

# Saint Peter's Parish



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

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."

- Jn 6:48-50

### 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,  
Jim LeClaire

### 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**

**Parish Office: 508-234-2156**  
**Email: [Parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org](mailto:Parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org)**  
**FrMichael@stpeterrockdale.org**  
**Website: [www.stpeterrockdale.org](http://www.stpeterrockdale.org)**

Christine Fung-A-Fat: Administrative Assistant  
George Murray: Business Manager

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Louise Forget: Religious Education Coordinator  
Email: [religioused@stpeterrockdale.org](mailto: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 August 10th

4:30PM **Mr. & Mrs. Emile Roy**

by Mr. & Mrs. John Brouillard

## SUNDAY August 11th

8:30AM **Lucille Blair** by Judy & Gary Morvan

11:00AM **Richard Cronin 4th Anniv.**

by Daughter & Grandchildren

## MONDAY August 12th

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

## TUESDAY August 13th

8:00AM **A Special Intention** by R.J.

## WEDNESDAY August 14th

8:00AM **Nolan Campbell** by Friends at St. Peter's

*Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:00PM **Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish**

## THURSDAY August 15th

*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00AM **For the Well-Being of Michael &**

**Brittany Johnston** by C. Johnston

## SATURDAY August 17th

4:30PM **Richard LaMountain**

by Susan & John Letscher

## SUNDAY August 18th

8:30AM **Michael Sawyer** by Family

11:00AM **Robert Lussier Anniv. Mass** by 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.

## August 4, 2024

Envelopes Weekly	52	\$ 1367.00
Electronic Giving	37	2928.50
Renovation	19	198.00
Music Ministry	23	298.00
Donations		134.00
Hall Rental		100.00

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Total	\$ 5025.50
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## August 4, 2024

In Your Time of Need (Stays in our parish)	\$ 24.00
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Total	\$ 24.00
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## Upcoming Collections

### Parish Collection

August 15th

The Assumption of Mary

### Second Collection

August 10th & 11th

Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe

August 17th & 18th

Partners in Charity



## *A Note From Father Michael*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Even as we begin August, we are already planning for a new year ahead of parish programs and activities. These include, importantly, catechesis and faith formation for adults and children.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process whereby adults and children, who are seven or older, prepare to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.) St. Peter's offers R.C.I.A. on an ongoing basis and welcomes the participation of anyone seeking to become Catholic or complete their Christian initiation. We also offer Adult Confirmation preparation for those who have already received Baptism and First Eucharist.

In addition to R.C.I.A and Adult Confirmation, St. Peter's offers Baptismal preparation for parents seeking to bring their children into the Church and also offers preparation for First Penance and First Eucharist as part of Religious Education. Catechesis of The Good Shepherd is a program for children ages 3-6 who are starting Religious Education which is also offered in our parish. We are grateful to our Coordinator of Religious Education, catechists and volunteers who make these programs possible each year.

If you are interested in R.C.I.A, Adult Confirmation, Baptismal preparation or in enrolling your child in Religious Education, please contact us. We are eager to accompany you on your journey of faith.

*In Christ,  
Fr. Michael*



This year's Partners in Charity Appeal, diocesan-wide, is \$748,766.00 away from goal. All parishes in our diocese who have yet to make their individual goals have been asked to take up a special collection for Partners during the next several weeks.

***St. Peter's Parish collection to benefit  
Partners in Charity will be held on the  
weekend of August 17th and 18th.***

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

**Total gifts towards our parish goal:  
\$27,905.00  
(As of 8-5-24)**

**Amount Needed:  
\$5,395.00**

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.***

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

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

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

# Calendar of **EVENTS**

## **Sunday, August 11th**

Back to School Supplies Donations

## **Wednesday, August 14th**

6:00pm Vigil of the Assumption of Mary Mass

7:00pm Bible Study in the Rectory

## **Thursday, August 15th**

8:00am Assumption of Mary Mass

## **Friday, August 16th**

9:00am Daytime ALPHA-Parish Hall

## **Sunday, August 18th**

9:30am In Your Time of Need Meeting-Church



***Are you someone  
or do you know  
someone who?***

Wants to have their child Baptized?  
Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?  
As an adult has not been Baptized?  
Was Baptized but has not celebrated the  
Sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to learn more about our  
Faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and  
experience of Church and prepare individuals to  
celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism,  
Confirmation and Eucharist.

You are welcome to participate in the process with  
your questions, your insights, and your faith story  
in a warm accepting setting.

For information, please contact:

Fr. Michael or

Louise Forget our Religious Education Coordinator  
508-234-6355 or

Email: [religioused@stpeterrockdale.org](mailto:religioused@stpeterrockdale.org)



## ***Weekend of August 24th & 25th at all Masses***

Maysoon Khair will be at our parish on the  
weekend of August 24th & 25th.

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.



## ***The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

***Masses will be held on:  
Vigil - Wednesday, August 14th at  
6:00pm  
and  
Thursday, August 15th at  
8:00am***

***This is a Holy Day of Obligation.***



**Join Fr. Michael for Bible Study!**  
**Wednesdays 7:00pm**

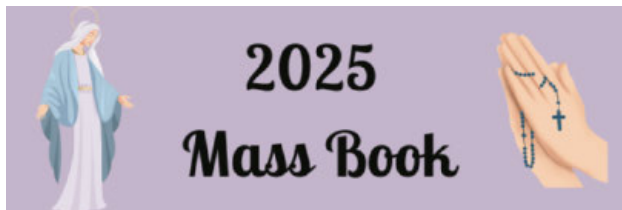
***Bible study will be held in the rectory  
during the summer.***

We will reflect upon the gospel for the upcoming Sunday, learn more about our Catholic Faith and pray for various intentions.

Please bring a New American Bible if you have one. We do have some available.

If you are new to bible study or haven't been in a while, you are welcome to join at anytime.

*If you would like to join us on Zoom,  
please contact the parish office.*



The new 2025 Mass book will be open and available to parishioners as of Tuesday, September 3rd.

This year, to ensure that all parishioners have the opportunity to book a Mass at 4:30 pm on Saturdays, we ask that each parishioner book no more than 4 Masses at 4:30 pm per calendar year.

Sunday and daily Masses do not have a limit on number of Masses requested.

Thank you for your understanding.



**Our parish dinners are back!**

**Tickets will be on sale the weekend of  
August 24th & 25th at all Masses.**

Tickets \$15 per person  
The dinner includes salad & dessert

*All meals must be purchased in advance.*

"To Go" Orders will be available for pick up at 5:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Sit down meal will start at 5:30pm.

*"Pay it Forward"*

Buy an extra dinner and we will deliver it to some in need in our local community!

**In order to make our sit down meals  
successful we need your help!**  
**We are currently looking for volunteers to help at  
our monthly dinners. This is a great way to get  
involved with helping your parish family.**

If you would like to help or get tickets,  
please contact the Parish Office  
508-234-2156 or  
email: [parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org](mailto:parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org)



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.



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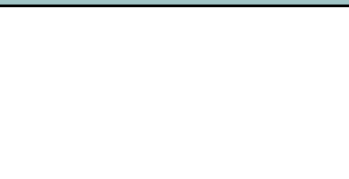
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