

Saint Peter Parish



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. - Mt 17:1-2

Rev. Michael Lavalley, Pastor

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

Elaine Nowlan: Parish Secretary
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***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

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 am

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am

Rosary 7:35 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 pm

Anytime by request

PARISH COUNCIL

Barbara Ramian,

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Thomas Heney,

Jeff Roy, Kim Poudrier,

Mary Sheehan

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Homer Rajotte,

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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 August 5th

4:30PM **Andy Williamson & Lorraine Williamson**
by Family

SUNDAY August 6th

8:30AM **Alfred Lemoine** by Family
11:00AM **Eugene Henry Conn** by Family

MONDAY August 7th

8:00AM **Joseph Bartulis** by Fr. Michael

TUESDAY August 8th

8:00AM **For the Health & Well-Being**
of Fr. Mikael Bassale

WEDNESDAY August 9th

8:00AM **Patricia Patnode** by Esther & Milton Patnode

THURSDAY August 10th

8:00AM **Wilfred, Rita & Armand St. Martin**
by the Lavallees

SATURDAY August 12th

4:30PM **Kathy Reed** by Family

SUNDAY August 13th

8:30AM **Richard Cronin 3rd Anniv.** by the Lambert Family
11:00AM **David Greenwood** by Heney Family

July 23, 2023

Envelopes Weekly	81	\$ 2653.00
Electronic Giving	20	593.50
Renovation	12	257.00
Music Ministry	9	175.00
Saint Vincent De Paul		10.00
Jazz Concert		240.00
Whitin Community Sub Lease		1575.00

Total \$ 5503.50

July 30, 2023

Envelopes Weekly	51	\$ 1043.00
Electronic Giving	20	593.50
Renovation	5	123.00
Music Ministry	4	46.00
Donations		544.00
Saint Vincent De Paul		5.00
AA Monday Rental		100.00

Total \$ 2454.50

July 30, 2023

Special Collection

(This collection does not stay in our parish)

Assumptionist Mission	\$ 750.00
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Total \$ 750.00



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.



If you or someone you know has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility for hope and healing. We encourage you to come forward and report the matter to the Diocese of Worcester.

Call the Office of Healing and Prevention at 508-929-4383 or Judith Audette, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 508-726-2880 - direct, confidential line.



*A Note From
Father Michael*

Dear Friends in Christ,

This Sunday, we celebrate the Transfiguration, one of the most important moments in the life of Christ. After Jesus brings Peter, James and John up Mount Tabor, they observe Him become dazzling white, transfigured before them in a beautiful way.

Why would Jesus give them this incredible privilege? Just before the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed His disciples about what it would mean to follow Him. He made it clear that to follow Him meant taking up one's own Cross. In the days of Jesus, crucifixion was a shameful death reserved for the worst criminals. The Jews believed that anyone who was crucified was cursed by God. We can only imagine how the disciples felt when Jesus told them that they would have to suffer this humiliating kind of death. Sadly, after His death and Resurrection, almost all of the Apostles gave their lives for the Christian faith dying in violent ways.

At the Transfiguration, Jesus taught the disciples what would happen to them after suffering and dying. He showed them the Resurrection in advance, instructing them that those who suffer and die in and with the Lord will also share in His victory over death by someday rising again. Therefore, the Transfiguration was a hopeful reminder to them that a life of faith and love leads to an eternal life of joy.

The fact that suffering and death lead to resurrection is what the Church calls the Paschal Mystery. We enter into this mystery through Baptism. What are the practical implications of the Paschal Mystery? First, our faith teaches us that though suffering and death in this world are inevitable, these realities do not have the final word. Rather, in faith, we believe that they will lead us to eventual new life in Christ. Secondly, our belief in the Paschal Mystery gives us hope in all the circumstances of human life. Jesus' power is with us to save us and help us win the victory over all forms of evil. Finally, as we celebrate the Feast of The Transfiguration, we seek to be transformed by God's grace so we may become truly holy. This feast encourages us to desire holiness more than ever.

*In Christ,
Fr. Michael*



Cursillo

New Life, New Grace

Have you made a Cursillo?
Have you lived your '4th Day'?

St. Peter's Parish is seeking to gather all parishioners who have experienced Cursillo to share with one another and to reflect upon how we may use our experience for spiritual growth in our parish. We would like to plan a meeting for the end of the Summer.

Please contact Fr. Michael at the Rectory or Roger Guerin 1-508-341-8344 evenings to find out more and prepare to join us. We look forward to seeing you and talking with you soon.

*Upcoming Women's Cursillo
September 7-9, 2023*

Have you every truly thought about your spiritual life, how it has been, where it is now and where it can go? Whether you are a single person, a young couple starting your married life or an older couple of retirement age, God always has been in your life. Are you wondering how the Spirit of Christ can work through you?

The Cursillo is a weekend (Thursday night thru Sunday afternoon) where you will reacquaint yourself with your faith and meet others like you. You will learn about the Catholic Church through various talks from laity and priests involved in helping make this weekend a meaningful spiritual awakening experience for you. You will find out, in depth, about the Sacraments of our Church and how truly special they are. No matter where you are in your faith-journey, beginning or long-term, Cursillo offers you the opportunity to be more in touch with God. Cursillo is about God's love for us, the community and sharing God's love with others. You will leave your Cursillo weekend a new person!

St. Peter's Parish will be welcoming representatives of the Worcester Diocese Cursillo movement on the weekend of August 11th and 12th. They will speak at all Masses about the upcoming Women's Cursillo weekend and will be able to answer questions parishioners have about the weekend.

**St. Peter's Night
at the
WooSox**

Friday, August 11th @ 6:45pm



**Join our parish community at
Polar Park on Friday, August 11th at 6:45pm**

There are a few tickets left!
Get yours today!

The Worcester Red Sox take on the Buffalo Bisons,
Triple-A affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays!

**Tickets are \$25
and can be purchased through
the link on our website.**

Each ticket purchased will include:

- A fixed seat in Section 3 of the 3rd Base Field Box
- \$2 of Loaded Value for concessions and/or
Team Store purchases



**Weekend of
August 26th & 27th
at all Masses**

Maysoon Khair will be at our parish on the
weekend of August 26th & 27th.
She represents over a hundred Christian families
who make their livelihood through the selling of
their hand carved olive wood religious articles.

After all Masses that weekend there will be a
display of beautiful hand carved religious items;
such as nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last
supper and many other beautiful religious
statues.

Please stop by that weekend and look at the
carvings that will be available and help support
this self-help project to keep the Christians
living in the Holy Land.

Calendar of **EVENTS**

Wednesday, Aug. 9th 7:00pm Bible Study
Friday, Aug. 11th 6:45pm WooSox Game
Tuesday, Aug. 15th Mass at 8:00am & 6:00pm
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday, Aug. 16th 7:00pm Bible Study
Wednesday, Aug. 23th 7:00pm Bible Study
Wednesday, Aug. 30th 6:20pm
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction
Wednesday, Aug. 30th 7:00pm Bible Study



We would like to express our appreciation to all of our parishioners who volunteered to work at the Peace of Bread kitchen in Whitinsville on Wednesday, July 26.

Fr. Michael and Chef Peter are grateful for your generosity and charity. This time, we had enough volunteers to do all of the tasks that were necessary and it was wonderful to see such a vibrant group of our parishioners collaborating in this ministry with us. We look forward to our next afternoon of service at Peace of Bread and anticipate your continued interest and participation.

Thank you so very much!
Fr. Michael and Chef Peter



The Northbridge Association of Churches is once again getting ready for the new school year by collecting backpacks & school supplies.

The Department of Children and Families will distribute to kids who otherwise would not have what they need to start school in the fall.

If you are able to help, there is a list of the needed supplies in the gathering area. This is a typical list of what each student is asked to bring in the first week of school.

Anything you can do to help out is most appreciated!

Please return your donations to the boxes in the gathering area by Sunday, August 20th
Thank you for your help in advance!

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