Welcome!
If you are new to the parish, please contact the Parish Office to register. We hope that you will favor our parishes with your prayers, weekly presence, talents, and financial stewardship according to your means. If you would like to volunteer for a particular liturgical ministry or other service opportunity, please contact us.

Parish Staff
Reverend William P. Murphy, Pastor
Deacon Edward Shaw, Permanent Deacon
Ms. Sarah Casey, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Joseph Olds, Organist
Mr. Richard Atwood, Jr., Cemetery Staff
Mr. Christopher Becker, RCIA Coordinator

Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday, 9 am - 2 pm
Phone: 413-274-3443

Sacraments
Baptism
We are always happy to welcome the newest members of our parish communities. To schedule a Baptism, please call the Parish Office.

Matrimony
 Couples need to contact the pastor one year prior to the marriage to begin the Pre-Cana process.

Sacrament of Confession
During this time of health and safety precautions, the Sacrament of Confession will be by appointment only. At this time, confessions are heard in the “drive up” fashion at the St. Peter Rectory at 16 Russell Street in Gt. Barrington. To set up a time for confession please call Rev. William P. Murphy at 413-274-3443.

Visitation of the Sick
Please call office if a loved one is hospitalized, in nursing facility, or confined to home and would like to receive the Sacraments.

Bulletin Online at:
parishesonline.com/find/blessed-teresa-of-calcutta-st-peter-church

St. Peter Parish

St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish

St. Peter Church
213 Main Street
Great Barrington, MA 01230

Parish Center, Rectory & Mailing Address
16 Russell Street
Great Barrington, MA 01230

Email: st.petergb12@gmail.com

St. Peter Cemetery
90 Stockbridge Rd., Great Barrington, MA

Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses
Monday & Friday: 7:00 AM
Adoration every Friday 7:30 AM - 4 PM

Holy Day
Please see bulletin for date & time

Corpus Christi Church
1085 Main Street
Housatonic, MA 01236

Office, Rectory & Mailing Address
204 High Street
P.O. Box 569
Housatonic, MA 01236

Email: st.teresa9@gmail.com

St. Bridget Cemetery
Van Deusenville Rd., Housatonic, MA

Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekday Masses
Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 AM
Adoration every 2nd Thurs. 8:30 AM - 4 PM

Holy Day
Please see bulletin for date & time

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.” - Mt 18:21-22
St. Peter Parish

Saturday  September 12, 2020
4:00 p.m.  John, Mary, Elaine & Paul Lucey
           Love Ann, Jane & families
Sunday   September 13, 2020
10:30 a.m. Mary Bersaw
           Req. Barbara Bersaw
Monday   September 14, 2020
7:00 a.m.  Sean Mulholland
           Req. by Pat Poland
Thursday September 17, 2020
7:00 pm   Misa en Español
Friday   September 18, 2020
7:00 a.m.  Deceased Members of MMRHS Class of 1983
           Req. by Stan Kay
Saturday September 19, 2020
4:00 p.m.  James J. Comerford 47th Anniversary
           Req. by Anne Marie Comerford
Sunday   September 20, 2020
10:30 a.m. The Wouellette Family
           Req. Carol Bersaw

The Sanctuary Candle in St. Peter Chapel will burn the week of September 13th
For all deceased Priests who served St. Peter Parish

Parish Support
~ We rely on your commitment to weekly stewardship ~
Weekly Collection September 5 & 6
Weekly:$3,327.55 ~ Budgeted: $5,000.00 ~ Deficit: $1,672.45
Latino: $119.00 ~ Catholic University: $457.00
Second Collection: Heat & Utilities
Third Collection: Good Friday / Holy Land

Ministerial Roles
In the interest of social distancing protocols and the health of all our parishioners, Ministerial Roles for St. Peter Parish will be temporarily halted until further notice.

St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish

Saturday  September 12, 2020
5:30 p.m.  Jack McDermott Birthday Remembrance
           Req. by the Filek family
Sunday   September 13, 2020
9:00 a.m.  Alfred White
           Req. by his wife Augusta & family
Tuesday  September 15, 2020
8:00 a.m.  Anthony Makarski
           Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Stan & Rebecca Kay
Thursday September 17, 2020
8:00 a.m.  Stanley Debkowski
           Req. by Mrs. Mary Debkowski
Saturday September 19, 2020
5:30 p.m.  Franciszek Debkowski
           Req. by Mrs. Mary Debkowski
Sunday   September 20, 2020
9:00 a.m.  Bessie Bubriski 27th Anniversary
           Req. by family

The Sanctuary Candle in Corpus Christi Chapel will burn the week of September 13th
For all deceased Priests who served at Corpus Christi, All Saints & St. Teresa of Calcutta Parishes

Parish Support
~ We rely on your commitment to weekly stewardship ~
Weekly Collection September 5 & 6
Weekly:$877.00 ~ Budgeted: $3,000.00 ~ Deficit: $2,123.00
Catholic University: $183.00
Second Collection: Heat & Utilities
Third Collection: Good Friday / Holy Land

Ministerial Roles
In the interest of social distancing protocols and the health of all our parishioners, Ministerial Roles for St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish will be temporarily halted until further notice.

Mass & Sanctuary Candle Intentions for 2020
We have openings for Mass (weekends & days) & Sanctuary Candle intentions in both parishes for 2020.
Call or email the Parish office to request a Mass or Sanctuary Candle Intention. All Masses & candles are $10.

Rest in Peace
Please remember in your prayers our beloved dead Joseph Sinico and all members of St. Teresa of Calcutta & St. Peter Parishes.
2020 Pontifical Good Friday Collection
September 12 & 13, 2020

Due to the pandemic caused by the Corona virus, it was not possible to take up the Good Friday Collection dedicated to supporting Christians living here in the Land of Jesus. For this reason, there will be a third collection today. While we work hard to avoid such situations, like many other aspects of life this year, it is an unusual circumstance. Please consider contributing to the Holy Land in the third collection this weekend.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
CHICKEN BBQ

Sunday, September 20, 2020
3:00 – 5:00 pm
Cost: $10 per person for 1/2 chicken, baked potato & corn on the cob!

In accordance to the Grandby Board of Health & state regulations/protocols, there will be curbside pick up ONLY! Call the parish office to purchase tickets in advance at 413-467-9821. *Limited number of ticket sales the day of event.

Immaculate Heart of Mary
256 State Street
Grandby, MA

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 13, 2020

Check your inbox!
Families, please check your emails for the registration forms that were sent out this week to you. Please respond either way so we can be sure we’ve reached everyone. We are looking to get a head count as soon as possible in order to plan the school year ahead. Any questions, please contact the parish office at re.sp.st.hs@gmail.com or 413-274-3443.

The Catholic Life Conference debuts October 11-17 online!
Where there’s a will, there’s a way! We have spread our one-day conference featuring Scott Hahn, Trish Short, Hudson Byblow, and POPPLE over the week of October 11-17, to help you take full advantage of this energizing event. Now an At Home Conference via internet or DVD, the Catholic Life Conference allows you to participate fully—right from your home and at your own pace. A live Q&A will be featured on our website on October 17, with all four speakers answering questions submitted by you! Go to catholiclifeconference.org to register, request a bag, or for more information.

The Catholic Life Conference is now FREE and registration is open.

Have you been hearing from us? - During this time of separation from one another, it is important for us to find other ways of staying in touch. A weekly email is sent out to parishioners, though we do not have everyone’s email address. If you have not been hearing from us, or know of a fellow parishioner who hasn’t, please contact the parish office to ensure we have you current contact information!

Religious Education

Pro-Life Reflection

“Thus democracy… becomes totalitarianism. No longer is the State the home where all are considered equal; rather it is a tyrant State, which thinks it can kill its weakest and most defenseless members.” - The Gospel of Life

Reflection. Some see laws permitting abortion as a minor flaw; the Pope is saying here that they change the very nature of the state.

Prayer. Lord, free us from the tyranny of governments that think they can dispose of human life.
**SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**

**CALENDAR**

*Adorations closed until further notice*

In light of slowly reopening in phases through out the state, all extra parish activities will remain cancelled for the time being.

Once it is appropriate to do so, we will return to our extra ministries, activities and events.

Thank you

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**Religious Education & Youth Ministry**

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**GOSPEL**

You sin, just like everybody else does. God forgives you even if your sin is very bad. God washes all of your sins away and treats you with kindness. The next time someone hurts your feelings, remember how God forgives you. Follow God’s example.

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**PRAYER**

God, teach me to forgive other people the way you forgive me.

Readings for the week of September 13, 2020

Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 31:2 and 3b, 3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 [1]/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14 [14]/Lk 8:4-15
Our Lady of Sorrows
Feast Day September 15

Devotion to the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady has its roots in Sacred Scripture and in Christian piety, which always associates the Blessed Mother with her suffering Son. Today's feast was introduced by the Servites in order to intensify devotion to Our Lady's Sorrows. In 1817 Pius VII—suffering grievously in exile but finally liberated by Mary's intercession—extended the feast to the universal Church.

According to the 1962 Missal of St. John XXIII the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, today is the feast of St. Nicomedes, a Roman martyr of unknown date. He was buried not far from the walls of Rome on the Via Nomentana, and the pious faithful built a "cemetery basilica" above his tomb. Also it is the feast of St. Catherine of Genoa who wrote a treatise on Purgatory and a Dialogue between the soul and body—two outstanding documents of Christian mysticism.

Our Lady of Sorrows

This feast dates back to the 12th century. It was especially promoted by the Cistercians and the Servites, so much so that in the 14th and 15th centuries it was widely celebrated throughout the Catholic Church. In 1482 the feast was added to the Missal under the title of "Our Lady of Compassion." Pope Benedict XIII added it to the Roman Calendar in 1727 on the Friday before Palm Sunday. In 1913, Pope Pius X fixed the date on September 15. The title "Our Lady of Sorrows" focuses on Mary's intense suffering during the passion and death of Christ. "The Seven Dolors," the title by which it was celebrated in the 17th century, referred to the seven swords that pierced the Heart of Mary. The feast is like an octave for the birthday of Our Lady on September 8th.

This feast is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her compassion with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering as co-redeemer, she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance. May the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation; with which tears Thou, O God, art able to wash away the sins of the whole world.

As Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on which Jesus hung, the sword of sorrow Simeon had foretold pierced her soul. Below are the seven sorrows of Mary:

1. The prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:25-35)
2. The flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15)
3. Loss of the Child Jesus for three days (Luke 2:41-50)
5. Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (John 19:25-30)
6. The body of Jesus being taken from the Cross (Psalm 130; Luke 23:50-54; John 19:31-37)

Excerpted from Our Lady of Sorrows by Fr. Paul Haffner (Inside the Vatican, September 2004)

https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2020-09-15