

**YOU SHALL LOVE
THE LORD YOUR GOD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
WITH ALL YOUR SOUL,
WITH ALL YOUR MIND,
AND WITH ALL
YOUR STRENGTH.**

Mark 12:30



October 31, 2021

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Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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, Thursday, Friday: 9 a.m. — 3 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday: 9 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, November 1***All Saints Day*

9:00 am † Marilyn Kurtzman

5:00 pm Rosary

6:30 pm † For Parishioners

(NOTE TIME CHANGE)**Tuesday, November 2***The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)*

7:00 am † Angela Brown

Wednesday, November 3*Saint Martin de Porres, Religious*

8:25 am Mike Krebs Family

9:35 am Huschka Family

Thursday, November 4*Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop*

7:00 am † Russel Moebius

Friday, November 5*Weekday*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm † Ron Ahles

Saturday, November 6*Vigil of the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 pm † Mark & Stewart Nelson

Sunday, November 7*32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 am For Parishioners

9:30 am † Landree Rennpage

11:30 am † Catherine Liston

2:00 pm † Those who died during the past year

IN GOD'S ARMSKathy Dumm
Frances BenderDonald Newcomb
Elaine Johnson***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.

*Prayer Requests*

Fr. Gregory Hite	Jeannine Klotz	Josephine Contra
Bill Ruhl	Marilyn B. Williamson	Marianne Cappadonna
Jeannie Burkhalter	Tom Powell	Ray Galuzny
Krista Marshall	CMSgt. Joseph Basting	Richard Steele
Aaron Blank	Peggy Basting Taylor	Michael Krempel
Dina Riley	Kathy Carcione	John Stewart Ziegler
Eilana Nelson	Carol Pittenger	Josephine German
MaKaya Butler	Alan Gallaway	Zayne Lee
Sharon Valdry	Amy Malaska	JoAnn and Jack Zink
Maria Loschinkohl	David Donley	Bill, Linda and Cindy
John Ziegler	Jordan Hiser	Thompson
Marlene Ziegler	William Scales	Brian Brown
Dorothy Trinter	Kathy Deckard	Lois Barnes
JoAnn Marbaugh	John & Cindy Lloyd	
Gwen Yockey	Ben Hahn	
Louise Steggall	Bill Joyce	
Keith Combs	Ezra Becker	
Mady Ziegler	Rose Mary Martin	

FROM THE PASTOR:

This weekend the youngest among us will dress in costumes and politely ask for candy from trustworthy people. What they probably don't know about Halloween is that it originated from the Catholic Church many centuries ago. It was the vigil celebration of the Saints, the holy people who are in Heaven, and thus "all hallows eve." I also enjoy seeing children dress up as saints and taking on their identity for a day, or maybe a lifetime!

All Saints is one of the more important feast days of the entire year. It is when we pause from the busyness of life to reflect in a greater way on what earthly life is really about – preparing ourselves for heaven. We celebrate the heroic, faithful lives of the Saints and the amazing joy that they now experience forever in heaven. In the presence of God, they pray and intercede for us because of their care and concern for us.

God tells us (1 Cor. 2:9) that what He has prepared for those who love Him is infinitely beyond anything we can ever experience on earth. Even further, the goodness of heaven is beyond our imagination, and far beyond the love two people could have for each other. God tells us that the indescribable joy of heaven never fades or diminishes, and never becomes dull or boring. What an amazing place! No sacrifice is too great for heaven. Preparing for it is the greatest investment any person can make during their short time on earth.

It's important for us to remember that ***saints are not born but made by the combination of God's grace, the trials and difficulties of this world, and the courageous, willing spirit of those who truly seek to do God's will out of love.*** This is what life is about, not all the worldly things we can get caught up in day after day. The Church has said from the very beginning, and restated it once again at Vatican Council II, that every person is called by God to become a saint on earth. Are we ready to make a total commitment to doing so? Everything is in place for us to do so except maybe our desire and commitment for it. Let us pray for that and remember we have to become saints in order to enter into heaven.

After the celebration of All Saints this Monday with Mass in both the morning and evening, construction crews will begin installing the new altar and ambo in church. They will begin Tuesday working in the church with the goal of being finished early next week. Then on Saturday, Nov. 13, Bishop Thomas will join us again at the 5:00pm Mass to bless the church and consecrate the new altar. Until then, we will continue to celebrate Mass from the existing wooden altar with it sitting in front of the newly installed altar. Please consider attending Mass for the dedication and consecration Mass. It is very rare to experience the beautiful prayers and see the process by which a church altar is consecrated. I'll have more about this next week.

Praying that we become saints!

Fr. Miller

ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES

All Saints Day is not a Day of Obligation in 2021 but it remains a Solemnity. However, **Masses will be offered at 9 a.m.** (All-School) **and 6:30 p.m.**

To comply with the school’s COVID-19 guidelines, masks will be required at the 9:30 a.m. all-school Mass. This Mass will also include the traditional portrayal of saints by our 4th & 5th grade students.

2021 BEREAVEMENT MASS

Our annual Bereavement Mass will be on Sunday, November 7, at 2:00 p.m.

At this Mass we will pray for all those members of our parish and families who have died during the past twelve months. We encourage you to join with us in praying for all the faithful departed and their families.

FEED THE NEEDY UPDATE

The Feed the Needy program continues to assist on average 135 people every other Sunday.

We are in extreme need of blankets and socks. We also need coats, gloves, hats, scarves, mittens, and hand warmers.

The food program can also use your grocery bags to package meals as well. Juice boxes and cocoa are beverages served and can be donated at any time. Blessings on all givers and their gifts. Your help is greatly appreciated. If you would like to join a team to serve the meals let Father Kevin know.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES JOB OPENINGS

Catholic Charities of Mansfield is seeking a Case Aide and a Staff Guardian.

The Staff Guardian serves as an advocate for court-appointed wards assigned to the Mansfield regional office.

The Case Aide supports staff guardians and case managers.

Full job descriptions and qualifications can be found on the Diocese’s website: toledodiocese.org/page/employment.

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

The Catholic communities at ManCI and RiCI are growing in size...and growing in faith. About a dozen men at ManCI are immersed in RCIA, preparing to be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil.



At RiCI, men gather seven nights a week for a variety of worship, prayer, study, and liturgical music opportunities. A major focus currently involves intensive rehearsal for the RiCI Catholic Christmas Choir Concert.

NIGHT OF HEALING

Join the Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal for our **NIGHT OF HEALING** at St. Peter’s Church on Wednesday, November 3 from 7:00—8:30 p.m.

WORSHIP | WITNESS | WORD | HEALING.

Jesus heals! Come unite with us in prayer! Listen to the Holy Spirit, who does He want you to invite?

Additional nights will be held at Rosary Cathedral, on Tuesday, October 19 and St. Joseph, Marblehead on Tuesday, December 14.

CATHOLIC WOMENS CLUB

The next luncheon and meeting will be Wednesday, November 10, at the Roadhouse Brown Derby Event Center on Park Ave. West in Ontario.

The lunch will start at noon with the meeting and program to follow. We welcome all Catholic women in the Saint Juan Diego Deanery. If you are new, you are encouraged to come and join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area.

Please contact Kathy Adamescu at (419) 989-5049 or Anita Holloway at (419) 524-2219 to make a reservation. Reservations must be made by November 5, at noon. We are looking forward to seeing current members and meeting new members!

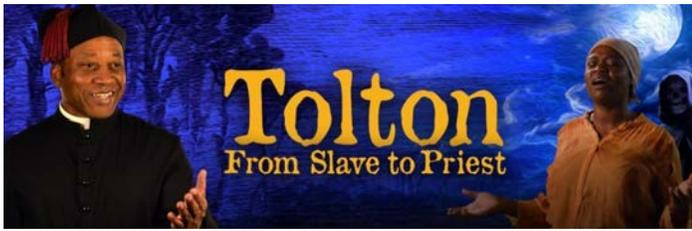
THANK YOU!

We sincerely thank everyone who contributed to making Fr. Miller’s and Bishop Thomas’ reception such a wonderful evening. Special thanks to the *That Man Is You* men’s group for helping set up tables and chairs in the church basement and the members of the St. Peter’s Parish family that brought such a wonderful variety of delicious food.

Thank you again for your support of this ministry which shows your support and care through food.

—Missy Saprano

SUNDAY OFFERING		<i>As of September 2021</i>
		<i>Sunday Collection</i>
Sunday and Holy Day Collections		
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:		\$205,413
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:		\$218,100
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)		(\$12,687)
School Collection		
Total School Collection To Date:		\$35,820
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:		\$36,000
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)		(\$180)



SAVE THE DATE: TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST

Tolton: From Slave to Priest, the live theatrical one-man drama is coming Mansfield on Sunday, November 14 at 3 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Reserve your ticket(s) at no cost at reconnecttoledo.org/tolton.

Tolton is a powerful new live production based on the life of Fr. Augustus Tolton, the first African American priest. This compelling true story of courage, forgiveness, and reconciliation resonates deeply with modern American audiences. To characterize Fr. Augustus Tolton's life as remarkable is an understatement.



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: November 13 after 5 p.m. Mass in the Franciscan Activity Center Atrium

Whether you are newlyweds 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.

DID YOU KNOW...

Permanent, immovable, consecrated altars in the Catholic Church each contain the relic of a saint, which is installed at the time the altar is consecrated. At present the only altar relic in St. Peter's Church is located in the high altar in the sanctuary. It is a relic from the bones of St. Stanislaus Kostka, who lived from 1550 to 1568. He was a young student who entered the Jesuit order in 1567. He was specially noted for his sanctity and devotion. He was canonized in 1726.

ST. PETER'S CUB SCOUT PACK 121 CAKE AUCTION

St. Peter's Cub Scout Pack 121 is hosting a **cake auction** on Tuesday, November 2 at 6 p.m. in the church basement.



Cakes are made by the scouts!!

Join us for a fun evening that supports the next generation of boys and girls who are interested in Scouting.

For more information please contact Jim Cox. (419) 571-9874.

PERPETUATE THE GIFT

Support Our Priests' Retirement: Our priests have given their lives in service to us and our parish, including our recently retired pastor Father Hite, and we are most grateful! Please offer your gratitude for those who faithfully served the Diocese of Toledo by donating to the Perpetuate The Gift Appeal.

Your gift supports our retired diocesan priests, enabling them to pay for their living expenses. All funds contributed between September 18 through December 31, assist our parish in its assessed contribution to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate The Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697, or placed in the parish collection.

A gift may also be made online at www.toledodiocese.org under the Give tab. As of October 15, St. Peter's parishioners have donated \$2,165 towards the fund.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 687 ANNUAL FEATHER PARTY

You are invited to the Knights of Columbus Council 687 annual Feather Party! This annual tradition 21+ adult night of fun returns to the Knights Hall on the Friday before Thanksgiving.



Food, drinks, games of chance plus your chance to win a turkey, ham or one of many bottles of cheer from one of the many raffles.

Friday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$8/person

Food and drinks are included in your ticket, plus the lounge will be open.

For more information and or to purchase tickets in advance:

- Mike Winters 419-543-3080
- Larry Strauser 419-543-6952
- Rik Blackstone 614-270-0482
- Jason Crundwell—crundwell.jason@myspartans.org

RECYCLING — FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

FOOD COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 13 & 14

Dear St. Peter's Family,

Since I started here at St. Peter's, I have met with many different people—staff, faculty, alumni, parents, past parents, friends, and supporters—to hear their perspectives on our school. These conversations are great, giving insights and critiques that will help me do my job better and help shape the future of St. Peter's School. While each person has their own experience of St. Peter's, three consistent themes come through in every conversation.

Catholic schools provide a significant educational opportunity, fundamentally different from public school. By law, public schools cannot teach, endorse or advocate any faith-based perspective or lessons. Having our Catholic faith infused in all aspects of the school day, having Christ at the center of all we do, and having the Catholic Church's teachings integrated into our classrooms and school buildings provides a wholly different context, meaning, and foundation for our students. The lessons our students learn, their decisions, and their experiences in and out of the classroom give them a Catholic worldview and a moral compass that will serve them well for life.

The Mansfield community needs and can support a high-quality Catholic school. As we work to ensure that St. Peter's is stable and vibrant, it is reassuring to hear that so many people in our community recognize how important St. Peter's School is to the local community. Even people whose children did not attend St. Peter's and people who are not Catholic realize that having a strong, growing Catholic school in our community, especially one close to downtown, adds a much-needed educational dimension to our area. I am heartened to hear repeatedly that the community supports our school and its Catholic mission.

Finally, and most importantly, St. Peter's School is a family. Every single person I meet notes the tight family atmosphere here at St. Peter's. This sense of family underscores every experience at St. Peter's School. It is visible in our classrooms. It is tangible in the way our teachers interact with the students and each other. It is the first thing our alumni mention when they reflect fondly on their time at St. Peter's. It is the reason our families, staff, and others go above and beyond every day to serve the St. Peter's community. This family environment is the true hallmark of St. Peter's and sets us apart from all the other schools in our area.

St. Peter's School has a history, legacy, and foundation that is unique in Mansfield and the entire Diocese. For me, these first few months on the job have been a lot about learning and listening, but they are also very much about planning for the future of St. Peter's School. There is much work to be done, but our foundation is strong. Over the next few months, I will be reaching out to the community, seeking input that will help shape the vision and future of our School. Working together as a family, I know that St. Peter's will continue to be a thriving Catholic school that is a beacon of hope for us all.

As always, thank you for being a part of the St. Peter's family.

With faith and gratitude,

Laurie McKeon
Head of School

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Trunk or Treat



Join us for a fun and safe afternoon of treats, tricks, and prizes!



Sunday, October 31
12:30-2:30 p.m.
St. Peter's Elementary Parking Lot

FALL SOCCER CELEBRATION



Last week, we celebrated all our youth soccer teams with cupcakes and ice cream on the school playground. Members of our boys and girls varsity teams came over from the high school to join in the celebration.



NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY INDUCTIONS

Congratulations to our newest members of the National Honors Society.

The following upperclassmen were inducted: Adrian Allen, Erin Belmer, Mahala Boothe, Madison Bays, Malaki Stanfield, Natalie Tanchevski, James Williams, Kellen Young. They will join current NHS Officers Kendall Nolen, Alana Mitchell, Bryan Phillips, and Ross Pruettmiller.



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ALL SAINTS DAY

All Hallows' Day, the Solemnity of All Saints, or All Saints' Day is a celebration of all Catholic saints held on November 1 each year. "On this solemnity, we recall the holy men and women who, having completed their earthly journeys, now live forever with God. These saints, though not canonized, offer us models of abiding faith and love of God and neighbor" (Essential Guide to Seasons and Saints, 109).

In the Catholic Church, we are called to imitate and venerate saints because of their heroically virtuous lives, martyrdom, or their offering of life for others. But, what does veneration mean and why do we pray to the saints?

Veneration of the saints fosters our faith in God and does not detract from it. Rather, our faith in God is strengthened by our relationship with our brothers and sisters in the faith who are in heaven. The Church teaches that by imitating the virtues lived by the saints, the saints bring us closer to Christ. When we ask the saints to pray for us, we ask them to join their wills with the will of God and intercede for us here on earth. This is the Communion of Saints which we profess every Sunday in the Creed.

The Solemnity of All Saints—November 1—is a not Holy Day of Obligation in 2021.

PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

The Commemoration of All Faithful Departed falls on November 2 each year. Say a prayer for the dead in your family and community.

In your hands, O Lord,
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your
tender
love; deliver them now from every evil
and bid them eternal rest.
The old order has passed away:
welcome them into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or
pain, but fullness of peace and joy
with your Son and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever.
R/. Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
- Tuesday:** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
- Wednesday:** Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday:** Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
- Friday:** Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
- Saturday:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11;
Lk 16:9-15
- Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28;
Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

Psalm — I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

Second Reading — Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

Gospel — To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

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