

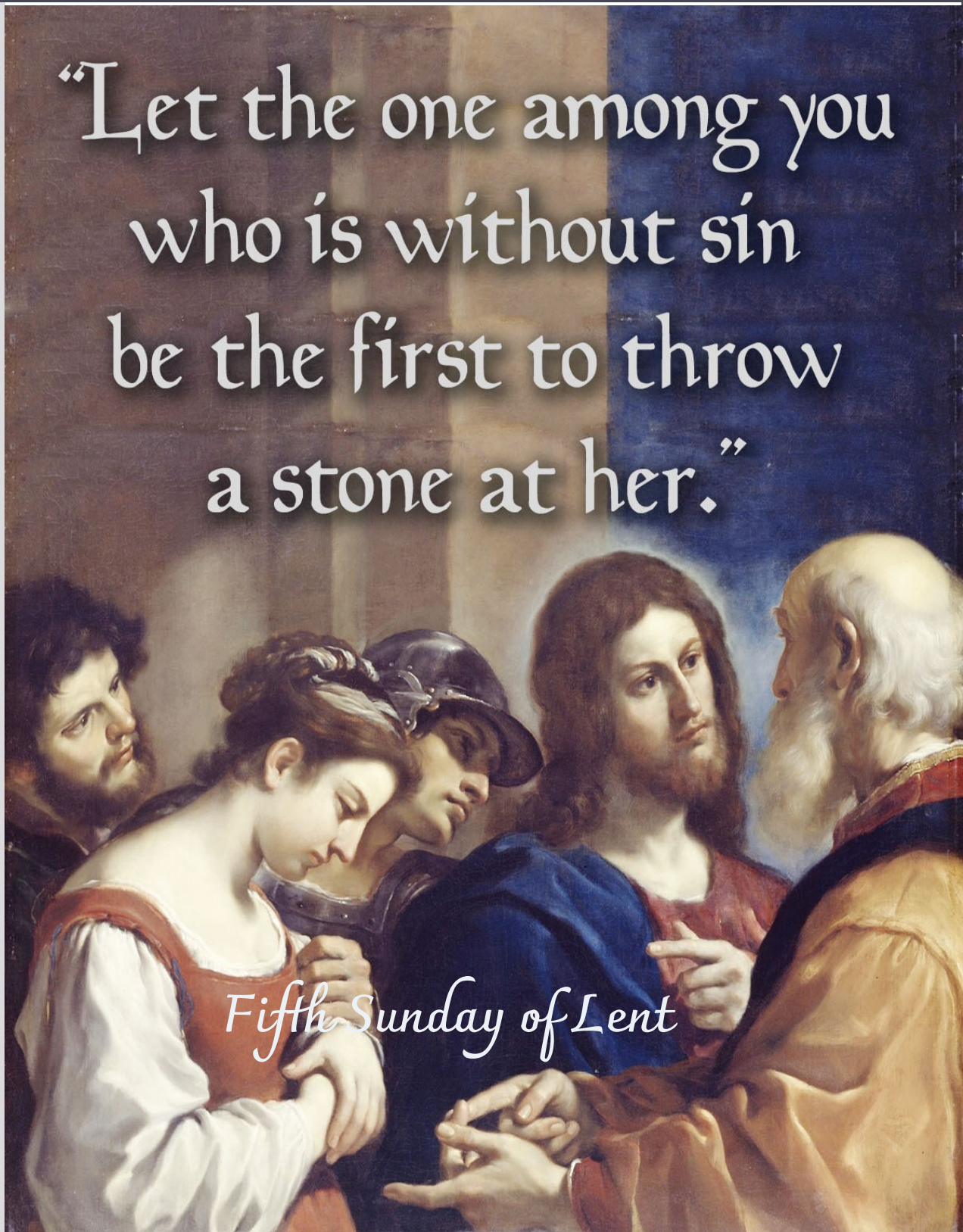
Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



“Let the one among you
who is without sin
be the first to throw
a stone at her.”

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025



Fifth Sunday of Lent



PARISH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. David L. James J.C.L.
PASTORS EMERITI: Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin
Rev. Msgr. William E. Handges
PERMANENT DEACON: Mr. Michael Kudla
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Mrs. Lina Abi-Samra
FINANCE MANAGER: Mrs. Michelle Ahern
DIRECTOR OF REL. ED.: Mrs. Linda Johnson

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: 3:15 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

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

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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 6—April 13, 2025**

Sunday April 6th Fifth Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11
10:30AM Jerome Dancheck

Monday April 7th Lenten Weekday

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:12-20
8:00AM No Morning Mass

Wednesday April 9th Lenten Weekday

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
8:00 AM John Szerencits, Jr.

Friday April 11th Lenten Weekday

Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10: 31-42
8:00AM Michael Cesanek
4:30PM Stations of the Cross at St. John
7:00PM Stations of the Cross at St. Peter

Saturday April 12th Lenten Weekday

Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11;
Lk 22:14—23:56
4:30PM Joseph and Mary Nika

**Sunday April 13th Palm Sunday of the Passion of
the Lord**

10:30AM Altar and Rosary Society
Holy Name Society

Stewardship Corner

Week of Sunday 03/30/2025

Basket collection \$5433.00 plus online \$847.00

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

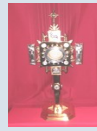
MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS

HEALTH: Barbara Frisch

Deceased: John Mikovits, Barbara Novak, Terry Ciocco, Charlotte Hobel, Francis Schlager, George Pavelko



FLAME OF LOVE
Tuesday, April 8, 2025
At 6:00PM



HOLY HOUR
Wednesday April 9, 2025
6:00PM
Followed by Lenten Series at 7:00PM



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



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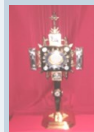


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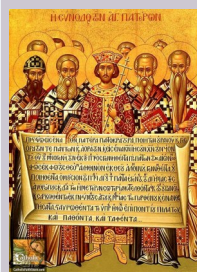


DEVOTIONAL LAMPS
SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory of Jerome Dancheck
Offered by Janet Dancheck

Blessed Mother Vigil Light

Will burn in memory of John Szerencits, Jr.
Offered by John Szerencits III



LENTEN SERIES:

The Nicene Creed

Join us every Wednesday, beginning
Wednesday, April 9, at 7pm in the
Church Hall.

Please bring a Bible with you.

PARISH HALL

The parish hall is available for rent to parishioners.
Anyone interested, please call the office at
610.262.2417



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS!

We are excited to announce the joining together of the religious education programs for Queenship of Mary, Assumption BVM in Northampton, St. John Fisher in Catasauqua, St. Peter in Coplay, St. John the Baptist in Stiles and Holy Trinity in Whitehall. Soon to be unified under one Director of Religious Education, families will have the choice to enroll in either a traditional religious education or a family catechesis program. Offered at multiple locations, families will be able to register for a program close to home. We look forward to our community becoming ever closer as one in the Body of Christ through this ministry. More information about registration coming your way later this Spring!



CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN UP

To Prepare for Easter please remove the following No later than 4/11

- 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.

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE



Tuesday, April 8, between 8:30 and 9:30AM at Saint John the Baptist

Wednesday, April 9, between 8:30 and 9:30AM at Saint Peter

Wednesdays during Holy Hour April 9 and 16. This is your last chance before Easter!



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

is accepting enrollment for students entering grades K-8 in 2025-2026, Preschool (3 years old) and Pre-K (4 years old). For more information, please call the Advancement Director at 610-262-9171



HOLY APOSTLES RE

610.261.0144 or holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org

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

Regular classes for grades 1-7

Thursday, April 24, First Communion practice
6:30-7:45pm

Sunday, April 27, First Communion at 10:30am

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, applesauce, instant potatoes, coffee, tea, crackers, paper products, toiletries....No big items please.

ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS



Please join us as we pray the Rosary before the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, April 13,
We will not be meeting in April .
Happy Easter!!



HOLY NAME SOCIETY HOAGIE FUNDRAISER

St Peter Holy Name Society will have a Spring Hoagie Sale (pickup Saturday, May 17, between 2 and 5:30pm). As promised, we will again be offering our high quality 9-inch hoagies for \$6.00 each. Holy Name members will be available to take your pre-paid orders beginning the weekend of April 5-6 and ending May 3-4.



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TRAVEL WITH MSGR. DAVID L. JAMES

We will be visiting Rome, the Vatican, Assisi, Orvieto, Loretto, Florence, Siena, Padua, Salzburg, Burgenland, Eisenstadt, Vienna.

questions please call 610.262.2417



Trip includes: transportation from/to Coplay, Airfare, Taxes and fees, 4 or 5 star hotels, Transportation with luxury bus. All breakfasts and dinners, Guided tours, Luggage handling (1 carry-on and 1 suitcase)

DATE: October 12-24, 2025

COST: \$6,599.00 per person
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TOUR OF SALZBURG



We will spend the day in Salzburg, a city filled with the beautiful Mirabell Gardens —where Julie Andrews and the Von Trapp children danced around the Pegasus Fountain while singing the song “Do Re Mi”— and gorgeous architecture.

We will walk through the Old Town of Salzburg, a UNESCO World Heritage site, famous for its Baroque architecture with medieval lanes and small shops with ironwork signs, the monumental Domplatz and birthplace of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Enjoy the beautiful city with its many cafes and shopping boutiques.

Dinner and overnight in Burgenland/ Eisenstadt.



Scout Troop 79 of St John the Baptist Church will be holding their Easter Flower Sale at the church hall during Holy Week. Wednesday, April 16th, 10- 6PM, Holy Thursday, April 17th - 9-6PM, Good Friday 8-6PM, and Saturday 8-12PM.



When: Sunday, April 13, 2025

Where: St. Peter Church Social Hall

4 South 5th Street, Coplay

Time: Doors open at 1PM, Bingo starts at 2PM

Food is available for purchase.

Cost: \$15 admission gets 2 boards (4 faces)
\$5 book purchase.

Proceeds to benefit Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative.

Chips and daubers are available for purchase.

Items for the food pantry are greatly appreciated.

List can be found at

<https://tinyurl.com/WCHIPantrylist>

If you have any questions, please call Liz at 484.274.6687



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