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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.” - Mt 21:32
### St. Peter Parish

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**The Sanctuary Candle in St. Peter Chapel will burn the week of September 27th **

*John A. Ferron Birthday Remembrance*

*Req. by Catherine Ferron*

### Parish Support

*~ We rely on your commitment to weekly stewardship ~*

**Weekly Collection September 19 & 20**

- Weekly: $2,287.10
- Budgeted: $5,000.00
- Deficit: $2,712.90
- Latino: $57.00
- Heat & Utilities: $120.00

**Second Collection: Catholic Mirror**

### 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

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**The Sanctuary Candle in Corpus Christi Chapel will burn the week of September 27th**

*For the soul of Mary Bartolotta Spagnuolo*

### Parish Support

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**Weekly Collection September 19 & 20**

- Weekly: $1,272.00
- Budgeted: $3,000.00
- Deficit: $1,728.00

**Second Collection: Catholic Mirror**

### Ministerial Roles

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### Mass & Sanctuary Candle Intentions for 2020 & 2021

- 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, Samia Betros, Germaine Peron, Peter Missaggia and all members of St. Teresa of Calcutta & St. Peter Parishes.
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!

A reminder to all that the proper wearing of face masks is required at Mass in order for us to meet the requirements to stay open. Thank you for your understanding and support of one another as we navigate through these times together.

Pro-Life Reflection

“Opposition to abortion and euthanasia does not excuse indifference to those who suffer from poverty, violence and injustice... But being “right” in such matters can never excuse a wrong choice regarding direct attacks on innocent human life.” - Living the Gospel of Life, 23

Reflection. Consistency cuts both ways, and challenges those with blind spots to human rights.

The most common mistake is to tolerate child-killing while advocating for adults.

Prayer. Lord, free us from ever trying to use justice as an excuse for injustice, or right as a justification for wrong.
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

Time to Register for Religious Education!

Dear Families,

We need to have a head count as soon as possible in order to plan the school year ahead. Registration forms were emailed out a few weeks ago, and we are still waiting to hear back from many families as to whether or not they plan to send their children to Religious Education this year. Please take a moment to fill out and return the registration form, or contact the office with any questions. If you need a registration form, please contact the parish office.

If you have a first grader, or are new to the area and want to register your child for religious education, or if you have any questions, please contact the parish office at re.sp.st.hs@gmail.com or 413-274-3443.

Tuition is $25 per student, with a maximum of $75 per family.

Teachers - Don’t forget to pick up your new instruction manuals! If you have any questions, please contact the office!

Readings for the week of September 27, 2020

Sunday:  Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday:  Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:  Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday:  Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:  Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12
Friday:  Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-11 [11]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
St. Wenceslaus, duke of Bohemia, was born about the year 907 at Prague, Bohemia (now the Czech Republic). His father was killed in battle when he was young, leaving the kingdom to be ruled by his pagan mother. Wenceslaus was educated by his grandmother, Ludmilla, also a saint. She taught him to be a Christian and to be a good king. She was killed by pagan nobles before she saw him king, but she left him with a deep commitment to the Christian faith.

Throughout his life he preserved his virginity unblemished. As duke he was a father to his subjects, generous toward orphans, widows, and the poor. On his own shoulders he frequently carried wood to the houses of the needy. He often attended the funerals of the poor, ransomed captives, and visited those suffering in prison. He was filled with a deep reverence toward the clergy; with his own hands he sowed the wheat for making altar breads and pressed the grapes for the wine used in the Mass. During winter he would visit the churches barefoot through snow and ice, frequently leaving behind bloody footprints.

Wenceslaus was eighteen years old when he succeeded his father to the throne. Without regard for the opposition, he worked in close cooperation with the Church to convert his pagan country. He ended the persecution of Christians, built churches and brought back exiled priests. As king he gave an example of a devout life and of great Christian charity, with his people calling him "Good King" of Bohemia.

His brother Boleslaus, however, turned to paganism. One day he invited Wenceslaus to his house for a banquet. The next morning, on September 28, 929, as Wenceslaus was on the way to Mass, Boleslaus struck him down at the door of the church. Before he died, Wenceslaus forgave his brother and asked God's mercy for his soul. Although he was killed for political reasons, he is listed as a martyr since the dispute arose over his faith. This king, martyred at the age of twenty-two, is the national hero and patron of the Czech Republic. He is the first Slav to be canonized.

https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2015-09-28