



Saint Peter Church

Sunday, November 30, 2025

Stay awake!

For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.

Matthew 24:42



1st Sunday of
Advent



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



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
November 30- December 7*

Sunday November 30th First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

10:30AM Joseph Sinkovits

Monday December 1st Advent Weekday

Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11

No AM Mass

**Wednesday December 3rd Saint Francis Xavier,
Priest**

Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15: 29-37

8:00AM Margaret and Francis Miklos

Friday December 5th Advent Weekday

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

8:00AM Helen Troop

Saturday December 6th Advent Weekday

Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

4:30PM Mary and Edward Holley

Sunday December 7th Second Sunday of Advent

10:30AM Helen Bischof

*****Fellowship Sunday*****

Stewardship Corner

Week of Sunday 11/23/2025

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



Don't forget to order your Oplatki/Christmas wafers. Each wafer is \$1.00. Please call the rectory at 610.262.2417 to place

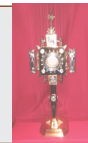
your order or pick up. We have a very limited supply.



FLAME OF LOVE

December 2nd, 2025

At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR

6:00 PM

December 3rd, 2025

Confessions will be heard



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



**ONLINE GIVING
OUR PROVIDER HAS A 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 DECEMBER

Sanctuary Light

Will burn this week in memory of Mary and Frank Mondschein

Offered by Grandchildren

Saint Joseph Vigil Lights

Will burn this week in memory of Joseph Sinkovits

Offered by Donna Sinkovits

MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS

Health: Deacon Tom Reimer

Deceased: Helen Klucharich, Hilda

Kerbacher, John Klucsarits, Louis Rusnock



STOCKING STUFFERS

Are you in need of Stocking Stuffers or a special gift for the special people in your family? Please consider purchasing a yearly Lucky Calendar for the price of 25 for a 365 chances to win.

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 Christmas Cookie Exchange and Gingerbread House Contest!

**DECEMBER 7, 2025
6:00 PM- 8:30 PM
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
PARISH HALL**

Students Grades 8-12 can kick off the Christmas season with friends, laughter, and LOTS of cookies! Join us for our first-ever Christmas Cookie Exchange—a fun evening of faith, fellowship, and festive treats.

Bring:

- 2 dozen cookies (homemade or store-bought—no judgment!)
- A container to take home your cookie haul
- A friend! Everyone is welcome.

Scan the QR Code to Register!



*Please do bring a copy of the recipe/ingredients in case anyone has dietary needs.



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Good Shepherd Catholic School is accepting enrollment for the 2025-26 for students entering grades K-8 and Pre-K (4 years old). For more

information regarding enrollment, or to set up a tour please call Ms. Erica Nochtton, Advancement Director at 610-262-9171 or email her at

msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com

Good Shepherd Catholic School is hiring! We are looking for a faith-filled, energetic Early Childhood teacher to take over in our Preschool beginning in January. Please send your resume to Mrs. Parker at mrsparkegscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com if you are interested or for more information.



CHRISTMAS CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

An event for the whole family to enjoy! We will have Crafts, a Kids Corner, Vendors, concessions/baked goods and much more!

**Saturday Dec. 6th
9AM-3 PM**

Good Shepherd Catholic School
1300 Newport Ave Northampton PA 18067

for any questions please reach out to
gscshsa@goodshepherd-catholic.com



COPLAY FOOD PANTRY

*During the season of
Advent, we will be*

*collecting food items for the Coplay Food
Pantry.*

*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, paper products,
soaps, spam, instant potatoes, noodles,
crackers, Jell-O, oatmeal, cooking oil, canned
vegetables, etc. No big items please.*

Please drop off your donations in the



**Saint Peter's Altar and Rosary
Society Christmas Party** will be held
in the Social Hall on Sunday
December 14 at 1pm. RSVP by Sunday,
December 7 by phone or email to Beth

Ann 610.462.9732, Marie 267.890.9828, or
Debbie 610.462.4687, or Joan Marie
610.216.9187 No gift exchange but a \$5
donation would be accepted.

**By unanimous vote Beth Ann Suarez is
elected as president of the Altar and Rosary
Society for a 3 year term**



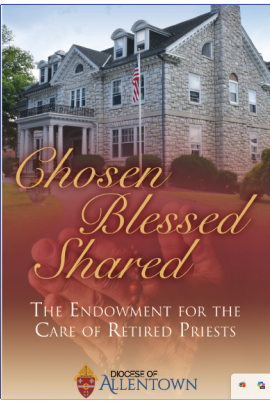
**GIVE
BLOOD.
GIVE
LIFE.**

**St. John's will be holding
their next blood drive at their
parish hall on Monday,
December 29th.**

Our goal is 40 registered donors.

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



CHOSEN, BLESSED, SHARED

Please support the Annual Fund for Retired and Infirm Priests of our diocese! Thank you to those who have given so generously to the “Chosen, Blessed, Share” annual fund. If you haven’t given, it isn’t too late to support the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This fund is used to support retired priests in good standing including the future costs of their healthcare, insurance, and housing and sustenance. Please return your envelope by mail or the collection basket at Mass. For more information, visit the website www.weloveourpriests.org. Your generosity supports retired priests in all 5 counties of our

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& Catholic Women's Society of Giving

Women's Advent Retreat

REJOICE & BE GLAD

Radiant Hope; Women of Advent;
Bearers of Light.

In this Jubilee Year of Hope, we gather to rekindle our hearts with Christ's light. As Advent women—mothers, daughters, sisters, friends—we wait in joyful trust, called like Mary to carry hope into a weary world.

Through prayer, fellowship, and reflection, we will rediscover our identity as bearers of light and hope in our families, parishes, and beyond.

Guest Speaker: Father John Hutta
Mass Celebrant: Bishop Alfred A. Schlert




Saturday, December 13, 2025
8:30am-1:00pm

Register: 

Saint Francis of Assisi Church
1046 W Cedar St, Allentown, PA 18102

Contact: Mary Ann Guman, allentowndiocesecfw@gmail.com



Actress Madelyn Dundon Brings Her Latest Film “Hazel” to the Lehigh Valley: A Proud Homegrown Celebration. Actress Madelyn Dundon is bringing her latest film, Hazel, to the Lehigh Valley this December. It’s a homecoming of gratitude, pride, and community spirit. The Bethlehem Catholic High School

graduate and three-time Freddy Award winner will appear at three special screenings of Hazel at the Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas at ArtsQuest in Bethlehem: Sunday, December 7 at 1:00 p.m. with a Q&A featuring Dundon and Brock Holbert, producer. Monday, December 8 at 7:15 p.m. with Q&A. Wednesday, December 10 at 12:30 p.m. Produced by Canticule Productions, Hazel continues the company’s mission of creating family-friendly, faith-driven films based on true stories from the American Badlands. With its themes of love, faith, and sacrifice, the film embodies the same spirit of resilience that defines Dundon’s own journey and the Lehigh Valley community she calls home. Tickets for all three screenings are available at ArtsQuest.org. Watch the trailer at https://youtu.be/-TrkdbBa6Ds?si=-1-KL_lfDAcwTWan.

December 2025						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 	2 Flame of Love 6pm	3 Holy Hour 6pm	4 Communion Calls	5 Communion Calls	
7 Fellowship gathering following the 10:30 Mass 	8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception 8am Mass St. Peter 6:30pm Mass St. John Office Closed	9 Flame of Love 6pm	10 Holy Hour 6pm No confessions	11 Nativity lighting (in front of convent)	12	13 
14 Bambinelli Sunday Altar and Rosary Society Christmas Luncheon 1PM	15	16 Flame of Love 6pm	17 8:30-9:30am Confessions at St. Peter Holy Hour 6pm No confessions	18 Confessions at St. John 7:30-8:30am and 6:30pm-7:30pm	19	
21 Children's Liturgy 	22 	23 Christmas Cookies Pick-up 4-6pm Flame of Love 6pm	24 4pm Masses at both Churches 9:00pm Mass at St. Peter Office Closed MERRY CHRIST	25 9:30 am Mass at St. John Office Closed MAS	26 Office Closed 	27 Blessing of Wine at 8:00am Mass at St. John Blessing of Families at 4:30pm Mass at St. Peter
28 Blessing of Families	29 DMI Meeting at 7pm	30 Flame of Love 6pm	31 NO HOLY HOUR Office Closed Happy New Year			