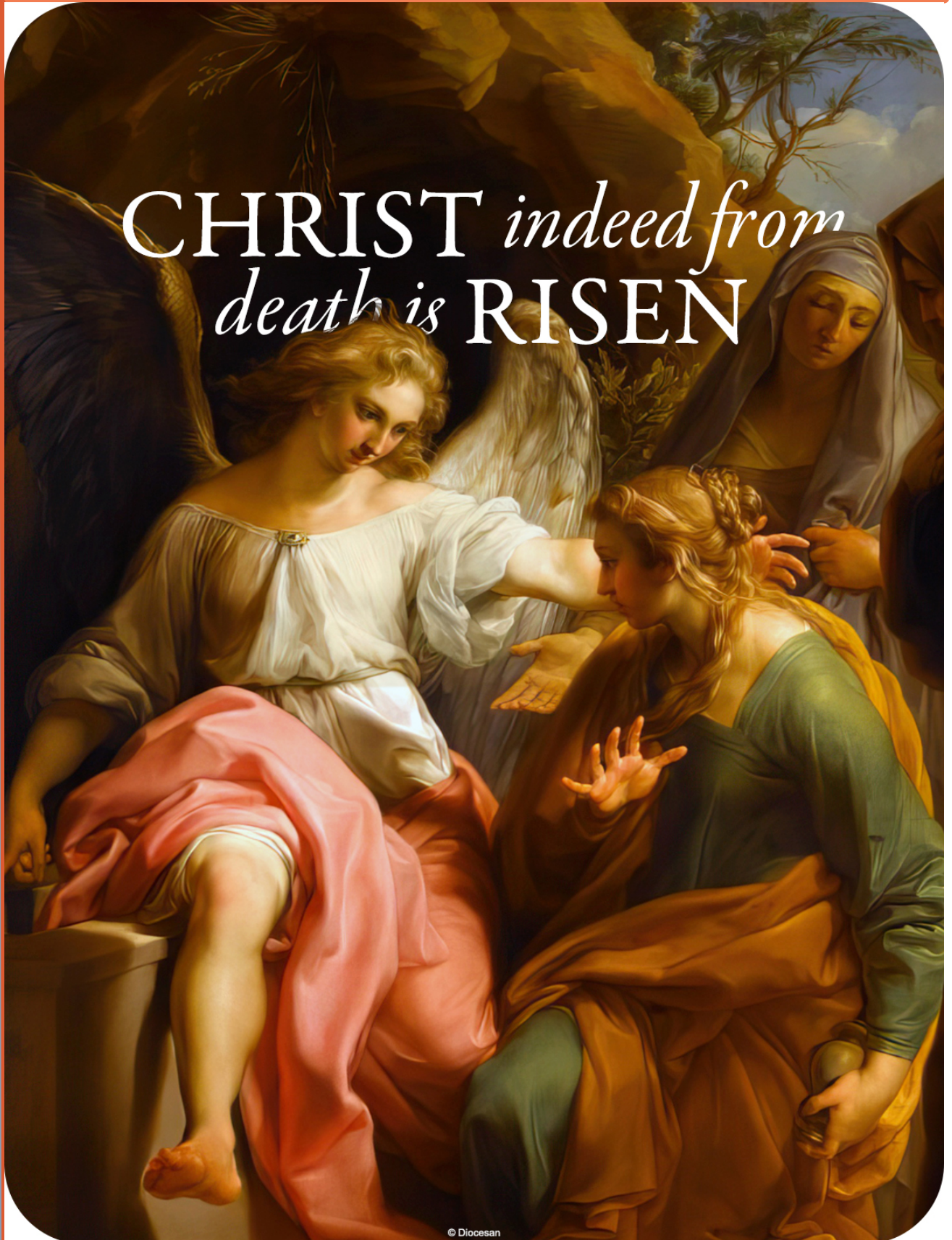




# Saint Peter Church

CHRIST *indeed from death is* RISEN

Sunday, April 5, 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](mailto:victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org)

**DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT** Pamela Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204 Email: [prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto: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](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.



 [www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com](http://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com)

 [info@stpetersccoplay.com](mailto:info@stpetersccoplay.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  
April 5- April 12*

**Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday of the Resurrection  
of the Lord**

*Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9*  
**10:30AM Easter Envelope Remembrances**  
**\*\*\*\*No Fellowship\*\*\*\***

**Monday April 6<sup>th</sup> Monday Within the Octave of  
Easter**

*Acts 2:14, 22:33; Mt 28:8-15*  
**No Morning Mass**

**Wednesday April 8<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Within the Octave  
of Easter**

*Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24: 13-35*  
**8:00AM John Szerencits**

**Friday April 10<sup>th</sup> Friday Within the Octave of  
Easter**

*Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42*  
**8:00AM Justine and Joseph Kundek**

**Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup> Saturday Within the Octave of  
Easter**

*Acts 2:42-47; !Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31*  
**8:00PM Jerome Dancheck**

**Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup> Divine Mercy**

**10:30AM Albert and Margaret Stoitsis  
First Communion**

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Week of Sunday 3/29/2026**  
**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**

*April 7, 2026  
At 6:00PM*



**HOLY HOUR**

*April 8, 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*



**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 APRIL 5TH**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

*Will burn this week in memory of  
Jerome Dancheck*

*Offered by Janet Dancheck*

**BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL LIGHT**

*Will burn in memory of*

*Justine and Joseph Kundek*

*Offered by Veronica Kundek*

**SAINT JOSEPH VIGIL LIGHTS**

*Will burn in memory of*

*Joseph Felix*

*Offered by Barbara Felix*

**OFFICE CLOSINGS**

*In celebration of the Lord's Resurrection  
The office will be closed on:  
Monday, April 6*

**Mark your Calendars**  
**Beginning Wednesday, April 8, 2026**  
**Holy Hour will begin at 7pm in the Church**

**CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!**  
**ALLELUIA!**



Dear Parishioners,  
With this ancient greeting, I bid you all a Happy and Blessed Easter.

We made it! With our Lenten fasting, abstinence, and good works completed, we can rejoice in Christ's triumph over death. Jesus' resurrection is a promise to us that if we have been faithful in

carrying His cross that we too will rise and enjoy the promise of everlasting life.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks for those staff members and parishioners who helped the Lenten Season and especially Holy Week go smoothly, the unsung heroes of the parish. You have all made my first Easter at St. Peter one of spiritual rejuvenation.

As you join with your families today to celebrate Christ's resurrection, it is my sincere prayer that you will know that peace and joy that His triumph brings.

Monsignor James

### MASS CANCELLATION

There will be no 8AM Mass on Tuesday, April 7, 2026

At Saint John the Baptist Church



### CASH BINGO

Proceeds to benefit Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative  
SUNDAY April 12, 2026  
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



### 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](mailto:msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com).

Visit our website: GoodShepherd-Catholic.com

### BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS REGIONAL PREP

Mrs. Ginny Downey, DRE

Email—[dre@carloacutisprep.org](mailto:dre@carloacutisprep.org)

website: [www.carloacutisprep.org](http://www.carloacutisprep.org)

610-261-0144

Please refer to the above website for ALL PREP information.

# Brushes & Blessings

## Youth Group Night

Join us for a creative night of art, friendship, and fun! ✨

April 19,  
2026

6:00-  
8:30  
PM

### What's Included ✨

- Paint supplies
- Snacks and drinks
- Music
- Friends
- A masterpiece you get to take home

No art skills? No problem. This is all about hanging out, getting creative, and having a great time together.

We'll have everything you need, so just show up ready to paint, laugh, and make something awesome.

Scan the  
QR Code to  
Register



**BRING A FRIEND AND COME READY FOR  
A COLORFUL NIGHT TOGETHER!**



Welcome  
May God Bless You

September five persons have been preparing to be received into the Catholic Church. They have been attending O (Order) of C (Christian) I (Initiation) of A (Adults),

the official process that prepares them for entrance into the Church. At the Easter Vigil, Rio Sanchez, Vida Franklin, and Madeline Scott received Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion. Benjamin and Anderson (Andy) Shafnisky made a Profession of Faith and then received Confirmation and Holy Communion. We congratulate all five "neophytes" to the Catholic Faith. As with all of us who are cradle Catholics, they will continue to learn about their Catholic faith in the years to come. We are very proud of them and their dedication to attending the classes and attending Mass regularly as they prepared to receive the Sacraments. We welcome them at Saint Peter Parish and promise them our prayers as they begin to live their lives as Catholics

DESIGNER  
Purse  
BINGO

Join in the fun April 19 at St. Nicholas Church's 4th Annual Designer Purse Bingo and basket/gift card raffle at Diamond Fire Hall, 101 Main St, Walnutport. Doors open at 11:30 am, bingo at 1 pm. \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door for 20 regular games. 5 special games will cost extra. Advance tickets will be provided in a "will call" line at the event. Purchase tickets at <https://stnicholaswalnutportpursebingo.eventbrite.com/> or by calling the parish office (610-767-3107) and mailing a check that arrives before 4/17.

2026  
**April**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, AND EASTER MONDAY	1 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 6PM	2 MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 6:30PM ADORATION AND NIGHT PRAYER AT 10PM AT SAINT PETER	3 STATIONS AT 12NOON AT ST PETER PASSION OF THE LORD 3PM AT ST JOHN STATIONS AT 7PM AT ST JOHN	4 BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS 12 NOON AT ST JOHN EASTER VIGIL 8PM AT ST PETER
5 <b>EASTER</b> NO FELLOWSHIP	6 OFFICE CLOSED	7 NO 8AM MASS AT ST JOHN FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	8 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS BEGINS AT 7PM	9 COMMUNION CALLS	10 COMMUNION CALLS	11
12 WCHI BINGO FIRST COMMUNION 8:00AM AT ST. JOHN 10:30 AM AT ST. PETER	13	14 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	15 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 7PM	16	17	18 CHICKEN DINNER AND COPLAY LIBRARY BASKET RAFFLE
19 CHILDREN'S LITURGY ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MTG LION'S CLUB BINGO	20 pierogies	21 pierogies FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	22 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 7PM	23 ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING 7PM IN CHURCH HALL	24	25
26 HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING	27	28 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM	29 HOLY HOUR W/ CONFESSIONS 7PM	30		