



Saint Peter Church

THIRD SORROWFUL MYSTERY



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

The Crowning with Thorns

Sunday, March 8, 2026



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

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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
March 8- March 15*

Sunday March 8th Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7, Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

10:30AM Deceased Members of Szilezy and Wechsler Families

Monday March 9th Lenten Weekday

2Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30

No Morning Mass

Wednesday March 11th Lenten Weekday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

8:00AM Travis Szerencits

Friday March 13th Lenten Weekday

Hos 14: 2-10; Mt 12:28-34

8:00AM Thomas Gitch



**Stations of the Cross
4:30PM at Saint Peter
7:00PM at Saint John the Baptist**

Saturday March 14th Lenten Weekday

1Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

4:30PM August Ivankovits, Sr.

Sunday March 15th Fourth Sunday of Lent

10:30AM Altar and Rosary Society

****Children's Liturgy**

MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS

Health: Kathryn Wechsler, Betty Signarovitz,
Mary & Michael Roderick, Marie Signarovitz

In Thanksgiving: Kathryn Wechsler

Deceased: Helen Klucharich (2)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Week of Sunday 3/01/2026

Basket collection \$.00 plus online \$.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

March 10, 2026

At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR

March 11, 2026

at 6pm



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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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 MARCH 1ST

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn this week in memory of

Frank and Mary Mondschein

Offered by Grandchildren

BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn this week in memory of

The Deceased Members of the Szilezy and Wechsler Families

Offered by Rose Wechsler

SAINT JOSEPH VIGIL LIGHT

Will burn this week in memory of

Helen and Rudolph Feichtl

Offered by Judy Shelak

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
MAKE YOUR OWN PIZZA
and Uno Tournament
15 MARCH **6:00-8:30** **St. John the Baptist Parish Hall**
SINCE WE WERE SNOWED OUT...WE'RE TRYING AGAIN!
And what goes better with UNO than build-your-own pizza? Choose your toppings, make it your way, and then jump into an UNO tournament as we kick off the new year together.
Scan the QR Code to Register!



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1300 Newport Ave, Northampton, PA
610-262-9171
e-mail: altngs@ptd.net

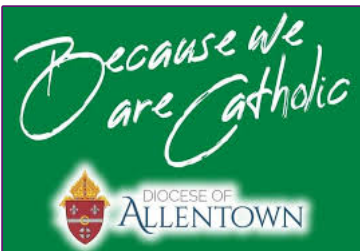
<https://www.goodshepherd-catholic.com>
School Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30am-3pm
For more info regarding enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year, please call Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director, or email her at msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com. Visit our website: GoodShepherd-Catholic.com



CASH BINGO

Proceeds to benefit Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative
This Sunday, 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



The 2024 Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal concluded on December 31, 2025.

The goal was \$3.5 million. Because of the generosity of the

faithful from across the Diocese of Allentown the final amount raised was \$3.8 million.

Saint Peter Parish goal was \$48,878.00. Your generosity yielded \$56,654.86 or \$7,776.86 over our goal! Way to go Saint Peter parishioners!!!! The parish receives back ¼ of the amount over goal. We have received a rebate check for \$1,944.22.



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

Catholic Scout Troop 79 is looking for new members. Troop 79 is chartered by St John the Baptist Church in Whitehall. Over the years we have had scouts from all the area Catholic churches, Queenship of Mary, Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Trinity, St. Peter and St John the Baptist. Most of these scouts have completed projects at all churches and attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Scouting is an opportunity for all youth from the age of 11 through 17 or 10 years old and completed Cub Scout or 5th grade. Come join our troop. Gain leadership opportunities, learn life skills, experience outdoor activities, serve your parish and communities, and make lifelong friends. This invitation to Troop 79 meets Mondays at 7:PM at St John the Baptist Hall. Come join us looking for all youth and adults as well. To RSVP or for additional information please contact Al Edelman 484-515-6204 or aceal79@gmail.com



Menu:
Crab Patties
or
Haddock
Pickled cabbage
Parslied potatoes
Mac & Cheese with
Stewed Tomatoes
Vegetables
Dessert
Beverage

Friday, March 27, 2026

Time 4-6

Sit Down

or

Take Out



cut on the line and return to the rectory no later than Friday, March 20, 2026

NAME:-----

PHONE:-----

-----CRAB PATTIES @ \$17.00ea

-----HADDOCK @ \$15.00 ea

CASH----- CHECK #-----

TOTAL ENCLOSED-----

SIT DOWN OR TAKE OUT

1lb container of Pickled Cabbage \$5.00 with the purchase of a dinner

