St. Peter Roman Catholic Church January 23, 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.

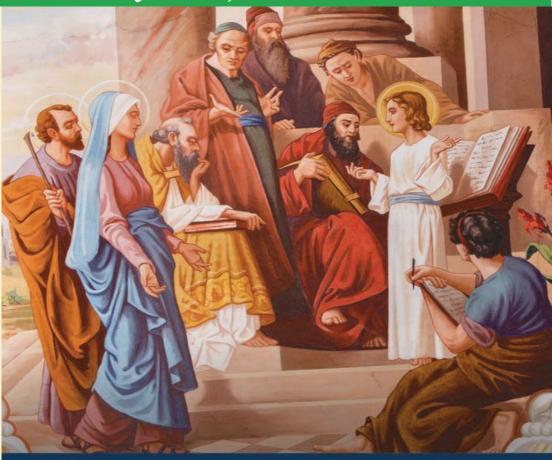
(at St. Peter's Rectory) Phone 716-754-4118 Fax 716-754-4141

Parish Office

www.stpeterlewiston.org

Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm Closed 12pm-12:30pm



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.

- Lk 4:18

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

Mass Intentions

Monday Jan. 24 • St. Francis deSales

7:45 a.m. Florence & James Bonghi by John, Joan & family

Tuesday Jan. 25 • Conversion of St. Paul

7:45 a.m. Joan Cirrito by family

Wednesday
7:45 a.m.

Jan. 26 • Sts. Timothy and Titus
Leona & Walter Slazyk, Sr. by family

Thursday
7:45a.m.

Jan. 27 • Weekday
Communion Service

Friday Jan. 28 • St. Thomas Aquinas

7:45 a.m. Vincent DeFlorio by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cecconi 9:00 a.m. David Jack Schoonover by St. Peter RC parish family

Saturday Jan. 29 • Weekday

7:45 a.m. June Daigler by Pat Battaglia

Vigil, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Rose Crea by Dr. Maria Smith

Sunday B:00 a.m. Jan. 30 • 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Albert Paonessa, Sr. by Nancy Riccio

10:00 a.m. Dorothy Jourdain by Stephen LaBarber

11:30 a.m. Charles Putnam by The Bellonte family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday Jan. 29th

4:30pm Mass

Lector

Michael Blenk

Eucharistic Ministers

Connie Locey, Jean Rosenberg, Barbara Rottaris
Altar Servers

Sunday Jan. 30th

8:00am Mass

Lector

Patrick Bey

Eucharistic Ministers

Shirley Berrigan, Colleen Larkin, Gregg Larkin

Altar Servers

Everlee Bodie-King, Emma Seaman

10:00am Mass

Lector

Shannon Philbrick

Eucharistic Ministers

Maureen Castiglione, Jerry Castiglione, Natasha D'Lima

Altar Servers

Marra Gagliardo, Vincent Gagliardo

11:30am Mass

Lector

Mary Klinger

Eucharistic Ministers

Ken Klinger, Mark Harrigan

Altar Servers

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January 23, 2022

St. Peter Roman Catholic Parish Family,

It is because of YOUR time, talent, and treasure that our parish community made it through another fiscal year! THANK YOU! Seeing us through by applying for a forgivable Payroll Protection Loan and keeping track of our Employee Retention Credits while handling our regular income and expenses, I am enormously grateful for all the work of our Bookkeeper, Maxine Menshon, Jim Ingham our Finance Council Chair, and our Finance Council have done. On behalf St. Peter's RC Parish Community, Thank You!

Your generosity each week is, of course, our primary source of income. While our Offertory is down about 16% or \$123,559 from pre-pandemic levels, that is to be expected in this environment. Thank you for offering a piece of yourself to God, so that through your sacrifice, those in need can find relief, young people can grow in their knowledge and love of Jesus, and, most importantly, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass can continue to be offered to save souls in both Lewiston and Youngstown! If you have not made the switch over to online giving, I would encourage you to look into it by calling the parish office for more information.

It was last fiscal year (2019-2020) that our first Payroll Protection Loan was forgiven. While we applied for the second round of funding this fiscal year (2020-2021), it is due to be forgiven in 2022 and is consequently not on this past fiscal year's Income Statement. However, I would like to point out that we have received \$301,004 in Employee Retention Credits between the Parish and School which is the primary reason we ended with an Operating Surplus of \$143,284. It is the discontinuation of these ERC Credits that has a substantial impact on our budgeted bottom line for 2022.

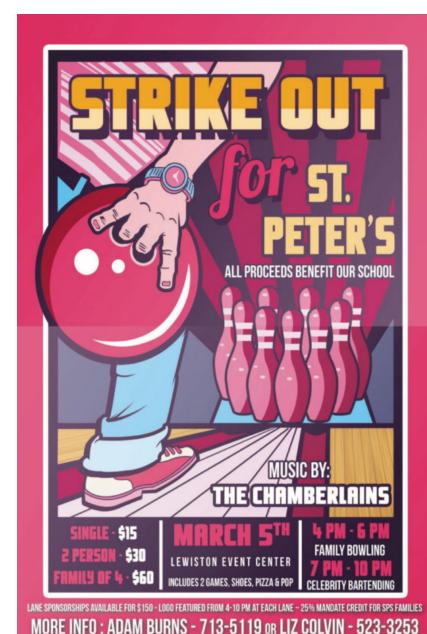
As we look to the future, we do so with a profound sense of hope that our faith in Jesus Christ offers. Hoping that by continually casting the net, others will come to accept our invitation to come to Mass. With a new Faith Formation program underway, we hope that parents feel ever more confident in building their domestic church. Those who are in need, we hope that they feel we are approachable and willing to help, and through the dedication of our teachers and staff, we hope that our student's minds may grow in wisdom and love. May our ultimate hope be that in everything, the name of Jesus Christ be praised! As always if you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the rectory or via email at cwebster@stpeterlewiston.org.

In Christ's Peace, Rev. Cole Webster Pastor



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 <u>St. Peter R.C. School HSA</u> by February 22, 2021. Please direct payments to the school office and note on the envelope that it is for "<u>Raffle Tickets</u>."



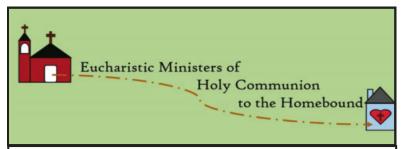
A message from Mrs. Ingham

WHOOOOSH!!! And here we are knee deep into the first month of 2022...and it has been great one for sure. As I very quickly get back into the "SPS swing," I am continually in awe of the beautifully kind children and the relentless and hard-working staff who come into our building every morning. These are gifts and sights to behold! Undoubtedly, in the midst of all of these crazy times we are facing...we are most definitely SAINT PETER'S STRONG! My deepest thanks to the teachers and staff, the many substitutes that have been coming in to help us out, the children and the parents who are doing their part to ensure the health and safety of all of us, and Our Good God who watches over us every single day. Together we are making this work...we are keeping our school busy and active and we are safe. May God continue to bless us all.

And... speaking of our GREAT SCHOOL, we are currently accepting registrations for the upcoming school year, 2022-2023. For those who may be new to the area, St. Peter RC School is a Roman Catholic School in the Diocese of Buffalo, that operates a full day PreK3-Grade 8 program. We pride ourselves on being Christ-centered and academically competitive across all grades and subject areas. Our middle school is second to none as we prepare the students for excellence in high school and offer the opportunity for all students to earn three high school credits before they leave Grade 8.

There are many wonderful things to know about our school and I welcome the opportunity to share these with you and your family as I meet with you personally or talk to you on the phone. I am happy to provide tours at a mutually convenient time on weekdays after 3:15 and on the weekends. Please call the school office at (716) 754-4470 to set up an appointment.

Applications for admission are on the tables at the back of Church, and are also available on our website www.stpeterrc.org . We look forward to meeting with you and welcoming you to our St. Peter family.



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.

Events in the Diocese

Do you feel you are called to serve Christ in a deeper way? Do you want to know something about the Permanent Diaconate? If you are a male between the ages of 30 and 55 and have asked yourself this question, please join us on **Saturday February 12 from 9am – 12 noon** to talk, pray, and discover more about the Permanent Diaconate with no commitment. We will gather at St. Rose Retreat Center, 217 Winston Rd. Buffalo, NY 14214 - Please RSVP to Deacon Howard Morgan at hmorgan@buffalodiocese.org and let him know you are coming. **God is calling you, will you follow?** -



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 Skinnersville 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

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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.

ANOINTING 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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Thinking of becoming Catholic?

Are you newly engaged?

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	
<u>Jan 15/16</u>	
Weekly Collection	\$8,826.00
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Online Giving 1/8-1/14	\$2,285.00
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