



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 Church, Danbury, CT

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Gregg D. Mecca, Pastor
Rev. Frank Eldridge, S.A. Parochial Vicar
Rev. David J. Riley, In Residence



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Episcopal Vicar for Brazilians
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PARISH STAFF

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gsegger@stpeterdanb.org
Dr. Nancy Engel, Children’s Choir - 914-741-1670

LATINO COMMUNITY
203-743-2707

SAINT PETER SCHOOL OFFICE
Mary Lou Torre — Principal - 203-748-2895
School Fax: 203-748-5684

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Barbara Siano—Director of Religious Education K - 8
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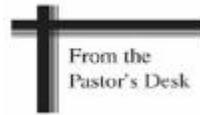
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203-743-1048 or ygstpeter@gmail.com

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203-743-2707, Ext. 22



JULY/AUGUST



31 SAT	5:00 PM	† James Lynch
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass
1 SUN	7:30 AM	† Allen R. Light
	9:00 AM	Our Parishioners
	10:30 AM	† Thomas Kelly
	12:00 N	† Immac Thampoe
	5:00 PM	Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass
2 MON	<i>St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;</i>	
	<i>St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	12:10 N	† Edmundo Ampeloquio
3 TUE	7:30 AM	† Jean Mahoney
	12:10 N	† Jennie and John McNamara
4 WED	<i>St. John Vianney, Priest</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Paul Hart
	12:10 N	† Kenneth Cyr
5 THU	<i>Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major</i>	
	7:30 AM	† John Esposito
	12:10 N	† James Kovacs
6 FRI	<i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Marian Cunningham
	12:10 N	† Mary anad Mike Tynanes and Mary Simaleavich
7 SAT	<i>St. Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs;</i>	
	<i>St. Cajetan, Priest</i>	
	7:30 PM	† Jean Gantert
	5:00 PM	† Geraldine Hennings
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass
8 SUN	7:30 AM	† Jack Cade
	9:00 AM	† James Kovacs
	10:30 AM	† James DeMartino
	12:00 N	Our Parishioners
	5:00 PM	Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass

On the weekend, if the intention of the Mass is yours, please see an usher about bringing up the gifts.

Our weekly goal.....	\$10,500
SACRIFICIAL GIVING—July 25, 2021.....	\$5673
Online Giving—JULY 25, 2021.....	\$2557
Shortfall.....	\$2270

Thank you for your support.

Father Mecca

A couple of months ago, I think it was in May, I informed the parish that the Parish Council had embarked upon a revision of the constitution and by-laws for the Council. The document from which we have been working dates to 1974 when parish councils first came into existence. The document in its essence is still relevant, but in other parts not so. We began to study and to discuss two primary questions. To refresh your memories, those questions are (1) should the right to vote be extended to the six committee chairpersons who currently are non-voting members of the council, and (2) how do we bring about representation for our Hispanic parishioners.

Regarding the first issue, the constitution calls for six standing committees. In the course of our history, we have not always had all six functioning, but, nevertheless, the chairpersons of functioning committees have been faithful attendees who contribute wisdom, advice and good direction on issues. About twenty years ago a constitution revision committee was formed. We do not have a great deal of records from the past, but we do have in the files its. It proposed extending the right to vote to these members. No action was ever taken. We have no evidence of why their work was not adopted.

About the second issue, the original constitution did not make provisions for securing seats on the council for a language group other than English speaking parishioners. Our Hispanic parishioners now make up a significant portion of our parish. (The Brazilians are now officially separate.) We have a representative, Giovanni Chalco, from the Hispanic community who attends the meetings. He keeps the Council abreast of what is going on in the Hispanic community, and he acts as a liaison, bringing to the leadership of the community news of the parish. We recognize that we should do a better job including the Spanish speakers in the business of the parish. The question raised was in an election (which we are overdue in having) should we somehow guarantee representation. And if yes, how would we do that.

On Monday, the Council finalized the language of the two drafts and voted to move the draft of the constitution to the parishioners for approval. Our next step is to produce an executive summary of the revised constitution as we doubt that everyone wishes to read the six page document. The summary will be distributed in September to everyone in English and will be posted on our website. We will have the complete document available as well. After two weeks to give parishioners time to look at it, we will have a referendum at Mass.

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns

In Memory Of

Carlos Espinal

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 Elizabeth Ianelli Elizabeth Levesque Gloria McKee
 Teddy Marchione Christopher McLaughlin Samantha Miller
 Anthony Pelle, Jr. Joseph Pepin Sr. Mary Bernard Wiecezak*

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Once that is done, we will go forward with the formation of an election committee which is charged under the constitution to prepare a slate of candidates. An election will take place in April.

I thank the Council members for their time and attention to the revision. You wouldn't have thought at the outset that the process would be as tedious as it was. Part of what the Council did was to simplify and make more direct and clear the existing language. I think the Council has produced a tighter document that better reflects our current reality.

—Fr. Mecca

MUSICAL NOTES—

Hymn Festival

Mark your calendars! Our parish will be having a Hymn Festival on Friday, October 22, 2021 at 7:30 pm. What is a Hymn Festival, you ask? It is liturgy similar to the Festival of Lessons and Carols we celebrate every year in December, except we will be reflecting on hymns rather the Christmas Carols. To help prepare for this event, I would like to invite parishioners to suggest hymns to include in our Hymn Festival. Please visit our website for more information, and to request your favorite hymn! You are also welcome to come up to the organ after any weekend Mass to make your requests.

—Glen Segger, Musical Director



Summer CREW Training

Every summer we bring newly confirmed teens and teens already in our leadership program together to train for the new year! Training includes an emphasis on prayer and community. Without a personal authentic relationship with Christ, one cannot serve or love another. And without working together as a unit/family/community nothing will be accomplished.

Over the next two months there will be four different trainings and a retreat that ties all our lessons together. If you know of a high school teen looking to volunteer or serve in the community, please have them email me.

Please pray for all the teens joining our leadership program. May Our Lady protect them and guide them on the pathway to Christ.

—Michael Falbo, Youth Director



SAINT PETER SCHOOL NEWS

For information about registering your child at St. Peter School, please contact mcorrea@spsdanbury.org or mtorre@spsdanbury.org or call the school office - 203 - 748 - 2895. Our hours are from 8:00 AM—2:00 PM.

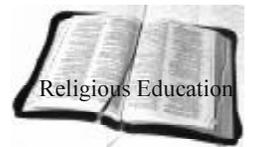
We continue to accept registrations for students at St. Peter School throughout the summer. If you know anyone who is looking for a school that is family oriented, faith-based, and academically focused, please invite them to call the school office for more details.

St. Peter School is looking for After Care staff for the 2021-2022 school year. The time is from 3:00-5:30. If you are interested, please contact mcorrea@spsdanbury.org or mtorre@spsdanbury.org or call the school office @ 203 - 748 - 2895.

"We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love." St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

—Mary Lou Torre, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE: We will be open daily Monday to Friday - please call the office before coming 203-743-1048.



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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: Classes begin September 19th with Mass at 9:00 am. All registered students must attend Mass for Catechetical Sunday and the blessing of the Catechists and families. More information will be emailed by late August..



—Barbara Siano, Director of Religious Education

August 1, 2021

**14th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference
Saturday, September 25
New Britain Stadium**

Doors open at 7:30 a.m.. Event begins at 8:30 a.m.

This is a Day of Faith and Fraternity, Catholic Speakers, Eucharistic procession, Adoration , Confession anytime, Exhibitors and fun on the field. A vigil Mass ends the day.

The speakers are Dr. Ralph Martin and Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC.

This is a collaboration of the Archdiocese of Hartford, Diocese of Bridgeport, Diocese of Norwich and Eparchy of Stamford. Morning Coffee and lunch are included in the price per person—\$45. For a complimentary ticket, see Fr. Mecca.

mail: info@ctcatholicmen.org

23rd Annual Twilight Cruise or Fishing Trip

Sponsored by the Men's Society

Spend a day or evening taking a cruise along the coast of Long Island Sound, aboard the Deborah Ann IV. You will see the various coastal mansions and



lighthouses along Long Island Sound's beautiful coast line. If you prefer, your party can spend a day fishing aboard the Deborah Ann IV in Long Island Sound. Trip date based on boat availability, to suit the winner and weather. The proceeds will benefit the Sister Mari-ta Daniel Scholarship Fund. Suggested donation is \$5.00 and will be available after all of Masses and from any Men's Society member. The drawing will be held Tuesday, August 17, 2021.

SAVE THE DATE:

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations

Saturday, September 25

10:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.

The diocese will hold two gatherings for those celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or 50+ years of marriage in 2020/21 at St. Matthew Parish in Norwalk. Bishop Caggiano will celebrate both Masses. Registration will appear in the August edition of the Fairfield County Catholic or online beginning August 1.



AUGUST 1, 2021

COMUNIDAD HISPANA SAN PEDRO

OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Usted puede venir ahora a la oficina para hacer los pagos de las clases de educación religiosa. Por favor, llame antes de venir para asegurarse de que estamos en la oficina. El número es 203-743-1048. No estamos tomando ninguna nueva inscripción, pero agregaremos nuevas solicitudes a una lista de espera.

NUEVA DIRECCIÓN PARA EMAIL

Nueva Dirección de email: Por favor usa nuestra nueva dirección de email para comunicación electrónica spreligioused@stpeterdanb.org

NECESITAMOS MAS CATEQUISTAS

Hemos tenido una respuesta abrumadora a los últimos días de registro. Hasta ahora, estamos planeando 15 clases y contando. Esperamos con ansias el nuevo año y el regreso a la instrucción en el aula, pero necesitamos su ayuda para asegurarnos de que haya un espacio para todos.

Ofrézcase como voluntario para ser catequista para que pueda unirse a nosotros para ayudar a los estudiantes a aprender y crecer en nuestra fe.

Las clases se ofrecen los domingos por la mañana después de Misa de las 9:00 a.m.. Es posible que tengamos cierta flexibilidad para ofrecer un número limitado de clases durante la semana si prefiere enseñar durante la semana. Le proporcionaremos capacitación, materiales de clase y apoyo. Pero sobre todo necesitamos tu corazón amoroso por Jesús y la Iglesia.

Si deseas más información sobre el programa de educación religiosa, llama la Oficina de Educación religiosa a 203-743-1048 o por email: spreligioused@stpeterdanb.org

Barbara Siano. Directora de Educación Religiosa Parroquia de San Pedro

ST. PETER SCHOOL

Padres de familia, les invitamos a considerar la posibilidad de enviar a sus hijos a nuestra escuela parroquial – de kínder a octavo grado. Usted puede recibir información poniéndose en contacto con: mcorrea@spsdanbury.org o mto-re@spsdanbury.org

o puede llamar la oficina a 203-748-2895. El horario de la oficina es de 8:00 A.M. a 2:00 P.M.

Continuamos aceptando inscripciones para estudiantes de la Escuela de San Pedro durante todo el verano. Si usted o alguien que conoce que esté buscando una escuela orientada a la familia, basada en la fe y enfocada académicamente, por favor invítalos a llamar a la oficina de la escuela para más detalles.

Grupo de Oración

Todos los Lunes, a las 7:00 p.m. en el subsuelo de la Iglesia. Líder: Jorge Ordoñez

Confesiones

Domingos a las 4:00 p.m. en la Iglesia.

Bautizos

Cuartos Domingos de cada Mes. Contacten con Ana Espinal para el formulario y la información sobre la clase prebautismal.

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