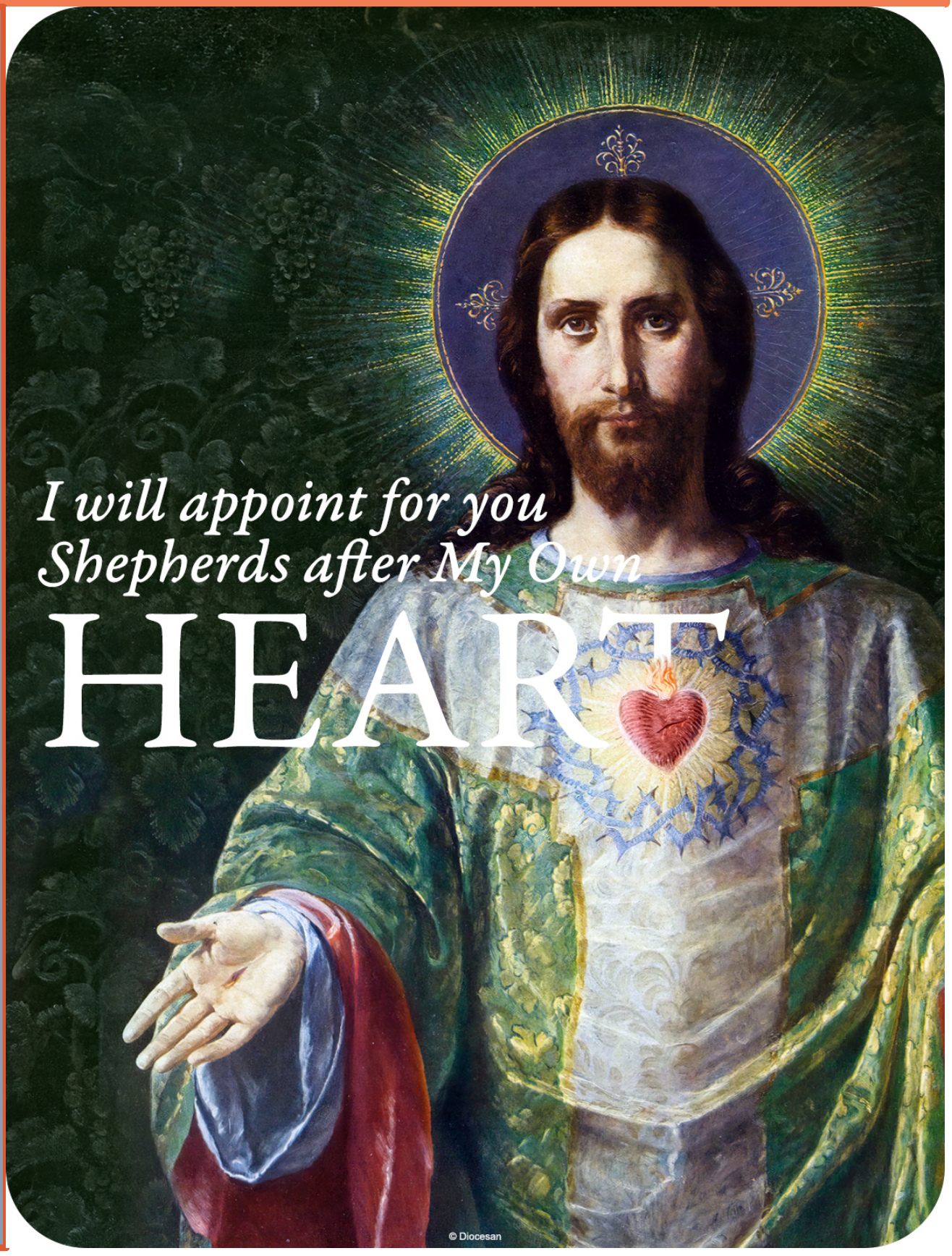
Saint Peter Church

Sunday, September 27, 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 1sr 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 Saint 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

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT Pamela Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204 Email: 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 or by calling 800-276-1562.

www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com info@stpetersrccoplay.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 September 27- October 4

Sunday September 27th Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32
10:30AM Elsie Kroboth

Monday September 28th Weekday
Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50
No Morning Mass

Wednesday September 30th Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62
8:00AM Dorothy Klucharich

Friday October 2nd First Friday, The Holy Guardian Angels
Jb 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Mt 18:1-5, 10
8:00AM Margaret and Joseph Weber, Jr.

Saturday October 3rd First Saturday, Weekday
Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43
4:30PM William and Teresa Wiessner

Sunday October 4th Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30AM John and Kathryn Wechsler

Masses Said by Retired Priests

Deceased: Ed Bodisch, Theodore Argeson, Richard Grois, Daniel R. Nagy, Barbara Koch

STEWARDSHIP CORNER
Week of Sunday 9/20/2026
Basket collection $4725.00 plus online $552.00

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.

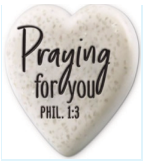
*Your **support** to your parish is critical.*

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
September 29, 2026
At 6:00PM

HOLY HOUR
CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD
September 30, 2026
at 7pm



PRAYER INTENTIONS
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:

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

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 SEPTEMBER 27

SANCTUARY LIGHT

In loving memory of William and Teresa Wiessner

Offered by Joseph and Rosemary Geosits

SAINT PETER HOLY NAME SOCIETY

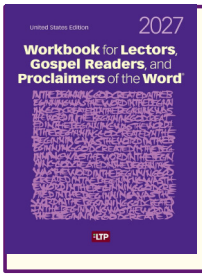
Will have a Fall Hoagie Sale (pickup Saturday, October 24 after 2pm). As promised, we will again be offering our high quality 9-inch hoagies for $6.00 each.Holy Name members will be available to take your pre-paid orders beginning this weekend.

BUS TRIP

Winter Wonderland

at the American Music Theater

Thank you to all who have already paid in full or the non-refundable deposit of $25.00 pp. The cost is $140 pp., and includes round trip transportation from Saint Peter, Coplay, a stop at Kitchen Kettle, show ticket, dinner at Hershey Farms, driver gratuity and refreshments and snacks on the bus. Trans-Bridge may be adding a small fuel surcharge down the line, in the event that happens, I will inform everyone via the church bulletin. The balance is due no later then September 28, 2026. We have started a waiting list. if you would like your named to be added, please call Beverly at 610.767.1887



LECTORS' WORKBOOKS

The lectors' workbooks are available to be picked up in the Sacristy.

Hallow

Mark your Calendars

Our Parish is joining Hallow's Parish Week: Rebuild My Church, a nationwide seven-day prayer challenge running October 5-11. Inspired by Christ's call to St. Francis of Assisi to "rebuild my Church," this week will invite us-together with parishes across the country to grow closer to Christ, rediscover the sacraments, and strengthen our parish community. The waitlist opens September 23rd, and you can join tight from our parish page on the Hallow app. Stay tuned in the coming weeks for more details on how to take part!

Will take place on Sunday, October 4 at 1:00pm

On the grounds behind Saint Peter's Convent.

Please make sure your pets are on a leash.

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 Nochton, Advancement Director, or email her at msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com.
Visit our website: GoodShepherd-Catholic.com

Good Shepherd CYO Winter Sports Signups Now Open!

Basketball Grades K-8
High School Basketball Grades 9-12

Did you know?

You can play CYO sports even if you don't go to Good Shepherd School as long as you are enrolled in a P.R.E.P. at one of our affiliated parishes!

Use the QR code to access our CYO website to register by October 31st.

SAINT CARLO ACUTIS REGIONAL PREP

Mrs. Ginny Downey, DRE
Email—dre@carloacutisprep.org
website: www.carloacutisprep.org
Phone 610-261-0144
Please refer to the above website for ALL PREP information.

St. John's will be holding their next blood drive at their parish hall on Saturday, October 17th, 9:00-2:00. The goal is 40 registered donors.

We hope our friends from St. Peter's can join us in this important endeavor to save lives. We also encourage you to invite your family and friends to do the same so we may have a successful drive.

Please text/call Lisa at 610-737-0847 for sign up information.

Pray the **Rebuild My Church** challenge on Hallow with your parish starting **October 5, 2026.**

Join hundreds of Catholic parishes across the country in a shared week of prayer.

Over 800 years ago, St. Francis knelt in a crumbling chapel and heard Jesus say: "Rebuild My Church." Launching the day after his feast day, in the 800th anniversary year of his passing into eternal life, this 7-day prayer challenge invites you to discover how Jesus rebuilds His Church: not through grand strategies or massive programs, but through the ordinary, holy lives of people like you.

Each day journeys through the life of a saint who answered that call, from St. Francis and Mother Teresa to Carlo Acutis, Elizabeth Ann Seton, Jan Tyranowski, Pier Giorgio Frassati, and Anna Maria Taigi, exploring the foundations Jesus built His Church on: prayer, the sacraments, community, generosity, invitation, and mission.

Whether you've been in the pew every Sunday or haven't walked through the doors of a parish in years, this challenge will help you discover that Jesus is still building His Church, and He is inviting you to become part of His story.

Pray with us on Hallow today!
Hallow.com/ParishWeek

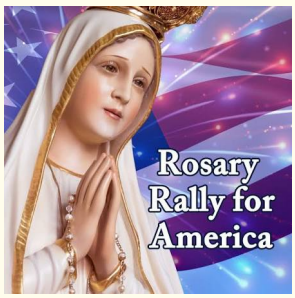
OCTOBER IS ROSARY MONTH

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The best way to celebrate the month is by praying the Rosary together before all weekend Masses beginning Sunday, October 4. Anyone in need of a rosary please contact the office at 610.262.2417

LUCKY CALENDARS

Fundraiser is underway.
Calendars will be available for sale following all weekend Masses and at the office.

Annual Rosary Rally



All parishioners from St. Peter and St. John the Baptist Churches are invited to participate in the Annual Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 10, 2026 at 12 Noon. We will gather in front of the Blessed Mother Shrine at Saint Peter's to pray the rosary. We ask God to save our nation through the rosary of His Holy Mother. Please join us in prayers. Anyone in need of a Rosary, please call the office at 610.262.2417

Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative Cash Bingo

SUNDAY OCTOBER 11TH

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

October 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2 First Friday Communion Calls Whitehall Historical Soc. Bingo 2-9	3 First Saturday	4 Fellowship Lion's Club Bingo
5	6 Flame of Love 6:00pm	7 Holy Hour 6pm	8	9	10	11 WCHI Biingo 2-5 DOORS OPEN AT 1PM
12 Office Closed	13 Flame of Love 6:00pm	14 Holy Hour 6pm	15	16 Pork and Sauerkraut To Go Dinner 4-7 pick up	17 KOFC Rose Campaign	18 40 Hours Devotions begin Altar & Rosary Society Mtg Children's Liturgy KOFC Rose Campaign
19 Pierogies 8 am Mass 40 Hours Devotions	20 Pierogies Flame of Love 6:00pm 40 Hours Devotions	21 No Holy Hour 6pm	22	23	24 Holy Name Society Hoagie pick up	25 Holy Name Society Mtg Cemetery Service 1pm
26 Parish leadership 7pm	27 Flame of Love 6:00pm	28 Holy Hour 6pm	29 Finance Council Mtg 7pm	30	31 Happy Halloween	

SAINT PETER COPLAY PRESENTS CHICKEN PARM DINNER

SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

4-6PM

CHURCH HALL

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

PRICE $17.00

SODA, WATER AND DESSERT

TOSSED SALAD

GARLIC BREAD

CHICKEN PARM WITH PASTA

TO PLACE AN ORDER PLEASE DETACH BOTTOM PORTION AND RETURN TO THE RECTORY NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 VIA MAIL, MAIL SLOT OR COLLECTION BASKET

NAME _____ _____

PHONE _____ _____

EAT-IN ☐ TAKE-OUT ☐

NUMBER OF DINNERS _____

CASH ENCLOSED CHECK NUMBER CREDIT AT THE RECTORY