

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



St. Patrick

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024



Fifth Sunday of Lent



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: Mrs. Michelle Ahern
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.



 www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com

 info@stpetersrccoplay.com

 610.262.2417

 610.262.2652

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 March 17th Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31: 31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Society
10:30 AM Ralph and Juliana Alonzo

Monday March 18th Lenten Weekday

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11
8:00 AM No Morning Mass

Tuesday March 19th Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18,22;
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
8:00 AM Matilda Haddad

Wednesday March 20th Lenten Weekday

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92,95; Jn 8:31-42
8:00AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

Thursday March 21st Lenten Weekday

Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
8:00 AM Mary T. Frisch

Friday March 22nd Lenten Weekday

Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
8:00AM Joseph and Justine Kundek
7:00PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 23rd Lenten Weekday

Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-46

Confessions: 2:30-3:45pm

Vigil Mass

4:00 PM August Ivankovits

Sunday March 24th Sixth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Richard Kropf
10:30AM Holy Name Society

Masses Said by Retired Priests:

Margaret Beslanovits, Mel and Ann Procanyn,
Mary Walker, Thomas Ott, Anna Marie Becker

Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 3/10
Basket collection \$4185.00 plus online \$495.00
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



Online Giving

****Start giving online today!****
Visit our parish website at
<https://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com>
Click on the online giving link
Create an account.
Schedule your recurring gifts



Flame of Love

On Tuesday, March 19th 2024



Holy Hour

Wednesday, March 20th at 6pm



DEVOTIONAL LAMP

Sanctuary Light

Will burn in memory of
The Deceased Members of the Mondschein Family.
Offered by Peter Mondschein



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

PIEROGIES

We will be making pierogies on the 18th and 19th of March. Volunteers are needed both days.



Please consider donating some of your time & talent to help out with this fundraiser. Pick up begins at 1pm on Tuesday the 19th. Thank you for supporting this amazing fundraiser.



Catholic Leadership
INSTITUTE

Please use the link below to complete the survey.

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/byt3d5>

If you have any questions please call the rectory at 610.262.2417

Hard copies will be available at the rectory.

Please return your hard copies before March 22, 2024.

The online survey is due no later than March 27, 2024

LUCKY CALENDARS

The annual sale of Lucky Calendars is one of our biggest fundraisers, second only to the parish festival.

If you have not purchased a calendar, please consider doing so. If you have already bought a calendar, please consider purchasing another.

Calendars purchased after January 1 are good for all daily drawings going forward from the date of purchase.

PLEASE HELP TO MAKE THIS FUNDRAISER A PROFITABLE SUCCESS FOR SAINT PETER PARISH

Good Shepherd Catholic School

Please join us Wednesdays during Lent at 1:30pm for Stations of the Cross at Queenship of Mary Church.

It's ALMOST Showtime! GSCS Senior Drama will be performing Finding Nemo Jr. on Friday, March 22nd at 7pm and Saturday, March 23rd at 9:30am.

Tickets are \$5.00 and available through the school. Call the office for ticket information.

Congratulations to our 8th grade students that received the Sacrament of Confirmation. God Bless! GSCS will be closed March 28th – April 2nd. School will reopen April 3rd. We will now be selling Family Prayer Cards. Each card is \$5.00. You can enroll deceased family members or friends, or someone for health and blessings. Prayer cards are available for purchase during school hours, and before and after our school Masses. They will be acknowledged in the following ways: A votive candle will be lit in their honor. Their name will be written in our intention book. They will be remembered every day in the prayers of all the children during morning Prayer, and at every School Mass.



Holy Apostles RE

610.261.0144 or holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org

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

March 18 Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity Church at 6pm All classes attend

3/20 No Classes, Easter Break until 4/01

3/23 First Communion Retreat at St. Peter 9-12



A LENTEN SERIES

Topic for Wednesday, March 20
Why Did Christ Have to Die, Part 1,
Christ's Death in the Plan of Salvation.

COPLAY FOOD PANTRY



During the season of Lent, we will be collecting food items for the Coplay Food Bank.

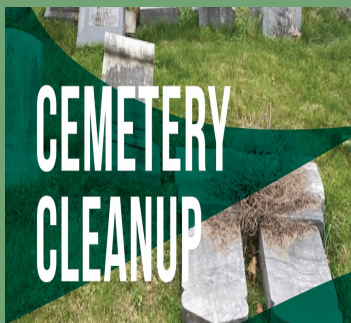
Containers will be provided in the vestibule. Please make sure the items that

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 please

CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN UP

To Prepare for Easter please remove the following No later than 3/24

- *Out of season, faded, soiled, unsightly arrangements.*
- *wires, balloons, glass, plastic objects, knick-knacks.*
- *Broken, weathered, vigil lamps; Christmas wreaths & arrangements are to be removed as well.*
- *Those remaining will be removed by the cemetery personnel and discarded.*





ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH
HOMEMADE EASTER CANDY,
BAKED GOODS, & CRAFTS Sale
 March 23: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. & March 24:
 9 a.m. - Noon
 Our Kitchen Team is busy making their
 beautiful and delicious Easter Candy!

• Filled Eggs • Bunnies • Lollipops • Crosses •
 Chips • Pretzels • Nuts and More!
 Walk-ins are welcome, but pre-orders are
 recommended! To electronically pre-order your candy,
 visit the St. Nicholas website Events page or pick up a
 paper order form in the portico. All items listed on the
 order form are available as pre-orders. All pre-orders are
 due by March 17 and will be confirmed once received!
 Additional items available on sale days in limited quanti-
 ties are: white chocolate items, peanut rolled eggs, mint
 patties, chocolate covered cash-
 ews, rocky road bark, other mold-
 ed chocolates, and various fla-
 vors of glass/hard candy. Also
 new this year are handmade craft
 items and baked goods.
 We are looking forward to seeing
 you March 23 & 24!



SPONSORED BY THE NFP TASK FORCE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BISHOP'S COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

mother-daughter TEA



Lillian Fallon
 AUTHOR OF "THEOLOGY OF STYLE:
 EXPRESSING THE UNIQUE &
 UNREPEATABLE YOU"

MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS (AGE 9-13) ARE INVITED
 TO SPEND AN AFTERNOON CELEBRATING THE
 GIFT OF FEMININITY!

FEATURING PRESENTATIONS ON THE PHYSICAL AND
 EMOTIONAL CHANGES GIRLS EXPERIENCE AND
 EMPOWERING TIPS ON MODESTY, VIRTUE,
 AND PERSONAL STYLE.

DAUGHTERS ARE WELCOME TO INVITE OTHER
 SPECIAL WOMEN IN THEIR LIFE.

\$25 PER FAMILY



Kathleen Chovanes
 FERTILITY AWARENESS EDUCATOR

RSVP APRIL 7



SUNDAY | 28 APRIL | 1-4PM

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH HALL
 1046 W. CEDAR STREET, ALLENTOWN, PA 18102
 CONTACT: KOSENBACH@ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG



We Are Remembered Ministry
33rd Annual Easter Mass
Wednesday, April 3rd 2024 at 7:00 PM
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church, Whitehall, PA



A Diocese of Allentown
Ministry

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

As we prepare to mark the 33rd Year of the "We Are Remembered Ministry", we invite you to gather and celebrate our Annual Easter Mass. The Ministry has returned to St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church in Whitehall and the parish family is delighted to welcome our guests to remember and celebrate the lives of so many of our loved ones who have passed on. Please indicate on the enrollment form if you plan on joining us for this very special Liturgy.

We minister and welcome all who mourn the death and passing of a loved one. **As a sponsor, it is important that you enroll the name of your loved one(s) each year.** This will ensure their inclusion in the enrollment list appearing in AD Today after the Anniversary Mass. As always, "The Book of Remembered" will be available for your remembrances from 6 - 6:50 PM and again after the Mass.

Friends of the "We are Remembered" Ministry will provide a lovely social & spring flowers/gifts after Mass in the parish hall. If you'd like to help, please contact us at email: djreled@sercc.org (include your phone #).

Directions: Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church is located on the corner of Fullerton Avenue and Pershing Blvd., 618 Fullerton Avenue, Whitehall (Near the RT. 22 ramps)

Ample parking is provided in the Pershing Blvd. parking lot across the street.

The work of the ministry is sustained by your generosity and prayer!

We ask a \$5 donation for each name enrolled to cover expenses. Every name submitted will be enrolled regardless of donation.


Please Mail & Make Checks Payable to to ➔ **St. Elizabeth Church**
Mass of Remembrance
 618 Fullerton Avenue
 Whitehall, PA 18052

Enrollment Deadline: Monday, March 20, 2024

Diocesan

ALTAR SERVER

Mass



APRIL

SATURDAY 13 11AM

2024

The Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena
 Allentown, Pennsylvania