

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise.

Mark 9:31



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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
Monday & Friday 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday (School Year) 8:25 a.m. & 9:35 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. &
30 minutes before every Mass

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.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, September 20**

Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest and Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Ron Ahles

Tuesday, September 21

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

7:00 am † Amelia Hirsch

Wednesday, September 22

Weekday

8:25 am † Fr. John Fleck

9:35 am † Anthony Marinelli

Thursday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (Padre Pio)

7:00 am † Phil Hawk

Friday, September 24

Weekday

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm † Deceased Members of Taddeo Family

Saturday, September 25

Vigil of the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm † Marilyn Kurtzman

Sunday, September 26

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am † John Moritz

9:30 am For Parishioners

11:30 am † Hilda Schemine

IN GOD'S ARMS

Joyce Elaine Kulka

Jade Corl



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Names will only be listed for four (4) weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at (419) 524-2572.



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FROM THE PASTOR:

Thanks to everyone who participated in our important day of prayer on Friday before Sept. 11. It was very heartwarming for me to see many of you praying in the church throughout the day. The students from our school also came to church for some quiet prayer time. For some of them, quietness is not something they often experience. My prayer for all who come into our beautiful church is that they experience the goodness of God in a deeper way. Hopefully, from that, they will love God and neighbor more as we should. We can't get to heaven without doing this!

Beginning next month, which is only two weeks away, two additional spiritual opportunities will be available for you. The first of those is a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We definitely want to offer this at least monthly and preferably weekly, if there is enough interest from parishioners. It would occur on either Wednesday or Thursday evening, whichever is preferred. Please share your interest or suggestions about this with me either through the parish office or by contacting me directly.

Also, beginning next month, I will be offering Bible study here at the parish. My plan is, to begin with, the gospel of Mark this year, then St Peter's two letters next year. After that, we will tackle the book of Revelation, followed by an overview of the Old Testament. Many people have asked about studying these latter two, particularly the Book of Revelation. Whether or not you have been involved in Bible studies before, I'm confident from my previous experience of offering these that you will find it to be fruitful.

The reasoning for choosing the gospel of Mark is because it's the shortest of all four Gospels, yet still has the potential to energize our spiritual life and deepen our understanding of Christ. Each time I teach this, I'm spiritually fed in different but equally powerful ways. St. Jerome famously said that ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ. So please consider attending this ten-week study, where each session is filled with laughter and spiritual insight. I'm proposing that the weekly sessions be held Sunday afternoons at 4:30 pm, with the location here on campus to be determined. Again, please get in touch with me either through the parish office or directly to indicate your interest and if a different day and time is better.

Our school cafeteria is in need of volunteers to help serve food and/or wipe tables each day. Volunteers can choose to work one day each week, or even all five, whatever works best for them. They are also eligible to receive a free lunch, including freshly made soup and a nicely stocked salad bar. The time commitment each day is 2.5 hours, from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for retired people to contribute the gift of their time to the good of the parish. One of the current volunteers is in her 90's. She enjoys getting out of the house and doing something different. God bless her and all who volunteer their time and talent to help with the needs of the parish.

Gratefully,
Fr. Miller

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB

The next luncheon and meeting will be Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at the Roadhouse Brown Derby Event Center on Park Ave. West. The lunch will start at 12:00 pm and the meeting and program will follow.

All Catholic women in the Saint Juan Diego Deanery are invited. If you are new, you are encouraged to come and join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area.

Please contact Deborah Blackstone, (October Chairperson) at 419-610-3215 or Anita Holloway, (President) at 419-524-2219, to make a reservation. Reservations must be made by October 8, before noon. We are looking forward to seeing current members and meeting new members!

FEED THE NEEDY: PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

Please continue to donate personal care items which are distributed at the Free Dinner twice a month. Especially popular are washcloths, 3-in-1 body wash, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, hair brushes, and disposable razors. These can be brought to church any weekend or to the parish center.

PASTORAL CARE: HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

We are updating our lists of homebound parishioners and nursing home residents. If you know of someone needing a visit or pastoral care, contact Angie Dillon at the parish center or via email dillon.angie@myspartans.org.

ANOINTING MASS CANCELLED

As COVID-19 cases continue to rise again in Richland County, we are canceling our annual Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. This liturgy offers anointing to the sick of our parish, along with the elderly, and those with serious illness.

If you or a member of your family should require the sacrament, especially those in danger of death, please call the Parish Center at 419-524-2572 to arrange anointing.

We pray with all our brothers and sisters for a swift and complete end to this pandemic. Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us!

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

Prison Ministry Corner has been in our parish bulletin every week since September 2016! The purpose is to keep parishioners informed about our parish prison ministry programs in the two local state institutions, ManCI and RiCI, and to share opportunities for parish involvement.



Thank you to all who have donated plastic bags and knitting supplies. Please keep these items coming! They can be brought to the Parish Center office during business hours or given to Lynne after the 7:30 Mass most Sundays.

RCIA

RCIA is in full swing. A new format this year involves sharing resources among Resurrection, St. Mary of the Snows, and St. Peter's Parishes, including rotating our location monthly. Class begins at 7:00 p.m. Perhaps you would like to join us for a particular topic. On Wednesday, Sept. 22, we will meet at St. Mary's. The topic is "Life of Christ & Paschal Mystery, presented by Fr. Matt Frisbee. Please call 419-524-2572 ext. 2109 to reserve a space.



BELOVED: FINDING HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE

Understanding God's plan for marriage is one thing, living it out is another. **Beloved: Living Marriage** examines the day-to-day challenges of being united as husband and wife while maintaining individuality.

Join us to watch the series and learn how to put faith at the center of your marriage.

Date/Time: October 9 after 5 p.m. Mass in the church basement.

Whether you are a newlywed or have been together 40 years, St. Peter's date night is a great way to enrich your marriage and meet other couples in the parish while breaking bread together. Dinner is provided and if you need more information, questions, childcare, or to RSVP, email Brad or Katie Michel at stpdatenight@gmail.com.

WEDDING BANNERS

II—Christina Lyons & Kelsey Gledhill

SUNDAY OFFERING		<i>As of August 2021</i>
		<i>Sunday Collection</i>
Sunday and Holy Day Collections		
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:		\$140,478
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:		\$145,400
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)		(\$4,922)
School Collection		
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Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:		\$24,000
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)		\$201

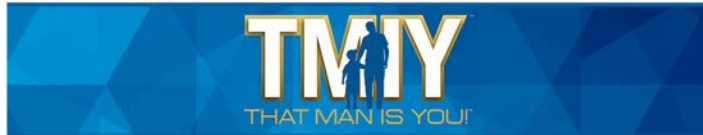
DONUTS AFTER SUNDAY MASSES



Starting **this Sunday** donuts, coffee, milk and juice will be available in the church basement after all Sunday Masses.

Please join us after Mass for a sweet treat and

fellowship with your fellow parishioners!



That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and society.

It's not too late to join us this upcoming Friday at 6 a.m.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following parishioners 85+ who are celebrating a birthday during the month of September!



Sr. Bernard Marie Campbell
Germaine Monachino
Raymond Rallo
Eileen Bozyski
Jacques Boisvert
Mary Berick
Edmund Andres

Carl Musille
Nikolas Ries
Lawanda Brim
Miguela Till
Barbara Mollica
Rita MacCartney

Life Teen Kick Off



Combined Youth Night

6th-12th Grade

Sep 26th
6:30-8:30

Join us for a night of fun as we meet our Damascus Missionaries



Students in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend Life Teen Youth Nights at Resurrection Parish.

The Life Teen program is a Eucharist-centered movement that leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

Missionaries from Camp Damascus will help facilitate the program. The kickoff will be held on Sunday, September 26, from 6:30—8:30 p.m.

Dates include:

- September 26 (Kickoff)
- October 3
- October 10
- October 17
- November 7

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Wurm (wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) at St. Peter's or Mary Young at Resurrection Parish (mary@resurrectionlexington.com).

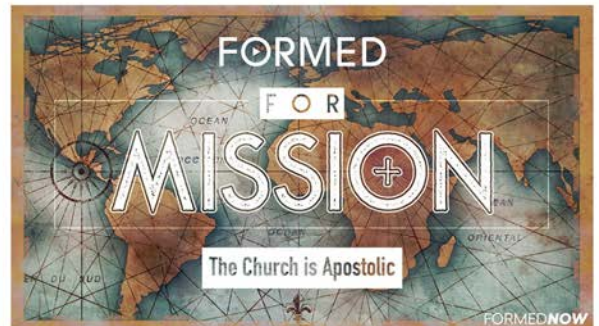
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PICK OF THE WEEK

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FORMED FOR MISSION EPISODE 20: AN APOSTOLIC SPIRITUALITY

Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down for a weekly show on evangelization and mission. "Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize" (EN, 14). We pray that these discussions may help all the faithful be further conformed to Christ and become powerful evangelists in the world today.



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RECYCLING — FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

FOOD COLLECTION: OCTOBER 9 & 10

BLESSING OF CLASSROOMS



Last week, Father Kevin blessed all the school classrooms, students, and teachers of St. Peter's School.

"If you are willing to listen you will learn" — Sirach 6:32-37

The blessing asked for the Holy Spirit to descend upon the students and teachers and be filled with wisdom



and blessings.

After each classroom was blessed, the holy water fountains at the school entrances were filled. Blessing oneself with holy water reminds us of our Baptism and the symbol of our new birth by the Holy Spirit.



YOUTH PRAISE & WORSHIP TEAM

The Saint Peter's Praise and Worship Team will once again start meeting in October!

The Praise and Worship team is a group comprised of 1st - 6th graders who come together to sing, dance, praise God and make a joyful sound! In addition, they help to lead the song and dance at Vacation Bible School which takes place annually in July. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at (wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) for more information and meeting times.

We would love to see your children there.

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9/11 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER



The St. Peter's High School students participated in the 9/11 National Day of Prayer last week. During the school day, every class spent time in the church in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. The high school spiritual life class also prepared reflection materials for students and produced a video with Coach Shoulders talking about what students experienced on that day in 2001.

MSGR. DUNN FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING

The Msgr. Dunn Foundation will host its Annual Meeting this Thursday, September 23 from 5:30 — 7:00 p.m. in the Franciscan Activity Center Atrium.



The guest speaker for the event will be our new Head of School, Laurie McKeon. If interested in attending, please contact Cheryl Gurski, gurski.cheryl@myspartans.org.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

PSR meets weekly on Wednesday evenings in the High School building. If you still need to register for PSR for the 2021-22 year, please contact Elizabeth Wurm for more information and a registration form. (wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Peter's Parish & School is currently seeking to fill the following positions.

- High School Science Teacher
- High School Theology Teacher
- Elementary Full-Time Tutor
- Cafeteria Cook (Part-time)
- Substitute Teachers

To learn more about the job positions and to apply, please visit our website: mansfieldstpeters.org/employment-opportunities.

All employees must pass BCI/FBI background checks and complete VIRTUS requirements.

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| Mrs. Lucie A. Restille | IMO: Carl, Cindy, Suzi | Carol S. Parr | IMO: Deceased family & friends |
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NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK—SEPTEMBER 20-26, 2021

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated National Migration Week, which is an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking.

National Migration Week for 2021 takes place September 20-26, and will climax with the Vatican's celebration of the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR), which always falls on the last Sunday of September. The primary theme for this year's WDMR is "Towards an ever wider 'we'". In his letter announcing this year's theme, Pope Francis emphasizes that "this focus calls on us to ensure that 'after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those,' but only 'us'" (Fratelli tutti, no. 35). And this universal us must become a reality first of all within the Church which is called to cultivate communion in diversity."

In solidarity with the Vatican, National Migration Week will use the same theme as WDMR – "Towards an ever wider we" – but will emphasize the particular ways in which this theme and its application to the migration question is important for the Catholic Church in the United States.

Please be sure to visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Justice for Immigrant's webpage in advance of the celebration to access resources that will be developed for this event (<https://tinyurl.com/NationalMigrationWeek2021>).

Should you have any thoughts as to how we can more effectively celebrate National Migration Week, or to suggest resources that will be useful for your local community, please reach out to Todd Scribner at Tscribner@uscgb.org.

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FEAST OF FAITH

Doxology and Amen

"Doxology" comes from a Greek word meaning "words of praise." The Eucharistic Prayer ends with a doxology addressed to the triune God: "Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever." It is an exclamation of praise, honor, and glory to God, reminding us that we receive everything from God through the Son, in the power of the Spirit. At the consecration, the priest held up the host and then the chalice for us to see and adore. During the doxology, the host and chalice are held up again, but this time they are held up and offered to God the Father. With the doxology, the Eucharistic Prayer ends, as it began, with words of praise addressed to the Father: truly, it is right and just to give God praise, and we assent to this in our whole-hearted acclamation, "Amen." Never was more meaning packed into so short a word. This "Amen," sometimes and fittingly called "the great Amen," is our response to the entire Eucharistic Prayer.

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THE MEANING OF DISCIPLESHIP

The geography of today's Gospel is significant. Jesus is completing his ministry in Galilee and beginning his journey to Jerusalem, where he will meet both death and resurrection. The prediction of his death placed here is the second of three in Mark's Gospel, and as usual it is the occasion for an important teaching on the part of Jesus. Today that lesson is tied to the need for his disciples to embrace a ministry of service. A play on words in Aramaic would have linked the words "child" and "servant," thus turning Jesus' gesture of placing a child in their midst into an illustration of his understanding of himself as the Servant of the Lord. It is that same awareness of the meaning of their ministry that Jesus (and Mark) wishes to instill in the disciples. Theirs must be a ministry of service if they are to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. And that service might even require of them that they be "handed over" to death. What would have been—in the culture of Jesus' day—an ordinary discussion of social status ("who is the greatest") becomes in Mark's context a key insight into the meaning of discipleship for the disciples and for us.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
- Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
- Friday:** Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
- Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

Gospel — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37)

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