

St. Peter Roman Catholic Church

January 16, 2022

St. Peter

Worship Site

620 Center Street
Lewiston, NY 14092

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil

4:30 p.m.

Sunday

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m.
and anytime on request

Weekday Mass

St. Peter Worship Site

M, T, W, F, Sat. 7:45 a.m.

St. Bernard

Worship Site

218 Hinman Street
Youngstown, NY 14174

Mass Times

Sunday

11:30 a.m.



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Monday-Friday 9am-4pm

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

Mass Intentions

Monday 7:45 a.m.	Jan. 17 • St. Anthony Charles Lehman by Aliscia Krecisz & family
Tuesday 7:45 a.m.	Jan. 18 • Weekday Sr. Charlotte Koch by Dennis & Marlene Taylor
Wednesday 7:45 a.m.	Jan. 19 • Weekday Joyce Freck by the Belen family
Thursday 7:45a.m.	Jan. 20 • Weekday Communion Service
Friday 7:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Jan. 21 • St. Agnes Alexander Kassay by Mom, Dad, Lisa & Jacob Dorothy Rupp by Martha Eadie
Saturday 7:45 a.m. 4:30 p.m.	Jan. 22 • Weekday Dorothy Jourdain by Don & Nancy Burns Vigil, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Phyllis Infantino by George Morreale
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Jan. 23 • 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Laura & Bill Heinz "Special Intentions" Phyllis Infantino by Jim & Nancy Allen Parishioners

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday Jan. 22nd

4:30pm Mass

Lector

Patty Orzetti

Eucharistic Ministers

Sharon Low, Richard Low, Lynette Leone

Altar Servers

Sunday Jan. 23rd

8:00am Mass

Lector

Anne Kellick

Eucharistic Ministers

June Helfrich, Mary Pyle, Paula Shimmel

Altar Servers

Emma DiPasquale, Lilly DiPasquale, Melissa DiPasquale

10:00am Mass

Lector

Steve Chanderbhan

Eucharistic Ministers

Samuela Iozzo, Joseph Iozzo, Rodney Alaimo

Altar Servers

Julian Jenosheck, John Pacella, Jr.

11:30am Mass

Lector

Kurt Mieth

Eucharistic Ministers

Rita Rolfe, Dr. Mark Mieth

Altar Servers

Kaitlyn Nelson, Kirsten Nelson



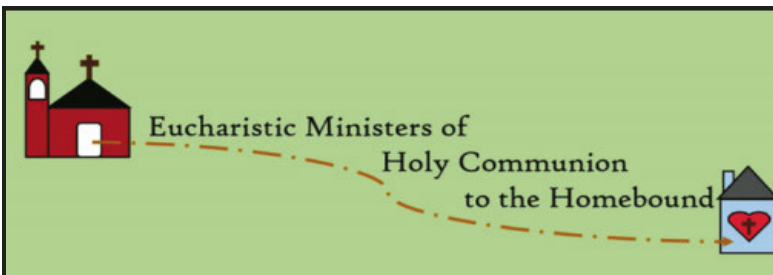
IT'S THE WATER

FROM THE RIVER JORDAN TO THE LITTLE FONT AT YOUR CHURCH,
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For Catholics, holy water—water blessed by a priest—is known as a “sacramental,” a sacred sign that bears a resemblance to the sacraments. For the modern Catholic, holy water is heavily freighted with meaning and exists as a symbolic reminder of **three things**:

- Repentance of sin. The ritual washing background of holy water comes into play here, says, Father William, who quotes Psalm 50, which reads in part, “Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.” St. John the Baptist underscored this sentiment in calling people of his time to conversion. This is occasionally recalled during the course of the Mass, he adds, when the priest sprinkles the congregation with holy water.
- Protection from evil. Catholic tradition has long held that holy water is a substantial force for keeping evil at bay. A proponent who wrote specifically about this in 1562 is Saint Teresa of Avila: “From long experience I have learned that there is nothing like holy water to put devils to flight and prevent them from coming back again. They also flee from the Cross, but return; so holy water must have great virtue.”
- Baptism. In making the Sign of the Cross with the holy water, we are mindful that we are called to renew those baptismal promises of rejecting Satan, all his works, and all his empty promises, and to profess our creedal faith. Once again, we repent of sin, so that we can offer our prayers and worship to God with pure and contrite hearts.



Are you interested in being the hands of Christ to our homebound parishioners? We are in **need of 2 or 3 parishioners** who would like to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. This is a beautiful ministry and *you do not need to be a Eucharistic Minister who is on the schedule.*

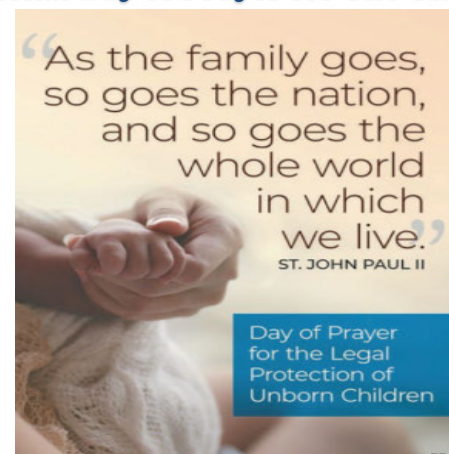
In bringing Communion to the homebound, the Minister of Communion represents Christ and manifests faith and charity on behalf of the whole community toward those who cannot be present at the Eucharist. For the homebound, the reception of Communion is not only a privilege but also a sign of support and concern shown by the Christian community for its members who are homebound. **If you would like more information or feel called to this ministry, please call or email the parish office at 754-4118 or secretary@stpeterlewiston.org**



Looking for a quiet place to pray?
Need some time alone in the presence of Christ Himself?
Our church doors are open for private prayer **every Monday** 7:45am to 7:45pm and on **First Fridays** from 10am until 8pm.

January 22nd

National Day of Prayer for The Unborn



CASH CALENDAR RAFFLE

St. Peter RC School HSA will be holding a Spring Cash Calendar Raffle throughout March. Each school day during the month of March we will draw a ticket for a chance to win \$250. Each ticket is a \$10 donation. The funds raised through your support are used not only to offset tuition, they also help purchase materials, update technology, provide enrichment activities, sponsor programs, and finance field trips and other educational experiences for our school children. Again, none of this would be possible without your generous support.

Additional tickets are available at the school office. Payments may be made in cash or by check made payable to St. Peter R.C. School HSA by February 22, 2021. Please direct payments to the school office and note on the envelope that it is for "Raffle Tickets."

A message from Mrs. Ingham

Well I guess it is true when they say that you never know what God has in store for you!!!! I sure did not see a return to SPS as the interim administrator in my future, but when things changed in the main office, and Father Cole reached out to me, I asked him for a couple of days to think, to talk to my family and to pray... and here I am...temporarily.

I must admit that a school filled with children is a happy place to be and I am appreciative of the confidence Father has placed in me and the support that surrounds me from the teachers and staff and all of our parish community. As I told all, I pledge to do my best to keep everyone as healthy as possible, to remain open five days a week and to keep the face and love of God in the forefront of all we do...every day and in every way!

We had a great first week of the 2022 school year, but like everywhere we have had our share of absences and quarantines. The good thing is we are doing our best to take care of each situation and move on. We received take home test kits from the Department of Health for our SPS students. Our first shipment did not include enough for all of our families, but I called Sister Grace at Sacred Heart Villa and she willingly loaned me what I needed until our next shipment comes in. God bless you Sister and thank you!

We are ramping up for a new and exciting Catholic Schools Week from January 30 through February 5 with details to follow for you very soon. We are also getting ready to accept registrations for the 2022-2023 school year (can you believe it) and those will be available next week.

Please stay well and know that you are in our prayers at school every day. Please keep all of us in yours. Our new motto moving into 2022...

Faith over fear...

Caution and Prayer...

Trust in the God...

LIVE!



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Events in the Diocese



We are very excited to invite you and your parish community to attend the Youth Rally, March and Mass for Life on January 22, 2022 at St. Gregory the Great Parish with Bishop Michael Fisher. Our Respect Life rally will consist of dynamic pro-life speakers interspersed with contemporary Christian music to energize the youth for the march and public witness of the Rosary. Bishop Fisher will celebrate Mass, and the event will conclude with a reception. The schedule of events is as follows:

Youth Rally, March & Mass for Life

Saturday, January 22, 2022

St. Gregory the Great Parish

200 St. Gregory Court, Williamsville, NY 14221

3:30 – 4:15 pm Youth Rally in Ministry Center

4:15 – 5:15 pm March for Life & Rosary on Maple Avenue

5:30 pm Mass in Church with Bishop Fisher Celebrating
Reception to follow in the Ministry Center

All are welcome to attend. We ask for parental oversight to help with safety. Face coverings will be required. Please dress appropriately as we will be marching outside regardless of the weather. Groups are encouraged to make appropriate signs for the event.

Priests are invited to concelebrate the Mass in Diocesan vestments, and Deacons are invited to vest for the Mass in Diocesan dalmatic or alb and stole. Please RSVP for seating purposes by Saturday, January 15, 2022 using the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/YouthMassforLife>

We have developed several resources that you can use to get the word out. For more information and publicity resources, please visit our website at: <https://www.stgregs.org/youth-rally-march-mass-life/>

Thank you for your continued support and witness to life!



BISON
CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Tuition Assistance for Private Grammar Schools

New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2022-23 school year. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>. The BISON Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children in K-8th grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is February 28.

The average scholarship is \$1,500 and the maximum award is \$2,500. For more information, call Cindy McDonald at 716-854-0869, ext. 1

Annulment Workshop

Saturday, Feb. 5th from 9-11am
at UB North Newman Center,
495 Skiddersville Rd., Amherst.

The session will include information on the recent changes in the annulment process and step-by-step help in getting started. A nominal registration fee will cover the cost of materials.

For additional information contact Barbara at 716-633-7786 or BJWTR@aol.com
Walk-ins are welcome.

PRAYER LIST

Carmela Alati	Sr. Ann McDermott, OSF
Christina Armington	Doreen Melton
Amanda Balisteri	Lynn Meeter
Scott Barber	Sean Meeter
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Joe Carroll	Collen O'Leary
Arlene Christman	Dorothy Oliverio
Sandra Ciavaglia	Donna Parent
Mike Coe	Eugene Piotrowski
Jeanne Salada Conroy	Nicole Poutry
Baby Cora	John Quinn
Jackie Coughlin	Maureen Reagan
Agnes Crandall	Joann Reedy
Tina Crewe	Anne Russo
Danielle Cullen	Abigail Schuster
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Melissa Franks	Joann Smith
Patrick Chief Fitzgerald	Robin Smith
Sandra Gallagher	Jacob Spencer
Ralph Grizanti	Albert Specyal
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Elizabeth Ecker Hanna	Barbara Tempest
William Heinz	Ray Tracy
Dennis Jacobs	Joel Traverse
Kevin Jarnszewski	Maureen Ventry
Lori Kadow	Elizabeth Virtuoso
Art Kelly	Pat Whelan
Ken Kenney	Thomas Wroniak
Marilyn Kennedy	
Michael Kiely	
Margaret Langlois	
Josephine Lauzonis	
Baby Lola	
Kathleen Maxian	
Beth McAllister	
Janice McCaw	

St. Peter Parish Prayer Group



Our intent is to pray as a group (in Church or in our homes) at the same time every week. Monday's will be the day set aside for our group. There will be two times to accommodate everyone. We will pray as a group following the 7:45am morning mass and again at 7:00pm at our St. Peter Worship Site. For those parishioners who are homebound, we want you to be able to join us spiritually at your homes as well. You can contact the rectory so we can add you to the list and mail you the monthly prayer. It is also available on our website www.stpeterlewiston.org under the Parish tab.

BAPTISMS: Celebrated every Sunday by prior arrangement. Parent Baptism Class is held monthly. Please call the rectory for reservations.
MARRIAGES: All arrangements must be made at least six months in advance with the pastor.
ANOIDING OF THE SICK: If you or a loved one is in need of the Anointing of the Sick, please make arrangements with the parish office. We are happy to visit you with Communion, Confession or to offer the Sacrament of Anointing in your home, hospital or healthcare facility.
LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Gladly given to registered parishioners (at least three months) who have received the Sacraments of Initiation, practice their faith regularly, and support the parish.

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 Do you need your marriage convalidated?
 Are you an adult who needs to be confirmed?
 Have questions about making a sacrament?
 Email Fr. Cole: cwebster@stpeterlewiston.org

Parish Collection

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Weekly Collection	\$11,206.00
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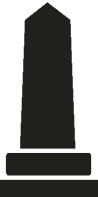
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