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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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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 & CALENDAR



SATURDAY, April 24 Vigil, Fourth Sunday of Easter

3:00-4:00P Confessions
4:30P Rosemary Nobile

SUNDAY, April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00A Peg Hartman
10:30A People of the Parish

MONDAY, April 26 Easter Weekday

8:00A Christi Ivan

TUESDAY, April 27 Easter Weekday

8:00A Gerald Smith

WEDNESDAY, April 28 Easter Weekday

5:00P Adoration / St. Peter's
5:15P Confessions / St. Peter's
6:00P Rosemary Nobile / St. Peter's

THURSDAY, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena

8:00A Michael Romaine

FRIDAY, April 30 Easter Weekday

8:00A Carol Bell

SATURDAY, May 1 Vigil, Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00A 1st Saturday / St. Mary
3:00-4:00P Confessions
4:30P Rose Brommer

SUNDAY, May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00A Dean Saxman
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
Larry Mc Cauley	Jim Stover	Caroline Weitzel
Roland Mackley	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	Barbara McEvoy	Kit 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	Dave Brisiel
Lee Irvin	Jim Stover	Thelma Storm
Bob Visniski		

May is the month of Mary. The Holy Rosary will be recited in St. Peter Church each evening at 6 PM.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Readings for Next Sunday

May 2, 2021

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Psalm: 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

Second Reading: 1John 3:18-24

Gospel: John 15:1-8

OUR PARISH WORKS FOR GOD

Envelopes out of 600 collected	\$ 5406.50
Loose	\$ 1118.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 2.00
Total Gifts to	\$ 6526.50

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

HERSHEYPARK TICKETS

Order forms to purchase tickets at a discounted rate are available in the Narthex. The ticket price is \$40.95, Meal tickets are \$12.99 and Snack vouchers are \$4.50. Please contact Nichole Garner with any questions at ngarner@hbgdiocese.org or at 717-684-7070 ext. 104

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING

The Office for Divine Worship has scheduled new Extraordinary Minister trainings, which will be hosted via ZOOM. The Diocesan website has an updated list of dates and times, along with an updated registration form. The current dates are:

- May 8 at 9 am, led by Deacon Tom Aumen
- May 21 at 7 pm, led by Father James Lease
- June 9 at 7 pm, led by Father James Lease
- June 12 at 9 am, led by Deacon Tom Aumen

The webpage to register is linked below. If there are any questions, please email worship@hbgdiocese.org.

A WOMAN'S CONCERN'S

Annual Partners' Event is coming up on April 29. This is a free, family friendly, virtual event to the members of your church. Those who register by April 9 will receive a free "swag bag" filled with items that will add to the enjoyment of participating in the virtual event. Bags will be available here at St. Peter's. Additional details about the event can be found on our website at www.FriendsofAWC.com. Thank you for helping us spread the word!

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of April has been placed in loving memory of Michael Romaine by his sister & family, Harold & Kit Thomas



OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Annual Appeal Campaign has raised \$37,517.07. Please help us reach our goal of \$40,000.

On May 22nd our Cherub Rock Committee will be hosting a fundraiser for tuition assistance at the Columbia Catholic War Vets. Please contact Mandee Sahd-Havrilla for more details.

Contact information:

Website-www.ourladyoftheangels.org

Mandee-717-278-5403 (please take note to number change)

LANCASTER CATHOLIC SUMMER CAMPS

Registration is Now OPEN for Summer Camps at Catholic High! Camps are being offered in the areas of Athletics, Fine & Performing Arts, STEM and even eSports. Visit www.lchsyes.org/summercamps/ to learn more about these opportunities for students in 1st-9th grade!

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION

St. Joseph Catholic Church is seeking to hire a faithful and creative person who will provide administrative and secretarial support to our Pastor and other staff in advancing the Mission and Vision of our parish to become and to make disciples of Jesus Christ. In addition, this position includes the responsibility for implementing and maintaining a comprehensive parish communication and engagement plan. Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Publisher), social media, and website maintenance, is required. Experience with databases is preferred. If you are interested in learning more about this part-time position please contact Deacon Peter Jupin at (717) 397-6921 or deaconpete@stjosephslanc.com.

Holy Family Radio, 720AM Spring Fundraisers

It's spring and Holy Family Radio is busily preparing for several events. Our annual Spring Pledge Drive began April 15, lasting through May 14. Please consider supporting the only Catholic radio station in our Diocese. On May 11 at 7 p.m., we invite you to join us for FAITH RENEWED, our first virtual fundraiser. Join us as we hear from Bishop Ronald Gainer, Msgr. William King, and our main speaker, Father John Trigilio of Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Maryland. This event replaces our annual dinner and it's not to be missed. An on-line auction will immediately follow the presentation and include themed baskets, dinner-theatre tickets and other special items. Please support Holy Family Radio 720 AM through your participation and generosity for all events. Purchase \$25 tickets to FAITH RENEWED at 720whyf.com. Pledge Drive donations may be sent to Holy Family Radio, Inc, P.O. Box 6028, Lancaster, PA 17607-6028. For more information, call 717-525-8110. Thank you for your generosity.

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 ".Avanti! The Harvest is Plentiful". A virtual option is available. For more information, contact Jeff Detz at (717) 449-0045 or jeff@kleen-ritecorp.com

PASTOR'S CORNER

WHO OWNS THE GARDEN?

Have you ever wished you could see the Garden of Eden? The idea fills every Christian with awe. Have you ever wondered who was the rightful owner of the Garden? Did God give it to Adam?

Genesis 2:15 says, "The Lord God then took the man and placed him in the Garden of Eden, to cultivate it and care of for it." Humans were not given the garden for ownership but for stewardship. This is our true place in the world: God is the owner of all creation, and we are His stewards who are responsible for caring and tending His creation. God created us to enjoy the work required to tend and cultivate the world He gave us. So, if this is true, then why do I at times feel overwhelmed by work? In Genesis 3: 17-19, God curses the ground because of Adam's disobedience: "Cursed is the ground because of you! In toil you shall eat its yield all the days of your life."

Although Adam was no longer welcome in the garden, God never stopped loving humans. Reflecting upon the above made me realize that God does want us to enjoy our work. We can feel a sense of accomplishment when we do our best to complete a project. This feeling can be a great source of joy, especially if we use our eyes of faith and recognize that when we are finished, we can look to God and say, I am working diligently to attend Your Garden; this is my gift to you. You have provided me with the skills and ability, and I desire nothing more than to use them to please You. I acknowledge that all I have belongs to You. Therefore, my only desire is to be a good and trustworthy servant.

We also know that God gave us a free will, so that we are not slaves but are free to choose between good or evil. The creator is the owner. God, as our creator, is actually the owner of our body and soul. Because we are stewards of these facilities, we therefore have the responsibility to tend, cultivate and to preserve them to return to God. I believe we all have a hidden underlying desire which calls us to return to Heaven to be with our wonderful creator. Jesus came into the world to show us the path back home. Why was this necessary?

One obstacle blocked our access into Heaven. Adam's disobedience brought sin into the human race. Jesus overcame the bondage of sin and reopened the gates of Heaven by dying on the cross for us. He also gave us the Sacraments of Penance and the Eucharist to give us the nourishment to make our return trip to Heaven. These two Sacraments feed and strengthen our soul's natural desire to return to be with God in Heaven.

Why is sin so deadly? Who is the creator of sin? We will look at these questions in Part Two.

God Bless, Anonymous Lay Person

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICES PROGRAM

The Catholic Charities Immigration and Refugee Services Program is in need of the following donations: shower curtains and rings, kitchen trash cans, sets of pots and pans, twin beds, twin blankets and sheets, comforters, bath towels, and paper towels. To donate, contact the office at 717-232-0568. Thank you for your generosity!

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