



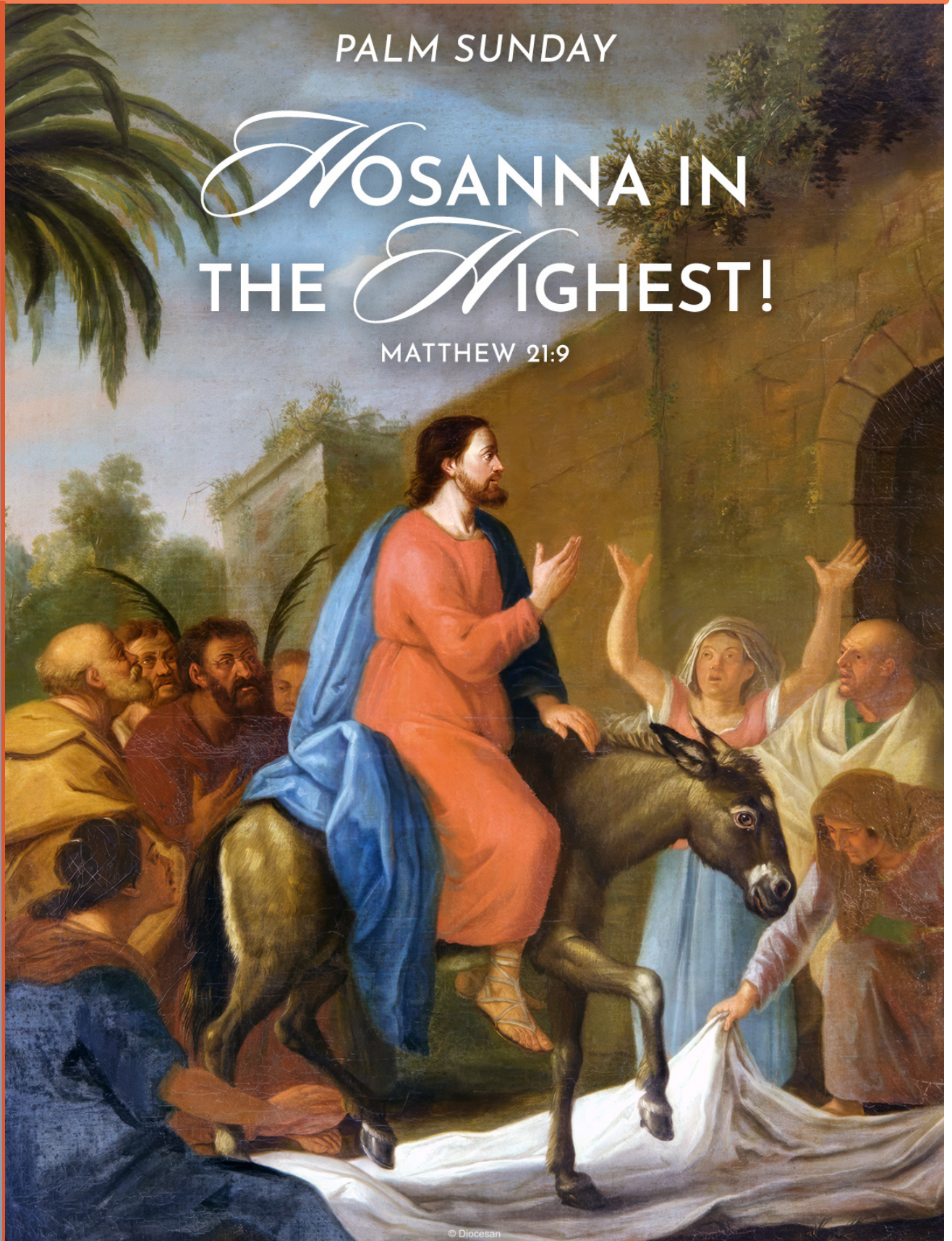
Saint Peter Church

PALM SUNDAY

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Sunday, March 29, 2026





PARISH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. David L. James J.C.L.

PASTOR EMERITI: Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin

Rev. Msgr. William E. Handges

DEACON: Mr. Michael Kudla

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Mrs. Lina Abi-Samra

FINANCE MANAGER: Mrs. Michelle Ahern

DIRECTOR OF REL. ED.: Mrs. Ginny Downey

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: 3:45 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 Pastor & Deacon perform this visit monthly on the 1st Friday of the month. 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

PREP PROGRAM: Classes conducted at the Blessed Carlo Acutis 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. Ginny Downey 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, Telephone 1-800-791-9209 Email: victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

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

 610.262.0211

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
March 29- April 5*

Sunday March 29th Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27
10:30AM James Handwerk

Monday March 30th Monday of Holy Week

Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
No Morning Mass

Wednesday April 1st Wednesday of Holy Week

Is 50: 4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
8:00AM Michelle Tomko

Thursday April 2nd Holy Thursday (at Saint Peter)

Ez 12:1-8, 11-14; 1Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
No Morning Mass
6:30PM Michael Cesanek
Followed by Adoration and Night Prayer

Friday April 3rd Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42
No Morning Mass
12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross (at St. Peter)
3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion (St. John)
7:00PM Stations of the Cross (St. John)

Saturday April 4th Holy Saturday

Gn 1:1-2:2; Ex 14:15-15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11; Mt 28:1-10
8:00PM Stella and Joseph Legath

Sunday April 5th Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9
10:30AM Easter Envelope Remembrances

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Week of Sunday 3/22/2026

Basket collection \$4484.00 plus online \$479.00

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

March 31, 2026

At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR

April 1, 2026

at 6pm



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 One

- 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 WEEK OF MARCH 29TH

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn this week in memory of

James Handwerk

Offered by Evelyn Handwerk

BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn in memory of

Dorothy Klucharich

Offered by Lou and Donna Klucharich

and children

SAINT JOSEPH VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn in memory of

Frank Recker

Offered by Carolyn Recker

OFFICE CLOSINGS

In celebration of the Lord's Resurrection

The office will be closed on:

Thursday, April 2; Friday, April 3;

and Monday, April 6

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS REGIONAL PREP

Mrs. Ginny Downey, DRE
Email—dre@carloacutisprep.org
website: www.carloacutisprep.org
610-261-0144
Please refer to the above website for ALL PREP information.

Brushes & Blessings Youth Group Night

Join us for a creative night of art, friendship, and fun! ✨

**April 19,
2026**

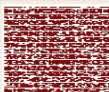
**6:00-
8:30
PM**

What's Included ✨

- Paint supplies
- Snacks and drinks
- Music
- Friends
- A masterpiece you get to take home

No art skills? No problem. This is all about hanging out, getting creative, and having a great time together. We'll have everything you need, so just show up ready to paint, laugh, and make something awesome.

Scan the QR Code to Register



BRING A FRIEND AND COME READY FOR A COLORFUL NIGHT TOGETHER!



ATTENTION PLEASE

MANDATED REPORTING TRAINING
The Mandated reporting session is rescheduled from

Monday, March 23, 2026 to Monday, March 30, 2026 at 6pm in the Church Hall.

CASH BINGO

Proceeds to benefit Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative
SUNDAY April 12, 2026
St Peter's Church Social Hall
4 South 5th St, Coplay
\$15 admission gets 2 boards (4



Faces) \$5 book specials
Chips and daubers available for purchase
Doors open at 1pm and bingo starts at 2pm.
Food available for purchase.
Items for the food pantry greatly appreciated.
If you have questions, you can email or call Liz at 484-274-6687



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1300 Newport Ave, Northampton, PA
610-262-9171
e-mail: altngs@ptd.net

<https://www.goodshepherd-catholic.com>

School Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30am-3pm
For more info regarding enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year, please call Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director, or email her at msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com. Visit our website: GoodShepherd-Catholic.com



Bus Trip to Sight & Sound Theater

to see. " J O S H U A "

Thursday, May 21, 2026

We wish to THANK the many guests who have already paid in full.

However, if you have not done so, the balance is due no later than MARCH 23, 2026.

Please make your check payable to ST. PETER R.C. CHURCH

and

drop off at the rectory.

Any questions, please call Beverly M. Sobchak at 610-767-1887.



COPLAY FOOD PANTRY

During the season of Lent, we will be collecting food items for the Coplay Food Bank. Containers will be provided in the vestibule. Please make sure the items that you are donating are not outdated. They are in need of microwavable food... spaghetti sauce,

rice pouches, fruit cups, tuna, Hormel meals, canned pasta, apple sauce, instant potatoes, coffee, tea, crackers, paper products, toiletries... No big items please.

ST MARY'S CHURCH, 122 Union St., Catasaqua will hold a Lenten Grab n' Go in conjunction with the Basket Social, with pick-up on Friday, March 27th the same hours as the Basket Social (4:00 to 7:00 PM). Browse the Basket Social in the Parish Center and then pick up dinner to go. This is a pre-order event. Available for purchase will be Homemade Mac & Cheese with Stewed Tomatoes or Cabbage and Noodles. Additional sides of Stewed Tomatoes will be available for purchase as well. The cost is \$12 per meal. Stewed Tomatoes are \$5.00 (1/2 lb. container).

the annual Basket Social on Friday, March 27 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, Saturday, March 28 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and Sunday, March 29 from 9:00 AM to Noon. Ticket Sheets contain 26 chances and sell for \$5.00 per sheet. The kitchen will be open all three days. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions at 610-264-0332 or by email: kim.stmarys122@gmail.com

A Simple Way to Make a Difference - Eucharistic Ministry Invitation

Some members of our parish family are unable to attend Mass due to illness, age, or mobility challenges. A short visit and the gift of Holy Communion to those who are home-bound or in care facilities can mean more than you may realize.

Our parish is inviting parishioners to consider serving as **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** to the home-bound. You can bring comfort and joy to someone who misses being at Mass and help keep them connected to the love of Jesus Christ through offering the Eucharist, prayer, and a reminder that they remain a cherished part of our parish community.

If you are a practicing Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation and are interested in learning more, please contact the parish office at 610.262.2417. Clearances are required. Training will be provided.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, AND EASTER MONDAY	1 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 6PM	2 MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 6:30PM ADORATION AND NIGHT PRAYER AT 10PM AT SAINT PETER	3 STATIONS AT 12NOON AT ST PETER PASSION OF THE LORD 3PM AT ST JOHN STATIONS AT 7PM AT ST JOHN	4 BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS 12 NOON AT ST JOHN EASTER VIGIL 8PM AT ST PETER
5 EASTER NO FELLOWSHIP	6 OFFICE CLOSED	7 NO 8AM MASS AT ST JOHN FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	8 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS BEGINS AT 7PM	9 COMMUNION CALLS	10 COMMUNION CALLS	11
12 WCHI BINGO FIRST COMMUNION 8:00AM AT ST. JOHN 10:30 AM AT ST. PETER	13	14 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	15 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 7PM	16	17	18 CHICKEN DINNER AND COPLAY LIBRARY BASKET RAFFLE
19 CHILDREN'S LITURGY ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MTG LION'S CLUB BINGO	20 pierogies	21 pierogies FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	22 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 7PM	23 ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING 7PM IN CHURCH HALL	24	25
26 HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING	27	28 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	29 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 7PM	30		