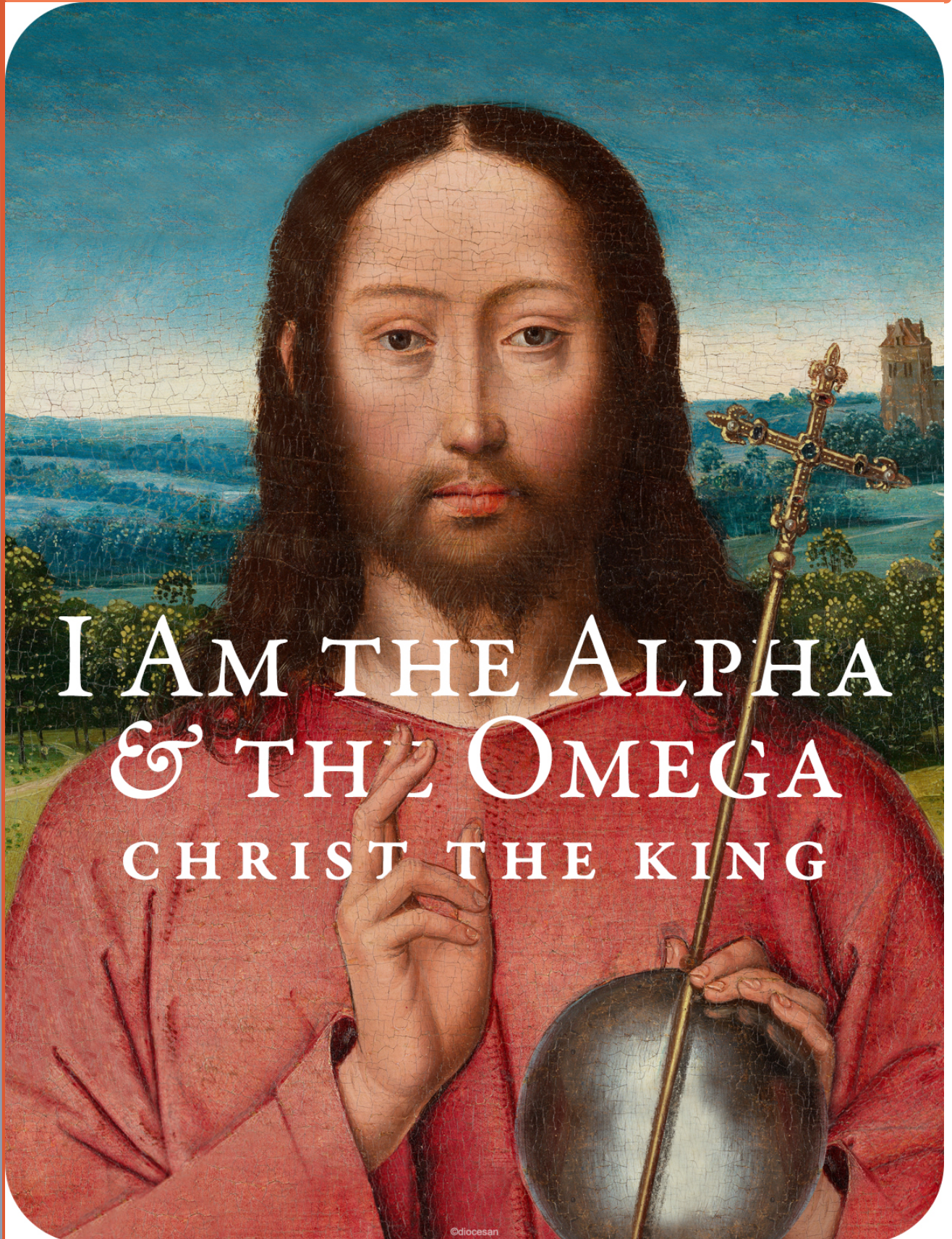




Saint Peter Church

Sunday, November 23, 2025





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
November 23- November 30*

**Sunday November 23rd Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

Mal 3:19-20a; 2Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
10:30AM Holy Name Society

**Monday November 24th Saint Andrew Dung-Lac,
Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

Dn 1:16-, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4
8:00AM Frank Nemeth

Wednesday November 26th Weekday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19
8:00AM Oliver Troop

Friday November 28th Weekday

Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33
8:00AM Mary and Sam Schmidt

Saturday November 29th Weekday

2Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43
4:30PM Joseph Lahner

Sunday November 30th First Sunday of Advent

10:30AM Joseph Sinkovits

Stewardship Corner

Week of Sunday 11/16/2025

Basket collection \$4982.00 plus online \$819.00

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

November 25, 2025

At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR

6:00 PM

November 26, 2025

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 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 NOVEMBER 23

Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Lights

Will burn this week in memory of Marion Figley

Offered by Rosemary and Joe Geosits

MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS

Health: Helen Pfeiffer

Deceased: Mel and Ann Procanyn, Helen Klucharich, Hilda Kerbacher, John Velekei,

LUCKY CALENDARS

Will be available for sale following all weekend Masses and at the office.

59th ANNUAL COPLAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE

The 59th Ecumenical Service will take place at Redeemed Christian Church of God on Sunday, Nov. 23rd, at 7 PM. All members of our three churches in Coplay are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served following the service in the Hall. Music will be Provided by our combined choirs. All are welcome to celebrate this Annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service.

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.

Youth Group Christmas Cookie Exchange and Gingerbread House Contest!

**DECEMBER 7, 2025
6:00 PM- 8:30 PM
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
PARISH HALL**

Students Grades 8-12 can kick off the Christmas season with friends, laughter, and LOTS of cookies! Join us for our first-ever Christmas Cookie Exchange—a fun evening of faith, fellowship, and festive treats.

Bring:

- 2 dozen cookies (homemade or store-bought—no judgment!)
- A container to take home your cookie haul
- A friend! Everyone is welcome.

Scan the QR Code to Register!



*Please do bring a copy of the recipe/ingredients in case anyone has dietary needs.



CHRISTMAS CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

An event for the whole family to enjoy! We will have Crafts, a Kids Corner, Vendors, concessions/baked goods and much more!

**Saturday Dec. 6th
9AM-3 PM**

Good Shepherd Catholic School
1300 Newport Ave Northampton PA 18067

for any questions please reach out to
gscshsa@goodshepherd-catholic.com



**GIVE
BLOOD.
GIVE
LIFE.**

**St. John's will be holding
their next blood drive at their
parish hall on Monday,
December 29th.**

Our goal is 40 registered donors.

**We hope our friends from St. Peter's 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.**

**Please contact Lisa at 610-737-0847 for sign
up information.**



**Our Bus Trip To the
American Music Theater,
on Tuesday, November 25
will depart Saint Peter**

**Church at 10:30AM please arrive 15 minutes
earlier so you may collect your tickets and seat
assignments in the Church Hall. Kitchen Kettle
will be our first stop, then we will proceed to
the see the show. Dinner will be at Miller's
Smorgasbord. Estimated arrival back home will
be 9pm. Any questions, please call Beverly at
610.767.1887**



OFFICE CLOSING

The office will be closed on Wednesday,
November 26 at 12 noon until 9:00AM on
Monday, December 1.

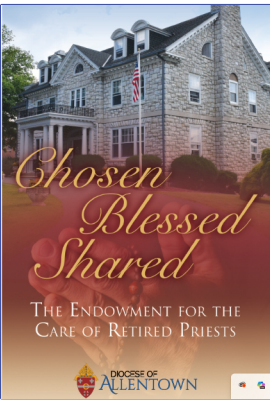
Happy Thanksgiving!!!!

COPLAY FOOD PANTRY

*During the season of Advent, we will be
collecting food items for the Coplay Food
Pantry.*

*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, paper products,
soaps, spam, instant potatoes, noodles,
crackers, Jell-O, oatmeal, cooking oil, canned
vegetables, etc. No big items please.
Please drop off your donations in the
containers in the vestibules.*

**To be GRATEFUL is to recognize
the love of God in EVERYTHING**



CHOSEN, BLESSED, SHARED

Please support the Annual Fund for Retired and Infirm Priests of our diocese! Make sure you remember the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This special fund is used to directly support retired priests in good standing including the future costs of their healthcare, insurance, and housing and sustenance. Please return your gift using the envelope you received in the mail. These envelopes may be returned in the mail or in the collection baskets at Mass. For more information, visit the website www.weloveourpriests.org. Your generosity supports retired priests in all 5 counties of our Diocese!

Hosted by The Bishop's Commission for Women
& Catholic Women's Society of Giving

Women's Advent Retreat

REJOICE & BE GLAD

Radiant Hope; Women of Advent;
Bearers of Light.

In this Jubilee Year of Hope, we gather to rekindle our hearts with Christ's light. As Advent women—mothers, daughters, sisters, friends—we wait in joyful trust, called like Mary to carry hope into a weary world.

Through prayer, fellowship, and reflection, we will rediscover our identity as bearers of light and hope in our families, parishes, and beyond.

Guest Speaker: Father John Hutta
Mass Celebrant: Bishop Alfred A. Schlert




Saturday, December 13, 2025

Register: 8:30am-1:00pm



Saint Francis of Assisi Church
1046 W Cedar St, Allentown, PA 18102

Contact: Mary Ann Guman, allentowndiocesefw@gmail.com



Actress Madelyn Dundon Brings Her Latest Film "Hazel" to the Lehigh Valley: A Proud Homegrown Celebration. Actress Madelyn Dundon is bringing her latest film, Hazel, to the Lehigh Valley this December. It's a homecoming of gratitude, pride, and community spirit.

The Bethlehem Catholic High School graduate and three-time Freddy Award winner will appear at three special screenings of Hazel at the Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas at ArtsQuest in Bethlehem: Sunday, December 7 at 1:00 p.m. with a Q&A featuring Dundon and Brock Holbert, producer. Monday, December 8 at 7:15 p.m. with Q&A. Wednesday, December 10 at 12:30 p.m. Produced by Canticle Productions, Hazel continues the company's mission of creating family-friendly, faith-driven films based on true stories from the American Badlands. With its themes of love, faith, and sacrifice, the film embodies the same spirit of resilience that defines Dundon's own journey and the Lehigh Valley community she calls home. Tickets for all three screenings are available at ArtsQuest.org. Watch the trailer at https://youtu.be/-TrkdbBa6Ds?si=-1-KL_lfDAcwTWan.

November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 All Saints' Day 8AM Mass at St. John the Baptist
2 Remembrance Mass followed by refreshments in the Hall	3	4 Flame of Love 6pm Finance Council Mtg. 7pm	5 Holy Hour 6pm	6 Communion Calls	7 Communion Calls	8 To Go Dinner Steak/ Sausage Sandwiches
9 last day to order Filling 40 Hours begins WCHI Bingo	10 40 Hours	11 40 Hours	12 Holy Hour 6pm no Confessions	13 Pastoral Council 6:30pm	14	15
16 Christmas Cookies order begins Children's Liturgy	17 Pierogi Making	18 Pierogi Making Flame of Love 6pm	19 Pierogi Clean-up Holy Hour 6pm No Confessions	20	21	22
23 Ecumenical Service at Redeemer Church of God	24 8 am Mass at Saint Peter	25 Bus Trip to Christmas Show	26 Holy Hour 6pm	27 Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving	28 Office Closed	29
30 Christmas Cookies order due						

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown

The Manger Mission

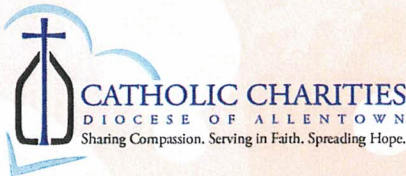
"She laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." – Luke 2:7

This Christmas season, join Catholic Charities in honoring the Holy Family by supporting mothers and children in need through The Manger Mission — a new holiday outreach benefiting our Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program.

What We're Collecting

Help local families thrive by donating new or gently used essential items, including:

- Diapers & Pull-Ups (size 3-6)
- Baby Wipes
- Infant & Toddler Clothing
- Baby Bibs & Hygiene Products (shampoo, lotion, diaper cream)
- Bottles & Sippy Cups
- Small Infant-Safe Toys
- Blankets
- Gift Cards (Walmart, Amazon, Weis, Boyer's, Redner's)



*Together, let's make room at the manger for every child and every mother.
Thank you for being part of The Manger Mission!*



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Christmas FELLOWSHIP

SAINT PETER CHURCH HALL

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 7 | FOLLOWING
10:30AM MASS



CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

GOODIE BAGS

SPECIAL GUEST

RAFFLE TICKETS
1/ADULT

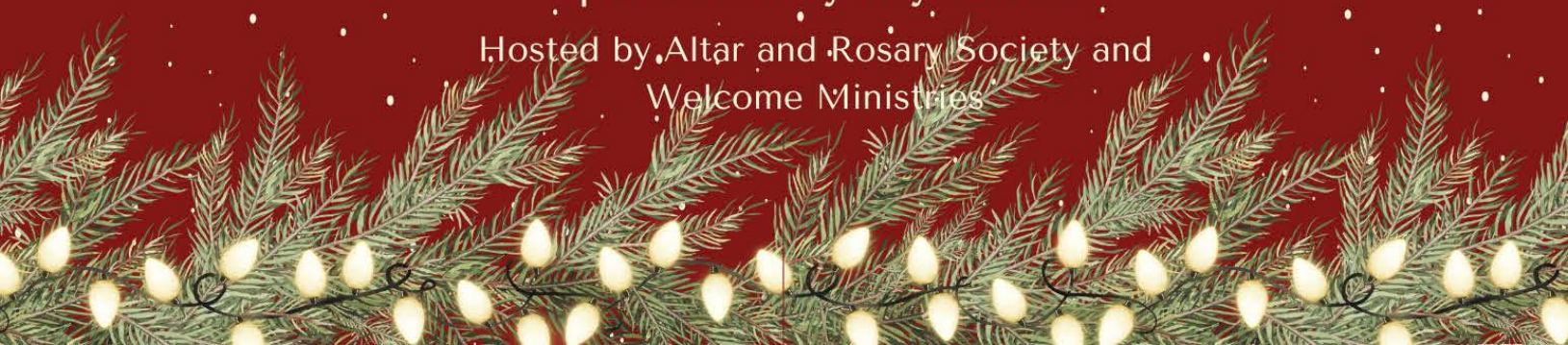
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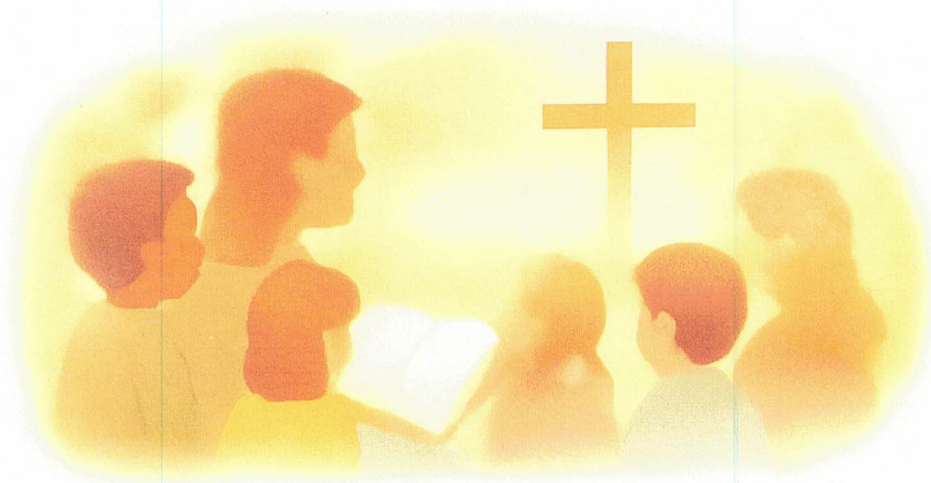
Let's celebrate together!



sponsored by Jay Gilbert

Hosted by Altar and Rosary Society and
Welcome Ministries





CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

St. Peter's Church, Coplay, PA

(Held every 3rd Sunday of the month during Mass)

Bring your children to share in God's Word in a way that speaks to their hearts. During the Liturgy of the Word, children are invited to gather for a short reflection designed just for them, then return to families for the rest of Mass.

When: Third Sunday of each month during Mass

Where: St. Peter's Church, Coplay, PA 18037

Contact: Rita O'Donnell | 484-707-9067 | ritaaroman@gmail.com

Helpers: Linda Johnson and Mary Ann Fitzsimmons

<https://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com/>

Please return this portion to Rita O'Donnell or the church office

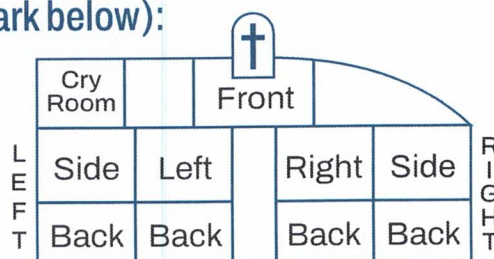
Child's Name: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Where you usually sit at church (circle or mark below):



Notes (optional): _____