



# Saint Peter Church

Sunday, February 15, 2026



BE MERCIFUL,  
O LORD, FOR  
WE HAVE SINNED.



## 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)

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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  
February 15- February 22*

**Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup> Sixth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

*Sir 15:15-20; 1Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37*  
**10:30AM Altar and Rosary Society**  
*Children's Liturgy*

**Monday February 16<sup>th</sup> Weekday**

*Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13*  
**No Morning Mass**

**Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday**

*Jl 2:12-18; 2Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18*  
**8:00AM Deceased Members of the Ryan and  
Bodisch Families**

**6:30PM at Saint John the Baptist**

**Friday February 20<sup>th</sup> Friday after Ash Wednesday**

*Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15*  
**8:00AM Robert Cesanek**

*Stations of the Cross*  
**4:30PM at Saint Peter**  
**7:00PM at Saint John the Baptist**

**Saturday February 21<sup>st</sup> Saturday after Ash  
Wednesday**

*Gn 25:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11*  
**4:30PM Frank J. Nemeth**

**Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> First Sunday of Lent**

**10:30AM Holy Name Society**

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Week of Sunday 2/8/2026**

**Basket collection \$.00 plus online \$1218.00**

*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**

*February 17, 2026  
At 6:00PM*



**NO HOLY HOUR**

*February 18, 2026  
at 6pm*

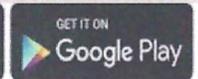
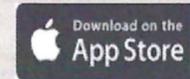


**PRAYER GROUP**

*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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**DEVOTIONAL LAMPS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1ST**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

*Will burn this week in memory of*

*Michael Yaroma*

*Offered by Joanne Yaroma*

**MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS**

*Deceased: Helen Klucharich, John Klucsarits,  
Jeffrey Karo, Louis Miklos, Pauline Pammer*

**PIEROGIES**

*We will be making pierogies on Monday, February  
16 and Tuesday, February 17 with clean up date  
Wednesday, February 18. Volunteers are needed  
all three days. A warm invitation is extended to all  
those who can spare sometime to help. No  
experience required!*

**BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS REGIONAL PREP**  
 Mrs. Ginny Downey, DRE  
 Email—dre@carloacutisprep.org  
 website: www.carloacutisprep.org  
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 Please refer to the above website for ALL PREP information.



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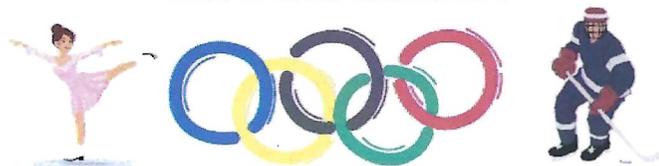
1300 Newport Ave, Northampton, PA  
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 e-mail: altngs@ptd.net

<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. Visit our website: GoodShepherd-Catholic.com

Good Shepherd is excited to once again participate in the Make a Joyful Noise lip dub video competition with Catholic schools across the Diocese of Allentown. The video will be available to watch, vote, and donate at [www.weloveourcatholicsschools.com](http://www.weloveourcatholicsschools.com) from January 25–February 22. Thank you for your support in helping GSCS make some joyful noise!

**WINTER OLYMPICS YOUTH NIGHT**



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22  
 6:00–8:30 PM**

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH CENTER**

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED WINTER OLYMPICS-THEMED YOUTH GROUP NIGHT!

COMPETE IN TEAM CHALLENGES, GAMES, AND FRIENDLY COMPETITIONS INSPIRED BY THE WINTER GAMES—ALL WHILE REMEMBERING THAT OUR FAITH CALLS US TO PERSEVERE. ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER, AND ALWAYS RUN THE RACE TOGETHER.

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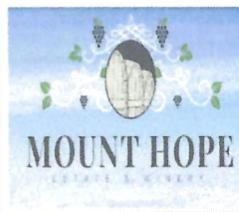
**BUS TRIP**

The bus to Mr. Hope Estate and Winery will depart St. Peter Church on Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 10:15am. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to departure so you can collect your seat assignments in the Church Social Hall.

Since the Murder Mystery is based on America's 100th birthday celebration in 1876. We decided to go with a patriotic theme for our trip. Feel free to dress in your favorite RED, WHITE, and BLUE attire.

We should return to the Church by 7:30pm.

If you have any questions please contact Beverly at 610.767.1887



**Vacation Bible School – Save the Date!**

July 6–10 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM St. Carlo Acutis Regional PREP / St. John the Baptist Church Campus



This summer, join us for Rainforest Falls – Totally Catholic Vacation Bible School 2026! Through music, games, prayer, and hands-on activities inspired by the beauty of God's creation, children will enjoy a fun, faith-filled week while learning how to grow in a strong, trusting relationship with God—our Creator

and our firm foundation in every season of life. Kindergarten through 6th grade may participate. 7th grade and older are invited to volunteer. Registration opens at the end of April. Questions? Contact Ginny Downey at 610-261-0144 or email dre@carloacutisprep.org.

**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, apple sauce, instant potatoes, coffee, tea, crackers, paper products, toiletries...No big items please

*Thank You*

Dear Parishioners of Saint John the Baptist and Saint Peter Parishes,

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your prayers and support during my recent hospitalization and recovery.

I was very moved by all the "Get Well Card" that I received and the many pledges of prayers for my recovery. Thanks to the good cooks of the parishes, I was well fed during my recovery. My surgery and recovery went as planned and my surgeon was pleased with the outcome.

I also want to thank the many parishioners who were so kind to me at Christmas. I received many beautiful cards and gifts from you. They really brightened the Christmas season. I pray that during this new year, God will bless you and your families with much peace and many blessings, both spiritual and temporal. Please pray for me that I may be able to help you and to guide our parishes as we continue to proclaim the Gospel to our communities.

Monsignor James

**OFFICE CLOSED**

Our office will be closed on Monday, February 16, In observance of President's Day



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Lenten Fish Dinners  
March 6, 13, 20 at 5:00PM to 7:00PM  
St. John the Baptist Social Hall  
(Corner of Chestnut St. & Ruch St., Whitehall)  
Carry out Available

- Adult Fish Dinner \$15.00
- Pierogi Dinner \$10.00
- Child Fish Dinner \$10.00
- Child Mac & Cheese Dinner \$5.00
- Side of Pierogi \$4.00
- Side of Mac & Cheese \$2.00
- Dessert & beverage, included with all dinners
- Potatoes, corn, applesauce & roll all included
- Depending on the dinner choice
- All proceeds will be donated in support of Faith, Family, Community & Life



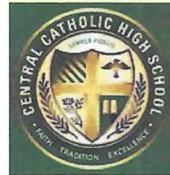
*St. John's Stiles—Blood Drive—  
Sat., February 28  
Contact Lisa, 610-737-0847 for sign up information*



**PALMS**

week.

*Please bring your palms from previous years to Church this week. The palms will be burnt and the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. For your convenience the containers will be in the vestibule this*



*Allentown Central Catholic High School  
Open House is scheduled for Thursday,  
March 5 from 6:00-7:30pm*

**MARCH**

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**PICK-UP SATURDAY  
MARCH 7, 2026  
BETWEEN 4-6PM IN  
THE CHURCH HALL**

PLEASE RETURN TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

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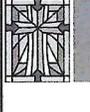
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