peter's BSA Troop 121" and specify the donations are for Jaxon Westwood's Eagle Project. No donation is too small!

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT & ADVANCEMENT

St. Peter's Parish & School is seeking to fill a new position in our Development Office. The Director of Development & Advancement provides leadership, planning and management of the Advancement Office and is responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining a comprehensive institutional advancement program.

Minimum qualifications include a bachelor's degree in a related field or equivalent experience with a minimum of five years experience in fundraising, event planning, donor relations and alumni relations. Outstanding knowledge of fundraising data software and database management software. Practicing Catholic preferred. Must be able to meet all Diocese of Toledo employment requirements.

#### HEAD OF SCHOOL

St. Peter's Parish & School is conducting a search for its first Head of School. The Head of School will provide educational, spiritual, executive, financial, advancement and managerial leadership in order to achieve the fullest attainment of St. Peter's School's mission.

In addition to being a practicing Catholic, active in a parish, with a strong commitment to Catholic education, the qualified candidate must have appropriate State of Ohio licensure/certification, and be able to meet all Diocese of Toledo employment requirements.

### SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

St. Peter's Elementary is in need of substitute teachers and substitute secretaries for the 20-21 school year. Must have Bachelor's degree or, **in lieu of a Bachelor's degree**, interested persons should see the next paragraph about substitute/teaching license, and have BCI, FBI checks completed as well as VIRTUS requirements.

Complete job descriptions can be found at [mansfieldstpeters.org/employment-opportunities/](http://mansfieldstpeters.org/employment-opportunities/)

#### HELP SAVE A LIFE!

Baby bottle banks will be available for pickup in the parish office and church vestibules this weekend. What better way to celebrate Mother's Day than to begin saving your pocket change to protect the very lives that depend on motherhood!

Please consider donating to support the efforts of Richland County Pregnancy Services in saving babies from the threat of abortion! Bottles will be collected at the parish office between now and Father's Day on June 20.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY ADVISORY BOARD

We are looking for some parents and other interested adults to form a Youth Ministry Advisory Board at Saint Peter's! This board would help generate ideas and guide our youth ministry program. If you are interested, please contact:

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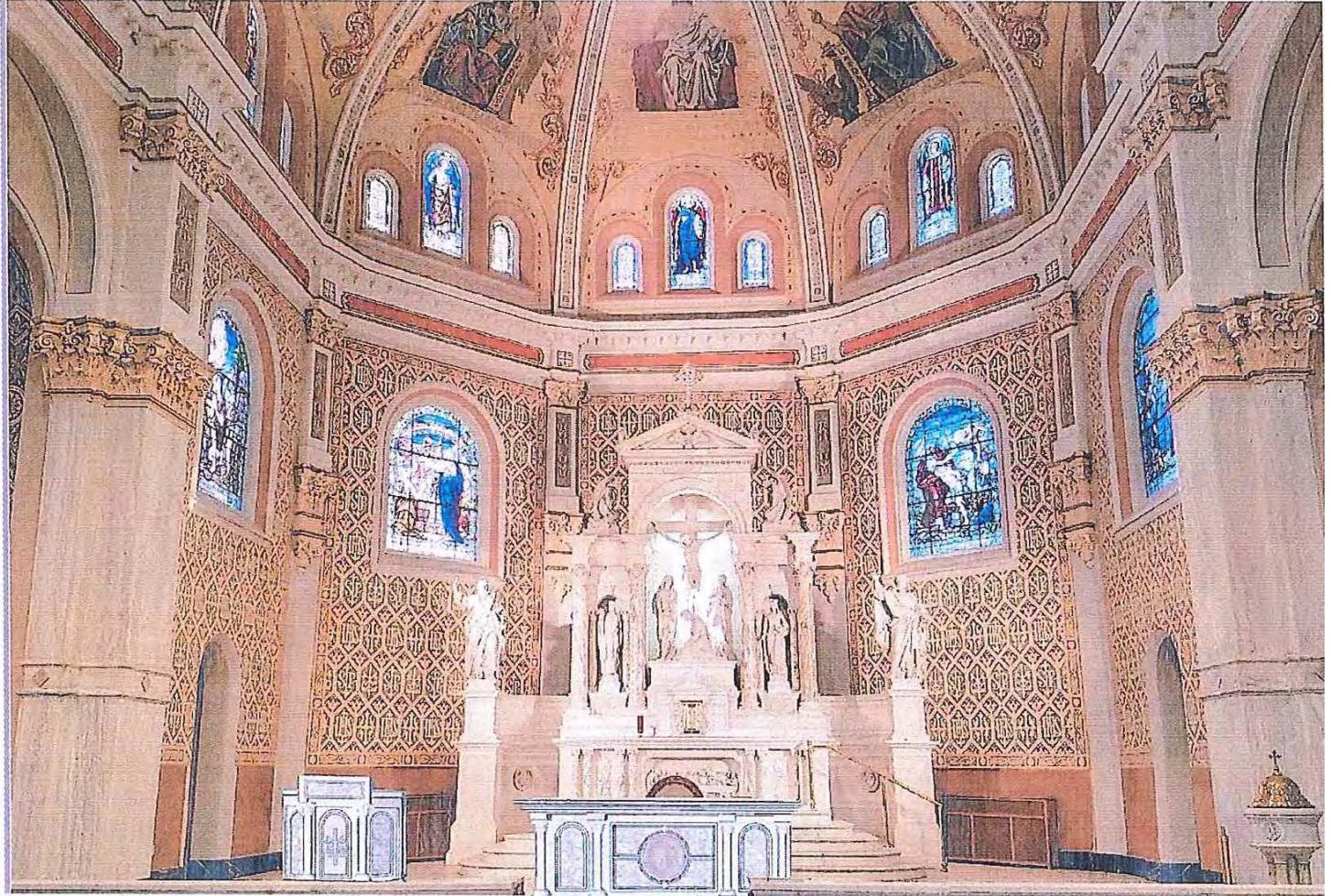
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## ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH / ALTAR & AMBO—ARTIST'S RENDERING



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

**Psalm** — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

**Second Reading** — God is love (1 John 4:7-10) or 1 John 4:11-16.

**Gospel** — No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends (John 15:9-17) or John 17:11b-19.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday:** Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20



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