

SAINT PETER CATHEDRAL



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard daily Monday through Friday from 4:30 until 5:00 pm; Saturdays following the 8:00 am Mass and 3:00 until 3:45pm. The sacrament is also available after all the Sunday Masses and by request.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please click this link <https://stpetercathedral.com/sacraments/baptism/> to access the planning form at our website. The form will facilitate both the preparation and scheduling of your child's baptismal ceremony. Baptisms are usually held after the 11:00 am Sunday Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Following Diocesan guidelines, Catholic parties must contact the Cathedral and have their first meeting with the Priest at least six months before the wedding to allow time for evaluation and sacramental preparation.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Anointing and Holy Communion are available to the elderly and infirm upon request. Families are asked to notify the Rectory to arrange a visit.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Holy Orders is the sacrament through which the mission entrusted by Christ to his apostles continues to be exercised in the Church until the end of time. Some men fulfill God's call to holiness by serving as priests or permanent deacons. Men, high school age or older, who feel a call to Holy Orders should contact one of the parish priests.

Religious Education

Classes are held Sunday mornings during the school year. Please contact Deacon Jim DiSimoni, Director of Religious Education 814-452-2982 or email deaconjim@stjoebol.org

New Parishioners

Are welcomed to the Cathedral. You may register your family at our website by clicking: [Membership Information](#)

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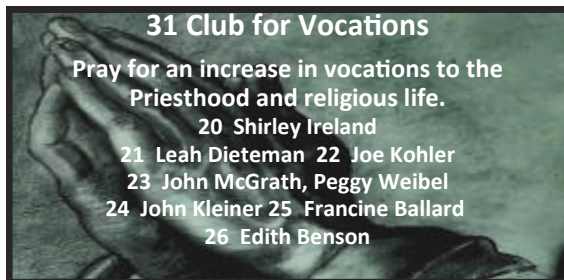
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Fall 2021 Ministry Schedule:

<https://stpetercathedral.com/parish-life/ministry-schedules/>

Ministry Schedule Dec. 26	Lector	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday 6:30 am	Jim Dombrowski		Michael Zaksheske
Sunday 8:30 am	Joseph Greulich	NOT FILLED	Mary Fuhrman
Sunday 11 am	Deb Sobina	NOT FILLED	Sonia Irizarry

Financial Offertory Report:
 December 11-12: \$5,926.00



December 25 Christmas
 Sat. 12:00 am Bishop Persico
 6:30 am Fr. Michael
 8:30 am Fr. Michael
 11:00 am Fr. Nick

December 26 Holy Family
 Sunday 6:30 am Fr. Nick
 8:30 am Fr. Michael
 11:00 am Fr. Michael

SERVICE MUSIC

Music for the Mass Parts can be found in the stand holder by the bulletins at the entrance of the church.

Please help yourselves!

Readings can be found in your Worship Hymnal #774

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Opening Hymn: **W367** (*sung by all*)

O Come, Divine Messiah

Responsorial Psalm 80: (*cantor/all*)

Two staves of musical notation in G major, 3/4 time. The first staff is for the cantor and the second for the all. The lyrics are: Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Hughes

Preparation of the Gifts Hymn: (*sung by all*)

Savior of the Nations, Come

Two staves of musical notation in G major, 3/4 time. The lyrics are: 1. Savior of the nations, come: Show the glory of the Son! 2. Not by human flesh and blood, By the Spirit of our God 3. Wondrous birth! O wondrous child Of the Virgin undefiled! 4. God Creator is his source, Back to God he runs his course, 5. Now your glory is man-gert bright Hal-lows night with new-born light;

Mar-vel now, O heaven and earth,	That our Lord chose such a birth.
Was the word of God made flesh —	Wom-an's off-spring, pure and fresh.
Might-y God and man in one,	Ea-ger now his race to run!
Down to death and hell de-scends,	God's high throne he re-as-cends.
Let no night this hell sub-due,	Let our faith shine ev-er new.

Text: Ven. Redeemour's hymn. Asst. to St. Andrew, 340-397; Te. Six, 1-34. William Reynolds, 1812-1876; Six, 3b-5. Martin L. Schulz, 1909-1967; alt. Tune: NUN KOMM DIER HEIDEN HEILAND. 77-77. Copyright © Concordia Publishing House, 1924; from: Im Melchior-Vahnes, c. 1640-1615.

Choral Anthem

sung by the Adult Choir at the 11:00am Mass

Conditor Alme Siderum by Richard R. Rossi

Trans. By John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Creator of the stars of night
Your people's everlasting light,
Jesus, Redeemer, save us all,
And hear your servants when they call.

Now grieving that the ancient curse
Should doom to death a universe,
You heal all those who need your grace
And come to save our fallen race.

You came when old world turned t'wards night,
Appearing not in princely might,
But born of Mary mother mild,
Became the victim undefiled.

At your great name majestic now,
All knees must bend, all hearts must bow,
All things in heav'n and earth adore,
And own you, King forevermore.

Great judge of all in that last day,
Be present then with us we pray;
Your scattered people Lord, unite,
In vict'ry over Satan's might!

To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Praise, honor, might and glory be,
From age to age eternally, Amen!

Communion Hymn: **W523** (*sung by all*)

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

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Mass Intentions

Monday	12/20/21	Late Advent Weekday
6:30 am	Matthew & Mary McNamara (<i>Jack Rose</i>)	
8:00 am	Mary Ellen Ferrick (<i>Jane Daugherty</i>)	
12:10 pm	Margaret & Francis Garvey (<i>Family</i>)	
5:15 pm	Victoria Scypinski, Birthday (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rosenthal</i>)	
Tuesday	12/21/21	Late Advent Weekday
6:30 am	John Weber, Sr. & Bessie Weber Hartleb & their children John Jr., Francis, Leo, Harry, Chester, Amelia, Sophie & Isabelle (<i>Viki Weber</i>)	
8:00 am	Gertrude Bretz, Anniversary (<i>Paul & Laurie Bretz Family</i>)	
12:10 pm	Sabin Koslowski (<i>Family</i>)	
5:15 pm	Frederick C. Kelsey, Birthday (<i>Family</i>)	
Wednesday	12/22/21	Late Advent Weekday
6:30 am	Millie Kae Theuerkauf, Birthday (<i>Mary Ree Travers</i>)	
8:00 am	Robert Hausmann (<i>Chris & Sally Busko</i>)	
12:10 pm	Laura McCormick (<i>Family</i>)	
5:15 pm	Theresa Wood, Birthday (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rosenthal</i>)	
Thursday	12/23/21	Late Advent Weekday
6:30 am	William & Margaret Scully (<i>Tom & Marleen Scully Family</i>)	
8:00 am	Charles & Betty Farrell (<i>Family</i>)	
12:10 pm	Deborah M. Laird (<i>John K. Gleason</i>)	
5:15 pm	Virginia Ehrmann (<i>Family</i>)	
Friday	12/24/21	Late Advent Weekday
6:30 am	Johanna Berdis (<i>Lawrence M. Berdis</i>)	
8:00 am	Patrick Campbell (<i>Farrell Family</i>)	
12:10 pm	Connie Hart Stumpo & Deceased Relatives (<i>Sister, Mary Ann</i>)	
4:00 pm	Arden Robison (<i>Frank & Denise Robison Mullen</i>)	
Saturday	12/25/21	The Nativity of the Lord
12:00 am	Mary Ellen Ferrick (<i>Bob & Jean Hausmann</i>)	
6:30 am	Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	
8:30 am	Robert & Marie Burke (<i>Patricia Burke O'Brien</i>)	
11:00 am	G. T. Pat Pattison & Mary Ann Pattison	
Sunday	12/26/21	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
6:30 am	Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	
8:30 am	Seus & Colvin Families (<i>Colvin Family</i>)	
11:00 am	Esther M. Joy (<i>Husband & Family</i>)	
7:00 pm	Life Teen Mass, St. Joseph/Bread of Life Community	

Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of
Gilbert & Alta Munz (*Nancy & Jim Gizoli & Family*)

From the Rector's Desk....

Happy Fourth Sunday of Advent and soon to be Merry Christmas. Please check the back of today's bulletin for the times of our Masses on Christmas and which Masses will be livestreamed. Make St. Peter Cathedral part of your Christmas tradition by joining us in person or via livestream.

We will pray Morning Prayer today (Sunday) immediately following the 8:30 am Mass. Please plan on staying and participating in this beautiful prayer. I am amazed by the number of people participating in this prayer. I look forward to offering Morning Prayer during the Season of Lent.

This weekend we are happy to welcome our pastor Bishop Persico as presider and homilist for Vespers. I look forward to seeing many of you at Solemn Vespers today (Sunday) at 4:00 pm. Let us continue to give thanks to Almighty God for the many blessings that our Parish Family has received. Links to Morning and Evening Prayer can be found at this link:

<https://stpetercathedral.com/2021/12/fourth-sunday-of-advent-morning-prayer-vespers-2/>

If you have not gone to Confession for Christmas, you are in luck! We are hearing confessions after all the Masses this weekend, Monday-Thursday from 4:30-5:00 pm, Friday from 3:00-3:45 pm and after all the Christmas Masses. Please take advantage of the Sacrament. It does not matter if it has been 120 years since your last Confession or two weeks, I still encourage you to come to the Sacrament. If you do not remember what to say or do not remember the Act of Contrition, we will help you with it. The forgiveness and grace that you will receive from the Sacrament is the best Christmas gift you can receive. Helpful link:

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance>

It was with heavy hearts that we learned that Louis Nicolica passed away last week. Louis was a parishioner at the Cathedral for many years. He is the gentleman who played the violin for all major diocesan and parish celebrations. Louis could be found playing the violin at the Philharmonic and at many of the parishes in Erie. Besides being an outstanding musician, Louis was a good and humble person with a strong faith. Louis, thank you for sharing your musical gifts with the church. May you Rest in Peace.

Thank you to everyone who donated toward our Christmas Flower Fund. It is because of your generosity that we are able to decorate our Cathedral and make it look so beautiful for the Christmas Season. The list of names for the Christmas Flower fund will be listed in next weekend's bulletin.

Last week we said goodbye to our dear friend Mary Ann Pattison. For 12 years Mary Ann faithfully scheduled all the Masses here at the Cathedral. If you had a Mass said here at the Cathedral you received a card and a handwritten note from Mary Ann. She took her job of scheduling Masses here at the Cathedral very seriously. She worked hard on trying to accommodate everyone's Mass requests. Mary Ann, thank you for all that you did for your parish family. Know how much we appreciated your hard work, and we will miss talking to you. Rest In Peace dear friend. Obituary can be found at this link:

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/mary-pattison-obituary?id=31781289>

Fourth Sunday of Advent at St. Peter Cathedral

Morning prayer immediately following 8:30 Mass

Click here → [Dec. 19 Week IV Papyrus](#) for the program link.

Lectio divina – praying with the Advent Sunday Gospels at 3:15 pm in Synod Hall – all are welcome

Solemn vespers at 4 pm

with the Diocese of Erie Priest Schola.

The Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico, JCL, presiding

Click here → [Week IV 12.19.2021](#) for the program link.

Morning prayer and vespers will be livestreamed at www.stpetercathedral.com



Religious Education News



Classes will meet today (Dec. 19) and Tuesday (Dec. 21) for the last time in 2021.

*God with us, God beside us
Comes soon to the world He has made*



From Deacon Jim —

"Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb."
We hear those familiar words in today's Gospel reading.
John the Baptist leaps in Elizabeth's womb,
an image of the JOY we all should experience
in the presence of Christ.
The fourth candle on the Advent wreath
represents peace.
The Prince of Peace will soon be here!

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LAST CHANCE!!!!
Drawing will be held Dec. 19.

Winner need not be present.

Questions - Tom Cooper @ (814) 246-7676
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Santa's helpers will buy winter coats, boots, warm hats,
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St. Peter Cathedral Welcomes and Invites you to
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Epiphany Dinner
January 9, 2022

12 pm Noon after the 11 am mass

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by the Religious Education Program

Stay after Dinner for "Family Fun Bingo"
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Please reserve after masses near the church 9th St. vestibule OR contact
Laurie Gressler at (301)704-0576 or email laursea@roadrunner.com

Christmas Mass times

Friday, Dec. 24 - 4 pm & midnight (music begins @ 11:30)

Saturday, Dec. 25 - 6:30 am, 8:30 am & 11 am

Christmas Eve 4 pm Vigil, Midnight Mass &
Christmas Day 11 am will be livestreamed at
www.stpetercathedral.com

Midnight Mass will also be broadcast on WJET channel 24



Mark your
Calendar

Engagement Encounter

Jan. 28-30, 2022

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, Pa.
(eriercd.org)

Cursillo

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<https://eriecursillo.org/>





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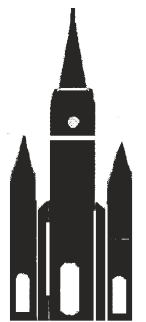
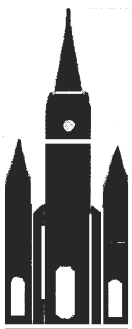
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