

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 24 + Bartholomew, apostle

- 5:00 pm Rosary
- 5:30 pm Romanchuck Family

Tuesday, August 25 + Louis of France

- 6:30 am Kathleen Moore (anniversary)
- 4:15 pm Mass at Winchester

Wednesday, August 26

- 6:30 am Walter Bishop

Thursday, August 27 + Monica

- 6:30 am Donald C. Smith

Friday, August 28 + Augustine, bishop and doctor

- 6:30 am Anna Loris
- 5:00 pm Rosary
- 5:30 pm Soon Cho

Saturday, August 29 + Martyrdom of John the Baptist

- 5:00 pm Joan Falquette

Sunday, August 30

- 7:30 am Parish
- 9:30 am Richard Buchman (anniversary)
- 11:30 am Elmer Smith (anniversary)

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER

Saturday, August 29

- 5:00 L. B Schartl, D DeCenso **D. D HIPP**, B Nihei, L Brackett, P Dignan, P Prendergast, K Paugh, J Jimenez-Augustine, J Walsh, K Yockey

Sunday, August 30

- 7:30 L. J Riedl, S Vaccaro **D. M Collet**, R Schnug, B&L Danuloff, D Lukach, J Wiparina, Sr. P Bingert
- 9:30 L. D Forster, D Striker **D. A Dillon**, L Simmons, R Baker, B Connolly, D Dreskler, T Etwiler, S Herlihy, D Madden, A&C Merle, J Reef, F Russo, R Renie, A Seiss, K Wehinger
- 11:30 L. C Dorsey, G Konya **D. R Wilson**, C Alesch, D Butler, T Fesler, J Liston, C Mears, H Philpott, B Riley, K Schreck, K Swank, need one

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, August 29

- 5:00 P&T Zitko, J Bennett

Sunday, August 30

- 7:30 M&I Corso-Phinney, M Thomas
- 9:30 H,A & A Blunk
- 11:30 R Harrigan, C Baldasare, R Weilbacker



COUNTERS

Sunday, August 30

- P&R Saul, F Russo, M Selby

Get Ready, Get Set, Go...It's hard to believe that the 2009-2010 school year will begin in just a few days. I could ask where did the summer go? But there's much excitement in getting back together with friends at school and the start of fall activities of soccer, volleyball, Student Council and many other ways that people come together during the school year.



The first day of school for St. Peter's Catholic School is Tuesday, August 25, with our opening all-school (grades 1-12) Mass on Wednesday, September 2 at 9:00 a.m.

As we begin this new academic year, I would like to share with you work that has taken place over the summer to prepare for this school year. During the summer the usual cleaning, repair, and refreshing of classrooms, halls, and bathrooms was completed. In addition to these normal preparations for the school year, we have purchased twenty-eight new computers that have been placed in the computer lab.

The theme for the coming school year in the elementary school will be "Stop. Think. Respect." This theme will be emphasized during the year in various communications and reflects the goals of our School Improvement Plan, which was approved last school year by the Ohio Accrediting Association and will be in place for the next five years. These goals are:

Catholic Identity Goal: *Students at St. Peter's Elementary School will give witness to the message of Jesus Christ by demonstrating growth in their respect for each other.*

Student Learning Goal: *Students at St. Peter's Elementary School will improve their critical thinking skills in math by developing problem solving strategies with practical applications.*

Our teachers will be participating in a two-day workshop (October 8 and October 9) where we will focus our attention on our School Improvement Goals. In addition, teachers will continue to use results from the electronic Scantron standardized testing done last school year to assist in preparing lessons which are structured to meet each student's needs in the classroom.

We are blessed with teachers who work hard, who live up to high expectations, who go beyond the call of duty to offer an outstanding educational program to all, and who treat each other and the students with respect and support.

Although we are continually upgrading our building and educational programs to accommodate learning in the 21st century, our goal remains the same as it was when St. Peter's School was established in 1868: to provide the best possible Catholic education within a safe and nurturing environment and help every child reach his/her highest potential. This goal has been sustained in the past and continues to be attainable today only because of the support and commitment of the St. Peter's Parish community. Thanks to the wonderful people of our parish, St. Peter's Elementary School is ready to begin educating students for the 141st year.

James R. Smith

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Elementary School Principal



Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish;

Sarah Valdry, Clarisa Aban, Anne B. Birk, John Lemley, Beverly Freiheit, Leanna Christi, Teresa Gallizzi, Peter Zimmerman, Kevin Steele family, Cathy Smith, Rosario Carlson, James Madden, Melissa Hunter, Millie Aukerman, Dolly Vidonish, Catherine Nixon, Kacey Weitzel, Mike Smith, Tammy Smith, Betty LaFollette, Trey Riggle, Robert Bernard, Bethany Hills, Lou Augustine, Joe Bochnak, Mark Turner, Norbert Reinhard, Mary Frasz, Eric Gerhart, Joan Knapp, Eileen McNamara, Mark Coleman, Joe Adamescu, Ian Spade, Ardie Nadolsky, Father Herb Weber, Anna Hanusz, Helen Bogner, Andy Urban, Joe Kinstle, Annabelle Wells, Todd Rox, Sally Linn, Sumer (Riley) Graham, DiAnn Kuhl, Jacqueline Brogan, Alan & Marilyn Gallaway, Donna Wilson, Barb Studer, David & Philominia Morris

If you or your loved one wishes to be removed from the prayer list please call the parish center.

WEDDING BANNES

II Cassie Vidonish & Chad Walker

In God's Arms Forever... Isabel Stuht, Nicolia Garzaniti, Juanita May Hill, Carl Fritz, Rose Hullinger

Mass for the Anointing of the Sick -- St. Peter's annual



Mass for the Anointing of the Sick will take place on **Sunday, September 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the church.** The Mass is a regular Sunday liturgy which will include the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as well as a Special Blessing for Medical Personnel, Care-givers, families of those who are chronically

ill, and for our own Pastoral Care Volunteers. If you or someone you know is struggling with serious or long-term illness or advanced age, this is a wonderful chance to experience the love of Christ in the midst of our parish family as we pray and worship together. Care-givers, medical professionals and families of those who are seriously ill will find this liturgy to be a comforting and supportive experience as they undertake their challenging work. Call the Parish Liturgy Office (419-524-2572, ext. 2113) for more information.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN 25th/50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION—The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration for those married 25, 50 & 60 or more years in the year 2009 will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. at Rosary Cathedral. For reservations, call the Parish Center Office at 419-524-2572. **Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2009.**

YOUTH CORNER

- **Confirmation** will be on **Oct. 25, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.**
- **First Communion Pictures** can now be picked up in the Parish Center.

Wed. Sept. 9: Confirmation class - letter to Fr. Tony due
 Sun. Sept 13: High School PSR 6-7:30
 Wed. Sept 16: First PSR class gr. 1-8 & Parent mtg.
 Mon. Sept. 21 Sacramental team mtg. 7:00
 Wed. Sept 23: PSR gr. 1-6
 Sat. Sept 26: Confirmation Retreat 9:00 a.m. Atrium
 Wed. Sept 30: PSR gr. 1-6

St. Peter's would like to invite you to participate in the Parish School of Religion (PSR). If you have children in grades 1-12 and have not registered in the past please give Sheila Hershiser (419-524-2572) a call so she can send you the information you need to register. Registration packets are now ready and PSR begins in September.

For more information on Parish Youth activities/Parish School of Religion (PSR)/ Confirmation/First Eucharist, please contact Sheila Hershiser 524-2572 ext. 2114.

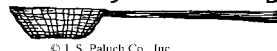
Pastoral Care – If you have a family member or friend who is homebound, in a nursing home, or hospitalized (especially if they go through the emergency room), please call the Parish Center to let us know. Someone from St. Peter's would visit them and bring them the Eucharist.

Pastoral Council Members are needed. If you are interested please fill out an application (located in the church pews). A meeting will be held Tuesday, September 1 at 7:00pm. in St. Paul's Room. Please give thought to using your talents on this council.

Debt Relief Update: We have received \$60,863.00 towards our parish debt. Next weekend is the first Sunday of the month and we will once again have our debt reduction collection. **THANK YOU for your commitment to St. Peter and your faithfulness in donating each month.**

Weekly Offering

August 16, 2009



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| Sunday | \$ 13,769.00 |
| Children | \$ 8.50 |
| Mailed in | \$ 2,280.00 |
| Direct Deposit | \$ 2,032.00 |
| Total | \$ 18,089.50 |

Debt Relief \$ 1,128.00 Thank you!



LET US HONOR

THOSE PARISHIONERS of St. Peter's Catholic Church who were U.S. servicemen and servicewomen and *lost their lives while in service* to our country.

This coming Veteran's Day, a plaque will be placed in the vestibule of the church honoring those individuals. If you know of someone, please provide us with the following information about that person: (1) name, (2) branch of service, (3) rank, (4) date and circumstances of death while in military service, (5) your name as provider of information, (6) your phone, (7) your relationship to serviceman/woman. Please send this information through email to kmorris257@email.com or U.S. mail to Kathy Morris, St. Peter's Parish Center, 104 W. First Street, Mansfield, OH 44902. Please submit no later than October 18, 2009.



We are compiling a story about St. Peter's famous "Poticas" and where on this earth they have been shared. Any stories or comments? Please call Ann Brown 419-756-6983.

RCIA class for this year will begin on Sunday, September 13. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in hopes of becoming a member of the church, please call Sandy Lauer at the Parish Center office.

Catholic Charities Family Connections/Adoption Dept. Invites You "Adoption Information Meeting";

Tues., Sept.15, 6:00-9:00 p.m. (Meeting is Free.) Toledo Catholic Center, 933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. To register or for more information: kmotsinger@toledodiocese.org or call 419-244-6711 ext. 440 or call 800-926-8277.

Volunteer Needed, pleasant elderly couple needs a volunteer to help once a week with housekeeping and laundry. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the Parish Center Office for further information.



"Hope & Healing" Bereavement Ministry

Our next monthly **Grief Support Meeting** will be on **Wednesday, September 2** at 6:30 p.m. in

Franciscan Activity Center.

Our next **Bereavement Team Meeting** for the Core Team will be on **Wednesday, August 26** at 7:00 pm in the Franciscan Activity Center.

If you have any questions about planning your funeral liturgy, our bereavement ministries or need assistance in your grief journey, please call Sandy at 419-524-2572.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION WORKSHOP:

Beyond the Funeral Rites —How can we respond to those who have experienced the death of someone significant in their life? Members of the Bereavement Action Committee along with guest panelists will share how they live out the Ministry of Consolation in their respective parishes. A workshop will be held at Resurrection Parish, Lexington, OH Tuesday Aug. 25 from 6:30—8:00 pm. For more information or to register call Sandy Lauer at 419-524-2572.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR. Coming soon, the 5th Annual Birthday Bash, September 20, 2009. Franciscan Activity Center Atrium, 2-4pm.

FAITH FULL—Our next meeting of Faith Full, for young adults, is Sept 1 at 6:30 p.m. at Resurrection. Sr. Mary from the Sisters of Saint Francis will be talking. An Ultimate Frisbee game will be held on Monday, Sept 7 at 7 p.m. If interested, contact Elizabeth at above number and email. Hope to see you there.

BLESSED

If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed.

—Anonymous

ST. PETER JOB BANK - If you or someone you know is aware of local companies that are hiring, please complete the Job Opportunity Form below and mail it to the Parish Office, 104 W. First St., Mansfield, Ohio 44902. All job postings will be listed in the Bulletin for two weeks.

Company Name: _____ Company Website: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Job Description: _____

Submitted by: _____ Phone: _____



RECYCLING - Our next Recycling date is **Friday, September 11** at the Franciscan Activity Center Parking Lot.

HOURS: 10 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.

IMPORTANT Please honor these drop off times, do not leave your recyclables on the sidewalks or curbs.

BLUE BARRELS

will be out the weekend of September 12 & 13



St. PETER'S ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC TODAY—SUNDAY, August 23 held on the grounds of St. Mary of the Snows on Ashland Road. Come join us for food, fellowship, and lots of fun. **PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL NOT BE AN 11:30 MASS TODAY, but a Mass at 12:00 noon, picnic will follow.**



Attention Travelers: St. Peter's Travel Club is joining Willard St. Francis 55 + Club for a two day excursion to Indiana. Trip includes stop at quaint town of Nashville, Indiana for lunch and shopping on own, Cabaret Dinner show

at Bogstown, with overnight in Franklin, Indiana. Travel, hotel lodging, Cabaret dinner and breakfast included in price. A stop will be made at a nearby casino on return trip home. Dates are Sept. 8 and 9th...price \$160 per person, depending on the number of people traveling in the group. Call Terry (419-526-0265) or Fran (419-884-0964).

FESTIVALS:

ST. BERNARD, NEW WASHINGTON, August 22 & 23

MOST PURE HEART OF MARY, 29 W. St.

Shelby, Sept. 13, 11a.m. - 8 p.m.; BBQ Chicken and Pork Dinners are \$7.50/adults and \$5.00/Children.

The St. Francis Spirituality Center will host its annual Fall BBQ Dinner on Sunday, September 13th from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm, at Elizabeth Schaefer Hall, 200 St. Francis Ave. Tiffin.

PASTA DINNER K of C, Park Ave. West, Aug. 28 Serving 6 to 8 p.m. (\$6.00 pre-reservations, \$7.00 at the door) Italians, Jim & Joe, are cooking.

RESURRECTION, Parent's Night Out—Saturday, Aug. 29 from 6-9 p.m. There will be crafts, dinner, games and watching of "The Lion King". The cost for one child is \$8 or \$20 for three or more children. If interested, contact Elizabeth at the parish office at 419-884-0060 or through email at llabdite@hotmail.com.

Back To School...



OFF TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

A message to all students of St. Peter's Parish—those in preschool, elementary, junior high, high school, college! Our hope is that as you begin your new school year, wherever that may be, it promises to be filled with good studies, good friends, new challenges and opportunities, involvement in extracurriculars, and faith that God will guide you through all. Have a great 2009-2010 school year!

St. Peter School begins on Tuesday, August 25

Elementary School Hours: 8:00 am - 2:50 pm

Junior High & High School Hours: 7:50am - 2:45 pm

Welcome back to all students, faculty and staff!

RESURRECTION, Spaghetti Dinner—Saturday, Sept 5 at 6 p.m. following the 5 p.m. Mass. Goodwill donations will be accepted and all profits earned will go towards helping finance the youth group's National Catholic Conference in November.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This is the height of vacation season, but as anyone who has ever been to Rome in the summer knows, no time to visit there! The city is sweltering, and in a pre-air-conditioned world long ago, Romans figured out that they needed a break in the surrounding hills. Even the pope clears out. His destination is usually Castelgandolfo, a lovely little hill town southeast of Rome, overlooking a tranquil lake. It has been a papal possession since about 1600, and in 1929, when most of the papal states were finally lost, the papal dwelling was given "extraterritorial rights," meaning that it is an extension of Vatican City and not under Italian rule. The Vatican observatory maintained telescopes here for decades, far from the glare of the city lights of Rome, but although the observatory offices remain here year round, the telescopes are in Arizona. Pope Benedict spends less time here than his predecessors, favoring his homeland or the Italian Alps. Clearly, he believes that there is a spiritual side to vacations. A few years ago, he remarked that vacations provide amusement and diversion, and also the chance to be renewed physically and spiritually.

Vacations can help us visit friends and relatives, and revive "those human contacts that the pace of our lives keeps us from cultivating." The pope needs a break, and so do you. Vacation comes from a word meaning to empty oneself. There's still time to clear the calendar for at least one golden summer day even if you don't have a personal castle in the hills!

—Rev. James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

**ADVERTISER
OF THE WEEK:**

**Drs. Heringhaus
Family Dentistry**
450 Glessner Ave.
419-524-7409

BLOOD DRIVE - Resurrection will also be hosting a blood drive on Thursday, August 27, from noon to 6:00 p.m. It takes roughly one hour to make a donation and presently the blood levels are critically low. To schedule an appointment, call Brenda Starr-Jude at 419-884-8287 or email her at bstarr1116@aol.com.

Don't forget to support **Habitat for Humanity** by ordering Pampered Chef. Just go to www.pamperedchef.biz/shellysturts and enter Habitat for Humanity as host. Place your order and a percentage is donated to Habitat! You can have items shipped directly to you or you can purchase an item to donate to a Habitat family!



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE: We recently had family photographs taken for our new pictorial directory. Some of you chose to have your complimentary 8x10 portrait sent to the church. Portraits have arrived and can be picked up at the Parish Office. For those who missed this session, no need to worry. Our second round of photography will begin September 29 and run through October 10. If you have a computer, you can sign up now by logging on to the parish website: www.mansfieldstpeters.org. We need the participation of each and every parishioner. It won't be complete without YOU! Any questions, please call Teresa Baker at 419-756-2699.

St. Peters Respect Life Chapter - In September, we will be starting our ninth year. Our first meeting will involve our plans for the coming year. Join us September 14th with your ideas and comments on what we can do to promote **LIFE** issues. Please mark your calendars now and join us.

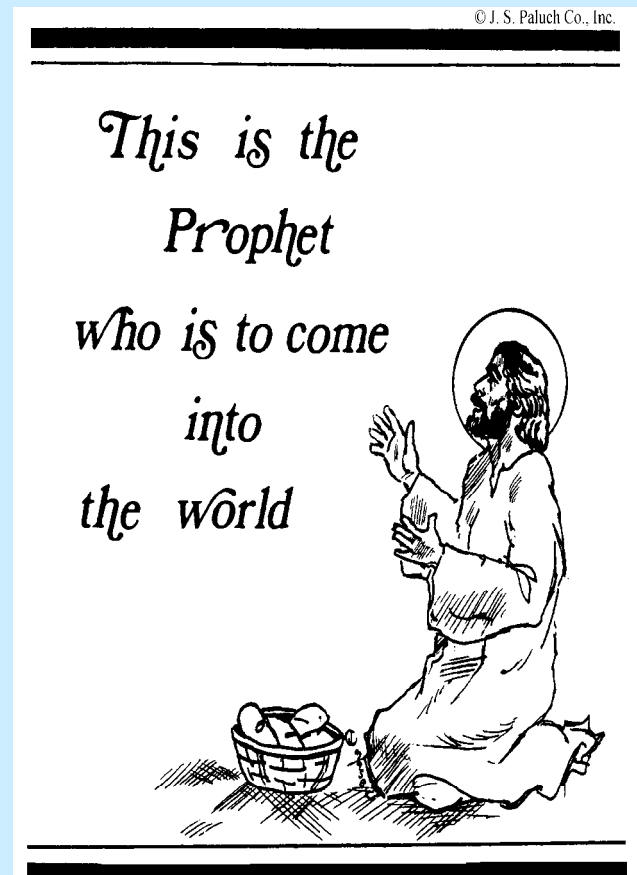
“YEAR FOR PRIESTS”

Pope Benedict XVI has declared a “Year for Priests” beginning with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 19, 2009. The year will conclude in Rome with an international gathering of priests with the Holy Father on June 19, 2010. With the announcement of this Year for Priests, the Pope has declared St. John Vianney the Universal Patron of Priests on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the death of the Cure d’Ars. USCCB Our Diocese (Toledo) has asked all of us to pray for the priests in the diocese. Below are the priests who have served at St. Peter’s and the day of the month to pray for them. If you would like to include all the priests in your prayer, you can pick up a calendar for August and September at the church entrances.

Prayers for Priests

Dear Lord,
 We pray that the Blessed Mother
 wrap her mantle around your priests
 and through her intercession
 strengthen them for their ministry.
 We pray that Mary will guide your priests
 to follow her own words,
 “Do whatever He tells you” (Jn 2:5).
 May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph,
 Mary’s most chaste spouse.
 May the Blessed Mother’s own pierced heart
 inspire them to embrace
 all who suffer at the foot of the cross.
 May your priests be holy,
 filled with the fire of your love
 seeking nothing but your greater glory
 and the salvation of souls.
 Amen.

Aug. 28—Rev. Chris Bazar
 Aug 29—Rev. Nelson Beaver
 Sept 8—Rev. John R. Blaser
 Sept 18—Rev. Anthony Borgia
 Sept 21—Rev. John Brennen
 Sept 27—Rev. Michael Brown



TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Elisha feeds a hundred men with twenty barley loaves made from firstfruits, and there are leftovers (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalm — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they had received: as a unified, faith-filled, hope-filled community (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel — When Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish, they want to make him king. He withdraws alone to the mountain (John 6:1-15).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mk 6:17-29
 Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

THE WAY It’s hard to train a child in a way the parents don’t go themselves. —Anonymous



FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Jesus put all the cards on the table in today’s gospel and “many walked away” because they found it too “hard.” Are you committed to the relationships in your family as they really ARE or to the mental fantasy of how YOU WANT THEM to be?