

JANUARY 2, 2022



They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Monday, January 3

Christmas Weekday 5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm † Rev. Gregory R. Hite

Tuesday, January 4

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seaton, Religious 7:00 am † James & Catherine Liston

Wednesday, January 5

St. John Neumann, Bishop † Russell Moebius 8:25 am 9:35 am † Carol Myers

Thursday, January 6

Saint André Bessette, Religious 7:00 am † Robert Brown

Friday, January 7

St. Raymond of Peñafort, Priest

5:00 pm Rosary 5:30 pm † Dan Krous

Saturday, January 8

Vigil of The Baptism of the Lord 3:30 p.m. Confessions 5:00 pm † Aldo Ardis

Sunday, January 9

The Baptism of the Lord

† Col. Leonard Walker 7:30 am 9:30 am For Parishioners † Mike Krebs Family 11:30 am

In God's arms

Leigh Ann Oatney Joseph Kleri Frances Michalski Smith Joseph Sorrenti Debra Josephine King O'Brien '72



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 Office.

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FROM THE PASTOR



Happy New Year! Many thanks to those who helped make our Christmas celebration last week as joyous and beautiful as it was. The musicians and singers practiced and rehearsed for weeks. Other parishioners decorated the church, hung the wreaths, and watered the plants each day. In each of these

tasks, parishioners helped to make our church and our celebration beautiful. Again, thanks to everyone who helped in whatever way to make our celebration of Christmas wonderful again this year!

Hopefully you had an opportunity these past few weeks to be with family and friends. The Christmas season is one of the best reasons to reacquaint with people you have lost contact with over the months or years. This is the perfect time of year to say hello again to the people who need to know we haven't forgotten them. Reconnecting with people might feel awkward or risky, but each of us knows how nice it is when someone says hello. So call or visit someone this week who needs to hear from you, especially if that person is homebound or in a nursing home.

With the New Year comes new resolutions. It's good that God has built new beginnings into our routine way of living. For most of us, today is similar to yesterday and will like be similar to tomorrow. This way of living is comfortable for some and boring for others. We usually get into routines that are either for our betterment



or our detriment. In either case, it's good to step back and assess our situation. As we do this, it is especially good to examine how we are doing with the most important things in life.

Some things to consider this coming year: Do I need to devote more time with my spouse and children? Are my expectations for family members realistic, but also challenging? Am I really working at loving and disciplining my children so that they are developing into all that God desires of them? Do I spend too much time at work, surfing the web, or with unimportant things?

In all of this, don't forget to plan how you will devote more time with God this year. More time for prayer, reflection, and spiritual reading. There is a wealth of good things to discover in the Bible and the teachings of the Church (which gave us the Bible). Consider watching some videos online about the lives of the saints. But above all, do yourself a favor and devote 30 minutes each day for prayer. Pray for yourself, your family and friends, and the causes that you feel most passionate about this year.

God's blessings to you this new year!

Fr. Miller

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Office Hours:

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

New Parishioners

Welcome to St. Peter's Parish! We encourage you to register as a parish family as soon as possible. You can call the parish office or register on our website.

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.

Bulletin Deadline:

Friday at 12 p.m., one week prior to publication date. All submissions must be in writing to bulletin@myspartans.org.

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PARISH NEWS

2021 TAX STATEMENTS

The Office of Institutional Advancement will mail annual tax statements to all parishioners and donors to St. Peter's School in the coming weeks.

Please watch for this mailing with "Tax Statement Enclosed" on printed the envelope.

The IRS requires an annual tax statement to households who give more than \$250 per calendar year. These letters must be postmarked by January 31, 2022.

Gifts to the Msgr. Edward C. Dunn Foundation will be mailed a separate tax statement.

Tax-deductible gifts made directly to the Diocese of Toledo Annual Catholic Campaign, Catholic Charities, or the Society of St. Vincent de Paul should receive tax-statements directly from those organizations.

CENTERING PRAYER

Our weekly Centering Prayer group meetings will resume this Tuesday, January 4 at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you would like to learn more about this group, please contact the parish center office of join us on Tuesday evenings.

CATHOLIC WOMENS CLUB

The next luncheon and meeting will be Wednesday, January 12, at the Ontario Event Center at 3985 Park Ave West. The lunch will start at noon and the meeting and program will follow.

All Catholic women are invited. If you are new, you are encouraged to join us and get to know other Catholic women in the area.

To RSVP, please contact Shelia Finnerty at (419)526-0251 or Anita Holloway (419) 524-2219. Reservations must be made by noon on January 7.

We look forward to seeing you there!

SUNDAY OFFERING As of November 2021 **Sunday and Holy Day Collections** Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection: \$343,640 Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date: \$356,250 Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit) (\$12,610) **School Collection** Total School Collection To Date: \$53,987 Total Budgeted School Collection To Date: \$50,000 School Collection Surplus/(Deficit) \$3,987

BAPTISM—LYLA VIDONISH KNELL



We welcome Lyla Vidonish Knell, daughter of Tyler and Tiffany Knell, baptized by Deacon John Reef on December 12, 2021

WEDDING—ROLEY/SCHRECK



Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Tyler and Reagan (Roley) Schreck. They celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on December 18, 2021. Tyler is the son of parishioners Mr. & Mrs. Mark & Kay Schreck.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the following parishioners who are age 85+ and celebrating a birthday in the month of January.



1/1	Lucille Rincich	1/18	Mary Sicilano
1/2	Marian Turner	1/18	Donald Steele
1/2	Ludwig Perseitz		Raymond Anton
1/3	Rosalie Cusic	1/19	William McKay
1/5	Frances Sneeringer	1/19	William Rathburn
1/8	R. Ann Bishop	1/20	George Metzger
1/10	Anne Pfahler		3

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

1/15 Kenneth Gabor

Our brothers at ManCi celebrated Christmas Mass with Fr. Kevin Moebius and Deacon John Reef on the Thursday



before Christmas. Our RiCI brothers celebrated Christmas Mass with Fr. Miller on Christmas night.

The preparation for the RiCI Catholic Choir Christmas Concert resulted in a successful and rewarding experience, both for those who participated and those who attended.

Inmates and visitors expressed their gratitude and said they felt such joy and peace. Many thanks to Fr. Miller, Fr. Moebius, Fr. Weibl, and our staff and parishioners who offered such support with their presence.

Wednesday Mass Schedule For Inclement Weather

If school is delayed or canceled on a Wednesday Mass day, we will only celebrate the 8:25 a.m. Mass. The 9:35 a.m. Mass will be canceled for that day.



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: January 8, after 5 p.m. Mass in the Church Basement

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**.

RCIA

Our RCIA classes will resume Wednesday, January 5. Our combined St. Peter-St. Mary-Resurrection RCIA class meets here at St. Peter's Jan. 5, 12, 19 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.



Our parishioners are welcome to join us to experience an RCIA class and determine interest in serving as a sponsor in future years. Please call the Parish Office and leave your name and the date you plan to come so we can arrange the room accordingly. Thank you!

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

We are once again planning our annual trip to the Steubenville Youth Conference on June 10-12. Youth who are incoming freshman in the 2022- 2023 school year or one year post high school are invited to attend!

The Youth Conference is a three day conference that includes nationally renowned speakers, small group sessions and opportunities for Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration! The cost to attend is \$260 per person. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Wurm by January 30th.

SCHOOL NEWS

HOLIDAY GIVING BAGS

St. Peter's students donated 160 giving bags to Harmony House last month. These bags included warm weather items like gloves, hats and scarves and personal care items.

The bags will be distributed to the homeless community and those in need in Richland County.







HOMECOMING & ROSE ARC COURTS ANNOUNCED



St. Peter's School announced its 2022 Homecoming Queen before Christmas break.

Miss Alana Mitchell was named queen, and her escort is Homecoming King John Harris. Her attendants Nakyra

Williams, Natalie Tanchevski, Kendall Nolen, and Madison Bays, will join them. Escorts include James Williams, Zach Keffalas, Kellen Young, and Malaki Stanfield.

Also announced were the class representatives to the 2022 Rose Arc Court members. Selected by faculty and staff, these underclassmen are picked based on the qualities of responsibility, kindness, respect, involvement in the school community, and living Christian morals and values. The Rose Arc court acts as an honor guard during the Homecoming ceremonies.

Junior Class representatives are Mahala Boothe, Grace Dix, Gavin Mawhorr, and Dominic Wendt. Sophomore representatives are Caelyn Brubaker, Katherine Bryant, Nathaniel Hart, and Jerry Thompson. Magnolia Chamberlin, Callina Francis, Josh Laux, and Zion McCraney represent the Freshman class.

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Parishioners Invited!

As key benefactors in our ministry of Catholic education we invite you to join us for breakfast in the cafeteria with the option to tour our school buildings.

Join us for our Open House Sunday, January 30 | 10 A.M. - 2 P.M. Learn More at BECOMEASPARTAN.COM

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TORNADO DISASTER RELIEF COLLECTION

Our prayers go out to the many who perished, their families, and untold numbers of people who were injured and suffered devastation wrought by the spate of deadly tornados that tore through six states on December 11, 2021—Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois, Tennessee and hardest hit Kentucky. One destructive tornado even touched down in Hardin County, Ohio, that night.

As in past disasters, Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to Catholic Charities agencies in impacted areas for this disaster relief effort. You may donate on our secure website: www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org, noting Tornado Relief as your donation designation.



Checks made out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with a notation designating Tornado Disaster Relief, can be mailed to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. Thank you for compassionately supporting those in need!

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Bishops of the United States are calling for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission "for the life of the world."

The three year event kicks off on June 19, 2022 the Feast of Corpus Christi. Learn more at eucharistic revival.org

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18-25, 2022

Each year, Christians around the world joyfully recall the prayer of Jesus in the Gospel of John, 17:21, "That they all may be one." This prayer bears witness to the communion of the Blessed Trinity within the Godhead as extending to the grace of unity and peace among those joined to Christ in baptism. This grace fulfills the mystery of unity in the Holy Spirit among all who bear the name Christian. Learn More at geii.org







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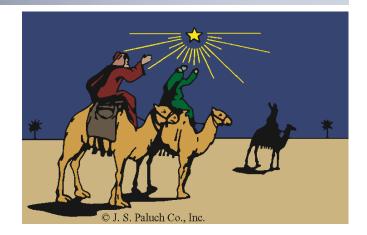
PRAYER & REFLECTIONS

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Epiphany of the Lord / At the Mass during the Day

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



JOURNEY TOWARD GOD

In our celebration of the Epiphany, two interwoven themes are present in the readings today. God is beginning something new, and God gathers all of humanity to participate. For Isaiah, God's bright light, manifested in the people of Israel, attracts and summons people from many nations to Jerusalem. In the letter to the Ephesians, God's grace makes the Gentiles co-heirs and co-partners in the gospel. Matthew tells the story of the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel through the birth of Jesus, and simultaneously leading foreigners to share in these same promises. With the birth of Jesus, God chose a particular people, in a particular time and place, to enter most directly into the human story. Today's readings teach that God did this in order to gather all people, all cultures, into unity with God. Like the magi, we are drawn into a journey toward God, becoming co-partners in God's work.



PICK OF THE WEEK

January 2, 2022

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FORMED NOW! HOW TO PRAY

Whether you are a veteran in the spiritual life or are just beginning, start this year off right by recommitting yourself to prayer! Join Drs. Tim Gray and Elizabeth Klein as they discuss ways to kickstart your prayer life this year!



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you

(Isaiah 60:1-6)

Psalm – Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday:1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10

or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or

Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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