# Saint Peter's Parish



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

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Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." - Lk 17:17-19

#### **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 RECONCILATION

Saturday 3:30 pm Anytime by request

#### IN YOUR TIME OF NEED

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

#### **HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE**

Sharon Dupre & Mary Sheehan

#### **PARISH COUNCIL**

Barbara Ramian, Pete Sabourin, Thomas Heney, Jeff Roy, Kim Poudrier, 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 Website: www.stpeterrockdale.org

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

#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Please visit our web site with your intentions and let us pray for you.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Joshua King: Religious Education Coordinator

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.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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

#### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

Alice Bucca, Chris Harris, Jim LeClaire, Maria Cotoia

#### OFFICE OF HEALING AND PREVENTION

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.



#### SATURDAY October 11th

4:30PM Raymond Renault by his Wife Mary

#### SUNDAY October 12th

8:30AM **Norman Armstrong** by Pauline Malinowski 11:00AM **Deceased Members of the Haley Family** by Ida Haley

#### MONDAY October 13th

8:00AM **Bea Sabourin** by the Lavallees

#### TUESDAY October 14th

8:00AM **For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory**by the Helpers of the Holy Souls

#### WEDNESDAY October 15th

8:00AM **Camille Duridas** by the Colemans

#### THURSDAY October 16th

8:00AM **Jim Winski** by Carolyn

#### SATURDAY October 18th

4:30PM **Jimmy Veglia & Eva Giambusso** by Family

#### SUNDAY October 19th

8:30AM **David Bergin** by Jim LeClaire 11:00AM **Annie Mae Whitcomb** by her Husband



Chris Szerlag, Mary Renault, Terry Gaul,
Nancy Stanovich, Gail Arnold, Bill Lavallee,
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, Robin Warwick,
Charles Giambusso, Rhonda Lavallee
and all those in our parish book of prayers.



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Envelopes Weekly	46	\$ 1,406.00
Electronic Giving	38	2,924.50
Maintenance	6	160.00
Music Ministry	24	272.00
Winter Envelopes	8	126.00
Candles		59.00
Donations		15.00
Parish Religious Ed		25.00
All Saints		6.00
Monday-AA		100.00
Wednesday-AA		30.00
Religious Ed Registrations		420.00
IYTN Reimbursement		134.99
In Your Time of Need		185.00
(Stays in our parish)		

Total \$ 5,678.49

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Total Weekly Collected: 5,678.49 Weekly Budgeted Amount Needed: \$5,290.00 Year To Date Surplus: \$1,692.69





#### **Parish Collections**

Winter Expense

#### **Second Collection**

World Mission Sunday-October 19th



### A Note From Father Michael

Sometimes real-life stories help us to understand Jesus' Gospel message to us. Here is one story, from years ago, that helps us in just this way.

In an advice column, found in a local newspaper, a grandmother wrote to the columnist, seeking help with a difficult problem in her life. She explained that she always remembered her grandchildren on their birthdays, Christmas and at other significant events in their lives, sending them checks in cards. Yet, the grandmother lamented, her grandchildren never thanked her. Hurt by their ingratitude, the grandmother asked the advice columnist whether she should stop sending her grandchildren cards and money.

The unfortunate situation of the grandmother in the story causes us to stop and reflect. Why did the grandchildren not take time to thank their grandmother for her generosity towards them?

Perhaps, they never were taught by their parents about the importance of expressing thanks to those who showed them kindnesses. Perhaps, they simply took it for granted that grandma would always be there for them, showering them with love whether or not they loved her back.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus heals ten lepers of their disease. In effect, He gave them their lives back. As lepers, they were considered 'dead' by their family and friends and were marginalized, unable to participate in public worship or the life of society. In healing the lepers, Jesus was giving them a new beginning. Sadly, only one of the ten He healed came back to thank Him.

We can be like the ungrateful lepers in the Gospel. Too often, we take for granted others' kindnesses shown toward us. Too often, we also take God's love, mercy and care of us also for granted, forgetting how important it is for us to take time to thank God each day.

May this Sunday's Gospel help us to become more grateful people who express our gratitude towards God and others in action.

In Christ, Fr. Michael



It has often been said, "Little children, little problems, big children, big problems." How true! Although little children can be exhausting, parents have a great deal of control over their safety and well-being. When children become adults, parents have to let go of that control.

A parent's job often becomes more difficult as their adult children face major decisions – what work to pursue, to marry or not, who to marry, how to raise their own children, whether to continue to practice the faith in which they were raised.

The book Praying for Our Adult Sons and Daughters, written by local authors John and Therese Boucher, will be the inspiration for a new group that we will soon be starting at St. Peter's.

Together we will share conversation and prayer for our adult sons and daughters.

If you are interested in joining us, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

We will be starting soon!

We look forward to this opportunity to join together in prayer to place our sons and daughters in the heart of God.



Open House Thursday, October 16, 2025 6:00 PM

During St. John's open houses, you will have an opportunity to explore our campus and hear from students, faculty and staff on what makes Saint John's an amazing opportunity for boys and young men.

Interested in learning more about Saint John's?
Visit: www.stjohnshigh.org



Our Parish Holiday Fair will be held this year on Saturday, November 1st from 9:00am-3:00pm.

It time to start going through your closets!
You may bring in your items on
Saturdays in October
from 9:00am-1:00pm
to the parish hall.

We ask that you do not leave items outside by the door at the parish hall or the parish office.

Please call the parish office if you would like to donate items at another time.

Please do not donate Christmas trees, electronics, printers, computers, monitors, furniture, fitness equipment, records, VHS, cassette tapes, DVDs and luggage.

We are again accepting used clothing and any soft goods for donations. Please separate these from other donations by placing them in a 13 gallon bag.

We are looking for items for the White Elephant Table and Holiday Table. We also need new items and gift cards for the Raffle Tables and Silent Auction and donations of Gift Baskets for our Gift Basket Raffle Table.

We will be having the baked goods table this year and will need donations of your favorite treats!

There is a sign up sheet in the gathering area for volunteers to help on Saturdays in October for drops off and to help on the day of the Holiday Fair.

The Grand Raffle and Quilt Raffle tickets have been mailed out to all families. You may send them in anytime to the parish office by putting them in the collection basket, dropping them off at the parish office or bringing them in on the day of the Holiday Fair.



#### Saturday, October 11th

9:00-1:00pm Holiday Fair Drop Off-Parish Hall

#### Sunday, October 12th

No Religious Ed-Columbus Day Weekend

#### Monday, October 13th

12:30pm Prayer Group-Church

#### Tuesday, October 14th

6:30pm Parish Council Meeting-Rectory

#### Wednesday, October 15th

7:00pm Bible Study-Parish Hall

#### Saturday, October 18th

9:00-1:00pm Holiday Fair Drop Off-Parish Hall 5:30pm Baked Haddock Dinner-Parish Hall



Saturday, October 25th Registration begins at 8:30am Walk starts at 9:00am

St. Peter's Parish, along with other teams from the Northbridge Association of Churches, will be participating in the local Christian World Services Crop Walk.

The walk will happen rain or shine. It starts at the Village Congregational Church in Whitinsville and the route is 3 miles to the Uxbridge common.

Jill Patnode will be leading the St. Peter's team and is looking for walkers to form a team. We are also looking for donations and will have a container in the gathering area if you would like to donate. If you would like a receipt for tax purposes please write out a check made out to CWS Crop Walk, and we will make sure you receive a receipt for your donation.

### If you would like to walk, please sign up on the sheet in the gathering area.

Please contact
Jill Patnode with any questions at
508-887-6915 or
jpatnodekrause@yahoo.com.

Thank you again for your support!



## Tickets are on sale at all Masses and in the parish office!

Tickets are \$17 per person and 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 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, October 17th.



### Saint Peter's is having Holiday Cash Calendar Raffle this December!

Tickets have been mailed out to all parishioners.

A winner will be drawn every day in December and the winners will go back in the pool.

You can WIN more than once!

Tickets are \$20 each or 6 tickets for \$100 Everyone has 31 chances to WIN!!!

We know this will be a great fundraiser for our parish with your help!
Please sell to your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors.

Calendars are available in the parish office, in the gathering area in the back of the church, on our web site, at Baked Haddock Dinner and will be at our Holiday Fair.



#### Grades 2nd-10th

Sunday, October 12th No Classes—Columbus Weekend Sunday, October 19th 6:30pm-7:30pm

#### **Confirmation Class**

Sunday, October 26th 5:15pm-6:15pm Sunday, November 16th 5:15pm-6:15pm

Our Religious Education Masses are back!
Join us for our first Mass of the year on
Sunday, October 26th 6:30pm
Everyone is welcome!

If you have any questions or would like to register, please email

Joshua King at religioused@stpeterrockdale.org.





Saturday, October 18th and Sunday, October 19th after all Masses.

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