

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

*Come to Me, all you who
labor and are burdened
& I will give you rest.*

MATTHEW 11:28-29



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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: Mr. Cyrus Doyle

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:

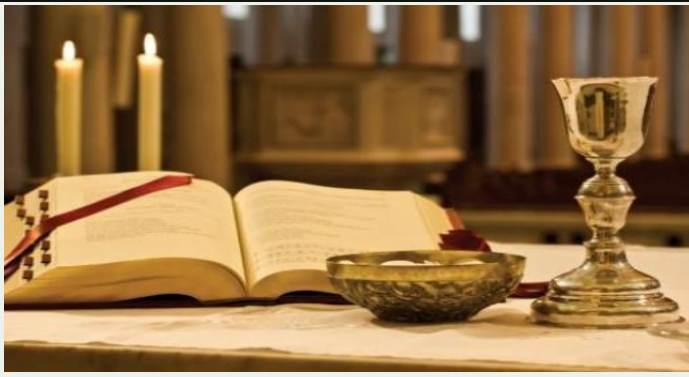
pruso@allentowndiocese.org

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.



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 September 3rd Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
8:00 AM Frank Bodisch
10:30 AM Deceased Members of the Rodgers and Helmstetter Families

Monday September 4th Weekday

1Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
No Morning Mass

Tuesday September 5th Weekday

1Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
8:00AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

Wednesday September 6th Weekday

Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
8:00AM William and Anna Spaits

Thursday September 7th Weekday

Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
8:00 AM Helen and John Bischof

Friday September 8th The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

Mi 5:1-4a; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16
8:00AM Deceased Members of the Galitsky Family

Saturday September 9th Saint Peter Claver, Priest

Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Vigil Mass

4:00 PM John Schreiner

Sunday September 10th Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Joseph and Mary Paukovits, Jr.
10:30AM Dominic Anthony

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 08/27/2023
Basket collection \$4862.00 plus online \$1577.00
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 ~TUESDAYS
Rosary and Benediction 6:00-7:00PM



HOLY HOUR 7PM
Confessions will be heard
on Wednesday, September 6, 2023



DEVOTIONAL LAMPS
Sanctuary Light
Will burn in memory of
The Deceased Members of the Troop
Family
Requested by Barbara Lynn

Blessed Mother Lights
will burn in memory of
The Deceased Members of the Sauerzopf and
Szerencits families



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

Have a safe Labor Day



OFFICE CLOSING
In Observance of Labor Day the office will be closed
Monday, September 5.



Holy Baptism

We welcome to our parish family:
Kara Leigh Burits
Daughter of Lucas and Michelle Burits,
who was baptized Sunday, Aug. 27, 2023.
“May the Lord give his angels charge over you to guide you in all your ways.” Psalm 91:11.

SAINT PETER CHOIR

Autumn is at our doorstep~After a day of raking leaves reward yourself by joining the Saint Peter Choir and enhance your spiritual life by praising God with music. Hope to see you on Monday, Sept. 11 at 6:15pm on the choir loft.



Our 2024 **Mass Book** will open Tuesday, Sept. 5th. The donation for each Mass remains \$10.00. You can make arrangements in person for an announced Mass at the Rectory. Masses will not be scheduled until offerings

have been made. We will schedule up to 3 Mass intentions per family.

Our hours are 9AM – 4PM Mon. – Thurs. and 9AM-3PM Fridays. The Rectory is closed daily between 12 & 1PM



SECOND COLLECTION

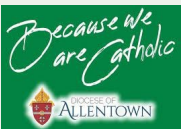
Due to the devastation caused by the fire that swept the town of Lahaina in Maui, Bishop Schlert has called for a special collection throughout (no envelopes) the Diocese of Allentown, to help the devastated families on the island of Maui the weekend of September 10, 2023.



To benefit **Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative**

Sunday, September 10, 2023
St. Peter's Church Hall
4 South 5th Street, Coplay

\$15 admission gets 2 boards (4 faces) \$5.00 book specials Chips and daubers are available for purchase. Doors open at 1pm and bingo starts at 2pm Food is available for purchase. Items for the food pantry are greatly appreciated. List could be found on <https://tinyurl.com/WCHIPantryList>. For more information or if you have any questions, please call 484.274.6687



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Saint Peter Parishioners on another successful year. Our parish goal was \$45,867.00. Our donations totaled \$46,216.00 Your generosity knows no bound!

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL 1300 Newport Avenue Northampton



Good Shepherd students, Pre-school through 8th grade had a wonderful first week of the 2023-2024 school year. We began with a faculty led school Mass and finished the week with smiling faces. We are excited for a brand new school year! School will be closed

on Monday, September 4th for the Labor Day weekend.

We have limited space available for students entering grades K-8, Preschool (3 years old) and Pre-K(4 years old). For more information regarding enrollment, or to set up a tour please call or email Ms. Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director at 610.262.9171 or msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com



HOLY APOSTLES RE

holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org 610.261.0144

Fall Office Hours : M-Th 3:00-8:00 pm; closed Fridays

September 7th ~ 1st grade parents meeting at the center at 6pm.

September 11, 13~ All grades report.

September 21~ First Penance meeting will take place at Holy Trinity Church at 7pm

Central Catholic High School

301 N Fourth Street
Allentown, PA 18102

Academic Success * Catholic Values
Enroll today for the 23-24 School

Year! Outstanding Academic opportunities in a faith-filled community. Call or email to

schedule an in-person visit! Contact Cara Meskill, Director of Admissions at 610-437-4601 ext. 148 or cmeskill@acchs.info.

Financial aid and Scholarships are available.



Pauline P. Celebrated her 100th birthday on August 30. Please join us in wishing her a long, healthy, and happy life!
Happy Birthday!

Saint Peter Copley

presents chicken parmesan and pasta dinner



Dinner includes:
Salad, garlic bread,
drinks and dessert

Saturday, September 16, 2023

4-6pm



\$15 per person

to order detach the bottom portion and return to the office no later than September 10 by mail, in the Sunday Collection or drop off in person, NO WALK-INS PLEASE

NAME

PHONE

NUMBER OF DINNERS

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

CASH CHECK#

CREDIT AT RECTORY ONLY