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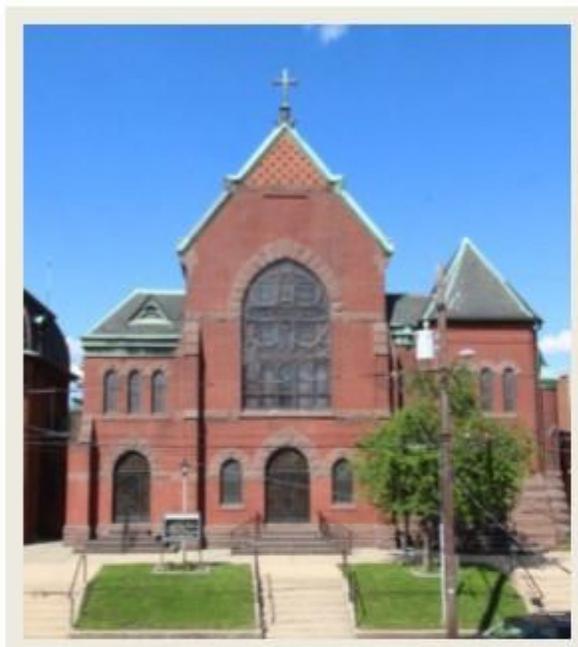
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*We are called to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament,
to live joyfully and be an evangelizing and witnessing community.*



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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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, February 6, Vigil, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Times

8:00A 1st Saturday Devotions / St. Mary's
3:00-4:00P Confessions
4:30P Thomas Seifried

SUNDAY, February 7 5th Sunday in Ordinary Times

8:00A People of the Parish
10:30A Danny, Isabella & Danny Ray Carl
3:00P Divine Mercy Devotions

MONDAY, February 8 Weekday

8:00A Charles Hartman
6:30P Bible Study / Parish Center

TUESDAY, February 9 Weekday

8:00A Jack Kennedy

WEDNESDAY, February 10 Weekday

5:00P Adoration / St. Peter's
5:15P Confessions / St. Peter's
6:00P Phil Martelli / St. Peter's

THURSDAY, February 11 Weekday

8:00A Rose Brommer
8:35A Adoration & Confessions

FRIDAY, February 12 St. Agatha

8:00A Emiliana Cruz

SATURDAY, February 13, Vigil, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Times

3:00-4:00P Confessions
4:30P Aj Smith

SUNDAY, February 14 6th Sunday in Ordinary Times

8:00A People of the Parish
10:30A Philomena Mable

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Times

Readings for Next Sunday
February 14th, 2021

First Reading: *Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46*

Psalm: *32:1-2, 5, 11*

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1*

Gospel: *Mark 1:40-45*

OUR PARISH WORKS FOR GOD

Envelopes out of 600 collected \$ 4594.50

Loose \$ 104.00

Children's Envelopes \$ 8.00

Total Gifts to \$ 4706.50

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

BABY BOTTLE BLESSING

The Baby Bottle Blessing drive for the benefit of A Woman's Concern Pregnancy Center will take place January 24 - February 21. Please take and return a baby bottle with your donation to the bassinet in the Church Vestibule. Thank you for your support of this most important Pro-life Ministry.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated with our second grade students for the first time on **Saturday, February 20th at 10:00 AM**. We offer our prayers to them during this special time to:
Grace Frey, Logan Wells, Rudy Strowsky

Confirmation Rehearsal will held on **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21st** at 1:00 PM at St. Peter Church. Sponsors and Candidates are asked to be there by 12:45PM.

OUR PARISH PRAYS



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	Roland Mackley
Larry McCauley		

FISHERS OF MEN

Join us this February for our first Fishers of Men online auction, which supports our men in seminary. Although we were not able to host our annual dinner in 2020 due to the pandemic, our seminarians for the Diocese of Harrisburg still need your support. In these challenging times, we must continue to provide a solid seminary formation for the abundant number of men responding to God's call. There is no cost to view our auction items, and bidding will run from Thursday, February 4th through Sunday, February 7th. Visit bit.ly/fishersofmenauction2021 to view our auction items or to make a donation

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of February has been placed in memory of George Buzzendore by his loving family.



THE SAN JUAN REENTRY MINISTRY

The San Juan Reentry Ministry will celebrate its first anniversary at the 9:00 AM Mass, Saturday, February 13 at San Juan Bautista Church, 425 Duke St., Lancaster. Please join us to celebrate and pray for this ministry.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY

The SPOF is the means through which the Holy Father supports more than 1,100 mission diocese throughout the world. It assists with faith formation, the selection of native bishops, and the formation of seminarians, religious sisters and brothers and lay catechists. As mission dioceses struggle to take root, SPOF also provides critical education, health, and social services.

Your participation in the SPOF Membership Sunday by prayers and contributions helps to spread the hope-filled, saving message of Jesus to the billions of people who do not know Christ and supports the priests, religious and lay catechists who offer them that Good News.

Thank you for answering the call to missionary spirit through your support of this holy work of the Church.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT

The Office of Vocations' bi-monthly Zoom discernment group continues. Young men (Junior Year in High School – Young Adults) are invited to take part in this online discussion. To register, please e-mail the Office of Vocations (vocations@hbgdiocese.org) with a valid e-mail address and mailing address so that the discussion material may be mailed. The Zoom discernment group meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month from 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. .

ST. PETER'S HOLY NAME

The men of St. Peter's Holy Name would like to thank everyone who made the "Virtual" Pigskin Blowout a success. The event could not have been a success without the support from all those who purchased tickets and those who helped prepare and serve the meals.

The winners of the raffles are:

\$50 winners - Andrew Plastino and Margaret Barton

\$100 winners - Sara Miles and Harry Knighton

\$150 winners - Tom Beaver and Luke Parrish

\$200 winners Charles Hatfield and Ed Hartman

THAT MAN IS YOU

That Man is You! men's group will meet at 6:30 a.m. Saturday in the St. Peter Parish Center. The topic for this week is "Silent Knight, Holy Knight." Men are invited to join their brothers from St. Peter, Holy Trinity and other local churches on a spiritual journey that will lead them to the three spiritual foods Christ proclaims: The Eucharist, The Word of God and The Will of God. Sessions begin at 6:30 a.m. and conclude at 7:45 a.m. A virtual option is available. For more information, contact Jeff Detz at (717) 449-0045 or jeff@kleen-ritecorp.com

PASTOR'S CORNER

Roots of Confession and Reconciliation

Most Christians know that Adam and Eve committed the first sin in the Garden of Eden. Did you know that they also spoke the first confession? God told them not to eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. They disobeyed God, ate the fruit, and then hid themselves from Him because they realized they were naked. According to Genesis 3:11-13, God spoke to them:

"Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat?" Adam replied, "The woman whom you put here with me-she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it." The Lord then asked the woman, "Why did you do such a thing?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it."

This is the first part of confession: to acknowledge our sins and ask for forgiveness. However, Adam and Eve tried to blame the Devil for their sin. God does not accept excuses for sinning. God said: "See! The man has become like one of us, knowing what is good and what is bad! Now, what if he also reaches out his hand to take fruit from the tree of life, and eats of it and lives forever?" (Genesis 3:22). God banished Adam and Eve from the Garden.

Did God forgive their sins and show mercy? Banishment sounds cruel. However, we must consider the condition of their souls. They were in a state of sin. No soul can get into Heaven with any sin. So, if Adam and Eve ate from the tree of life, they would be in a permanent state of sin, and all mankind would be cut off from Heaven for all eternity. Life on earth could be like Hell. In His mercy, God showed Adam and Eve the depth of their sin and protected them from making a permanent fatal mistake by removing them from the Garden and from the temptation of the tree of life.

The next part of Confession is Penance. Penance is given to us to give us a chance to declare that we are truly sorry for our sins, so Penance should not be taken lightly. We may look at the banishment as extreme Penance, but God is a just judge. He also had a plan to end our banishment--to do something beyond our comprehension. He sent His only Begotten Son into our sinful world, allowing Him to suffer and die on the cross to break our bondage from sin. His resurrection on the third day was the proof that everything He did and taught was true and righteous.

Even though we experience suffering and loss when someone we know dies, we can be consoled by the fact our physical death is our door to eternal life. What is unthinkable is Spiritual death. Our loving God has given us the Sacrament of Penance and the Eucharist to protect us from Spiritual death. Whenever our path to Heaven is blocked by sin, we can use Confession to remove sin and to clear the path. The Eucharist gives us eternal life because Jesus will raise us up on the last day (John 6:54-59).

Thank you, Jesus for your sacrifice and your Holy Catholic Church. We, your servants, are grateful to you for providing us an infallible depository of faith, Your Holy Catholic Church.

God Bless, Anonymous Lay Person

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