

Saint Peter Church

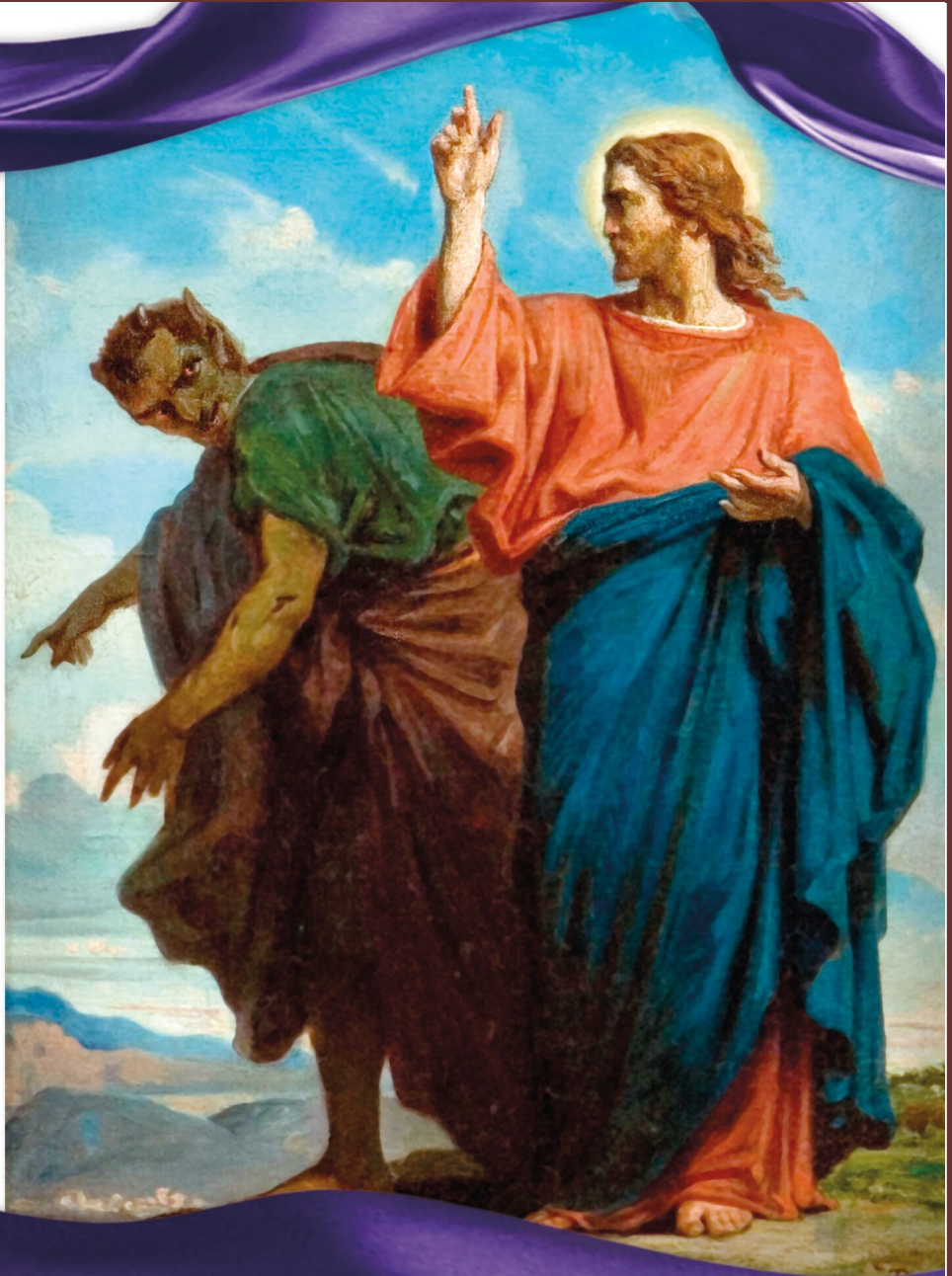
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

The Spirit
drove Jesus
out into the
desert, and he
remained in
the desert
for forty days,
tempted by
Satan.
He was among
wild beasts, and
the angels
ministered
to him.

Mark 1:12,13



The Temptation of Christ by the Devil
by Félix Joseph Barrias, 1860



1ST SUNDAY OF
LENT



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



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610.262.2417



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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 February 18th First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15; 1Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15
8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Society
10:30 AM Joseph F. Sinkovits

Monday February 19th Lenten Weekday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
8:00 AM No Morning Mass

Tuesday February 20th Lenten Weekday

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
8:00 AM Mitzi Greb

Wednesday February 21st Lenten Weekday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
8:00AM Karen Voorhees

Thursday February 22nd The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

1Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
8:00 AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

Friday February 23rd Lenten Weekday

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
8:00AM Richard Kropf
7:00PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday February 24th Lenten Weekday

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Confessions: 2:30-3:45pm

Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Jerome Dancheck

Sunday February 25th Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Joseph Fatul
10:30AM Holy Name Society

Masses said by retired priests:

Deceased: Richard Kropf, William Weiner,
Margaret Beslanovits, Mel and Ann Procanyn

Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 2/10
Basket collection \$5289.00 plus online \$458.00
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

Tuesday, February 20, 2024
In the Chapel



Holy Hour

Wednesday, February 21 at 6pm

DEVOTIONAL LAMPS



Sanctuary Light

Will burn this week in memory of
Jerome Dancheck
Offered by Janet Dancheck

Saint Joseph Vigil Lights

Will burn this week in memory of
Joseph F. Sinkovits
Offered by Donna and Theresa Sinkovits

Blessed Mother Vigil Lights

Will burn in memory of
Helen M. Boger
Offered by Kristina and Albert Libricz and family



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

LUCKY CALENDARS

The annual sale of Lucky Calendars is one of our biggest fundraisers, second only to the parish festival.

If you have not purchased a calendar, please consider doing so. If you have already bought a calendar, please consider purchasing another.

Calendars purchased after January 1 are good for all daily drawings going forward from the date of purchase.

PLEASE HELP TO MAKE THIS FUNDRAISER A PROFITABLE SUCCESS FOR SAINT PETER PARISH

PIEROGIES



We will be making pierogies on the 19th and 20th of February. Volunteers are needed both days.

Please consider donating some of your time & talent to help out with this fundraiser. In case of inclement weather, please tune in to WFMZ for all updates.



OFFICE CLOSING

In observance of President's Day, the office will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2024

A LENTEN SERIES

Topic: Everything You Wanted to Know About the Catholic Church and Were Afraid to Ask



Come and join us every Wednesday evening, beginning Wednesday, February 21st in the Church Hall at 7PM. If there is a topic you would like to discuss please submit ahead of time to the office in writing. All presentations

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

Good Shepherd Catholic School

Congratulations to our 5th – 8th grade students who won the Knights of Columbus 4050 Free Throw Championship!

We will now be selling 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 prayers of all the children during morning Prayer, and at every School Mass. Good Shepherd Catholic School has limited space available for students entering grades K-8 and Pre-K (4 years old). We are now accepting registrations for the 2024-2025 school year for all grades. For more information regarding enrollment, please call Erica Nochtton, 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 Classes

Confirmation Tests 2/19-21 from 6-8pm

Confirmation Interviews 2/22 6-8pm

Confirmation practice 3/3

Confirmation 3/5 4:30pm at St. Peter Church

Saint Mary's , 122 Union St., Catasauqua

is holding a Cash Bingo on Sunday 2/25. The cost is \$15.00 for 15 games, 6 Specials, and a jackpot round. Seating is first come first serve. Kitchen is open at 11:30am. Bingo begins at 1pm for reservation call 610.264.0332or email kim.stmarys122@gmail.com

Saint John Fisher, Fish Dinner

1229 Third Street, N. Catasauqua is hosting their Fish Dinner on Friday 2/23 from 4-6pm. It includes breaded haddock, choice of parsley potatoes, haluski, vegetable, coleslaw, applesauce, roll butter, dessert. Price is \$13.00 pp ages 5-10 is \$5.00. Walk-in prices is \$15.00 per person. For tickets or more info please call 610.533.2109

Knights of Columbus Council # 4050

Will hold Lenten Fish Dinner

5:00PM to 7:00PM March, 1, 8 and 15

St. John the Baptist Social Hall

Corner of Chestnut & Ruch Streets

Enjoy in or Carry Out

Adult Baked Fish and Pierogi Dinners

Child Baked Fish and Mac & Cheese Dinners

All proceeds support KOC Charity Funds

For Info & Menu contact KofC4050.org

**WHITEHALL COPLAY HUNGER
INITIATIVE CEREAL COLLECTION**



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 each month.

ENROLL TODAY FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR!



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LENT 2024

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
18 God's Kingdom Is Near Be more attentive to God's presence in your life today. <i>Mark 1:14-15</i>		19 Love Your Neighbor as Yourself How might you be more loving to others today? <i>Leviticus 19:18</i>	20 Jesus' Prayer Take time to say the Our Father and let it become your own prayer to God. <i>Matthew 6:9-13</i>	14 Ash Wednesday How will you turn back to God and change your life this Lent? <i>Psalm 51:12</i>	15 Deny Yourself What must you leave behind to follow Jesus more closely this Lent? <i>Luke 9:23</i>	16 Fast from Food Share some food today with those who are poor and hungry. <i>Isaiah 58:7</i>	17 Listen to Me, O God Take some time to lift your voice to God in prayer. <i>Psalm 86:1-2</i>
25 You Are My Beloved Child Thank God for adopting you as a beloved child. <i>Mark 9:7</i>		26 Stop Judging Strive today to be less judgmental about others and their actions. <i>Luke 6:37</i>	27 Hear God's Word How might you find more time to listen to God's Word for you today? <i>Isaiah 1:10</i>	21 Have Mercy, O God How might you best make reconciliation with someone today? <i>Psalm 51:3-4</i>	22 Give Good Things How might you imitate God's great generosity and give to others? <i>Matthew 16:13-19</i>	23 Fast from Anger Pray for someone with whom you are angry and let your anger go. <i>Matthew 5:23-24</i>	24 Love Your Enemies How might you respond to Jesus' call to greater love for others? <i>Matthew 5:43-45</i>
3 You Are God's Temple What most needs preparation for God to come to dwell in you? <i>John 2:18</i>		4 Thirst for God Be attentive to how much you want to draw nearer to God this Lent. <i>Psalm 42:3</i>	5 Forgive Others Whom might you most need to forgive today to restore a relationship? <i>Matthew 18:35</i>	28 To Serve Not Be Served Jesus encourages us to serve the needs of others not our own. <i>Matthew 20:28</i>	29 God Probes Our Heart Be with Jesus as he reveals what you need to draw closer to him. <i>Jeremiah 17:10</i>	1 Fast from Violence God sent Jesus to show us how to love and do good for others. <i>John 3:16</i>	2 Father I Have Sinned Like the prodigal son, let us go to God to ask for forgiveness. <i>Luke 15:21</i>
10 God Is Rich in Mercy Consider the ways God has blessed you this Lent. <i>Ephesians 2:4</i>		11 A New Creation How has God been working to create something new in you this Lent? <i>Isaiah 65:1-2</i>	12 Fear Not Hand your fear over to God who is with you and will give you courage. <i>Psalm 46:2-3</i>	6 Obey God's Commands Which commandment do you most need to attend to today? <i>Matthew 5:19</i>	7 Listen to God's Voice What has God most been prompting you to do this Lent? <i>Jeremiah 7:23</i>	8 Fast from Idolatry How might you put God first in your heart and in your life? <i>Mark 12:29</i>	9 God Will Heal Us From what do you most want to have God heal you today? <i>Hosea 6:1</i>
17 Put Your Spirit In Me God sends the Holy Spirit to give you new life. <i>Ezekiel 37:14</i>		18 Sin No More Now is the time to change whatever draws you away from godly ways. <i>John 8:11</i>	19 Accept Jesus Like Joseph, take Jesus into your home to be the center of your life. <i>Matthew 1:20</i>	13 I Cannot Forget You Like a mother, God cannot forget you and will always be with you. <i>Isaiah 49:15</i>	14 The Father Sent Me How might you respond to Jesus' presence to reveal God to you? <i>John 5:37-38</i>	15 Fast from Ignorance Spend time today learning more about Jesus and his message. <i>John 7:28-29</i>	16 Who Is Jesus? Answer for yourself who you think Jesus is and what he has done. <i>John 7:40-41</i>
24 God's Suffering Servant How might you share in the sufferings of others today? <i>Philippians 2:8-9</i>		25 Bring Forth Justice How can you create right relationships (justice) as Jesus did? <i>Isaiah 42:1</i>	26 One Will Betray Me How have you most betrayed your loyalty and commitment to Jesus? <i>John 13:21</i>	20 Remain in My Word Take time to quietly ponder Jesus' words today. <i>John 8:31-32</i>	21 Recall God's Works Praise and thank God today for the beauty of creation. <i>Psalm 104:4-5</i>	22 Fast from Revenge Put aside all desire to repay someone for any evil done to you. <i>John 10:31-32</i>	23 Be Loyal Jesus, let us be loyal to God's ways even if it means hardship. <i>John 11:47-50</i>
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