

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*“Take courage,
it is I; do not
be afraid.”*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023



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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: Mr. Cyrus Doyle

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.

ANOIDING 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

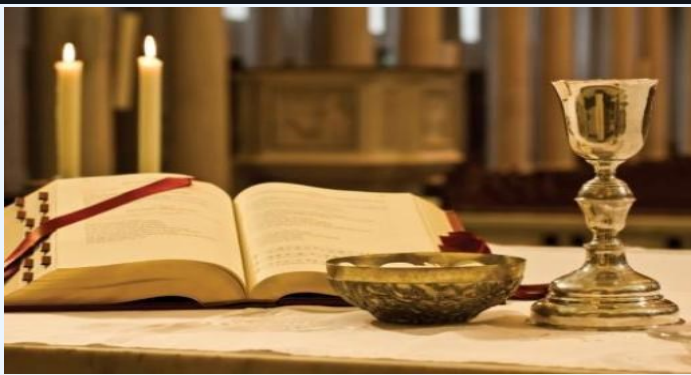
DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT Pamela Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204 Email:
pruso@allentowndiocese.org

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.



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 August 13th Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1Kgs 19:9a, 11-3a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

8:00 AM Frank Ferreira

10:30 AM Carl F. Kroboth

Monday August 14th Saint Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

1Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; Lk 11:27-28

6:30PM Parishioners of Saint Peter

Tuesday August 15th The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:39-56

8:00AM Special Intentions

Wednesday August 16th Weekday

Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20

8:00AM Charles Frisch

Thursday August 17th Weekday

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21—19:1

8:00 AM Mary Ann Koefer

Friday August 18th Weekday

Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12

8:00AM Clare Porvaznik

Saturday August 19th Weekday

Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15

Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Mary Molchany

Sunday August 20th Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Society

10:30AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 08/06/2023

Basket collection \$5640.00 plus online \$520.00

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



FLAME OF LOVE ~TUESDAYS

Rosary and Benediction 6:00-7:00PM



HOLY HOUR

**Confessions will be heard
on Wednesday, August 16, 2023**



DEVOTIONAL LAMPS

Sanctuary Light

Will burn in memory of

Frank Bodisch

Requested by Kathleen Bodisch



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

WHITEHALL-COPLAY HUNGER INITIATIVE

Free Community Meal will take place on

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at

Whitehall Bible Fellowship Church

3300 7th Street, Whitehall

from 4:00-6:00pm

Meals are guaranteed for the first 100 guests and will be an inside sit-down meal.

For additional information call 610.434.8661



OFFICE CLOSING

In observance of the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin the office will be closed on Tuesday, August 15.

We will see everyone on Wednesday, August 16.



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1300 Newport Avenue Northampton

We are accepting enrollment for the 23-24 school year for students entering grades K-8, Preschool (3 years old) and Pre-K (4 years Old). For more information regarding enrollment, or to set up a tour please call or email Ms. Erica Nochton, Advancement Director at 610.262.9171 or msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com
Summer office hours: Tuesday-Thursday 9am-1pm



HOLY APOSTLES RE

holypostlesre@holypostlesre.org 610.261.0144

Office Hours : M-W 10-5; Th 12-6; closed Fridays

Service Hours: Help set up at the Ed Center & St. Peter Pierogi making.

The Center will be closed from 7/27-8/9

Please drop off your registration forms in the drop box at the Ed. Center.

Grades 4, 6, 7, Monday Classes are closed.

We are still looking for teachers for grades 3 on Wednesday, and grade 6 on Monday please call the office if interested.

Call the office if interested in Confirmation Service Hours at the Center on 8/14 and 8/16.



HELP MINISTRY

We are a volunteer group trying to help and serve our elderly parishioners in need of transportation to Church, doctors' appointments,

shopping, etc...If you would like to help, please call Tom Schwindy at 610.261.3640 (H) or 484.747.2315 (C)

"Love and charity, are service, helping others, serving others...When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love!"

Pope Francis

For God and Country Concert

Join in a medley of patriotic music and songs by the choirs of the Cathedral Parish. Scripture, patriotic readings and reflection. First responders are welcome and invited to wear their uniforms. A free will offering will be taken. Sunday, September 10, 2 PM Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena on 18th & Turner Streets, Allentown.

Fellowship, food & fun

CHURCH Picnic



It was an **AMAZING** Spectacle!!!!

We survived the heat and we beat the rain all while having a great time with

our fellow parishioners and visitors. A special thanks to those who have attended our parish picnic. We hope you had a great time. As with every year, our picnic would not have come together the way it did without our army of sponsors, volunteer parishioners, non-parishioners, family members and friends who helped make it all possible. From the people who set up, cooked and served the food, organized the booths, conducted the games and helped us tear down on Monday. **THANK YOU !! A huge round of applause to our fabulous volunteers, you all deserve a standing ovation** for all of your hard work and dedication. Our Parish's biggest party was a success because your many hands made light work.

Central Catholic High School

301 N Fourth Street

Allentown, PA 18102

Academic Success * Catholic Values

Enroll today for the 23-24 School Year! Outstanding Academic opportunities in a faith-filled community.

Call or email to schedule an in-person visit! Contact Cara Meskill, Director of Admissions at 610-437-4601 ext. 148 or cmeskill@acchs.info.

Financial aid and Scholarships are available.



Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in your Marriage



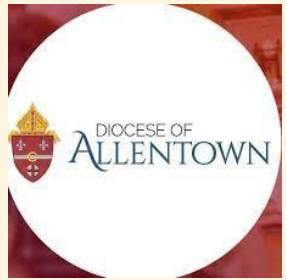
Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

Upcoming programs will be held August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org... or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



ST. JOSEPH IN THE HILLS RETREAT FOR MEN

Men in the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a period of refreshment, release, calming, learning, concentrating on the most important gift: your life, a gift from God. The retreat called 'St. Joseph in the Hills' will take place at Malvern Retreat House in Malvern, PA. The Lehigh Valley men's retreat group, dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, would like to invite you to experience the same excitement and awe that we feel on our yearly weekend. Learn, reflect, and increase your personal communion with the Lord. Join us on the weekend of **August 25, 26, & 27, 2023**, Friday night to Sunday morning. To register, contact Anthony Scarselletti of the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Group by phone (610-393-4671) or by email: OLPH.ascarselletti@gmail.com



Each year, the Diocese of Allentown celebrates the Vocation of Marriage by offering a Mass for married couples celebrating a milestone anniversary. The couples are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass held each September.

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2023 Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on **Sunday, September 17, 2023** at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown. If you are celebrating a special anniversary, we welcome you to register visit allentowndiocese.org.



NAME	TICKET#	AMOUNT
Mary Beth Schmidt	04197	\$1000.00
Denise Bodisch	02709	\$100.00
Helga Dirnbeck	02516	\$100.00
Sara Soltys	00064	\$100.00
Evelyn Herman	01318	\$100.00
Joseph R. Sinkovits	04718	\$100.00
Mel Procanyn	00090	\$100.00
M. Dreisbach	05050	\$100.00
Fay Horvath	04591	\$100.00
Laura Bodisch	02703	\$300.00
William Henits	01596	\$100.00
Joseph Herman, Jr.	01883	\$100.00
The Mathieus	02621	\$100.00
Barbara A. Felix	04965	\$100.00
Frank Luizer	00131	\$1000.00



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST RC CHURCH

3024 S Ruch St. Whitehall (Stiles) will have their Annual Parish Picnic on **Sunday, September 3rd** from 1PM to 9PM on the parish grounds. Music provided by :

The Pennsylvania Villagers 1-4PM & Joyous 5-9PM.

All are invited to join us for delicious foods, including homemade pierogies, children's games, raffles, refreshments, and Bake Sale. Bring your lawn chair or use our tables and chairs under the tents. Free Parking. Rain or Shine

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Second and Union Streets, Catasauqua
Beat the Heat Bingo!

When: Sunday, August 20, 2023

Where: St. Mary's Parish Center

Time : 11:30am

\$15 for 15 games, 6 specials, and a Special Jackpot Game. Bring your daubers. No hardboards.

Cash Prizes- Additional game sheets available for purchase. First Come-First Serve

BYOB but not outside food— Kitchen opens at 11:30 with your favorite snacks and Bingo Food. To reserve a table email kim.stmarys122@gmail.com or call 610.264.0332