

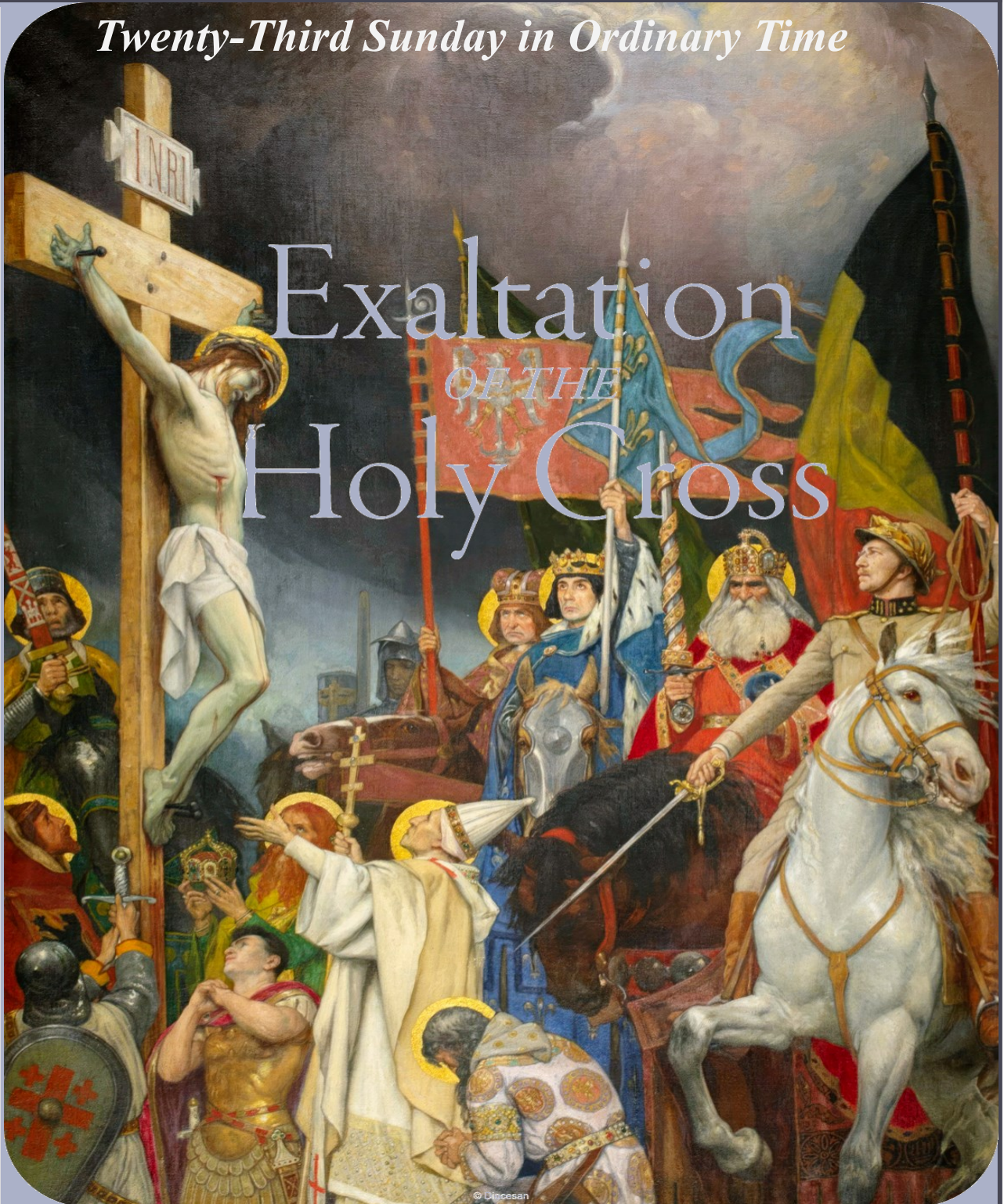
# Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



*Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



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610.262.2417



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## 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:** Mr. Cyrus Doyle

**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](mailto:victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org)

**DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT** Pamela Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204 Email:

[pruso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto: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](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.



## *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 September 10th Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20  
8:00 AM Joseph and Mary Paukovits, Jr.  
10:30 AM Dominic Anthony

**Monday September 11th Weekday**

Col 1:24—2:3; Lk 6:6-11  
No Morning Mass

**Tuesday September 12th Weekday**

Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19  
8:00AM Theresa Koren

**Wednesday September 13th Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26  
8:00AM St. Peter's Parishioners

**Thursday September 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
8:00 AM John Toth

**Friday September 15th Our Lady of Sorrows**

1Tm 1:1-12, 12:14; Jn 19:25-27  
8:00AM Rosa and Stephen Rengert

**Saturday September 16th Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs**

1Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49

**Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM Charles Frisch

**Sunday September 17th Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Society  
10:30AM Bernard Schwindenhammer

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 09/3/2023**  
**Basket collection \$6060.00 plus online \$745.00**  
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 ~TUESDAYS**  
Rosary and Benediction 6:00-7:00PM



**HOLY HOUR 7PM**  
Confessions will **not** be heard  
on Wednesday, September 13, 2023



**DEVOTIONAL LAMPS**

Sanctuary Light  
Will burn in memory of  
Helen Bischof  
Requested by John Bischof

Blessed Mother Lights  
will burn in memory of  
Grandparents of Beverly and Michael Sobchak  
Requested by Beverly and Michael Sobchak



**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 Monday, September 18, and Tuesday, September 19. Volunteers are needed on both days. Please consider joining us!

**NOTE:** Pierogies will not be ready for pick-up until 1:00pm unless we are notified in advance.

Any questions or to make arrangement for pick -up please call Judy at 610.451.2375

### **SAINT PETER CHOIR**

Finally! Choir Rehearsal start Monday, Sept.11 at 6:15pm. We rehearse two to three times a month and sing two Sundays a month during the 10:30 Masses, Christmas and Easter. Thinking of joining? Be adventurous and try something new. Seats fill our quickly. Any questions call Kathy at 610.262.4095

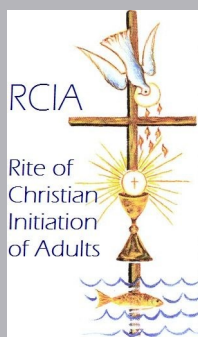


Our 2024 **Mass Book** is open . The donation for each Mass remains \$10.00. You can make arrangements in person for an announced Mass at the Rectory. Masses will not be scheduled until offerings have been made.

We will schedule up to 3 Mass intentions per family.

Our hours are 9AM – 4PM Mon. – Thurs. and 9AM-3PM Fridays. The Rectory is closed daily between 12 & 1PM

### **R.C.I.A. INFORMATION**



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a way of welcoming, forming and initiating new members into the Church. It is a process through which non-baptized men and women become members of the Catholic Church. It is also suitable for

those baptized in different faith traditions who are interested in becoming Catholic, or for those who were baptized Catholic but have yet to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

### **GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL** **1300 Newport Avenue Northampton**



Good Shepherd students, Pre-school through 8th grade had a wonderful first week of the 2023-2024 school year. We began with a faculty led school Mass and finished the week with smiling faces. We are excited for a brand new school year! School will be closed

on Monday, September 4th for the Labor Day weekend.

We have limited space available for students entering grades K-8, Preschool (3 years old) and Pre-K(4 years old). For more information regarding enrollment, or to set up a tour please call or email Ms. Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director at 610.262.9171 or [msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com](mailto:msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com)



### **HOLY APOSTLES RE**

[holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org](mailto:holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org) 610.261.0144

Fall Office Hours : M-Th 3:00-8:00 pm; closed Fridays

September 11, 13~ All grades report.

September 21~ First Penance meeting will take place at Holy Trinity Church at 7pm

### **Central Catholic High School**

301 N Fourth Street  
Allentown, PA 18102



Academic Success \* Catholic Values  
Enroll today for the 23-24 School Year!  
Outstanding Academic opportunities in a faith-filled community. Call or email to schedule an in-person visit! Contact Cara Meskill, Director of Admissions at 610-437-4601 ext. 148 or [cmeskill@acchs.info](mailto:cmeskill@acchs.info).

Financial aid and Scholarships are available.

### **GENDER IDEOLOGY: WHAT CATHOLICS NEED TO KNOW**

All parents, high school teens, and adults are invited to attend this free workshop "Gender Ideology: What Catholics Need to Know." The event will share the truth about the human person, counter misconceptions premised in gender ideology, and equip participants with facts, toolkits, resources, and talking points in light of Catholic social teaching. The workshop will take place at Bethlehem Catholic Social at 1pm on Sunday, October 8th. Please visit [allentowndiocese.org](http://allentowndiocese.org) to register. Bring a friend! Registration will close on September 25th.

# Saint Peter Copley

presents chicken parmesan and pasta dinner



Dinner includes:  
Salad, garlic bread,  
drinks and dessert

Saturday, September 16, 2023

4-6pm



\$15 per person

to order detach the bottom portion and return to the office no later than September 10 by mail, in the Sunday Collection or drop off in person, NO WALK-INS PLEASE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF DINNERS \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CASH CHECK# \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT AT RECTORY ONLY \_\_\_\_\_