

# Saint Peter's Parish



## 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

### 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

### IN YOUR TIME OF NEED

Fr. Michael, Peter Sabourin,  
George Murray, William Ballou,  
Ron Rej, Rebecca Siegle,  
Sharon Dupre

### FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE

Victoria Neville, Barbara Ramian,  
Audra Gaul, Louise Forget  
Christine Fung-A-Fat

### MUSIC MINISTRY

Alice Bucca, Chris Harris,  
Kevin Burokas

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Sharon Dupre & Mary Sheehan

**Rev. Michael Lavallee, Pastor**  
**Rev. Mr. John McManamon, Deacon**  
39 Church Avenue, PO Box 446,  
Northbridge, MA 01534

**Parish Office Hours**  
**Monday-Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm**

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

*New to our Parish Family and  
would like to join?  
Please contact the  
parish office.*

### BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office.

### MARRIAGES

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

### PARISH COUNCIL

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

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

# Saint Peter's Parish

Northbridge, MA



SATURDAY July 13th

4:30PM **Rev. Timothy R. Rondeau**

by the Brouillard Family

SUNDAY July 14th

8:30AM **Barbara LaMountain**

by Sue & John Letscher

11:00AM **Annie Mae Whitcomb** by her Husband

MONDAY July 15th

8:00AM **A Special Intention** by Erika T.

TUESDAY July 16th

8:00AM **A Special Intention** by C. Johnston

WEDNESDAY July 17th

8:00AM **John Jacques & Lori Jacques-Riopel**

by David Gautreau

THURSDAY July 18th

8:00AM **Ludovic Lavallee** by Fr. Michael

SATURDAY July 20th

4:30PM **Samuel & Elodie Gautreau**

by David Gautreau

SUNDAY July 21

8:30AM **Richard LaMountain**

by Sue & John Letscher

11:00AM **Ronald Greenwood** by the Heney Family



Ed Pokornicki, Gail Arnold, Bill Lavallee,  
Michael Sliwoski, Alice Bucca, Carole Neville,  
Lois Menard, Elaine Nowlan, Michele Small,  
Christine Brouillard, John Letscher, Jeff Thibeault,  
George Murray, Norman Gauthier, Scarlett Hubsch,  
Kyle Osterman, Jeanne Weldon,  
Logan Bernard Rich, Lori Alves, Robin Warwick,  
Charles Giambusso, Rhonda Lavallee  
and all those in our parish book of prayers.

June 30, 2024

Envelopes Weekly	60	\$ 4483.00
Electronic Giving	17	501.50
Renovation	6	40.00
Music Ministry	6	60.00
Yard Sale		70.00
AA Wednesday Rental		30.00
Uxbridge Pk 2 Hall Rental		100.00
Parish Picnic		134.00

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Total \$ 5418.50

June 30, 2024

In Your Time of Need (Stays in our parish)	\$ 41.00
Catholic Communications (Does not stay in our parish)	193.00

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Total \$ 234.00

July 7, 2024

Envelopes Weekly	56	\$ 1684.00
Electronic Giving	20	2928.50
Renovation	3	40.00
Music Ministry	30	380.00
Donations		82.00
Whitin Community Rental		1500.00

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Total \$ 6614.50

July 7, 2024

In Your Time of Need (Stays in our parish)	\$ 169.00
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Total \$ 169.00

Upcoming Collections

Parish Collection

In Your Time of Need- July 14th  
Renovation- July 21st



## *A Note From Father Michael*

Dear Friends in Christ,

In this Sunday's Gospel, we learn that when Jesus sent out the Apostles on mission he did so pairing them "two by two." Some Scripture commentators suggest that this was the practice of the early Church as it sought to bring the Good News of Christ to the world.

But, why is this detail so important? As we reflect upon it, there are several reasons.

The first is that Jesus sought to create community among His followers which would involve them helping each other and depending upon each other's gifts and strengths. As Baptism makes Christians members of God's family, so engaging in shared missionary activity strengthens the bonds between believers in the Church.

The second reason is that Jesus was protecting His followers from dangers. Some Scripture commentators believe Jesus' decision to send out the disciples "two by two" reflects His practice of an Old Testament biblical injunction concerning testimony being established by two witnesses. In sending out the disciples "two by two" Jesus was showing care and concern for their well-being without them recognizing it.

The third reason is that Jesus may have been encouraging the disciples to embrace humility. By pairing them, Jesus was ensuring that not one of them could boast solely of his accomplishments. As He taught them to depend upon God's Providence, He also showed them that cooperation and collaboration was God's way that the Church would be built up. Conversely, separation between believers and divisions among them would work against the Church's unity and growth.

As we reflect upon the meaning of this Sunday's gospel, let us seek opportunities to assist our fellow parishioners in our shared journey of life, recognizing that we travel together on life's road as the family of the Church.

*In Christ,  
Fr. Michael*



Our parish is currently conducting its Partners in Charity Appeal.

If you have already made a pledge or gift, please accept our sincere appreciation for the impact you are having on people's lives.

**Our Parish Goal: \$33,300.00**

**Total gifts towards our parish goal:**  
**\$26,010.00**  
(As of 6-27-24)

**Amount Needed:**  
**\$7,290.00**

Gift envelopes are available in the pews.

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

View the 2024 appeal video on our website  
or at [partners-charity.net](http://partners-charity.net)

***You may also make your gift online at  
[partners-charity.net](http://partners-charity.net)***

*Please make sure to specify our parish and town when  
making your donation online or mailed.*



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.

# Calendar of **EVENTS**

## **Tuesday, July 16th**

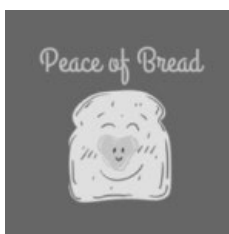
6:30pm "Catching Fire, Becoming Flame"  
Video Series -Parish Hall

## **Wednesday, July 17th**

3:00pm Peace of Bread-Presbyterian Church  
7:00-8:00pm Bible Study-Parish Hall

## **Friday, July 19th**

9:00am Daytime ALPHA-Parish Hall



**Saint Peter's turn is on  
Wednesday, July 17th.**

**We are collecting  
non-perishable food and toiletries items for the  
Peace of Bread food pantry.**

All donations need to be returned to the  
gathering area in the Church by  
Sunday, July 14th.



Dear Yard Sale Volunteers,  
Thank you for all your hard work and  
dedication which made this years yard sale  
a success. We are grateful for the care that you  
show Saint Peter's and ask Gods special blessing to  
come upon you.

*In gratitude,  
Father Michael and Saint Peter's Parish Staff*

Total Deposits: \$6,425.85  
Total Expenses: \$1,800.00

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Total to Parish: \$4,625.85

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**Saturday, July 27th  
after the 4:30pm Mass  
and  
Sunday, July 28th  
after both Masses**

Parishioners who would like to receive the  
sacrament are asked to move to the front  
pews after Mass concludes.

After greeting people,  
Father Michael will hold the brief anointing  
service and anoint the parishioners.



***"Catching Fire, Becoming Flame"***  
***A guide for Spiritual Transformation***  
***Video Series***

**Every Tuesday 6:30pm in the parish hall .**  
**This is a six week video series.**

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***Daytime ALPHA***  
**Every Friday,**  
**9:00am in the parish hall.**

APLHA is an adult evangelization tool that creates a culture of hospitality. It is a series of interactive sessions to help people freely explore the basics of the Christian faith.

This "course" in Christian basics will be held on Fridays mornings in the parish hall.  
All adults are welcome!  
There is no fee for the "course".

What happens at ALPHA? Each week we will have coffee, drinks, and light refreshments.

Then a DVD presentation is given, followed by small discussion groups.

Our focus is to have a friendly, comfortable, relaxed, atmosphere.

**Everyone is welcome to join!**  
**Questions please contact Louise:**  
**religioused@stpeterrockdale.org**  
**or the parish office.**

***There is no fee for the programs,***  
***donations will be accepted.***

**SUMMER  
CAMP**



Four Parishes in the  
Blackstone Valley:

St. Mary St. Peter

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have collaborated to bring a  
totally new way of doing  
Vacation Bible School!

**Totus Tuus Summer Youth Camp**  
**Monday, July 29th thru Friday, August 2nd**  
**from 9am until 3pm each day**  
**at St. Mary's Parish/OLV School**  
**75 Mendon St. Street, Uxbridge MA**

*Totus Tuus*, which means Totally Yours!  
Is a fun and energetic parish-based summer week- long catechetical program. It is led by young Catholic adults, Seminarians, and adults from each of the four parishes.  
It is designed to bring our youth closer to Jesus through daily Mass, skits, song, games, and a whole-lot-of-fun!

This Year's Theme:  
The Apostles' Creed & The Glorious Mysteries

Who can register?  
Students entering Grades 1-6 in the fall of 2024

Registration fee:  
\$25 per child or  
\$60 for 3 or more per family.

Students must bring a packed lunch and water bottle each day.

\*Snacks and Drinks will be supplied by us!

**To register, contact our**  
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