

# in Ordinary Time

"If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them." Matthew 13:29

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 24

Memorial of Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

8:00 am R Special Intention

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 am R

5:30 pm P † Mary Contra Brown

Tuesday, July 25

Feast of Saint James (the Greater), Apostle

7:00 am P † Teodoro Torres

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 12:00 pm M

Conversion of Sinners 5:30 pm M

Wednesday, July 26

Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am P † Thaddea Schopieray

5:30 pm P Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, July 27

Thursday in the Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time

7:00 am P † Fred A. Stuht

5:30 pm R For the Sick and the Dying

Friday, July 28

Friday in the Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time

8:00 am M For the Protection of the Unborn

5:30 pm P † Ed & MaryAnne Voytko

Saturday, July 29

Vigil of the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:30 pm P Confessions

4:00 pm M † Richard Schmidt

† John and Rose Ann Rozic 5:00 pm P

6:00 pm R Conversion of Sinners

Sunday, July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am P Parishioners of St. Mary, St. Peter &

**Resurrection Parishes** 

9:00 am R Vocations to the Priesthood

9:30 am P † John Groff

11:00 am M † Charles Daubert 11:30 am P † Catherine Liston

The Sacrament of Penance will be available 30 minutes before every Mass. The Rosary will be said 30 minutes before weekend and most weekday Masses.

M-St. Mary | P-St. Peter | R-Resurrection

# IN GOD'S ARMS

John Mark Haddock Ronald Klupp Orga Marinelli



Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.



Father Herman F. Scherger, Senior Status Priest of the Diocese of Toledo, Died on Saturday, July 8, 2023.

shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, though the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



# FROM THE PASTOR:



From the Pastor.

This Wednesday the Church celebrates the feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne. They are the parents of the Virgin Mary, who would become the mother of Jesus. In the image below, St. Anne is shown holding Mary in one arm and the

Sacred Scriptures in the other arm. The visual words at the top of the image are "Anna, Mater BMV" which translate as "Anna, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary." The image is of a mosaic on the ceiling of the lower church in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. If you have never been there, it is worth visiting. (Maybe we'll make a tri-parish pilgrimage there!)

What is of particular importance in this image is what Anne is doing. She is teaching her daughter about God through the writings of the Old Testament. Parents need to see themselves as teachers of their children just like



school teachers. Parents are the first and most important teachers of their children. Here in this image, we see that Anne was critically important to whom Mary would later become. As a young child, Mary already begins to know and love the Lord because of her parents, Joachim and Anne.

In this regard, Pope Francis said the following (emphasis added): "In their home, Mary came into the world, accompanied by the extraordinary mystery of the Immaculate Conception. Mary grew up in the home of Joachim and Anne. She was surrounded by their love and faith. In their home she learned to listen to the Lord and to follow His will. Saints Joachim and Anne were part of a long chain of people who had transmitted their faith and love for God, expressed in the warmth and love of family life, down to Mary, who received the Son of God in her womb and who gave him to the world, to us. How precious is the family as the privileged place for transmitting the faith!"

Parents sometimes don't think they have the ability to teach their children about the Catholic Faith. They need to be encouraged, as they are fully capable of doing so. This type of teaching begins with love and respect of God and His commandments just as we are to love and respect our neighbor. Love of God is first. Parents themselves are learning about the Faith as they seek to teach it to their children. Each day parents should devote 30 minutes to Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light praying with their children and teaching the Catholic Faith. Worldly knowledge is important but only knowing and living the Faith will get you to heaven!

> Sts. Joachim and Anne, pray for us! Fr. Miller

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#### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:30 am — 5:00 pm Wednesday: 8:30 am — 6:30 pm | Saturday & Sunday: Closed

# **New Parishioners:**

Welcome to St. Peter 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 Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your 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 Noon, one week prior to publication date. All submissions must be in writing to bulletin@myspartans.org.

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# PARISH NEWS

# ARE YOU CONSIDERING BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Do you know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and her teachings? We would love to help you find the answers to your questions and accompany you on your faith journey through the OCIA process. Classes begin this fall. Please contact Jenny Ewing for more information at <a href="mailto:ewingstmary@gmail.com">ewingstmary@gmail.com</a> or 419-589-2114 ext 508.

# IS YOUR CHILD OVER THE AGE OF 7 AND NOT YET BAPTIZED?

Does your child want to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist)? Because they have reached the "age of reason" the Catholic Church considers them "adults" and invites them to participate in the OCIC process to prepare them to receive the sacraments and become full members of the Catholic Church. Please contact Jenny Ewing for more information

# FEED THE NEEDY

The next Feed the Needy dinner will be on Sunday, July 23, from 3:00 to 4:30 pm at St. Peter. If you can volunteer, please arrive at 1:30 pm to the door at the back of the high school. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, please email:

# nestor.paula@myspartans.org.

# YOUNG ADULT EVENT

Calling all young adults and those who are young at heart! Join us for our Sip and Paint taking place August 23rd at the Bucyrus Knights of Columbus Hall (217 S. Poplar Street, Bucyrus) from 6-8 pm.

Appetizers and beverages will be provided and the cost for materials is \$13.00 Please RSVP no later than August 11th if you are able to attend. Come make some great friends and some great art! Our regular Theology on Tap sessions will begin in September and more information will be available at the Sip and Paint! We hope to see you there!

# 2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Thank you for pledging today to help meet

our parish goal and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information and to make your gift, visit: **acatoledo.org**.

St. Peter Parish Goal:\$59,068Gifts/Pledges to Date:\$43,144.82% of Goal73.04%Total Families Donated:211

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# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Since the Lent of 2022, a group of parishioners have been working with Fr. Miller to make improvements and repairs to our campus buildings. They have generously donated their time and talents to form a great team that has benefited the parish in many ways. This dedicated crew of volunteers works on projects several times a month throughout the year. Please consider being part of this comradery of people who have fun working together for the betterment of the parish. Delicious lunches are often provided. Specific skills and expertise are not required but are certainly welcomed! There can be a lot of joy and pride in accomplishing projects for the

# ATTENTION ALL KNIGHTS & HOME COMPANY MEMBERS:

Please take note of our Annual Knights Home
Company meeting on Wednesday, July 26th at 6:00
PM at the Knights Hall at 1114 Park Ave West. We will
discuss the state of the Home Company
and Council 687. All Council and Home
Company members are welcome.

We will also conduct the Election of the Board of Directors for 2023-2024. We are seeking the involvement of 5 new Directors to complete our Board. All 3rd Degree members in good standing are eligible for



#### PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

Something new this year at Richland Correctional is our "Catholic Crushers" softball team! We are looking forward to welcoming a group of players from Resurrection Parish next weekend and Fr. Jeremy Miller and his students from the University of Toledo/Corpus Christi Parish the following weekend. We are hoping more parishes will "field a team" and visit RiCI this summer or early fall for a game! Players must be men over 18 years of age. Other adults may join us to cheer on our teams. Interested? Contact Lynne at lukach.lynne@myspartans.org.



# SAVE THE DATE!

Tri-Parish pilgrimage Sept. 21, 2023...Trip to Canton, Ohio area includes stops at the following places:

St Dymphna National Shrine Mother Angelica Museum Rhoda Wise House & Grotto Sancta Clara Monastery

Leave St Mary Church parking lot 7:30 am and return to St. Mary by 5:00 PM. Registration available at all three Parish Offices. \$60 registration fee. Checks payable to St. Peter Parish due by September 7.

# JOIN OUR FUNERAL LUNCHEON TEAM

The funeral luncheon teams are looking for volunteers to join a team to help prepare and serve lunches for funerals held at St Peter. Please contact Ann Harraman at 419-524-3275 or call the parish office if you are interested in helping out.



**RECYCLING DAY: FRIDAY, August 11** 10—11 a.m. & 2–4 p.m. — FAC Parking Lot

H.O.P.E. PANTRY BLUE BARREL WEEKEND August 12 & 13



# UNIVERSAL SCHOOL CHOICE FOR ALL OHIO FAMILIES!

We are so grateful to the Ohio Legislature for their passage of Universal School Choice in the state budget. The Universal School Choice legislation is specifically designed to support Ohio families who seek the ability to proactively choose a school that aligns with

their family's values and educational goals for their children. Now every family, regardless of address or income, can receive some type of an EdChoice scholarship.

# What does this mean for parents?

Every family in Ohio, regardless of income or address, is now eligible to apply for an EdChoice Scholarship to attend St. Peter's School. Families who make less than 450% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPV) who live in ANY school district will receive a full scholarship covering 100% of tuition for the upcoming school year.

Household Size	450% FPV
2	\$88,740
3	\$111,870
4	\$135,000
5	\$158,130
6	\$181,260
7	\$227,100
8	\$252,800

Families that earn more than 450% FPV can apply to receive a prorated scholarship based on income. In the past, families living outside the Mansfield City School District did not have access to scholarships unless they were considered low income. Now, everyone can the receive a scholarship for the school of their choice. See the link below for more details

In addition to universal school choice, this year's budget also provides for more funding for public school districts supporting a new school funding formula which increases base costs and perpupil categorical funding. There is also new funding for community charter schools.

If you haven't considered St. Peter's School in the past because of access to scholarships, we hope you now take a second look. Rooted in faith, St. Peter's School is a community of grace, dedicated to excellence, where every student is known, valued, and loved. Recognizing the importance of formative education, we are very excited about our new Middle School which is specifically designed to challenge, nurture and foster greatness in our emerging adolescents.

The future of St. Peter's School is bright, as our staff and administration continue to work hard every day to provide the best academic environment in Richland County for students to succeed.

To learn more, visit: mansfieldstpeters.org/school/EdChoice

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# **TICKETS ON SALE THIS WEEKEND!**

Augustfest tickets will be on sale in church after Mass the next two weekends.

Individual admission tickets are \$25 each and include dinner and a grand prize raffle entry. Additional raffle tickets are \$10 each.

A reserved VIP Table for 8 is \$250.

# To purchase tickets visit: mansfieldstpeters.org/august

Volunteers are needed to help make this evening a success. To volunteer, please visit this link: **bit.ly/augustfest23** or contact Jess Berry at **berry.jess@myspartans.org** or (419) 564-8179.

# **CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

The Diocese of Toledo will honor couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60-plus years of marriage during the year 2023 at a mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on Sunday, October 22nd at 3:00pm at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, (2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo).

Following Mass, there will be a reception in the gym with light appetizers. Couples may pick up their certificate and take a photo at the reception.

# Registration is now open!

Register at: tinyurl.com/Anniversary-Registration

# SINGERS WANTED: 2023 ASSUMPTION CHOIR

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly...The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey invites area singers to join the 2023 Assumption Choir.

This choir will lead the music for the Vigil Mass of the Assumption, in the Shrine Park, on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 9:30 p.m. This unique experience gives singers, amateur and professional, the opportunity to sing a wide variety of music with a short-term commitment. Rehearsals will be held from 4:00–5:30 p.m. in the Original Shrine Church (next to the Gift Shop) on Sundays: July 30, August 6, and August 13. Please direct any questions to the basilica's Director of Music Ministries, Mr. Anthony Gallina, at music@olcshrine.com or 419–396–7107, ext. 104.



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# 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.



**Sunday and Holy Day Collections** 

Total Budgeted Sunday Collection:

Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)

Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:

Holly Barnes
Kathy Giorigi
Caroline Clark
Kathy Deckard
Scott Darnell
Lynn Raque
Don Yockey
Dr. Kimberly Nemet
Michael Rohal
Tom Castrataro
Shirley Castrataro
George Svede

Jim Cantinilla

Genevieve Wala

\$931,701

\$871,470

\$60,231

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday** Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27;

Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30

**Monday** Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday** 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt

20:20-28

**Wednesday** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28; Mt

13:1-9;

**Thursday** Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dan 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Mt

13:10-17

**Friday** Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 13:18-23

**Saturday** Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk

10:38-42

# Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



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or call the parish office



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Resurrection	St. Mary	St. Peter
8:00-Noon	Noon-5:30	5:30-9:00

# Total School Collection: \$101,280 Total Budgeted School Collection: \$120,000 School Collection Surplus/(Deficit) (\$18,720)

Sunday Stewardship As of June 2023, YEAR END

# SAINT SHARBEL MAKHLUF, PRIEST (1828-1898) FEAST DAY—JULY 24



**School Collection** 

The convenience store owner chatted animatedly in Arabic with coworkers, but hardly at all with his "American" clientele. So soon after 9/11, he probably figured, with my accent, the less said, the better. That changed when an "American" customer recognized Saint Sharbel's portrait on the wall: "So you're Lebanese Maronites!" The owner was happily incredulous: "You know our saint?" "Not at first," the customer admitted. "But we help the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, and their magazine published that picture and called Sharbel the 'Paradoxical Artisan of Peace.' " "Everyone thinks we're Muslims," said the owner, "and some of my workers are. Saint Sharbel helps us live together in peace!" A hermit for twenty-three years, little is known of Sharbel's life. He died after suffering a stroke while celebrating the liturgy. Miracles attributed to his intercession number in the thousands, and in war-torn Lebanon, Catholics, Orthodox, and Muslims pray together where

his incorrupt body is entombed. How lovely if after our passing, we too could be remembered for having brought very different people to the one God, together in peace.—Peter Scagnelli

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