

Saint Peter's Parish



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you who
are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who
are now weeping,
for you will laugh."
- Lk 6:21

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

Parish Office: 508-234-2156
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Website: www.stpeterrockdale.org

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

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 February 15th

4:30PM **Leo Lubas 15th Anniv.** by Family

SUNDAY February 16th

8:30AM **Barbara LaMountain 3rd Anniv.**

by Susan Letscher

11:00AM **Matthew Rano Birthday Remembrance**

by Family

MONDAY February 17th

8:00AM **Elmer Bolla** by Theresa Topalian

TUESDAY February 18th

8:00AM **Deceased Members of the O'Malley Family**

by a Friend

WEDNESDAY February 19th

8:00AM **Roland Quillia Jr.** by Fr. Michael

THURSDAY February 20th

8:00AM **Helen & Michael Bodruk**

by Ned & Mary Sheehan

SATURDAY February 22nd

4:30PM **Ann Adam 7yr. Annv.** by Family

SUNDAY February 23rd

8:30AM **Fr. John Connell 10th Annv.**

by Judy & Gary Morvan

11:00AM **Deceased Members of the McManamon**

& Huff Families by Deacon John



Christine Metcalf, Nancy Stanovich, James Heney,
Beth Trifero-Clark, Gail Arnold, Bill Lavallee,
Michael Sliwoski, Alice Bucca, Carole Neville,
Lois Menard, Elaine Nowlan, 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.

February 9, 2024

Envelopes Weekly	41	\$ 1,184.00
Electronic Giving	17	467.50
Maintenance	2	208.00
Music Ministry	5	118.00
Winter Envelopes	9	189.00
Candles		36.00
Donations		40.00
Catholic Free Press		78.00
Home School Rent		750.00
Home School Hall Rental		75.00
Wednesday AA		30.00
Pork Roast Dinner		1,807.00
Dinner 50/50		200.00
Pork Roast Refund		26.19
Total		\$ 5,460.69

February 9, 2024

In Your Time of Need (Stays in our parish)	\$ 28.00
Catholic Home Missions (Does not stay in our parish)	252.00
Total	\$ 280.00

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Total Weekly Collected: \$5,460.69

Weekly Budgeted Amount Needed: \$5,290.00

Year To Date Surplus: \$33,859.50

Upcoming Collections

Parish Collection

Maintenance Fund-February 23rd

Catholic Free Press



A Note From Father Michael

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we enter mid-February, we consider that Ash Wednesday is only several weeks away. Our parish is already planning for the new liturgical season and is excited to offer several opportunities for spiritual enrichment for the community.

Our first opportunity begins this month but will continue throughout Lent, namely The Search series offered by our RE Coordinator, Louise Forget. This

Adult Faith Formation group will begin meeting on Tuesday, February 18th and will continue meeting for 7 consecutive weeks. This series offers members of the community time to deepen their friendship with Christ in a group context.

Our second opportunity is a parish Day of Reflection, being offered from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, March 8th on Christian Discipleship in The Gospel of St. Mark. The day will include Mass and a light lunch.

Our third opportunity is to participate in Stations of The Cross on Friday evenings through Lent, at 6:30pm, led by Deacon John. On several occasions throughout Lent, Stations will be followed by a simple supper and faith enrichment sessions. More details will follow.

Our fourth opportunity is to participate in the Diocesan Men's Conference, being held at the DCU center on Saturday, April 5th. Roger Guerin is our parish representative and will be speaking with us about the Conference in the weeks to come. Sign-up sheets for the conference will soon be available in the church gathering area.

Our fifth opportunity is already being offered in the parish and that is Scripture Study on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm. Join a dynamic group of Catholics who study the gospel for the coming Sunday, share reflections and offer prayer. Perhaps you have never tried bible study before or perhaps you have but were not able to "get into it" at the time. Our group is open to everyone seeking to deepen their friendship with God through His Word with all kinds of backgrounds and levels of faith formation.

Our parish mission statement is clear that St. Peter's is "a learning community in which people pursue lifelong formation in the Faith." To this end, we are excited to offer these opportunities for the community to grow in friendship with God. We encourage all to take advantage of what our parish is offering.

In Christ, Fr. Michael



Adult Evangelization Video Series: *The Search*

**Join us on Tuesday evenings
6:30 – 8:00PM
February 18th thru April 1st
in the parish hall.**

Refreshments will be available.

The Search

What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"?

Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination – a destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the "in between"? The questions are there; the answers are too.

About *The Search*:

Why are we here? What is life all about? What happens when we die? These are some of life's deepest questions, rooted in the human heart's deepest desires: happiness, love, beauty, meaning. Where can we find the answers to these questions and these desires? Until satisfied, we are left questioning, longing, and searching.

The Search video series guides viewers through an arc of seven episodes, examining the great big story of everything—life and death, sorrow and happiness, science and faith—as astrophysicists, psychologists, astronauts, neuroscientists, professors, athletes, artists, and the beauty of the cosmos all point to one big (and perhaps surprising) conclusion: that Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church have the best and most satisfying answers to every one of the questions and desires of the human heart.

Embark on the adventure, discover the purpose, and begin *The Search*.

Please sign-up on the sheet in the gathering area.

You can also email Louise at louise.forget@charter.net with any questions or to sign-up.

Calendar of **EVENTS**

Saturday, February 15th

Sacrament of the Sick after 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, February 16th

Sacrament of the Sick after both Masses

Tuesday, February 18th

6:30pm The Search Video Series-Parish Hall

Wednesday, February 19th

7:00pm Bible Study-Parish Hall

Sunday, February 23rd

Adoration and Benediction after the 11:00am Mass



**Saturday, February 15th
after the 4:30pm Mass.**

**Sunday, February 16th
after both Masses.**

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



The 2025 Mass Intentions book has Masses 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.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Ages 3-6 and Grades 2-4

Sunday, February 16th No Classes

Sunday, February 23rd No Classes

Sunday, March 2nd 9:30am-10:45am

Sunday, March 9th 9:30am-10:45am

Grades 5th-10th

Sunday, February 16th No Classes

Sunday, February 23rd No Classes

Sunday, March 2nd 6:30pm-8:00pm

Sunday, March 9th 6:30pm-8:00pm

Confirmation Class

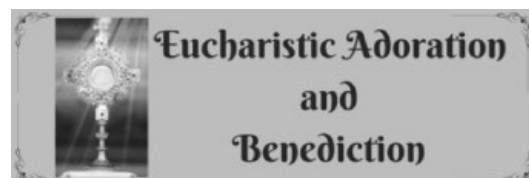
Sunday, March 2nd at 5:00pm



***The Annual
Worcester Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference***

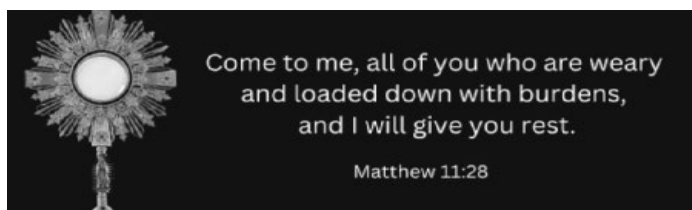
**DCU Center in Worcester
Saturday, April 5th**

Visit the conference website at
www.catholicmenworc.com
for information and to purchase tickets online.



**Sunday, February 23rd
immediately following the 11:00am Mass.**

Join us as we prayerfully spend time with Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, presenting to Him what is in our hearts.





**Tickets will be on sale the weekend of
February 22nd & 23rd at all Masses.**

This dinner sold out last year!
Get your tickets early!

Tickets are \$17 per person.
**All meals must be purchased in advance by
Tuesday, March 11th.**

"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
someone in need in our local community!

*We know things happen and plans change.
If you have to change your sit down meal to a
"to go", please call Chris at 774-573-8260
by Friday, March 14th.
Thank you in advance!*



Are you looking for a place to call home?

***Consider this your invitation
to be a part of our parish family!***

***Speak to Fr. Michael after Mass
or contact the parish office.***



Liturgical Ministries:



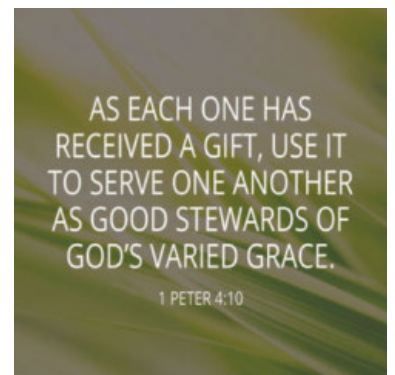
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

by Deb O'Sullivan

When I moved to Whitinsville almost twenty years ago, I wanted to become involved in my community, and I wanted to set an example for my young children, so I became a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. My husband became a lector and my children became altar servers. It always made my heart full to share in the Mass in this way with my family.

Becoming a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion allows me to participate in the Mass more fully and to share in a joyful Sacrament. Participating in this ministry has allowed me to serve my Faith and my community, and to bring me closer to God.

If you would like to
become a
Extraordinary Minister
of Holy Communion or
would like to join any of
our ministries, please
speak to Fr. Michael
after Mass or contact
the parish office for
more information.



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