

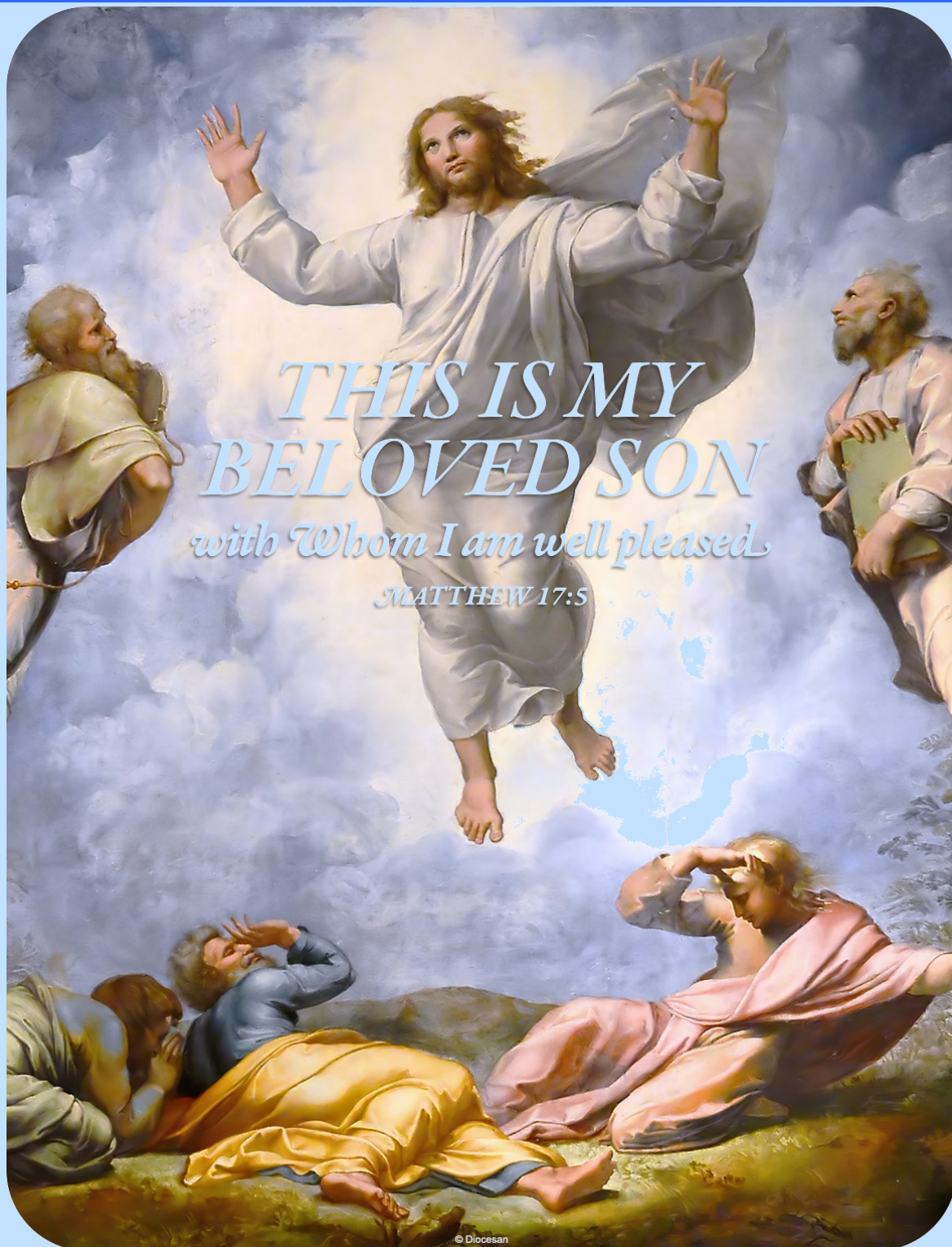
# *Saint Peter Church*

*4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037*



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023**

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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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.

**ANOIDING 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 August 6th The Transfiguration of the Lord**

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

8:00 AM St. Peter Parishioners

10:30 AM Paul Kish

**Monday August 7th Weekday**

Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21

No Morning Mass

**Tuesday August 8th Saint Dominic, Priest**

Nm 14:22-36; Mt 14:13-21

8:00AM Mary Schmidt

**Wednesday August 9th Weekday**

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28

8:00AM Jacqueline Kropf

**Thursday August 10th Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr**

2 Cor9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

8:00 AM Joseph and Stella Schwartz

**Friday August 11th Saint Clare, Virgin**

Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28

8:00AM Anne and Alfred Signarovitz

**Saturday August 12th Weekday**

Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20

**Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM Dennis L. Roy

**Sunday August 13th Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Frank Ferreira

10:30AM Carl F. Kroboth

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 07/30/2023**

**Basket collection \$5700.00 plus online \$450.00**

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**

**Confessions will be heard  
on Wednesday, August 9, 2023**



**DEVOTIONAL LAMPS**

Sanctuary Light

Will burn in memory of

Deceased Members of the Paukovitz and  
Miller Families

Requested by Barry and Jo Ann Walakovits

Blessed Mother Lights

Will burn in memory of

Catherine Spanitz

Requested by Rita Fatul

Saint Joseph Lights

Will burn in memory of

Joe Fatul

Requested by Rita Fatul



**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**

Frozen pierogies are available at the picnic at the price of \$9.00/dozen and must be picked up at the time of purchase so please bring your coolers with you to store your purchases. We **will not be able** to hold your purchase in our freezers. We are looking forward to seeing everyone!



### **GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**1300 Newport Avenue Northampton**

We are accepting enrollment for the 23-24 school year 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 Nochton, Advancement Director at 610.262.9171 or [msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com](mailto:msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com)  
Summer office hours: Tuesday-Thursday 9am-1pm



### **HOLY APOSTLES RE**

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

Office Hours : M-W 10-5; Th 12-6; closed Fridays

Service Hours: Help set up at the Ed Center & St. Peter Pierogi making.

The Center will be closed from 7/27-8/9

Please drop off your registration forms in the drop box at the Ed. Center.

Grades 4, 6, 7, and 8 Monday Classes are closed.

We are still looking for teachers for grades 3 on Wednesday, and grade 6 on Monday please call the office if interested.

*Fellowship, food & fun*

## **CHURCH** *Picnic*



We would like to invite everyone to please join us for our annual parish picnic this Sunday, August 7th Noon till 9:00 pm.

Please join us for fellowship and fun!

### **Picnic Update:**

**Volunteers** are still needed:

Sunday August 6th~ 8AM-Noon.

**Clean -Up** Monday August 7th & Tuesday August 8th ~ 8AM-3PM & 6PM-8:30PM

**Picnic Raffle Tickets:** will be sold on Sunday at the picnic

THANK YOU all in advance for your time, talent and treasure!

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).



### **HELP MINISTRY**



We are a volunteer group trying to help and serve our elderly parishioners in need of transportation to Church, doctors' appointments, shopping, etc...If

you would like to help, please call Tom Schwindy at 610.261.3640 (H) or 484.747.2315 (C)

"Love and charity, are service, helping others, serving others...When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love!"

Pope Francis



### **Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in your Marriage**

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples

learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. Upcoming programs will be held August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org)... or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

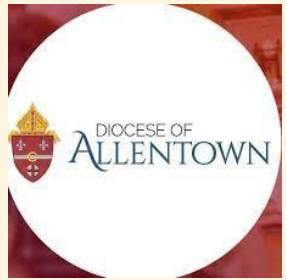
The St. Monica Ministry will hold its monthly Holy Hour at St. Theresa Church, Hellertown, on Wednesday, August 9th at 6:00pm. We will come together before the Blessed Sacrament to ask Our Lord's mercy and to invoke the powerful intercession of St. Monica for our fallen-away loved ones. Presiding will be the newly-ordained Rev. Alexander Brown, Parochial Vicar of St. Anne Parish, Bethlehem. All are welcome, and registration is not required. For more information, please email [StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com](mailto:StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com) <<mailto:StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com>>





### ST. JOSEPH IN THE HILLS RETREAT FOR MEN

Men in the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a period of refreshment, release, calming, learning, concentrating on the most important gift: your life, a gift from God. The retreat called 'St. Joseph in the Hills' will take place at Malvern Retreat House in Malvern, PA. The Lehigh Valley men's retreat group, dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, would like to invite you to experience the same excitement and awe that we feel on our yearly weekend. Learn, reflect, and increase your personal communion with the Lord. Join us on the weekend of **August 25, 26, & 27, 2023**, Friday night to Sunday morning. To register, contact Anthony Scarselletti of the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Group by phone (610-393-4671) or by email: [OLPH.ascarselletti@gmail.com](mailto:OLPH.ascarselletti@gmail.com)



Each year, the Diocese of Allentown celebrates the Vocation of Marriage by offering a Mass for married couples celebrating a milestone anniversary. The couples are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass held each September.

### SAVE THE DATE!

The 2023 Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on **Sunday, September 17, 2023** at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown. If you are celebrating a special anniversary, we welcome you to register visit [allentowndiocese.org](http://allentowndiocese.org).

Catholic Charities

## VIRTUAL Baby SHOWER

To Help New Mothers of little ones

**July 8, 2023-August 6, 2023**

We need your help! Our Baby Closet is running low on essential items needed for little ones.

#### Items Needed

- Diapers – Size 3 and up
- Wipes
- Summer and Fall clothing – Boys and Girls sizes Newborn through 5T
- Crib sheets
- Baby Wash
- Baby Lotion

Participate in our virtual baby shower by dropping off items to one of our donation drop off locations! Scan the QR Code to see a full list of drop off locations.



Questions? Call 610-435-1541 ext. 340 or email [rdowney@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:rdowney@allentowndiocese.org)



## AUGUST IS NATIONAL MAKE-A-WILL MONTH

Make-A-Will Month is an annual observance that brings our attention to the thoughtful and loving act of creating a will. Here are a few reasons to complete this essential task:

- ☒ **Peace of mind:** A will allows you to provide and care for your loved ones, and ensure they know your wishes for the future.
- ☒ **Security:** Creating your will and estate plan allows you to communicate important financial and healthcare decisions, so you're prepared for whatever the future may hold.
- ☒ **Impact:** By including a legacy gift in your will, you can extend your faith and values to future generations by providing lasting support to the ministries you believe in.

### THIS ESTATE PLANNING RESOURCE INCLUDES ADVANCED HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES & POWER OF ATTORNEY TOOLS!

FreeWill makes it simple and free for anyone to write a legal will and plan ahead to ensure that your assets will be distributed in a way that protects your family as well as honors your values & faith.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:  
[GDOWNNEY@ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG](mailto:GDOWNNEY@ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG)  
OR VISIT  
[ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG/GIVING](http://ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG/GIVING)

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