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Matthew 25:6

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2023
St Peter Parish, Mansfield, Ohio

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Liturgical Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, November 13

Monday Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

8:00 am R Conversion of Sinners
8:30 am R Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:30 pm P **Religious Vocations**

Tuesday, November 14

Tuesday of the Thirty-Second week in Ordinary Time

7:00 am P † Rhea Ohi
12:00 pm M Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:30 pm M † Bet Sablan

Wednesday, November 15

Wednesday of the Thirty-Second week in Ordinary Time

7:00 am P † Scott Biggs
8:30 am P † Jim & Karen Sertell
9:45 am M Sick and Dying
5:30 pm P **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursday, November 16

Thursday of the Thirty-Second week in Ordinary Time

7:00 am P † Frank Edward Brucato
5:30 pm R † Souls in Purgatory

Friday, November 17

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

8:00 am M Homebound and in Nursing Homes
5:30 pm P † Frederick Timko III

Saturday, November 18

Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm M † Milton Montsilos
5:00 pm P **Special Intention of Dr Joseph Kurtzman**
6:00 pm R Parishioners of Our Tri- Parish Community

Sunday, November 19

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am P † Jopseph Specht
9:00 am R † Bob Sutter
9:30 am P † Andy & Martha Sobek
11:00 am M † Carl Mascazine
11:30 am P † Rudy Weiss

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

From the Pastor:



Dear Parishioners,

Saturday of this weekend is Veterans Day, a time for us to be appreciative and thankful for the many men and women who served our country through the Armed Forces. We need to be grateful to those who make personal sacrifices for the

greater good of our country. Without their efforts, during both peacetime and wartime, the world would be very different and for the worse.

As we continue to pray for the souls in purgatory, here is some additional food for thought: no Christian who truly understands the bible denies the “demands of the Kingdom of God”. The bible clearly indicates that we must be “spotless and blameless” because “the pure in heart...shall see God” (2 Pt 3:14, Mt 5:8). Such people, as Jesus indicates, are very close to loving God with all of their heart, mind, soul, and strength. Such people also love their “neighbors” as they love themselves. Where the dilemma begins is how these demands are met by each person.

A very popular thought among many Christians is that God will do this for us, similarly to taking your vehicle through the car wash. They might quote from the bible where it says that “in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet...we shall be changed.” (1 Cor 15:52) This passage is referring to the general resurrection at the end of time when each human soul is reunited to his/her own resurrected body, never again to experience physical death, regardless if that person is in heaven or hell. This physical change God will do for us, but the change of heart and mind needed to enter heaven can only be done by us with the grace of God.

We can better understand this in our experience of having to say “I’m sorry” to another person. I remember quarreling with my brothers at various times when I was a young boy. Sometimes, in the midst of being mad at one of them, my parents would make me apologize to my brother and say “I’m sorry”. I didn’t want to do so, but I knew my parents weren’t going to let me do otherwise. So, I said the words while giving my brother a scowling look. Regardless of what they did, my parents could never **make** me sorry. The same is true of God in making us love others. God can teach us and help us to do so, but ultimately, we must do it. Purgatory is finishing the work of loving God and neighbor in the way Jesus showed us at Calvary.

At first glance, Godly love seems demanding, but that is only because we are looking at it through fallen, sinful eyes. For those who have not yet learned and lived the ways of Godly love here on earth, their last hope is Purgatory. It is God’s mercy that gives the human person yet another opportunity to do what they should have been doing here on earth. The saints show us what our life here on earth should look like. Use your freedom to become a saint now and spare yourself the pain of purgatory later.

Gratefully,
Fr. Miller

In God’s Arms

Please Remember to Pray for our Beloved Dead

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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 office to begin plans for the baptism of your child.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements should always be made at the parish office at least twelve months in advance of the ceremony.

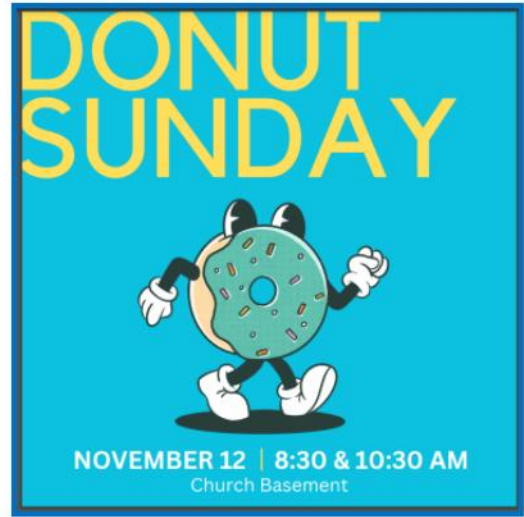
Bulletin Deadline

Monday at Noon, one week prior to publication date.

Send to: bulletin@myspartans.org. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

Gospel Choir Music Series—November 12

St. Peter's Music Series is proud to present the Gospel Choir of St. Dominic's Church from Columbus in concert on Sunday, November 12th at 4:00 PM in the Church. Celebrating Black Catholic History Month, the program will feature some of the best of current Gospel Music, together with our own St. Peter's High School Gospel Choir joining St. Dominic's Choir for a few selections, with the addition of singers from Gospel Choirs here in Mansfield. You won't want to miss this concert. It's sure to be lively and uplifting. Call 419-524-2572, ext. 2113, for more information. As always, admission is free and open to the public. Handicapped accessible.



St. Peter Community Outreach Ministry

The next outreach meal will be November 19 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.

Volunteers Needed Making Cabbage Rolls

Wednesday, November 15th—Preparing Cabbage
 Thursday, November 16th—Preparing Cabbage
 Friday, November 17th—Making & cooking Cabbage Rolls

8:00 am each day in the High School Cafeteria

Many sit down jobs available

Volunteers are greatly appreciated.

Contact Ann Brown with any questions

419 756 6983 or 419 571 3859

New this fall!

PIEROGI & CABBAGE ROLL PRESALE

Saturday, November 18
8:30 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.
St. Peter's High School Cafeteria
(enter behind high school at door facing W. 2nd St. parking lot)

Thanksgiving Day Mass

8:00 am—St. Peter Parish
9:00 am—Resurrection Parish
10:00am—St. Mary Parish

Sunday Stewardship As of September 2023

Sunday and Holy Day Collections

Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$214,215
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection:	\$220,318
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(6,103)

School Collection

Total School Collection:	\$35,385
Total Budgeted School Collection:	\$28,750
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$6,635

H.O.P.E. PANTRY BLUE BARREL WEEKEND
 November 11 & 12

School Administration



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of the other and otherness.”

Every day at St. Peter’s School, we are humbled, honored, and obligated to “go and make disciples.” With our diverse student population, many of whom are not Catholic, St. Peter’s School genuinely embraces the Pope’s call to be a place “that encounters the contemporary world that weaves fraternal relationships.” Our school is the quintessential “space of encounter, implementing good practices of hospitality, welcome, recognition and integration.” Every day, in Theology class, on the playground, in the cafeteria, in our hallways, and especially in Mass, our students see, hear, learn, and experience the Gospel, as we welcome, recognize, know, value, and love them.

This week, our entire school community came together to celebrate All Saints Day Mass. As part of a long-standing St. Peter’s tradition, our fourth graders dressed up as their favorite saints, acting as readers, greeters, and gift bearers. It was a beautiful Mass, with our students and their families, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, hearing the Gospel, singing the hymns, and sharing the grace found in communion and community. After Mass, a parishioner noted that St. Peter’s School has changed over the years. While I understand this sentiment, please know that St. Peter’s School remains steadfast in its mission of Catholic education. Moreover, every single day we are living “the essential mission of the church,” as we “evangelize all people.” This year, we have twelve high school students beginning the initial stages of the OCIA process, taking weekly formation classes with Fr. Kevin and our Director of Theology Nathan Sims. There is no greater work of the church than “baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” I want to thank St. Peter’s Parish for supporting our school, our mission, and our ever-present evangelization, “a task and mission which the vast and profound changes of present-day society make all the more urgent.”

Laurie McKeon

Volunteers Needed for St Peter Cafeteria

The St. Peter School cafeteria is in need of additional volunteers for the serving line. The hours are 10:00 am to 1:00 pm each day of the week. Volunteers can work either one or more days. Please contact Kris Ditullio at 419-524-2572 ext 2110 and be part of the Spartan Family!!

Head of School Update

In my role as Head of School, I often hear commentary about our school, our staff, and our students, people at times questioning the effectiveness of our Catholic education. While I am always eager to have conversations about St. Peter’s School and love relaying stories of our students’ progress, it is very important to me that the people of St. Peter’s Parish hear about the transformative and truly Catholic work that happens every day in our school.

Sharing the truth and beauty of Christ’s message is foundational to our Catholic faith. In Matthew 28:19, Christ calls his disciples to spread his Gospel to all people: “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” Pope Paul VI affirmed this Catholic obligation in his letter on “Evangelization in the Modern World”: “We wish to confirm once more that the task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church. It is a task and mission which the vast and profound changes of present-day society make all the more urgent.”

Earlier this year, in his March 22nd weekly catechesis, Pope Francis referenced Pope Paul VI’s message on Evangelization, challenging all Catholics to create a faith community “that encounters the contemporary world, that weaves fraternal relationships, that generates spaces of encounter, implementing good practices of hospitality, welcome, recognition and integration



All Saints’ Day



High School JESUS MOVEMENT

At Resurrection Parish 2600 Lexington Ave.

Next Event is Sunday, **November 12**

December

3rd

17th

January

14th

21st

SEE FULL SCHEDULE



Sundays 6 to 8 PM

MIDDLE SCHOOL JESUS MOVEMENT

ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL TEENS FROM OUR TRI-PARISH AND BEYOND ARE INVITED

St Peter in the Franciscan Activity Center Atrium
111 W. First St. Mansfield, Oh 44902

Next Event is Sunday, **December 3**

6:00PM - 8:00PM

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Upcoming Dates

December 3

January 14 & 28

February 18

March 3 & 17

April 7

Damascus Middle School Youth Group Last Sunday at St. Peter.



ST. PETER MUSIC SERIES

PRESENTS

A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR ADVENT

St. Peter Catholic Church
Sunday, December 17
Christmas cookies and pastries to follow in church basement

4 pm

Bereavement Mass Candles and Crosses

Our annual Bereavement Mass was last Sunday. If you had a loved one pass away in the last year and the funeral was here at St Peter, you can pick up your cross and candle at the Parish office beginning Monday, November 13th.



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THANKSGIVING 7:00 P.M.**

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November 17th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
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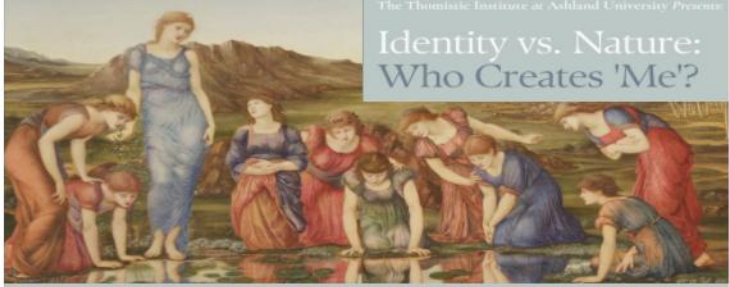
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Franciscan University of Steubenville

This lecture is free and open to the public.
Register through the QR code or online at
www.thomisticinstitute.org

**Resurrection Parish is in need of a part time
custodian to clean the parish building.**

Work hours are flexible and typically will
average 15 hours per week.

If interested, please contact Sara Freed at the
parish office.

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Parish Prayer List

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 office.



Lura Barnes	John & Cindy Lloyd
Holly Barnes	Krista Marshall
MaKaya Butler	Danny Marti
Marianne Cappadonna	Rosemary Musille
Christine Caudill	Kathy Nash
Caroline Clark	Dr. Kimberly Nemeth
Betty Connolly	Carol Pittenger
Paul Conry	Lynn Raque
Josephine Contra	Stephanie Reynolds
Frederick Dale	Barbara Riley
Scott Darnell	Bill Ruhl
Kathy Deckard	Colleen Schambre
Cherrie De La Paz	Joan Schonhardt
Adrian DeLeon	Larry Strauser
David Donley	Linda & Cindy Thompson
Jeffrey Downing	Sandy Trebonik
Mick Frye SPS '71	Sharon Valdry
Micah Galuzny	Genevieve (Jenny) Wala
Rick Gasper	Beth Weiland
Alan Gleisenger	Penny Wendland
Kathy Groff	Marylin Williamson
Danny Kiehl	Gwen Yockey
Jeannine Klotz	Don Yockey
Cindy Lassen	Michael Yoha
Susan Leach	

Homebound Parishioners

We are updating our list of homebound parishioners and nursing home residents. If you know of someone needing a visit or pastoral care, please contact the parish office at 419-524-2572. If a family member or friend has moved from their home to a care facility, please call the parish office to update their address.

2023 Giving Tree

In collaboration with St. Peter's staff, St. Vincent de Paul and discussions with the Agency programs we serve, we decided to continue with a general Gift card collection for the families we serve for our Giving tree.



During the few years, we have discovered this has allowed the families and individuals we have served an opportunity to allow them to purchase gifts specifically tailored to their children and family and has additionally allowed more of an equal distribution of gifts for those that gift requests have not been returned. We again are supporting the families from St. Peter's school, St. Vincent de Paul clients, Parish families and shut in parishioner's, Catholic Charities programs (Angel Tree -Children of Prisoners and Project Bethlehem) and community families served through the Salvation Army. Our Gift Card collection will begin during the weekend Masses starting the weekend Masses beginning Nov. 25 th through Dec. 11 th . Look for additional details in upcoming future bulletins. As always, we appreciate all the care, love and support our Parish shows to those in need, most especially during the Christmas Season.

Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 12, 2023

Sunday	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13
Monday	Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday	Wis 2:23-3:39; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday	Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday	Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
Friday	Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday	Dedication of the Churches of Peter and Paul; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8 <i>Proper readings for Peter & Paul.</i> Acts 28: 11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Mt 14:22-23
Sunday	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or Mt 25:14-15, 19-21



Prison Ministry Corner

It's that time of year and our brothers at Richland Correctional are busy preparing for both our annual Catholic Retreat and our Christmas Program. We invite our tri-parish parishioners to contribute bagels, cream cheese, and cookies for the Retreat. Retreat date is December 2. Items can be brought to the St. Peter's Parish Center during business hours the week of Nov. 27 to Dec. 1. We have been so grateful each year for the generous outpouring and support of our parishioners! Thank you! (We can accept any type of bagels/cream cheese, but cookies only, please - no brownies, cupcakes, etc.) Questions? Please contact Lynne at lukach.lynne@myspartans.org.

