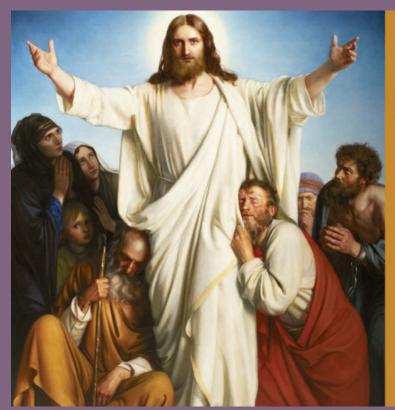
Saint Peter Parish



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

Rev. Michael Lavallee, Pastor

39 Church Avenue, PO Box 446, Northbridge, MA 01534

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm

Elaine Nowlan: Parish Secretary Christine Fung-A-Fat: Administrative Assistant

George Murray: Business Manager

Parish Office: 508-234-2156 Email: Parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org FrMichael@stpeterrockdale.org Website: www.stpeterrockdale.org

New to our Parish Family and would like to join? Please contact the Parish Office

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Louise Forget: Religious Education Coordinator Email: religioused@stpeterrockdale.org Phone: 508-234-6355

Elementary: PreK to 4th Middle School: 5th-8th High School: 9th-10th Confirmation: 11th

Rosary 7:35 am SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 am

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am

Saturday 3:30 pm Anytime by request

PARISH COUNCIL

Barbara Ramian, Pete Sabourin, Thomas Heney, Jeff Roy, Kim Poudrier, Mary Sheehan

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Homer Rajotte, Thomas Heney, Jeffrey Thibeault, George Murray, Bob Dziekiewicz, James Archibald-ex officio

BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office

MARRIAGES

Please call the Parish Office at least twelve months in advance to begin required marriage preparation

MUSIC MINISTRY

Alice Bucca, Chris Harris, Kevin Burokas

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Elaine Nowlan

FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE

Victoria Neville, Barbara Ramian, Audra Gaul, Rosa Orazine Christine Fung-A-Fat, Craig Consigli, Louise Forget



SATURDAY July 8th

4:30PM Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Montville

by Mr. & Mrs. John Brouillard

SUNDAY July 9th

8:30AM **Jeannine Patnode** by St. Peter's Parish Staff 11:00AM **Connie Aubin & Donald Mongeon**

by Sandra Chipman

MONDAY July 10th

8:00AM Patricia Patnode by the Lavallees

TUESDAY July 11th

8:00AM Mr. & Mrs. Ludovic Lavallee by Fr. Michael

WEDNESDAY July 12th

8:00AM Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Turiano by Fr. Michael

THURSDAY July 13th

8:00AM Ray Blette by Ned & Mary Sheehan

SATURDAY July 15th

4:30PM Mr. & Mrs. William Grenier by Family

SUNDAY July 16th

8:30AM Joseph Flamand by Lorraine & Family

11:00AM Esther Mason & the Deceased Members of the Mason Family by Mr. & Mrs. John Brouillard



July 3, 2023

Envelopes Weekly Electronic Giving Renovation Donations Saint Vincent De Paul Music Ministry	74 42 9	\$ 2217.00 2935.50 650.00 192.00 5.00 397.00
Restitution		235.00
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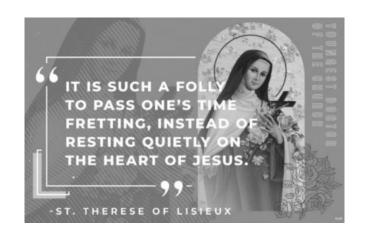
The 2024 Mass Intentions book is now open.

Donations for all Masses are \$10.00

If you would like a Mass to pray for the repose of the soul of a loved one, please contact the parish office.



Alfred Venincasa, Sandra Krause, Jeff Thibeault, George Murray, Norman Gauthier, Scarlett Hubsch, Kyle Osterman, Jeanne Weldon, Logan Bernard Rich, Lori Alves, Robin Warwick, Charles Giambusso, Margarite Pomponio, Rhonda Lavallee and all those in our parish book of prayers.





A Note From Father Michael

Dear Friends in Christ,

This Sunday's Gospel presents to us one of Jesus' most important summons we will ever hear. Our Lord beckons to us, calling out "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest."

Who among us does not "labor" or find life sometimes burdensome? Who among us does not need rest?

In our fast-paced contemporary world, life goes on 24/7. Technology is a main driving force behind the frenetic pace of life we have in our society. At any second of the day, unimaginable amounts of information and communication are exchanged on the Internet. People may contact us, via e-mail, phone and social media, at any time. Machines are always running and operational, serving our needs when we need them.

But, God did not create us as machines. As human beings, we are finite with limited natural resources. God even gave us a Commandment about our need for rest, namely the Third which teaches us the importance of observing the Sabbath.

When we don't rest we become run down, irritable and exhausted. Our exhaustion gives sickness an opportunity to assail us, as we do not have enough strength to fight off it's attack. Our hyperactivity does no one, especially ourselves, any good.

The rest and solace that Christ offers us is the confidence of God's love upholding us. We are supported and cared for deeply by God, surrounded by His mercy and concern. It is through prayer that we can see this truth and receive the grace we need to live in the world. The more we allow our hearts to hear and respond to Christ's summons to rest with Him, the more we will be renewed and rejuvenated in mind, heart and soul.

When we allow ourselves to rest in Christ we will enjoy the greatest blessings of our lives.

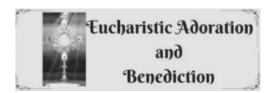
In Christ, Fr. Michael



Join us on the weekend of July 8th & 9th at all Masses for commissioning as you begin your important work.

Fr. Michael will be inviting all Prayer Partners to stand and receive a blessing and to make a promise to pray every day for their Prayer Partner.

There will be an envelope in the gathering area with your name on it, containing a prayer card with your student's name on it. Please take your envelope before Mass. If you cannot be at Mass that weekend we will mail it to you.



Join us for Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction Wednesday, July 19th In the Church at 6:20pm

Join us for Bible Study after in the parish hall at 7:00pm.



Thank you to all parishioners who already donated to the Partners in Charity Appeal.

We ask if you have not already donated to prayerfully consider to do so. We are aware of the difficult economic conditions of this time.

Any gift, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated. Fr. Michael

Amount needed to reach our parish goal: \$1,417.00

Our parish goal is: \$33,300

Total gifts to our parish goal: \$31,883.00

(As of 6-27-23)

Please make your check out to
Partners in Charity and mail your donation to the
address on the envelope.

You may also make your gift online at partners-charity.net

Thank you for your continued support!
We couldn't do it without you!



Join Members of the Alto Vista String Ensemble as they perform Jazz & Ragtime works celebrating American Composers.

Saturday, July 15th starting at 5:45pm

Rain Date: Saturday, July 22nd at 5:45pm

Tickets are \$10 per person Sold at all Masses, the parish office and on the day of.

Seating is first come first serve on the parish lawn.
Bring a chair and a picnic dinner!



Saturday, July 15th Wednesday, July 19th Wednesday, July 19th Wednesday, July 26th Wednesday, July 26th 5.45pm Jazz Concert 6:20pm Adoration 7:00pm Bible Study 3:30pm Peace of Bread 7:00pm Bible Study



Saint Peter's turn is on Wednesday, July 26th

We can't do this without you!

Volunteers may arrive at the Presbyterian Church in Whitinsville between 4:00pm.

We are looking for volunteers to help serve, prep meals and to help in the food pantry.

Please email or call the parish office, so we have an idea of how many volunteers we will have.

Can't join us but would still like to help?
We are collecting non-perishable food and toiletries items for their pantry.
Please take a bag in the back of the church.

Please return all donations to the gathering area in the church by Sunday, July 23rd

Thank you all in advance for your help!!!



Volunteers Needed!

Meals on Wheels are looking for volunteers to deliver or package meals to homebound elders in Northbridge.

If you are interested in helping our neighbors please contact:

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