

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037

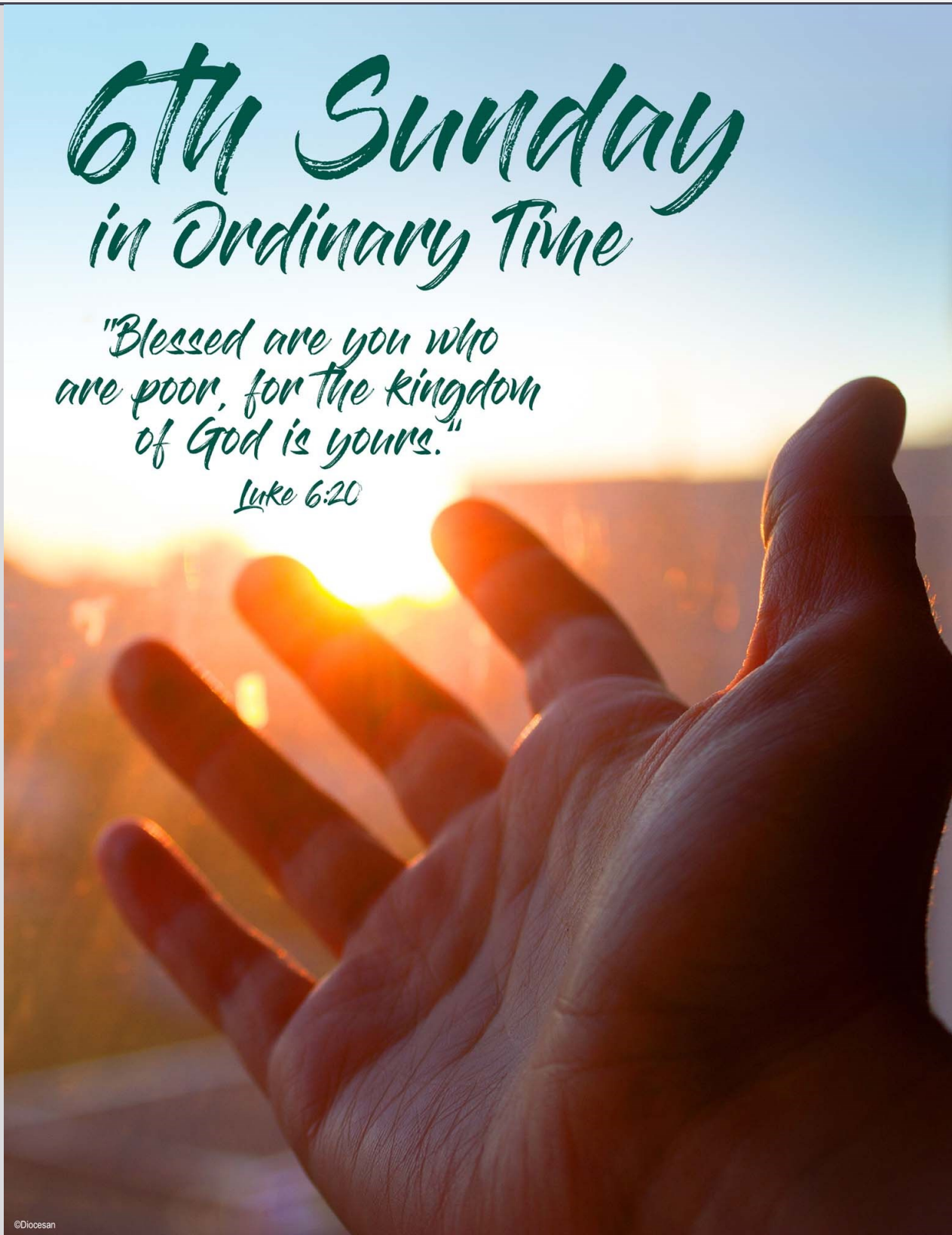


SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Blessed are you who
are poor, for the kingdom
of God is yours."*

Luke 6:20





PARISH STAFF

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

MASS SCHEDULE: 8 A.M Wednesdays and Fridays

Saturday Evening: 4:30 P.M. Sunday: 10:30 A.M.

Holy Days: 8:00 A.M.

PENANCE: Saturday: 3:15 to 4:15 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.

**Mass Intentions for the week of
February 16—February 23, 2025**

**Sunday February 16th Sixth Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

Jer 17:5-8; 1Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26
10:30AM Altar and Rosary Society

Monday February 17th Weekday

Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13
8:00AM No Morning Mass

Wednesday February 19th Weekday

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26
8:00 AM Gregory Klucharich

Friday February 21st Weekday

Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34—9:1
8:00AM Frank J. Nemeth

**Saturday February 22nd The Chair of Saint Peter
the Apostle**

ISm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1Cor 15:45-49;
Lk 6:27-38
4:30PM Antoinette Molchany

**Sunday February 23rd Seventh Sunday in Ord-
inary Time**

10:30AM Holy Name Society

Stewardship Corner

Week of Sunday 02/09/2025

Basket collection \$9200.00 plus online \$771.00

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



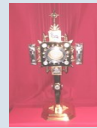
PIEROGIES

We will be making pierogies on the 17th and 18th of February. Volunteers are needed both days. Please consider donating some of your time and talent to help out with this fundraiser.



FLAME OF LOVE

Tuesday, February 18, 2025
At 6pm



HOLY HOUR

Wednesday February 19, 2025
at 6pm
Confessions will be heard.



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

ONLINE GIVING

**OUR PROVIDER HAS A NEW
MOBILE APP**



- Go to:
- Search for: Church by Ministry

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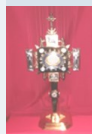
- Download App now
- Type: St Peter (no period after St) and click find my church
- Scroll down and click St Peter Coplay
- Click on select this church on bottom of screen
- Click allow
- Follow instructions on screen to open app and make your donations



DEVOTIONAL LAMPS

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory of
Deceased Members of Binder & Pammer
Families
Offered by Jo-Ann and Barry Walakovits

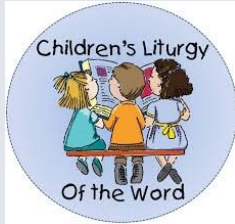


BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LIGHTS

Will burn in memory of Sylvia A Wieczorek
Offered by Barbara Lynn
and in memory of Louis Rusnock
Offered by Elisa Rusnock

SAINT JOSEPH LIGHTS

Will burn in memory of
Louis Rusnock
Offered by Elisa Rusnock
and in memory of
Daniel A. James
Offered by Monsignor David L. James



CHILDREN'S LITURGY MASS

Do you have as little as 15 minutes per month to assist with the Children's Liturgy of the Word that will begin this Spring? We are looking for adults to help us facilitate our Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass. It will typically be held once per month. This opportunity only requires a 15 minute time expenditure, that involves reading that Sunday's Readings and Gospel to attending children, ages 3 or 4 to 8, in our social hall. This liturgy is written in a format specifically intended for this age group. No prep to fuss... everything will be provided to you. At the Universal Prayer, i.e. the Prayer of the faithful, the children will process back into the Church and rejoin their families. Clearances are required; however, if you are interested and simply need to obtain clearances, please contact Lina at 610.262.2417, and she will be happy to assist you. For all other questions, please call Sue Rabenold at 610.730.4655



OFFICE CLOSING

Our office will be closed on Monday, February 17 in observance of President's Day



Thank you for your great response to our bus trip to see "NOAH" at the Sight & Sound Theatre" in Lancaster, on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. If you have never been to Sight & Sound its a wonderful venue to experience the 180 degree three sided stage with live animals filling the stage as well as the aisles. Set sail inside the enormous ark as this extraordinary story comes to life in this special 30th Anniversary, one season only production. At this time we only have 4 seats left on our bus. The Cost is \$175 per person. It includes roundtrip transportation from St. Peter, Coplay, a stop at Kitchen Kettle, Show ticket, Dinner at Shady Maple, Driver Gratuity, as well as snacks & refreshments on the bus. For questions or reservations, please contact Beverly at 610.767.1887. The non-refundable deposit is \$25 pp and the balance is due NO LATER then March 25, 2025. Please make you check payable to St. Peter Church and mail to the rectory at 4 S 5th St., Coplay, PA 18037, or you can drop it off at the rectory.



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

is accepting enrollment for students entering grades K-8 in 2025-2026, Preschool (3 years old) and Pre-K (4 years old). For more information, please call the Advancement Director at 610-262-9171

Diocese of Allentown January 26th - February 23rd, 2025

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE
starting January 26th!

Good Shepherd Catholic School needs your help!

Scan here to visit the website and vote for Good Shepherd Catholic School!

We are participating in MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE, an online lip dubbing competition to raise funds for our Catholic schools in the Diocese of Allentown.

Visit www.weloveourcatholicschools.com to see Good Shepherd Catholic School and other schools from around the Diocese celebrate the spirit and joy of Catholic education.

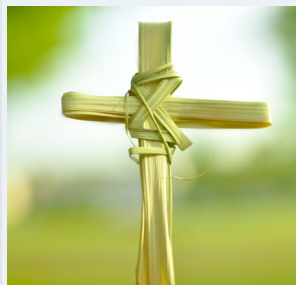
Please dance, sing, and VOTE by February 23rd!

All voting proceeds benefit our school. Thanks for making Good Shepherd Catholic School a winner!

HOLY APOSTLES RE

610.261.0144 or holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org
Office Fall Hours : M-Th 3-8PM; closed Fridays
Regular Classes for all
Confirmation Tests: February 17 and 19 6-8pm
Confirmation Interviews: February 20 and 21 6-8pm
Confirmation Practice: February 23, 2025
Confirmation: February 25, 2025 at 4:30pm at Saint Peter Church.

PALMS



Please bring your palms from previous years to Church in the next couple of weeks. The palms will be burnt and the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. For your convenience the containers will be in the vestibule this Sunday, February 16th to Sunday, March 2nd

Thank you in advance for your cooperation



Lenten Fish Dinner



Friday, March 21, 2025

Two Choices and Must Pre-order:
One Breaded Fish Dinner at \$13.50
OR Two Crab Cakes Dinner at \$21.00

Includes: Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Roll
Macaroni & Cheese available for \$3 per container
Cabbage & Noodles available for \$3 per container

Dinner served between 4:00 and 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall
435 Pershing Blvd. ↗ Whitehall, PA
TAKE OUT IS AVAILABLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$1.00.

Please fill out the information below and return to the parish office, collection basket or mail along with your payment to:
Saint Elizabeth Church * 618 Fullerton Avenue * Whitehall, PA 18052
Mark the envelope "Fish Dinner"

For more information, please call 610-349-7791 or email jglover@ptd.net

Lenten Fish Dinner - Return by March 13th

Name: _____


Phone: _____

Email: _____

I'd like	Crab Dinner @ \$21.00 each	\$	
	Fish Dinner @ \$13.50 each	\$	
	Mac & Cheese @ \$3.00 each	\$	
	Cabbage/Noodle @ \$3.00 ea.	\$	
	Take out @ \$1.00 each	\$	
	Total	\$	_____

SORRY - NO LATE ORDERS OR WALK-INS ACCEPTED

I'd like to help with costs. Here's an additional \$ _____



Blood Drive!

Saint John the Baptist will be holding their next blood drive at their parish hall on Saturday, March 1st.

Our goal is to have 40 registered donors. We hope our friends from Saint Peter can join us in this important endeavor to save lives. We also encourage you to invite your family and friends to do the same so we may have a successful drive.

For sign up information, please contact Lisa at 610.737.0847



pilgrimage

13 days to Italy & Austria

TRAVEL WITH MSGR. DAVID L. JAMES

We will be visiting Rome, the Vatican, Assisi, Orvieto, Loretto, Florence, Siena, Padua, Salzburg, Burgenland, Eisenstadt, Vienna.

questions please call 610.262.2417



-  **Trip includes:** transportation from/to Copley, Airfare, Taxes and fees, 4 or 5 star hotels, Transportation with luxury bus. All breakfasts and dinners, Guided tours, Luggage handling (1 carry-on and 1 suitcase)
-  **DATE:** October 12-24, 2025
- COST:** \$6,599.00 per person
make checks payable to:
Proximo Travel, Inc.
-  **NOT INCLUDED:** Lunch, Travel Insurance.

BOOK NOW

Due to high demands for rooms, late reservations may be housed at hotels separate from the main group. For your convenience, registration lines are now open on the weekends.



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8th Stop Orvieto En Route to Assisi



We will stop in Orvieto to see the Eucharistic Miracle in the Duomo which is considered one of the must-see churches in Italy for its stunning gold-and-mosaic Gothic façade and magnificent frescoes by Luca Signorelli, which had a great influence on Michelangelo's work in the Sistine Chapel.

Backstory:

The Eucharistic Miracle

In 1263 a German priest, Peter of Prague, stopped at Bolsena while on a pilgrimage to Rome. He is described as being a pious priest, but one who found it difficult to believe that Christ was actually present in the consecrated Host. While celebrating Holy Mass above the tomb of St. Christina (located in the church named for this martyr), he had barely spoken the words of Consecration when blood started to seep from the consecrated Host and trickle over his hands onto the altar and the corporal. The priest was immediately confused. At first he attempted to hide the blood, but then he interrupted the Mass and asked to be taken to the neighboring city of Orvieto, the city where Pope Urban IV was then residing. The Pope listened to the priest's account and absolved him and ordered the Bishop of the diocese to bring to Orvieto the Host and the linen cloth bearing the stains of blood. The Pope had the relics placed in the cathedral. The linen corporal bearing the spots of blood is still reverently enshrined and exhibited in the Cathedral of Orvieto.