

First Sunday

of

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1-2

Lent

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#### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Monday, March 7

Saints Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm † Frances Alfieri

Tuesday, March 8

Saint John of God, Religious 7:00 am † Russell Moebius

Wednesday, March 9

Saint Frances of Rome, Religious

Benefactors of St. Peter's Parish & School 8:25 am

9:35 am † Raymond & Kevin Dillon 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 10

Weekday

7:00 am † Fr. Gregory Hite

6:00 pm Holy Hour with Exposition

Friday, March 11

Weekday

5:00 pm Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm † Capt. Christopher Britton

Saturday, March 12

Vigil of The Second Sunday in Lent

3:30 p.m. Confessions 5:00 pm † Anton Schroeder

Sunday, March 13

The Second Sunday in Lent 7:30 am † Paula Renie

9:30 am † Carmello Saprano

11:30 am **Parishioners** 

#### IN GOD'S ARMS

Joan Rose **Betty Lauer** Charles Lee Joseph Kopina



#### 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



Those attending Mass last weekend here in the Mansfield area heard the announcement of how, beginning this summer, the assignment of priests will be different. Currently there are three priests in our area serving three parishes. That will still be the case, except beginning this summer, there will

be one pastor of the three parishes with two associate (vicar) priests. Bishop Thomas has asked me to be the pastor and Fr. Kevin to remain as an associate priest. It will probably be several months before we know who is the other associate priest.

As you can imagine, there are many details to work through in the months ahead. It is important to emphasize that each parish will continue to maintain its autonomy from the other two parishes.

The change Bishop Thomas announced that will begin July 1 is simply having one team of priests serving all three parishes. My hope is that each parish will discover its particular gifts and look for ways to collaborate. The goal would be for Catholics in the Mansfield area to build each other up and strengthen each other in the ways of Godliness. I look forward to getting to know the parishioners at Mansfield St. Mary and Lexington Resurrection parishes!

On the topic of Lent, my hope is that we will have a very positive outlook on the days between now and Easter. For us Catholics, Lent is the most important spiritual preparation time of the year. For six weeks we intensify our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We do so to grow in spiritual maturity, with the goal of being like Christ. In doing so, we benefit and so does the rest of humanity. The images of the terrible situation in Ukraine should help to motivate us to greater prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We should never underestimate the power of these.

Lent is the time to strip ourselves of worldliness and to take on Godliness. That is hard work, but any worthwhile training program requires the same. The self-discipline and self-sacrifice needed for the spiritual works of Lent enable us to have greater love of God and neighbor. If we think about it, we need the spiritual disciplines of Lent as much as successful athletes needs a rigorous training program. To all those who struggle with committing themselves to the hard work of Lent, remember the sports adage: no pain, no gain!

This Lent, as you endure the hardship of spiritual growing pains, keep your mind and heart focused on the greater purpose and goal of it all. Heaven is well worth it! It's good for us to recall the words the Blessed Virgin Mary has given us: My dear children, you have forgotten that through prayer and fasting you can avert wars and suspend the laws of nature.

Gratefully, 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: 3:30-4:50 p.m. & 30 minutes before every Mass

#### Sacrament of Baptism:

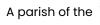
Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

#### **Sacrament of Marriage:**

Arrangements should always be made at the Parish Center office **at least twelve 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.

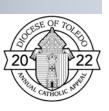




#### PARISH NEWS

#### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign: Do Prayer, Do Service, Do Gratitude is underway. The campaign goal is \$3 million and our parish goal is \$60,268.



Through our contributions, we can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our diocese each year, including supporting the education of our seminarians, caring for the sick and needy, and providing faith formation for our youth. We ask you once again for our help. Please respond generously. For more information visit acatoledo.org.

#### FEED THE NEEDY

We will serve our Feed the Needy meals on March 6 and 20. Our serving time will be from 3-4:30 rather than from 3-5. We will help those who have signs to update them. Donations of baggies of any size are welcome. We can also use drink boxes/pouches of any type.

Our main dish on March 6 will be bratwurst, and we will serve chicken and noodles on March 20. Feel free to let Pam Taylor know if you would like to be added to the email list of contacts at teach621@aol.com or by calling 419-989-8963.

#### **WOMEN'S LENTEN STUDY**

A Women's Lenten Study will start on Sunday, March 6, from 10:30 a.m.- 12:15 p.m., based on the women of the Passion.

It is an amazing opportunity to really delve into Lent this year and take your prayer life a little deeper. Each week features different speakers, prayer, small group and of course, food! It is an awesome opportunity to learn, experience and share our faith with one another.

SUNDAY OFFERING As of January 2022	
Sunday and Holy Day Collections	
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$506,750
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$502,085
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$4,665
School Collection	
Total School Collection To Date:	\$75,978
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$70,000
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$5,978

#### WOMEN'S CURSILLO

Interested in going on a women's Cursillo Weekend? What exactly IS Cursillo? Pronounced (kur-see-yo) is a Spanish word for "short course" (in Christianity).



The retreat is March 31, 7:00 PM to April 03, 5:00 PM at the St Francis Spirituality Center in Tiffin, OH. Please pray about and consider attending. During these three days those attending live and work together, listening to talks given by clergy, sisters, brothers, and people like yourself who make the faith come alive in fresh ways. There will be lots of opportunities for prayer, Confession and Mass.

Fr. Kevin will also be attending the retreat with you as a Spiritual Director. Please text or call Fr. Kevin if you are interested at (419) 460-5761. Financial assistance is available for those who need it.

#### MANCI—ROSARY MAKERS MINISTRY

Do you remember last Thanksgiving when our St. Peter community provided a Thanksgiving dinner to our men in MANCI?

After enjoying their meal, these men were learning how to make beautiful cord and bead rosaries! AND..the best part is...they want to make more!

In fact, they are requesting more materials to do so. If you would like to donate for this cause, please text or call Fr. Kevin at (419)460-5761.

All of the MANCI made rosaries will be made available for FREE in the cry room. Please help yourself! Just remember to say a prayer for the man who made it for you, as I'm sure he said a prayer for you!

#### PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

The names of our ManCI brothers who are preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of



Initiation will be included in the reading of names at the upcoming Rite of Election. Even though our brothers cannot be there in person, they will be with us in spirit and prayer. This week begins a Lenten season filled with numerous spiritual opportunities for our RiCI brothers, with Ash Wednesday Communion Service and distribution of ashes, First Friday Adoration on March, then Faith Enrichment the following Friday evenings, Rosary Prayer three nights a week, Stations of the Cross every Saturday afternoon, music opportunities two nights a week, and the source and summit of our faith - Mass - on Saturday evenings.

#### **EASTER BAKE SALE: SAVE THE DATES**

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming dates in preparation for our annual Easter Bake Sale.

March 11 • Pierogi Making March 23, 24, 25 • Cabbage Roll Making March 26 • Pierogi & Cabbage Roll Pre-Sale March 29, 30 • Candy Making

April 12 & 13 • Easter Bake Sale April work days will be announced at a later date!

#### **BELOVED: FINDING HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE**

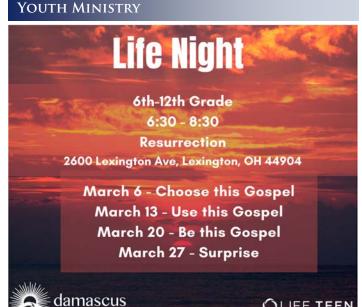
Understanding God's plan for marriage is one thing, living it out is another. Beloved: Living Marriage examines the day-to-day challenges of being united as husband and wife while maintaining individuality.

Date/Time: March 12 after 5 p.m. Mass in the Franciscan Activity Center. Email stpdatenight@gmail.com for more info.

#### LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

March 27 3:00 p.m.—St. Peter Mansfield March 31 6:30 pm—Holy Trinity, Bucyrus 6:30 pm—Sacred Heart, Bethlehem April 6

Confessions are also held before every Mass.



**RECYCLING DAY: FRIDAY, MARCH 11** 10-11 a.m. & 2-3 p.m. - FAC Parking Lot

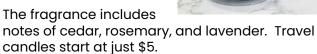
H.O.P.E. PANTRY BLUE BARREL WEEKEND

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#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### SPARTAN CANDLE SALE

St. Peter's School is kicking off a new and exciting fundraising opportunity. We are the first school in the nation to sell a one-of-a-kind color-changing candle! When you light it, the wax changes from white to blue!



The company is owned by a SPH Class of '70 alumnus and is donating 100% of the sales proceeds from the first 200 candles to the school.

They will be on sale after Masses this weekend and next! You can also purchase online at **spartaneandles.org**.

#### ONE BOOK, ONE SCHOOL

Students at St. Peter's School are reading a book together as a school. Each day students are reading a chapter from, *Mouse & Motorcycle*.

The One Book, One School project continues through mid-March culminating at the end of Right to Read Week. Fun activities and books are planned for every day during the campaign.

One Book, One School kicked off this past Monday with students wearing mismatched outfits.



#### **SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**



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#### VISIT ST. PETER'S SCHOOL

We welcome all families who have school-aged children to come take a look at the great programs our school has to offer! Rooted in our Catholic faith, your child will be known, valued and loved by our caring and committed faculty and staff.

Since the start of the school year, our student enrollment has grown by 3.5%, with four new students transferring in the last month.

If you are a Catholic family who is active in practicing your faith, or know someone interested in a high quality Catholic education, there are several scholarships and financial aid to make Catholic school affordable for you.

To schedule a personalized tour, please contact Jason Crundwell or visit:

mansfieldstpeters.org/school/tour.

#### FRENCH CLASS MARDI GRAS

Students in Mr. Novotny's French class on Tuesday celebrated Mardi Gras by dressing up in Carnival attire and cooking waffles in class.



#### FISH FRY GUIDE

#### Mansfield-Knights of Columbus

KofC—1111 Park Ave West-Sit Down/Carry Out 5:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m. \$10/per person

#### Mansfield-St. Mary of the Snows

1630 Ashland Rd.—Drive Thru/Sit Down \$5-10/per person

#### Shelby—Most Pure of Heart of Mary

26 W. St.—Drive Thru Only \$5—\$12/per person

#### Crestline-St. Joseph

331 N. Thomas St.—Drive Thru Only \$12/per person

# EXTENSION OF THE ONLINE SURVEY FOR THE PREPARATORY PHASE OF THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

The diocesan online survey for The Preparatory Phase of the Synod on Synodality has been extended and will be available until March 31, 2022.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY



Saturday, March 19 at 6 p.m.
Food will include traditional Irish & American Fare
Proceeds benefit Knights of Columbus Charities

\*Must be 21 or older to attend.

On that date, the survey will be taken down so that results can be compiled to prepare a final report to be presented to the USCCB. Individuals can access the survey by going to the website,

reconnecttoledo.org. Click on the "Synodality" link at the top of the page to access the videos and take the survey. Participants may fill out as much of the survey as they wish. Some have asked if they must fill out the entire survey for it to be included in final results. Fill out as much of the survey as you want, and all information will be taken in to account to complete the final 10-page diocesan report. Thank you for your participation.





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#### PRAYERS & REFLECTIONS:

#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

First Sunday of Lent

Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.

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.



#### IN THE DESERT

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, and then the devil tested him. Moses and the Israelites had been in the desert for forty years before being led to the land of milk and honey. There were times when they called out to God, sure that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." We sometimes spend time in the desert as well. Not a literal desert most of the time, but a desert in which it seems difficult to perceive God's presence, times when we face difficulty and are tempted to leave God's ways behind. On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus shows us what to do in these moments: stand firm and trust in God.

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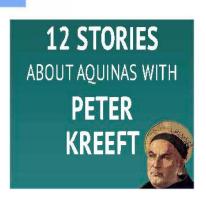
PICK OF THE WEEK

March 6, 2022

# LISTEN

## 12 STORIES ABOUT AQUINAS WITH PETER KREEFT

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote the equivalent of 500 books, all with a quill pen! Join Dr. Peter Kreeft, an influential teacher of Catholic thought, as he shares some entertaining anecdotes from the life of this genius saint!



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#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

**Psalm** – Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** – Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13).

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46 **Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;

Mt 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

**Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;

Phil 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 - 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

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