Saint Peter Parish



31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:8-11

Rev. Michael Lavallee, Pastor

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

Saturday 4:30 nm

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, 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

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

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

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

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 November 4th

4:30PM Raymond Renault by his Wife

SUNDAY November 5th

8:30AM **Patricia Patnode** by the Family 11:00AM **Edith Morrissette**

MONDAY November 6th

8:00AM Arlene Benoit 1 yr Anniv.

by Husband & Family

TUESDAY November 7th

8:00AM **Joffre Lavallee Jr.** by the Sawyer Family

WEDNESDAY November 8th

8:00AM For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory

by the Helpers of the Holy Souls

THURSDAY November 9th

8:00AM Fr. Richard Jakubauskas

by Fr. Michael Lavallee & Fr. Miguel Pagan

SATURDAY November 11th

4:30PM Leo & Helen Lubas & Andy Williamson

by Family

SUNDAY November 12th

8:30AM **John Miranda** by Kim & Jeff Roy 11:00AM **Philip Heney** by the Heney Family



Bertha Oyola Gimenez, Michele Small,
Gary Morvan, Christine Brouillard,
John Letscher, 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.



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Envelopes Weekly	61	\$ 1376.00
Electronic Giving	20	593.50
Renovation	7	145.00
Music Ministry	4	40.00
Winter Envelopes	15	278.00
Donations		200.00
St. Vincent DePaul		10.00
AA Wednesday		150.00
K of C Supply Reimbursement		200.00
Pack 150 Hall Rental		100.00
Holy Day		60.00
Holiday Fair Donation	S	632.00
Holiday Fair Raffles		1420.00
Pasta Dinner		1084.00
Pasta Dinner 50/50		225.00
Total		\$ 6513.50

October 22, 2023

Special Collection

(This collection does not stay in our parish)

World Mission Sunday	/	\$	347.00
Total		\$	347.00
<u>Octo</u>	ber 29, 2023		
Envelopes Weekly	49	\$	2040.00
Electronic Giving	20		593.50
Renovation	1		10.00
Music Ministry	4		30.00
Winter Envelopes	3		30.00
St. Vincent DePaul			10.00
Holy Days	17		200.00
Parish Religious Ed	2		100.00
Total		\$ 3	3013.50

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Ages 3-6 & Grades 2nd-4th

Sunday, November 5th 9:30-10:45am Sunday, November 12th 9:30-10:45am

Grades 5th-10th

Sunday, November 5th 9:30-10:45am Sunday, November 12th 9:30-10:45am





A Note From Father Michael

Dear Friends in Christ,

During the month of November, the Church invites us to prayerfully remember our deceased loved ones and friends. As we remember them, we express gratitude to God for the gift of their lives and for the enrichment they have given to us. Praying for our deceased loved ones and friends is a high form of charity. Through our prayer, we express love and concern for them and help them to enter Thank you for prayerfully considering this message. the fullness of eternal life.

One of the most important ways we pray for our deceased loved ones and friends is by offering Masses for the repose of their souls. The Mass, more than any other form of prayer, powerfully assists the deceased currently undergoing purification. The Church's teaching on Purgatory can be summarized in this way: Due to our fallen human condition and sinfulness, very few of us are ready to enter into Heaven directly upon our death. In God's mercy, God provides Purgatory to the saved through which they are purified of sin so that they may enter into Heaven.

This teaching also helps us to understand the need for funeral Masses. Funeral Masses are important not simply as memorials for the deceased. They are an important part of our prayer for them. One of the corporal works of mercy is burying the dead. Funeral Masses and burials offer the deceased dignity and respect. They also reverence the body as the temple of the Holy Spirit during the deceased's lifetime.

Our Christian faith offers us the hope of final resurrection and victory over death. Scripture is clear that it is faith which leads to eternal life. Through Baptism, we share in the Paschal Mystery. Just as Jesus suffered, died and rose again, so through our Baptismal union with the Lord we may do the same. We believe that on the Last Day, Jesus will come again in judgment. On this day, our bodies and souls will be reunited and we will rise to meet the Lord.

For the faithful Christian, the Last Day need not be a terrifying thought. Rather, it may a joyful moment of reunion and fulfillment.

> In Christ. Fr. Michael



It Is An Honor To Serve God at His Altar...

Currently, St. Peter's is in need of several adult servers for the daily Mass, Monday-Thursday, at 8 am and someone to serve funeral Masses. Fr. Michael is ready to train those whom God is calling to this service.

Fr. Michael and St. Peter's Parish Staff



Lord, the Holy Land is again struck by violence. Look with mercy upon the land that was Your earthly home.

Receive the deceased into Your presence. Comfort the wounded and the displaced. Hold close to You all who are in despair.

You are our peace and light. Put an end to the terror and suffering in the Holy Land and Middle East. Amen

(From Aid to the Church in Need)



Saint Peter's along with the Northbridge Association of Churches, is helping local families in need with their Thanksgiving Dinner.

This year we have 15 families and will be giving them gift cards to local grocery stores. (Shaws, Walmart, Hannaford, Market 32)

If you would like to help, please take a card in the back of the church and return your gift cards by Sunday, November 12th.

Thank you for your continued generosity.



Senior Thanksgiving Dinner Pies, Turkeys & Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to donate cooked turkeys and pies for our Senior Thanksgiving Dinner being held on Saturday, November 18th starting at 12:00pm in the Parish Hall.

This is a great way to get your family involved! Help us show how much we love the seniors of our parish family.

Pies can be any flavor, homemade or store bought.
The pies and cooked turkeys will need to be dropped off the day of the dinner in the morning before 11:00 am.

We are also in need of volunteers to carve the turkeys tableside and serve.

To donate a cooked turkey or to help on the day of. Please contact the Parish Office at 508-234-2156 or email: parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org



All Senior Members of our St. Peter's Parish family are cordially invited to attend the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

Saturday, November 18, 2023 12:00pm in the Parish Hall

Please join us for a delicious meal and amazing fellowship.

RSVP by Monday, November 13th.

Please let us know you are joining us for dinner, only advance reservations will be accepted.

Name:	
Phone:	
Number Attending:	
Please call the Parish office or place this in collection basket.	

Calendar of EV

Wednesday, Nov. 8th Sunday, Nov. 12th Wednesday, Nov. 15th Saturday, Nov. 18th 12pm Senior Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, Nov. 19th

Sunday, Nov. 19th

7:00pm Bible Study 9:30am In Your Time of Need 7:00pm Bible Study

5:30 Cursillo Meeting 6:30pm RE Evening Mass

A few pictures from our busy weeks...



Rain didn't stop Mary, Kevin, David, and Jill from representing St. Peter's in the Blackstone Valley Crop Walk on October 21st. They walked from the Village Congregational Church in Whitinsville to the Uxbridge Common. St. Peter's Parish family raised \$282. Thank you to all who donated!



Rosary Walk October 22nd at St. Patrick's Cemetery





Parish Pasta Dinner October 21st



Religious Ed Evening Mass October 29th. Thank you to all of the families for attending!!



Thank you Charlotte and Madison Thibeault for Reading!

