Saint Peter Parish

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New to our Parish Family and would like to join?
Please contact the Parish Office 508-234-2156

***PARISH OFFICE HOURS*:**
Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Elaine Nowlan Parish Secretary
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Religious Education:
Loreto: K to 4th
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Please call the Parish Office

Safe Environment Coordinators
Linda Blair & Steven Poudrier

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES:
Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 AM
Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Saturday 3:30 PM
Anytime by request.

***PARISH COUNCIL*:**
Barbara Ramian,
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Kim Poudrier, Karen Lemoine

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Barbara Ramian
Christine Fung-A-Fat
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Craig Consigli

Mass INTENTIONS

SATURDAY December 4th

4:30PM **Christine Menard 5th Anniv.**
by Donald Menard & Family

SUNDAY December 5th– 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:30AM **Helena Morrissette 12th Anniv.** by Family

11:00AM **Annie Mae Whitcomb 3th Anniv**
by her Husband

MONDAY December 6th

8:00AM **Rev. Dennis O'Brien** by Ned & Mary Sheehan

TUESDAY December 7th

8:00AM **Joffre & Grace Lavallee Sr.** by the Family

WEDNESDAY December 8th-
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

8:00AM **Parish Family**

7:00PM **Raymond Blette** by Sue & Ray Adams

THURSDAY December 9th

8:00AM **Ross & Barbara Rajotte** by the Lavallee's

SATURDAY December 11th

4:30PM **Patricia Dupre 5th Anniv.** by the Dupre Family

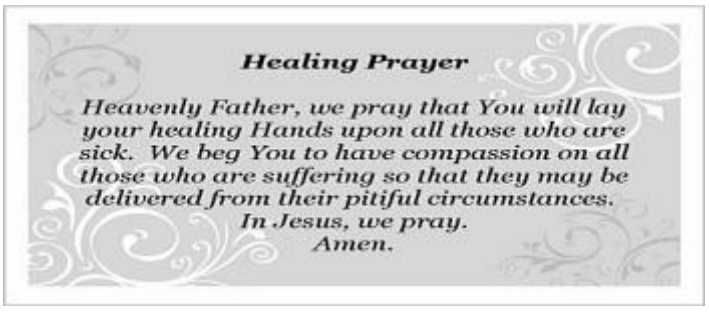
SUNDAY December 12th– 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:30AM **Mr. & Mrs. Edward (Babe) Brouillard**
by Mr. & Mrs. John Brouillard

11:00AM **Henry Dion** by his Daughter Susan

Pray For...

Jeanne Weldon, Logan Bernard Rich, Lori Alves, Robin Warwick, Charles Giambusso, Margarite Pomponio, Rhonda Lavallee and all those in our parish book of prayers.



PARISH SUPPORT

November 21, 2021

Envelopes Collected 62	$ 2231.00
Electronic Giving 16	576.00
Renovation 8	255.00
Winter Envelopes 1	5.00
Donations	125.00
Saint Vincent DePaul	10.00
AA Rental (Wednesday)	54.00
All Souls Day	30.00
All Saints	30.00
Immaculate Conception	10.00
Christmas Offering	10.00
Total	$ 3336.00

Special Collection November 21, 2021

(Please note this collection does not stay in our Parish)

Human Development	$ 215.00
Total	$ 215.00

November 28, 2021

Envelopes Collected 56	$ 1468.00
Electronic Giving 16	576.00
Renovation 5	70.00
Winter Envelopes 20	415.00
Donations	25.00
Saint Vincent DePaul	5.00
K of C Mumford Council#365	500.00
2022 Calendars	241.28
Youth Ministry	200.00
Total	$ 3500.28

A Note from Father Tom

Our Second Sunday of Advent

This Second Sunday of Advent is a moment of great gratitude for me. I am thinking back to the Thanksgiving Dinner served and celebrated in our Parish Center just before the actual holiday. It was wonderful to experience the sense of "home" to which many were returning on this great day, and the sense of open commitment and service on the part of volunteers who were returning for this event and on the part of many first-timers. It was great! Thank you to all!

Next I am thinking of the young people and their families who will have gathered in St. Peter's Church by the time you will be reading this, to celebrate First Reconciliation. This always is a great moment in itself, but also the promise of the celebration of First Eucharist this spring. Please keep them in your prayers.

During this Second Week of Advent our special Advent Series continues with a Celebration of Organ and Voice on Tuesday evening, beginning at 6:30pm. I was encouraged by the group who gathered for Evening Prayer this past Monday. I am hoping that the format of holiday music for organ and voice as well as a different evening of the week will make it possible for even more of us to take a breather from busy schedules in advance of more holiday celebrations and their necessary "work" to come and enjoy this gift.

As laid out for us in the Scriptures this weekend, we are called to be renewed by the proclamation of what God has done for us. We are called also to live lives conformed to that choice and action of God. We are called to acts of service and mercy because we choose to be grateful and compassionate as God has been with us. We are called to choose and act in ways that are more meaningful and effective than just reacting to what is around us, slipping into the path of least resistance. "Prepare the way of the Lord … !"

Fr. Tom

Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading:
Baruch 5:1-9

Psalm:
126:1-6

Second Reading:
Philippians 1:4-6,8-11

Gospel:
Luke 3:1-6

Please join us on
Wednesday, December 8th
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Masses will be held at 8:00am & 7:00pm

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

While there are numerous occasions throughout the year when Mary is remembered and honored by the Church, this opportunity is of great meaning and value to us. Mary, under this title, is the Patroness of the Catholic Church here in the United States. In Mary, under this title, we also are called to proclaim and draw strength from the fact that God's grace sets the stage for us as it did for her. If and when we reject or just ignore that grace – well, look around or within and see life gone a little, or a lot haywire. If and when we acknowledge and welcome that grace, we can see in Mary how powerful we can be on this stage. We discover a love for us and within us that is modeled by Mary's unfailing, mother's love. Come, join with us on December in the morning or evening, to be with her, and to be with her Son as we offer the one perfect Sacrifice of Praise entrusted to us!

Fr. Tom

Giving Tree tags are available for the Seminarians of our Diocese.

If you can help, please take a card in the back of the Church. All cards for the Seminarians should be mailed to the address on the envelope.

Thank you to everyone who took a tag for Christmas Gifts for families in need!

All wrapped gifts need to be returned by Sunday, December 19th by 11:00am to the gathering area in the back of the Church.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Christmas Eve Luminaries

In Memory or
in Honor of Your Loved Ones

Luminaries will be displayed in the church windows on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Prepaid orders will be taken at all Masses through Sunday, December 19th
Luminaries are $10.00 each

Sunday Counters Needed

We are looking for a few people to help with counting the collection on Sunday Mornings.

If you would like to help or have questions, please contact the parish office.

Northbridge Food Pantry

As the holidays are upon us our neighbors in our local community can use our help.

We are collecting gift cards from local grocery stores/Walmart/Job Lot/Dollar Store to help our neighbors in need.

Please place your gift cards in the basket at Mass or drop it off at the Parish Office and mark it Northbridge Food Pantry.

Please send all gift cards in by December 12th. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Join us for Advent Prayer and Music of the Season 6:30pm in the Church during the season of Advent

Tuesday, December 7th
Second Week of Advent

Celebration of Seasonal Music
Organist - Alice Bucca
Vocalists- Chris Harris & Melissa Turner

Friday, December 17th
Third Week of Advent
Alto Vista String Ensemble

Wednesday, December 22nd
Fourth Week of Advent
Solemn Evening of Prayer
Cantor -Richard Monroe

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