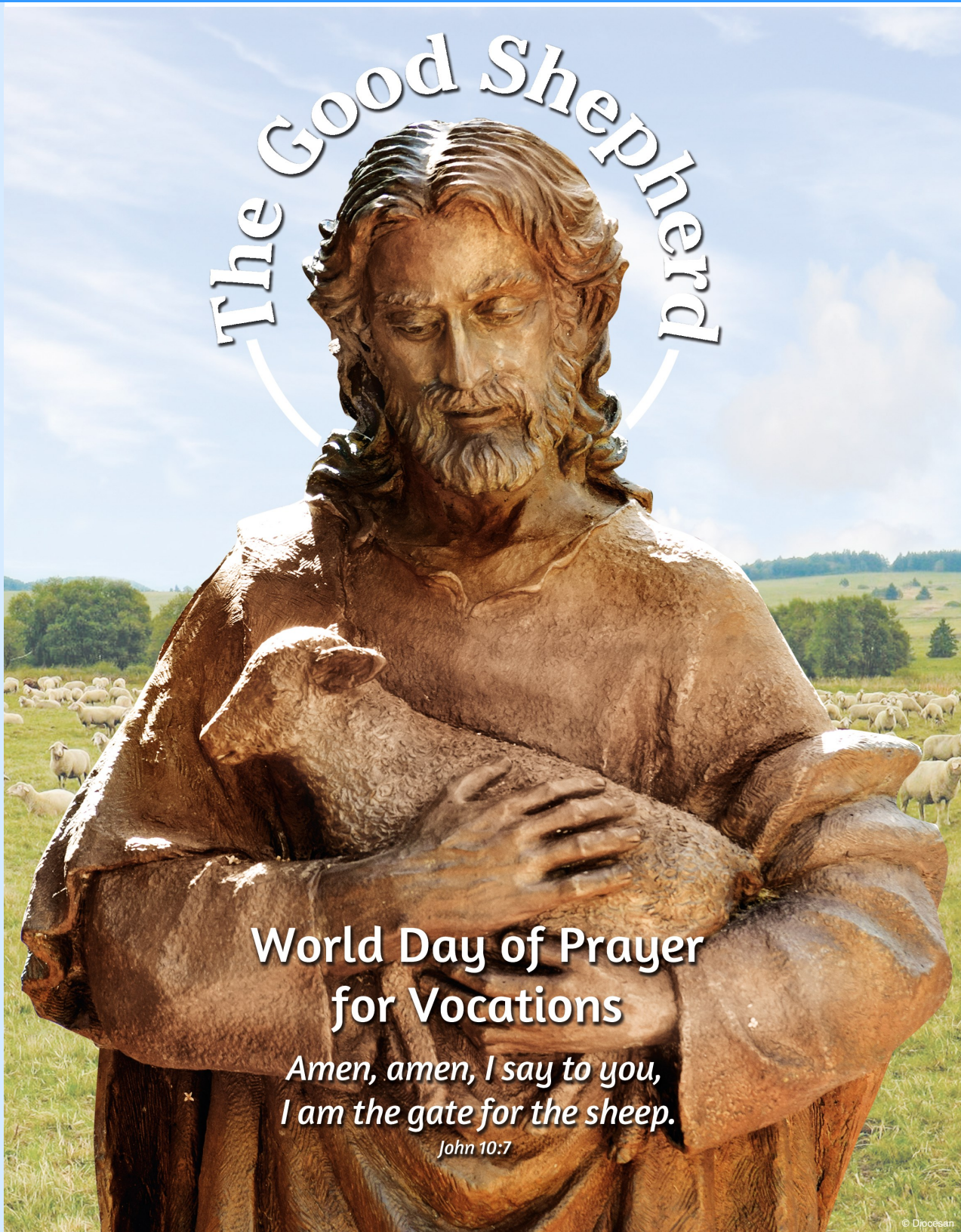


Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



The Good Shepherd



SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

World Day of Prayer
for Vocations

*Amen, amen, I say to you,
I am the gate for the sheep.*

John 10:7

PARISH STAFF



PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. David L. James V.G., J.C.L.
PASTORS EMERITI: Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin
Rev. Msgr. William E. Handges
PERMANENT DEACON: Mr. Thomas Reimer
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Mrs. Lina Abi-Samra
FINANCE MANAGER: Mrs. Michelle Ahern
DIRECTOR OF REL. ED.: Mrs. Linda Johnson

MASS SCHEDULE: DAILY: 8 A.M. ~ Chapel (*except Monday & Saturday*)

Saturday Evening: 4:00 P.M. Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.

Holy Days: 8:00 A.M. & 6:30 P.M.

PENANCE: Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 P.M. and by appointment
During Advent and Lent, Communal Penance Services are celebrated.

BAPTISM: Contact the rectory for an appointment.

Baptism is scheduled on Sunday following the 10:30 A.M. Mass

Parents may be required to attend a preparatory instruction in the rectory.

MARRIAGE: Couples should contact the parish priest at least 1 year but no later than 6 months prior to the intended wedding date. Weddings are on Saturday between 10A.M. and 1P.M.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Notify the rectory when someone becomes seriously ill, or weak due to old age, so that the person might receive this Sacrament.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: The priest & Deacons perform this service monthly. Notify us when someone wishes to be visited.

HOSPITALIZED: Alert us whenever someone has to be hospitalized, especially when their admission is an emergency. The parish identification number is #171.

PARISH REGISTRATION: New members should make an appointment with the pastor.

HIGH SCHOOL: Allentown Central Catholic, 4th & Chew Sts., Allentown 18102; Phone 610-437-4601

ELEMENTARY: Good Shepherd Catholic School, 1300 Newport Ave., Northampton, PA 18067
phone: 610-262-9171 Mrs. Susan Parker, M.Ed. Principal

CCD PROGRAM: Classes conducted at the Holy Apostles Catholic Education Center,
3008 Ruch St., Whitehall, PA 18052

The program is from September to the end of April.

These classes are necessary for eligibility to receive the Sacraments of Penance, Eucharist and Confirmation.

Contact Mrs. Linda Johnson at 610-261-0144

BEQUESTS: Please remember St. Peter Church in your Last Will & Testament.

IN MEMORIAM FUND: After the death of a family member you are invited to have that person's name commemorated on the Church Plaque by suggesting that memorial offerings be donated to the Church in memory of the deceased person.

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE Wendy Krisak, Direct Telephone 1-800-791-9209 Email: victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT Pamela Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204 Email: pruso@allentowndiocese.org

CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.



www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com



info@stpetersrccoplay.com



610.262.2417



610.262.2652

Mission Statement

We, as a Catholic parish under the patronage of Saint Peter, are a Eucharistic family, centered in prayer and worship, dedicated to self-sacrificing stewardship, and journeying together, Spirit-inspired, to the heavenly Kingdom.



Sunday April 21st Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12; 1Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-8
8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Society
10:30 AM Holy Name Society

Monday April 22nd Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
8:00 AM No Morning Mass

Tuesday April 23rd Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
8:00 AM Michael Cesanek

Wednesday April 24th Easter Weekday

Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
8:00AM Theresa Flisak

Thursday April 25th St. Mark, Evangelist

1Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20
8:00 AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

Friday April 26th Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
8:00AM John Wechsler

Saturday April 27th Easter Weekday

Acts 9:13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Clare Porvaznik

Sunday April 28th Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Jeffrey Gober
10:30AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

PRAYER GROUP

If you would like your name or the name of a family member to be added to the list please call the office at 610.262.2417



Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 4/14
Basket collection \$4770.00 plus online \$792.00
Please continue your weekly or monthly giving to our parish. Your contributions are vital in order for us to meet our obligations. If unable to attend Mass, kindly send your envelopes through the mail or drop them in the rectory mail slot.
Your **support** to your parish is critical.
I thank you for your kind and generous response.
Please be assured that you and your family are always in my prayers
Monsignor James



ONLINE GIVING

****Start giving online today!****
Visit our parish website at <https://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com>
Click on the online giving link
Create an account.
Schedule your recurring gifts



FLAME OF LOVE

On Tuesday, April 23rd 2024



HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, April 24th in the Church at 7PM

DEVOTIONAL LAMP



Sanctuary Light
Will burn in memory of
Cecilia Kraynek
Offered by Cecilia Snyder and Family

Blessed Mother Vigil Light
Will burn in memory of
Angela and Edward Kopfer
Offered by Marie Hamscher

MASSSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS:

HEALTH: Kathryn Wechsler, Mary Wagner

DECEASED: Helen Boger, Diane Jandrasits, Anna Marie Becker

WHITEHALL COPLAY HUNGER INITIATIVE CEREAL COLLECTION



It's that time again, we will be collecting boxes of Cereal (hot and cold) in support of Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative.

Containers are located in the main vestibule and the elevator vestibule. This collection will take place on the last weekend of the month.

The February Collection yielded 170 boxes, while in March we collected 107 boxes. Thank you for all your help and generous donations!

BASKETS NEEDED

Not sure what to do with those Easter Baskets..... consider donating them to St. Peter Homecoming Basket Raffle. We are in need of baskets for this year's parish picnic. Please feel free to call Sue Rabenold at 610-730-4655 or the church rectory at 610.262.2417

Thank you!

CALLING ALL CORNHOLE PLAYERS & FANS



1st Annual
Joint Lehigh Valley Knights

CORNHOLE CHARITY TOURNAMENT

Saturday, May 18
Egypt Memorial Park
Tournament Begins at 12:00 PM
Cash Prizes for Top 3 Teams

\$60 per Team of Two

Includes tournament entry,

lunch for two, two drinks each, fun,

& feel goods from supporting a great cause

Register via the SCOREHOLIO app under "Lehigh Valley Knights" & payment via VENMO @KOC10921
Questions? Contact Tyler Miller 610-984-7642 or m2woodworker@gmail.com

THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT!

Spectators, guests, cheerleaders, and families are welcome.

Food, beer, snacks, and beverages are available for purchase.

Kids' cornhole area, 50/50, & basket raffles. Rain or Shine!

PLEASE BRING A CANNED OR BOXED FOOD DONATION.

All proceeds from this event benefit WCHI and Parkland Cares, two of our local Food Pantries.



SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

For more info, please contact

Don Sheatsley 267-317-5574

Jim Molchany 484-809-6339



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

We will now be selling GSCS Family Prayer Cards. Each card is \$5.00. You can enroll deceased family members or friends, or someone for health and blessings. Prayer cards are available for purchase during school hours, and before and after our school Masses.

They will be acknowledged in the following ways:

A votive candle will be lit in their honor.

Their name will be written in our intention book.

They will be remembered every day in the prayer of all the children during morning prayer, and at every school Mass.

This is not a Mass Card, rather a Prayer card where a general intention inclusive of all Prayer Family Members will be mentioned.

Good Shepherd Catholic School has limited space available for students entering grades K-8, Pre-K (4 years old) and Preschool (3 year old). We are now accepting registrations for the 2024-2025 school year for all grades. Spaces are filling fast! Don't wait! For more information regarding enrollment, please call Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director at 610-262-9171, email her at

msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com

or visit our school website at

www.goodshepherd-catholic.com!



Holy Apostles RE

610.261.0144 or holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org

Office Fall Hours: M-Th 3-8PM; closed Fridays

Regular class for grades 1-7

April 26 Saint Peter Communion Practice 6:30-7:45pm

April 28 Saint Peter Communion 10:30 am

April 29 End of Year Service St. John the Baptist at 6pm

HOLY NAME SOCIETY HOAGIE SALE

Holy Name members are available after all weekend Masses to take your pre-paid orders for their delicious hoagies. We are again making seller sheets available to all who are interested. The reverse side of the seller form contains all necessary information. Please consider helping us with this fundraiser and pick up a form after all Masses. Thank you in advance for your support. Prices remain at \$6.00 per hoagie. All proceeds will benefit Saint Peter's shut-ins.



The 2024 *Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal* is underway! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. You can the QR code and make your gift today at :



www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org



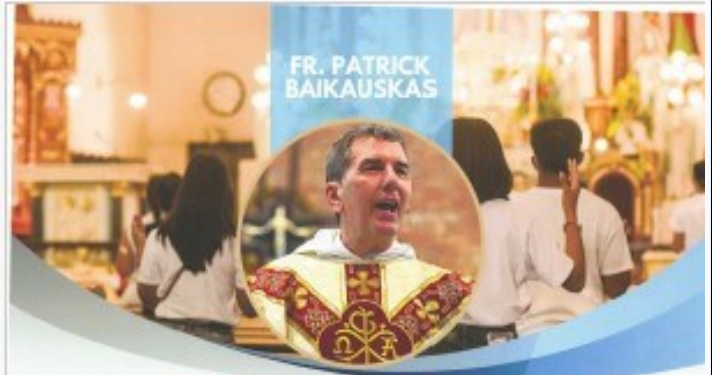
Holy Family Manor is our Diocesan Nursing Home.

It offers different levels of care including :

- * Assisted Living
- * Skilled Nursing Care
- * Respite Care
- * Short term and long term rehab services

The staff at Holy Family Manor will be making a presentation at Saint Peter on Thursday, April 25 at 6pm. This presentation is sponsored by Saint Peter's Altar and Rosary Society. A light supper will be provided. All parishioners are invited to attend. This will be a great opportunity to find out the services that Holy Family Manor provides and an opportunity to make plans for yourself and your loved ones.

To reserve your seat, please contact Saint Peter Rectory at 610.262.2417 no later than Monday, April



DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT NIGHT

"A Mystery to be Believed, Celebrated, & Lived"

APRIL | 28th | 2024

6:30-8pm - ADORATION

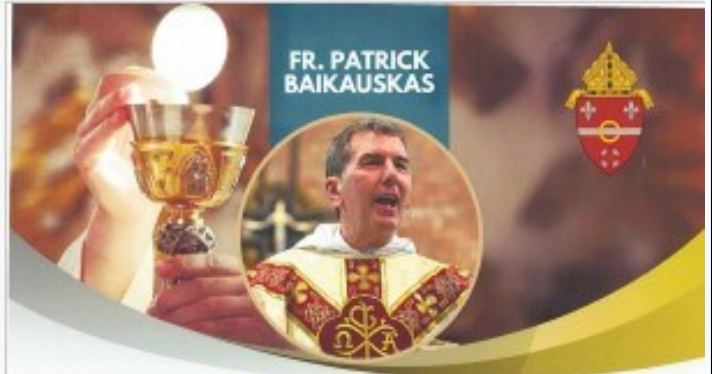
7pm - PRESENTATION

HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH
3121 KUTZTOWN RD, READING, PA 19605

OUR SPEAKER:

Fr. Patrick Baikuskas is a Dominican Friar and Director of the Center for Community Engagement and Evangelization at the Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, MO.

Please RSVP
by April 23



EUCCHARISTIC PREACHER EVENT

"A Mystery to be Believed, Celebrated, & Lived"

APRIL | 29th | 2024

6-7pm - ADORATION

7pm - PRESENTATION

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