

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St. Peter Church, Columbia



Mother of Holy Purity Chapel, Wrightsville



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday ----- 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Closed on Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Holy Days

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Anthony Swamy, MSFS ----- *Pastor*
Deacon Jeffrey A. Baylor
Mrs. Nichole Garner ----- *CRE*
Mrs. Dayna Wickenheiser ----- *Parish Secretary*
Mr. Frank Haas ----- *Maintenance*
Mrs. Carole Bitts ----- *Director of Music*
Mrs. Kathy Arndt ----- *RCIA Coordinator*

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Fr. Swamy ----- fraswamymssf@gmail.com
Deacon Baylor ----- baylors11@comcast.net

OUR LADY OF ANGELS SCHOOL

Mrs. Amanda Young ----- *Principal*
717-684-2433

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday ----- 4:30 pm
Sunday ----- 8:00 & 10:30 am

Weekdays at St. Peter Church

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 8:00 am

St. Mary's Chapel, Wrightsville

Wednesday ----- 6:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday ----- 5:00 - 5:45 pm (*St. Mary's Chapel*)
Thursday ----- 8:30 - 9:15 am (*St. Peter Church*)
Saturday ----- 3:00 - 4:00 pm (*St. Peter Church*)
or by appointment

BAPTISM

By appointment with Deacon Baylor. Celebrated after Sunday
10:30 am Mass.

SACRAMENT OF HEALING/SICK

Contact the parish office or Pastor

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, August 8 Vigil, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00-4:00P Confessions

4:30P Norm Bell

SUNDAY, August 9 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00A People of the Parish

10:30A Ashley Wolpert

MONDAY, August 10

St. Lawrence

8:00A Charles Hartman

TUESDAY, August 11

St. Clare

8:00A Alex Stone.

WEDNESDAY, August 12

Weekday

6:00P Philomena Mable / St. Mary's

THURSDAY, August 13

Weekday

8:00A Hubert Rozman

8:35A Adoration

FRIDAY, August 14

St. Maximilian

8:00A John & Alice Knighton

SATURDAY, August 15 Solemnity of the Assumption of the BVM

3:00-4:00P Confessions

4:30P Aj Smith

SUNDAY, August 16 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00A Mary Maurer

10:30A People of the Parish

OUR PARISH PRAYS TOGETHER



PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Marg Barton	Susan Kent	Deacon Jeff Baylor
Emily Arnold	Elizabeth Buzzendore	John Collier
Robert Gainer	Marilyn Drummer	Caroline Weitzel
Abby Fritsch	Diane Flanagan	Tom Bentley
Bev Thomas	Bill Saylor	Clyde Newcomer
Yvonne Nase	Kathleen Kauffman	James George
Jack Aument	Rebecca Cosgrove	Connor Wolpert
Greg Fisher	Brian LaPrairie	Buddy Hano
Carol Goss	Steve McBride	Barbara McEvoy
Kit (Margaret) Pittinger	Lillian Hoffer	Karen Mundorf
Ken Murphy	Teresa Musser	Kathleen Nobile
Michelle Panyik	Henry Walsh	Charles Rees
David Riger	Elliot Ross	Irene Shields
Chad Irvin	Joe Shillow	Joanne Skammer
Kim Smith	Leo Storm	Sharon Swanger
Ruth Lilliam	Margaret Ellis	Anthony Iacone
Dot Weber Shearer	Beth Shearer	Dolly Raver
Yvonne Fey	Stephanie Wolpert	Frank Gould
Cain Young	Ralph Young	Tim Wickenheiser
Lee Irvin	Dave Brisiel	

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Father will be available to hear confessions on regular schedules every Saturday from 3.00 PM to 4.00 PM in the Church or by appointment on any day of the week. Appointment is not necessary for Saturday

Readings for Next Sunday

August 16th, 2020

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *Isaiah 56:1, 6-7*

Psalms Reading: *67:2-3, 5, 8, 8*

Second Reading: *Romans 11:13-15, 29-32*

Gospel: *Matthew 15:21-28*

OUR PARISH WORKS FOR GOD

Envelopes out of 600 collected	\$ 6201.25
Loose	\$ 2.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 253.00
Total Gifts to	\$ 6456.25

To meet our budgeted expenses for the fiscal year the sum of \$7,200 is needed on a weekly basis in the Sunday collection.



The Sanctuary Candle for the Month of August has been placed in loving memory of Aj Smith by his loving family.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

We are looking for a First Grade Religious Education teacher. The requirements are that you are a registered member of the parish, have completed your Sacraments of Initiation, and are practicing the faith and compliance with the Diocesan Youth Protection Program. Please contact Nichole Garner at 717-684-7070 ext. 104 or ngarner@hbgdiocese.org.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY VACATION CLUB

Here are the WINNERS of \$100 per day based on the 7PM PA Lottery number. Many prayers to all of our ticket seller and ticket holders!

Date	Ticket #	Winner	Seller
7/25	705	Susan Swartz	Unknown
7/26	684	NO WINNER	Jack Markel
7/27	139	Steve Garner	Steve Garner
7/28	017	NO WINNER	Jack Markel
7/29	162	Stella Vitacco	Audrey Vitacco
7/30	747	Angela Loreto	Fran Redman
7/31	464	NO WINNER	N/A
8/01	987	Debra Stole	Ken Murphy

Chicken BBQ



Saturday August 29th 2020 at the Columbia Catholic Knights on Fourth and Maple St. from 11 AM Till 2 PM Half-Chicken only \$6.00 This is an RSVP Ticketed Event payable on pick-up day. No extra chicken to sell. Last Day for orders is Monday August 17th This is a drive-thru event.

**Call Steve Grab 717-684-7333,
dommergrab@embarqmail.com
Call or Text Hal Snyder 717-415-8072,
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SAVE THE DATE for the Virtual Youth Conference hosted by the Catholic Life and Evangelization Office on Saturday, August 15, 2020 at 12:30 pm.

As you can see below, we have a very interesting line up of speakers and topics. Please help us get the word out to the youth of our diocese.

Registration will soon open, but those interested may pre-register by emailing their name, phone, email to areifer@hbgdiocese.org or jcurran@hbgdiocese.org and we will send them the link to register as soon as it is ready or go to www.hbgdiocese.org

CATHOLIC SCOUTING

Calling all dads with boys in 1st through 7th grade with an interest in Catholic scouting! The Troops of Saint George (TSG) is a fraternal Catholic apostolate for priests, men, and young men looking for a life of adventure coupled with virtue. Troop #17 Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati meets the third Sunday of every month from 3-5pm. The location varies depending on the month. Email Mike Lorenz for more information or to register: mlorenz0412@gmail.com

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

PARISH SECRETARY POSITION

HT has a full time opening for a Parish Secretary. Monday thru Friday 7:30-4pm

Resume are being accepted until August 7th at 4pm.

Resumes can be emailed to holytrinitycol409@gmail.com.

PASTOR'S CORNER

To enhance your spiritual journey, I want to introduce a few more letters of SFS. The two letters I have selected for the column this weekend contain treasure of advice to move forward. As we experience change of seasons in life, so too our soul experiences change of seasons. When we experience spiritual dryness or wander in the spiritual desert, let us not be anxious, but resolve to serve the Lord with steadfast love.

Seasons of Life

All of the seasons of life come together in the soul. Sometimes we feel winter's sterility, distraction, distaste, and boredom, sometimes spring's dew, with the fragrance of holy blossoms, and sometimes a burning desire to please our good God. What remains is autumn, and even then we may see no great harvest.

Yet it often happens that in threshing the wheat and pressing the grape we find a greater yield than we had expected. We want it always to be spring and summer, but there must be fluctuations of the interior life as well as the exterior.

Only in heaven will everything be springtime in its beauty, autumn in its fruitfulness, and summer in its ardor. There will be no winter there. But here winter is necessary for the work of abnegation and for the thousand minor but beautiful virtues that we exercise in a barren time. Let us, then, continue to put one foot in front of the other. Provided our hearts be true, we will walk aright.

Jesus the Gardener

Do not be anxious. Rouse yourself to serve the Lord with steadfastness, attentiveness, and meekness. That is the true way to serve him. If you can refrain from trying to do all things, but instead attempt to do only one thing, then you will do much. Practice the mortifications that most often present themselves to you, for that is the first duty to be done. After that you can take up the others. Lovingly kiss the crosses that our Lord himself lays upon your arms, without looking to see whether they are of precious or aromatic wood. They are more truly crosses when they are made of a wood that smells dirty and is considered useless.

Mary Magdalene tried to hold on to our Lord; she wanted him for herself. His appearance was not as she had wished it to be, which is why she looked at him without recognizing him. She wanted to see him arrayed in glory, not in the common clothes of a gardener. Yet, in the end she knew that it was the Lord when he called her, "Mary" (Jn 20: 14-16). You see, it is our Lord garbed as a gardener whom we meet day by day, here and there, in the ordinary mortifications that present themselves to us. We want more noble-seeming ones. But the ones that seem the most noble are not the best. Before we see him in his glory, he wants to plant many humble flowers in our garden, according to his plan. This is why he is dressed the way he is. Our task is to let our hearts be ever united to his, and our wills to his pleasure.

("Roses among Thorns" Letters of St. Francis de Sales. Edited and Translated by Christopher O. Blum)

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