



Saint Peter Church

Sunday, August 16, 2026

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GREAT IS YOUR FAITH

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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.



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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
August 16- August 23*

**Sunday August 16th Twentieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

***Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28
10:30AM Altar and Rosary Society***

******Children's Liturgy******

Monday August 17th Weekday

Ez 24:15-23; Mt 19:16-22

No Morning Mass

Wednesday August 19th Weekday

Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

8:00AM Jerome Molchany

Friday August 21st Saint Pius X, Pope

***Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40 8:00AM Rosa and
Stephen Rengert***

**Saturday August 22nd Queenship of the Blessed
Virgin Mary**

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

4:30PM Mary T. Frisch

**Sunday August 23rd Twenty-First Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

10:30AM Holy Name Society

Masses Said by Retired Priests

Deceased: Dorothy Trinkle, Theresa Sinkovits,
Juliana Strisofsky, Paul Turk Sr., Matthew Besz

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Week of Sunday 8/9/2026

Basket collection \$4356.00 plus online \$985.00

*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

August 18, 2026

At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR

August 19, 2026

at 7pm



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*



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click find my church*
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- *Follow instructions on screen to open app and
make your donations.*



DEVOTIONAL LAMPS WEEK OF AUGUST 9TH

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn this week in memory of

Ronald Deutsch

Offered by Rita Deutsch

SAINT JOSEPH VIGIL LIGHT

Will burn in memory of

Michael Petock

Offered by Nancy Gavalla



**2026 PICNIC WRAP-UP
MEETING**

**Monday, August 17 at 7 PM
in the Church Hall.**

Everyone is welcome to attend.

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.



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

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



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1ST-8TH GRADE

2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

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ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Married couples across the Diocese are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Matrimony during the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass, Sunday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown. Doors will open at 2 p.m. so couples may receive their certificates. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alfred Schlert.

During the Mass, the couples will receive a special blessing and will have the opportunity to renew their vows publicly. Couples will be presented with a Wedding Anniversary Certificate as a token of appreciation. Family members are invited to take part in the celebration to show their support and celebrate the unwavering commitment of the couples on this significant occasion.

The registration deadline is Monday, Sept. 7. Register online at

[Allentowndiocese.org/events/anniversarymass](https://www.allentowndiocese.org/events/anniversarymass).

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Woman
Pity
Daughter
Sheep
Help
Dogs
Scraps
Great
Wish
Healed



SUNDAY

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HALLOW CORNER

Our First Milestones for Hallow:

- 159 of 550 parishioners on the parish page
- 36 parishioners joined **14 Days of Prayer** in May -- more than Lent, Holy Week, or Easter
- Even over the summer, daily use has kept increasing. On any given day in June or July, **24 parishioners** have prayed with Hallow.

THE YOUNG ADULT COMMISSION
INVITES YOU TO

LEARN TO PLAY Disc Golf

JOIN COMMISSION MEMBER **ADRIAN ANATALIO**, AN AVID DISC GOLF PLAYER, FOR A SERIES OF BEGINNER-FRIENDLY TRAINING SESSIONS DESIGNED TO INTRODUCE YOUNG ADULTS TO THE GAME OF DISC GOLF.



TRAINING SESSIONS



1
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 10:00 A.M.
DESALES UNIVERSITY
MEET IN DOROTHY DAY PARKING LOT



2
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 5:30 P.M.
UPPER MACUNGIE DISC GOLF COURSE



3
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 5:30 P.M.
NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISC GOLF COURSE



4
TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 10:00 A.M.
LOCATION & DETAILS TBD

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PICNIC

St. John the Baptist RC Church, 3024 S Ruch St. Whitehall (Stiles) will have their Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 6th from 1PM to 9PM on the parish grounds. Music provided by The Pennsylvania Villagers 1-4PM and Joyous 5-9PM.

All are invited to join us for delicious foods, including homemade pierogies, children's games, raffles, refreshments, Basket/gift card raffle stand and Bake Sale. Bring your lawn chair or use our tables and chairs under the tents. Free Parking. Rain or Shine.



Blood Drive!

St. John's will be holding their next blood drive at their parish hall on **Thursday, August 20th, 2:00-7:00**. Our goal is 40 registered donors.

We hope our friends from St. Peter's can join us in this endeavor to save lives. We 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.

AUGUST 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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NO FELLOWSHIP 02 SAINT PETER 72ND CHURCH PICNIC 12-9PM	03 PICNIC CLEAN UP BETWEEN 8 & 9	04 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	05 HOLY HOUR 7PM	06 TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	07 COMMUNION CALLS	08
09	10	11 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	12 HOLY HOUR 7PM	13 ANNIVERSARY MTG 7PM	14	15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
16 CHILDREN'S LITURGY	17	18 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	19 HOLY HOUR 7PM	20 FINANCE COUNCIL MTG 6:30PM	21	22
23	24	25 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	26 HOLY HOUR NO CONFESSIONS 7PM	27	28	29

Hallow

Act of Consecration to Jesus through Mary

ORIGINALLY WRITTEN BY ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT,
TRANSLATED BY SCOTT SMITH & ADAPTED BY HALLOW

O Eternal and Incarnate Wisdom! O sweetest and most adorable Jesus! True God and true man, only Son of the Eternal Father, and of Mary, always virgin! I adore You profoundly in the bosom and splendors of Your Father during eternity, and I adore You also in the virginal bosom of Mary, Your most worthy Mother, in the time of Your incarnation.

I give You thanks that You have annihilated Yourself, taking the form of a slave in order to rescue me from the cruel slavery of the devil. I praise and glorify You for You have been pleased to submit Yourself to Mary, Your holy Mother, in all things, in order to make me faithful through her.

But, alas! Ungrateful and faithless as I have been, I have not kept the promises which I made so solemnly to You in my Baptism. I have not fulfilled my obligations. I do not deserve to be called Your child. I dare not come by myself before You, most holy and august Majesty. It is on this account that I have recourse to the intercession of Your most holy Mother, whom You have given me for a mediatrix with You. It is through her that I hope to obtain from You the following: contrition, the pardon of my sins, and the acquisition and preservation of wisdom.

Hail, then, O Immaculate Mary, living tabernacle of the Divinity, where the Eternal Wisdom willed to be hidden and to be adored by angels and by men!

Hail, O Queen of Heaven and earth, to whose empire everything is subject which is under God. Hail, O sure refuge of sinners, whose mercy fails no one. Hear the desires which I have of the Divine Wisdom. For that end, receive the vows and offerings which I present to you in my lowliness.

I, _____, renew and ratify today in your hands the vows of my Baptism. I renounce forever Satan, his pomps and works. I give myself entirely to Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Wisdom, to carry my cross after Him all the days of my life, and to be more faithful to Him than I have ever been before. In the presence of all the heavenly court, I choose you this day for my Mother. I deliver and consecrate to you my body and soul, my goods, both interior and exterior, and even the value of all my good actions, past, present, and future. I leave to you the entire and full right of disposing of me and all that belongs to me, without exception, according to your good pleasure, for the greater glory of God in time and in eternity.

Receive, O kindest Virgin, this little offering, in honor of, and in union with, that subjection which the Eternal Wisdom designed to have to your maternity. Receive this little offering in homage to the power which both of you have over this poor sinner. Receive this little offering also in thanksgiving for the privileges with which the Holy Trinity has favored you. I declare that I wish henceforth to seek your honor and to obey you in all things.

O admirable Mother, present me to your dear Son. As He has redeemed me by you, by you may He receive me! O Mother of mercy, grant me the grace to obtain the true Wisdom of God. For that end, receive me among those whom you love and teach, whom you lead, nourish, and protect as your children.

O faithful Virgin, make me in all things so perfect a disciple of the Incarnate Wisdom, Jesus Christ your Son, that I may attain, by Your intercession and by your example, to the fullness of His age on earth and of His glory in Heaven. Amen.

SIGN _____

DATE _____

ST. PETER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

100th Anniversary Commemorative Rosary

100 St. Peter's anniversary committee has contracted with Ghirelli Co., the official rosary supplier to the Vatican, to produce a limited number of custom rosaries commemorating the parish's 100th anniversary.

The "Our Father" beads are images from our church: St. Peter statue, relief of Jesus and St. Peter above the tabernacle, Blessed Mary statue and the stained glass image of the boat and cross. The decade beads are dark blue Bohemian glass with an aurora borealis finish. The blue color was chosen to represent St. Peter's by incorporating the parish logo color, while the white beads symbolize the white granite of the altar.

We anticipate delivery of the rosaries this October. We will withhold the sale of a few rosaries from the October shipment for those who want to look at the rosary before they order. We will be placing a second order for delivery in 2027 if there is enough demand.

Price: \$90 each

We are accepting pre-orders. Please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office along with your payment. **Cash or check only** – sorry, we cannot take credit card payments. Please make checks payable to St. Peter Church.



NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

☐ NUMBER OF ROSARIES (\$90 EACH) AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

☐ CASH ☐ CHECK # _____



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