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Weekends

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.
Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30, 9:00 Children's Liturgy and Choir,
10:30 a.m. with Adult Choir and 12:00 N
Spanish Mass – 5:00 p.m.
Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday through Saturday - 7:30 a.m.
Monday through Friday - 12:10 Noon
(HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday - 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must begin to make arrangements at least 8 months prior to their wedding date by contacting the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Attendance at pre-Baptism class is required before the Sacrament is celebrated. Classes are held on the second Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. in the Rectory. Please pre-register by calling 203-743-2707. Baptisms will take place every Sunday at 1:15 p.m. except the second Sunday of the month.

SAINT PETER SCHOOL OFFICE

Mary Lou Torre — Principal - 203-748-2895
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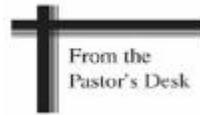


MAY/JUNE

29 SAT	5:00 PM	†	Nettie Scapeccia
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
30 SUN	7:30 AM		Our Parishioners
	9:00 AM	†	Gail Baird
	10:30 AM		Special Intention
	12:00 N	†	Cheryl Silansky
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
31 MON	<i>Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		
	8:00 AM	†	In Memory of those who died in Service to Our Country.
1 TUE	<i>St. Justin, Martyr</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Souls in Purgatory
	12:10 N	†	Adele Colatorti
2 WED	<i>Sts. Marcellinus and Pete, Martyrs</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Nettie Scapeccia
	12:10 N	†	Mary Hoddinott
3 THU	<i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	J. Raymond Ward
	12:10 N		Parish of St. Anthony, Belleville
4 FRI	7:30 AM	†	James Lynch
	12:10 N	†	Mary and John Gervasoni
5 SAT	<i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i>		
	7:30 PM	†	Bernadette Ward Schullery
	5:00 PM	†	Carl Magersuppe
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
6 SUN	7:30 AM	†	Kathleen Fitzsimmons
	9:00 AM	†	Than and Lanh Nguyen
	10:30 AM		Our Parishioners
	12:00 N	†	Father Bernardo Rodriguez
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass

Our weekly goal.....	\$10,500
SACRIFICIAL GIVING—May 23, 2021.....	\$ 6,152
Online Giving—May 23, 2021.....	\$ 3,352
Shortfall.....	\$ 996

Thank you for your support. Father Mecca



The unofficial start of summer is here. I know that I say these kinds of things frequently, but I never cease to be surprised by how fast the seasons pass. Spring is gone. Maybe if life would slow down, we could enjoy the moment. On Tuesday, I left the rectory at 3 p.m. to run errands before heading to Stamford. I commented to a friend about the traffic in town. It was so heavy everywhere I went. Gone is the lighter traffic from the Covid period! I've noticed also on my trips that the Merritt Parkway is right back to its busy self. People are travelling. Enjoy the beginning of the summer season.

Summer-like temperatures have made their appearance, too. I know that the church was a bit uncomfortable last Sunday. I had the last two Masses, and I watched quite a few people fanning themselves. The good news is that Universal Building Controls has been here this past week installing the new control system that will run both the heating and cooling. The system promises to be more user friendly and comes with the ability to be regulated remotely. The company will return next week to complete the work and to teach us how the system functions. I sure hope that with this system we eliminate all the moaning and groaning at bingo where keeping our players comfortable in every season is a challenge!

We know that liturgically we are moving into summer when Pentecost is behind us and we have the last of the two Feasts of the season to celebrate. Today is Trinity Sunday when we acknowledge the Triune nature of God. Jesus revealed that He is God and further revealed the existence of the Holy Spirit whose presence among us became manifest at Pentecost. So, this Sunday following the bestowal of the Holy Spirit, the Church celebrates the mystery of the One God who is Three Persons.

Next weekend is the beautiful Feast of Corpus Christi, a time to pause and reflect on the essential and central tenant of our Catholic Faith: that the Eucharist is truly the body and blood of our Lord. What an amazing gift. God once fed His people with manna, flakes of bread to keep His people alive. Now God feeds His people with His flesh to keep us spiritually alive. I give the same homily at First Communion each year. I speak about Holy Communion as a gift that Jesus offers to us. He wants us to accept His gift of Himself. There is no place where we can obtain this divine gift except at Mass. It is for this reason that closing our churches for two months last year was so difficult and painful for us Catholics. We long to be in the presence of the Lord, long to receive Him into our hearts and souls.

With special thanksgiving to God, Glen and the quartet proposed a sung vespers for this year's celebration of Corpus Christi. I invite you to come, to meditate



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*Daniel Alvarez Dorothy Bennett Richard Botelho
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 Christopher McLaughlin Gloria McKee Samantha Miller
 Joseph Pepin Luciana Perreira Sr. Mary Bernard Wiecezak*

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

on the gift, and, as I also say in the First Communion homily, say thank you for this greatest of treasures which our Catholic Church holds.

Bishop Caggiano has asked every parish to celebrate vespers on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to make it a commemoration of all the people in our parishes and one lives who died from the corona virus. The Feast this year is Friday, June 11. I know of one parishioner who died from the virus and two others who succumbed to complications caused by contraction. I invite you to submit the names of your loved ones whom we will mention in our prayer. The vespers on the Feast of the Sacred Heart will be spoken for the most part. By the time we received the request to celebrate this vespers, our quartet was already well into rehearsal for Corpus Christi. Rather than cancel, we decided to go forward with Corpus Christi as planned and celebrate the Sacred Heart with spoken psalms and with a cantor.

—Fr. Mecca



Confirmation Retreat

The teens in our CREW highschool leadership program, led a retreat this weekend for all our confirmation students in Religious Ed. The theme of the retreat was "Blessed, Broken, Given" -deriving from Luke 24:13-35 also known as the Emmaus story. The Confirmandi were asked to insert themselves into this scripture and pull out the ways in which God has blessed them with friends, family, gifts and talents. They were then led through an afternoon examining their interior life and some of the outward actions that cause them alienation from God. The retreat concluded with Mass with their families.

We are grateful to all the parishioners for their love, prayer, and support!

Please continue to keep praying for the teens on CREW and the Confirmandi.



—Michael Falbo, Youth Director

SAINT PETER SCHOOL NEWS



What has St. Peter School been up to?

We received \$326.40 from the clothing drive. Thank you for your donations!

The school year is winding down and we are getting ready for the many end-of-year activities. We are planning a Mini Golf Day on the school premises on June 8th for our PK-8 students. This is a first for St. Peter School, and we are sure the students will love it!

We continue to accept registrations for students at St. Peter School. If you know anyone who is looking for a school that is family oriented, faith-based, and academically focused, please invite them to call the school office for more details.

St. Peter School is seeking a Director of Early Childhood Effective immediately. For details please email: mtonre@spsdanbury.org.

—Mary Lou Torre, Principal

Religious Education Office

Hours : The office will be closed today. We will open for registration, Sunday June 13 from 11:00am to 2:00 pm. Class fees are \$100.00 and due at the time of registration. If you have completed a registration form at one of the earlier registration dates or if your child is a returning student from this past year 2020/2021, please either send a check payable to St. Peter Church to 104 Main Street Danbury, Ct.06810 , or drop the payment at the rectory or come to registration on Sunday June 13. We cannot hold a place unless the fees are paid.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS Please use our new email address for all emails : spreligioused@stpeterdanb.org

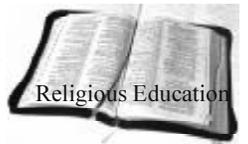
CATECHISTS WANTED: We had an overwhelming response to the recent registration days. So far, we are planning for 15 classes and counting. We are looking forward to the new year and a return to in-classroom instruction, but we need your help so we can ensure that there is a space for everyone. Volunteer to be a catechist so you can join us in helping these students learn and grow in our faith. Classes are offered on Sunday morning after the 9:00 am Mass. We may have some flexibility to offer a limited number of classes during the week if you can teach during the week. We will provide you with the training, class material and support. We need your loving heart for Jesus and the Church. If you want more information, please contact us in Religious Education 203 743 1048 or email: spreligioused@stpeterdanb.org

Religious Education Schedule

June 24 - Confirmation Rehearsal

June 26 - Confirmation

—Barbara Siano, Director of Religious Education



MAY 30, 2021

COMUNIDAD HISPANA SAN PEDRO

5. Se debe recibir la Eucaristía al menos una vez al año

La Comunión es recibir a Jesucristo sacramentado en la Eucaristía. La Iglesia manda comulgar al menos una vez al año, en estado de gracia, y recomienda la comunión frecuente. Es muy importante recibir la Primera Comunión cuando se llega al uso de razón, con la debida preparación.

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6. Para comulgar se necesita del ayuno eucarístico y confesarse

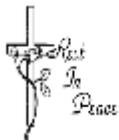
El ayuno eucarístico consiste en abstenerse de tomar cualquier alimento o bebida, al menos desde una hora antes de la Sagrada Comunión, a excepción del agua y las medicinas. Los enfermos y sus asistentes pueden comulgar aunque hayan tomado algo en la hora inmediatamente anterior. El que comulga en pecado mortal comete un grave pecado llamado sacrilegio. El que desea comulgar y está en pecado mortal no puede recibir la Comunión sin haber acudido antes al sacramento de la Penitencia, pues no basta el acto de contrición.

7. Es Mandamiento de la Iglesia asistir a Misa domingos y días de precepto

Frecuentar la Santa Misa es un acto de amor a Dios que debe brotar naturalmente de cada cristiano. Es también obligatorio asistir los domingos y feriados religiosos de precepto, a menos que se esté impedido por una causa grave.

8. La Eucaristía es alimento espiritual para enfermos y agonizantes

La Eucaristía en el Sagrario es un signo por el cual Nuestro Señor está constantemente presente en medio de su pueblo y es alimento espiritual para enfermos y moribundos. Se le debe agradecimiento, adoración y devoción a la real presencia de Cristo reservado en el Santísimo Sacramento.



We offer our condolences to the families of

*Edward Burns
Edward Henriques
Fred Kaltenstein
George Keane*

who passed away last week.

May 30, 2021



Solemn Vespers
and
Benediction
for
Corpus Christi

Friday June 4
7:30 pm

St. Peter Church
Danbury

Annual Catholic Appeal

Number of Donors	100
Total Amount	\$55,470
95.64% of \$58,000 goal	



Wednesdays

**Doors open at 4:30 p.m.
There is social distancing and face masks
must be worn.**

**Project Rachel
June 12 Day of Prayer and Healing**

Are you or someone you know carrying the pain and sorrow of losing a child to abortion? The Diocese of Bridgeport is hosting an Entering Canaan Day of Prayer and Healing for women on Saturday, June 12, 2021. For confidential registration or more information, call 203-16-1619 or email projectrachel@diobpt.org. God's mercy, healing and forgiveness are waiting for you!

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