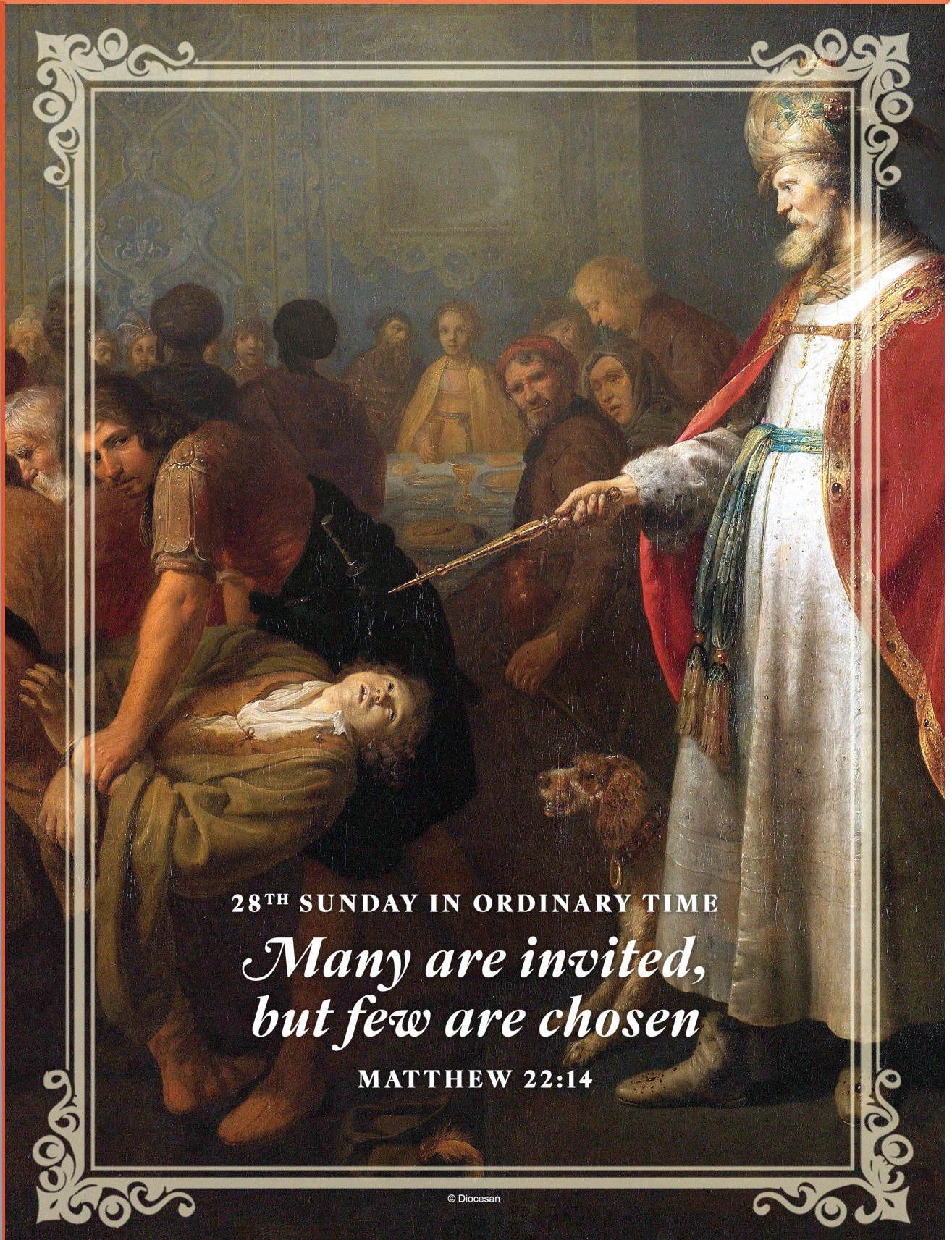




Saint Peter Church

Sunday, October 11, 2026



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Many are invited,
but few are chosen*

MATTHEW 22:14



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 Saint 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
October 11-October 18*

Sunday October 11th Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

***Is 25: 6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22: 1-14
10:30AM Paul Schoch***

Monday October 12th Weekday

***Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32
No Morning Mass***

Wednesday October 14th Our Lady of the Rosary

***Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11: 42-46
8:00AM Robert Cesanek***

Friday October 16th Weekday

***Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7; Lk 11:15-26
8:00AM Beverly and Mike Sobchak
Mass of Thanksgiving
60th Wedding Anniversary***

Saturday October 17th Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

***Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21
4:30PM Jeffrey Karo***

Sunday October 18th Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30AM Altar and Rosary Society

Masses Said by Retired Priests

Deceased: Monica Palata, Mel and Ann Procanyn, John Klepeiss Jr., Irene Ferreira, Louis Tepes

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Week of Sunday 10/4/2026

Basket collection \$6150.00 plus online \$1589.00

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

OCTOBER 13, 2026

At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR

CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD

OCTOBER 14, 2026

at 6 pm



PRAYER INTENTIONS

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



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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 OCTOBER 11

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Special Intentions

SAINT JOSEPH LIGHTS

In loving memory of Deceased Members of the Mayer and Sobchak Families

Offered by Mike and Beverly Sobchak

BLESSED MOTHER LIGHTS

In loving memory of Deceased Members of the Mayer and Sobchak Families

Offered by Mike and Beverly Sobchak



RECENTLY BAPTIZED

We welcome to our parish family, Declan Matthew A'Hearn son of Matthew and Jennifer A'Hearn, who was baptized on October 4, 2026. We pray he grows in relationship with Our Lord and that St. Joseph remains an intercessor throughout his life.

SAINT PETER HOLY NAME SOCIETY



Will have a Fall Hoagie Sale (pickup Saturday, October 24 after 2pm). As promised, we will again be offering our high quality 9-inch hoagies for \$6.00 each. Holy Name members will be available to take your pre-paid orders after all

weekend Masses.



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

40 Hours Devotion
October 18, 19, & 20



40 HOURS DEVOTION

The Annual 40 Hours Devotion for Saint John the Baptist and Saint Peter Parishes will be held on Sunday, October 18, Monday, October 19,

and Tuesday, October 20. The evening service each night will begin at 7:00pm. Adoration and the evening services will be held at Saint Peter Church. Our homilist this year will be Father Dominic Civitella, assistant pastor at Saint Thomas More Parish, Allentown. You will recall that Father Civitella spent a summer with us as a seminarian. The 40 Hours Devotions will be his "triumphal return" as a priest. I hope that many parishioners will come to hear him preach.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar for adoration after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, and then after the 8:00am Masses on Monday and Tuesday. So that the Blessed Sacrament will be safe, we will need your help in signing up for a ½ hour slot for adoration during that time. The schedule for adoration will be posted this weekend. Last year there was a fantastic turnout for private adoration. I hope we can do it again. because of 40 Hours devotions, our daily Mass schedule will be altered that week. There will be an 8:00am Mass on Monday, October 19 at St. Peter and an 8:00am Mass on Tuesday, October 20, at St. John. There will be no Mass on Wednesday, October 21. The Mass intention for that day will be transferred to the Mass on Monday morning. There will be no weekly Holy Hour on Wednesday evening.

Good Shepherd CYO Winter Sports Signups Now Open!

Basketball Grades K-8

High School Basketball Grades 9-12

Did you know?

You can play CYO sports even if you don't go to Good Shepherd School as long as you are enrolled in a P.R.E.P. at one of our affiliated parishes!

Use the QR code to access our CYO website to register by October 31st.



SAINT CARLO ACUTIS REGIONAL PREP

Mrs. Ginny Downey, DRE

Email—dre@carloacutisprep.org

website: www.carloacutisprep.org

Phone 610-261-0144

Please refer to the above website for ALL PREP information.



ST. PETER CHOIR

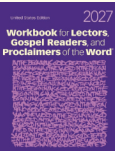
will resume rehearsal for the 2026-2027 Season on Monday, October 12 at 6:15pm. The Choir will sing at all 10:30 Masses.

It's not too late to join us!



OFFICE CLOSING

The office will be closed on Monday, October 12, 2026 in observance of Columbus Day.



LECTORS' WORKBOOKS

The lectors' workbooks are available to be picked up in the Sacristy.

LUCKY CALENDARS

This fundraiser is underway.

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

OCTOBER IS ROSARY MONTH

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The best way to celebrate the month is by praying the Rosary together before all weekend Masses beginning Sunday, October 4. Anyone in need of a rosary please contact the office at 610.262.2417

St. Mary's
FALL CASH BINGO

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 @ 1:00 PM
DOORS/KITCHEN @11:30 AM

\$20 Admission
15 Games
7 Specials
1 Jacket Round

St. Mary's Parish Center
121 Union St., Catasauqua
annunciationbvm.net
kim.stmarys122@gmail.com
610-264-0332

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2026
12:00 - 4:30 PM

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH
1879 APPLEWOOD DR, OREFIELD, PA

4:30 PM
MASS WITH BISHOP SCHLERT

learn more...
allentowndiocese.org/events/diocesan-family-festival

RAIN OR SHINE! • FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



The Litany of Loreto
NOTRE DAME OF BETHLEHEM
WOMEN'S RETREAT
The Ark of the New Covenant
OCTOBER
17
2026
8.00 AM - 3.00 PM

Join us for:
Mass
Rosary
Adoration
Reconciliation
Talks
Lite Breakfast & Lunch

Register Here!

Registration fee \$35.00
retreat fee assistance is available

Questions?
Kelly 610.216.2481 or Kathy 484.995.0156
1861 CATASAUQUA ROAD BETHLEHEM, PA 18018

SET HEARTS AFIRE

The Real Presence: *Why Your Mindset Matters*

Could what we believe about the Eucharist shape how we experience God's grace?
Contemporary research on mindset suggests that our beliefs and expectations can influence how we perceive and experience the world around us. But what might this mean for our life of faith — and especially for our encounter with Christ in the Eucharist?

Blending psychological research with Scripture, Catholic teaching, and Tradition, **The Real Presence: Why Your Mindset Matters** is an engaging multimedia exploration of belief, trust, mystery, and the Real Presence of Christ.

Through powerful imagery, music, video, prayer, and guided reflection, participants will be invited not simply to learn, but to wonder, reflect, and open themselves more deeply to the mystery of faith.

Ultimately, this presentation is an invitation to move beyond simply knowing about the Eucharist — to encounter Christ more deeply within it: bringing Him our questions and doubts, growing in faith and trust, becoming more receptive to His grace, and allowing His Real Presence to transform the way we see, believe, and live.

The question is not only, "What do I believe about the Eucharist?" but also, "What happens when I truly believe that Christ is here?"

Women's Mini-Retreat

Sponsored by: the Women's Guild
Presented by: Deb Weber

Saturday, October 24, 2026
9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
Queenship of Mary Social Hall
Sign-up sheets are available in the vestibule.
There is no charge to attend.

All women from area parishes are warmly welcome! Mothers, daughters, friends, and neighbors are invited to experience this time of renewal.
Call 610-262-2227 to Register

WORLD YOUTH DAY

Journey to Seoul, South Korea

World Youth Day 2027 is coming to Seoul, South Korea, August 3–7, 2027! Young adults from around the world will gather to encounter Christ, grow in faith, and be sent forth as “pilgrims of hope” and “courageous missionaries.” The Diocese of Allentown is organizing a pilgrimage led by Fr. Hoffa, a four-time World Youth Day veteran, from August 1-9. to learn more about the pilgrimage. For more information, email pilgrimage@allentowndiocese.org

FALL FESTIVAL & TRICKY TRAY BAZAAR

St. John the Baptist Church, 924 N. Front St., Allentown. October 24, 2026 11AM-6PM and Sunday, October 25, 2026 9AM-4PM. We will have delicious prepared hot or cold food available for eat in or take out. Menu includes: Pierogies, hot dogs, halupkies, turkey barbecue, cabbage and noodles, kielbasa and sauerkraut, sausage sandwiches. Tickets for drawing are \$5 for a sheet of 26 or buy four and get one free. Super prize tickets are \$10 each or buy two and get one free. For more information, contact the rectory at 610-432-0034 Monday thru Thursday 9AM-2PM. Also, Cash Bingo Sunday, October 18, 2026. \$20 which includes 15 regular games, 6 specials, u-pick-um, Piggy Number, and door prize coupon. Doors open at 11 and kitchen opens at 12 pm November 7, 2026- Dance 7-10PM "Johnny K" . Cost \$5. For more information call 610-432-0034.

Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative Cash Bingo



SUNDAY OCTOBER 11TH

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



HOLY TRINITY BASKET PARTY

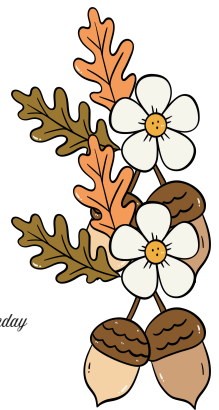
Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 4456 Main St., Whitehall, will hold their annual Basket Party on Sat., October 24 from 10am-7pm (Sat. 9-10am reserved for guests with disabilities) and Sun., October 25 from 8am-1pm. Tickets - 25 for \$5 on sale at door. Homemade food and baked goods will be on sale. Only committee members may be present for the drawing. Winners will be called and prizes will be available for pickup Sunday, October 25 evening and Monday, October 26 afternoon. Questions: email holytrinityrcc@gmail.com or call 610-262-9315 or 610-533-2794.



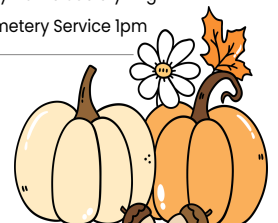
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5 	6 Flame of Love 6:00pm	7 Holy Hour 6pm	8	9 2 First Friday Communion Calls Whitehall Historical Soc. Bingo 2-9	10 3 First Saturday	11 Lion's Club Bingo
12 Office Closed	13 Flame of Love 6:00pm	14 Holy Hour 6pm	15	16 Pork and Sauerkraut To Go Dinner 4-7 pick up	17 KOFC Rose Campaign	18 40 Hours Devotions begin Altar & Rosary Society Mtg Children's Liturgy KOFC Rose Campaign
19 Pierogies 8 am Mass 40 Hours Devotions	20 Pierogies NO Flame of Love 40 Hours Devotions	21 No Holy Hour 6pm	22	23	24 Holy Name Society Hoagie pick up	25 Holy Name Society Mtg Cemetery Service 1pm
26 Parish leadership 7pm	27 Flame of Love 6:00pm	28 Holy Hour 6pm	29 Finance Council Mtg 7pm	30	31 Happy Halloween	



SAINT PETER CHURCH

To Go ONLY October Dinner

4:00-7:00PM

Friday, October 16, 2026

pork and sauerkraut
apple sauce
apple, cherry, or
pumpkin pie

or

turkey, filling,
vegetables
apple, cherry, or
pumpkin pie

Price \$17.00 Per Person Take Out ONLY

please return bottom portion to the office no later than Monday October 11, 2026

NAME:-----

Phone:-----

Number of meals:-----@ \$17.00 check #-----or cash

Take out only

Pork and Sauerkraut ☐

Turkey and Filling ☐