



The Baptism of the Lord

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm at St. Peter's Chapel **

Sunday at St. Peter:

7:00 am & 9:00 am (Chapel)
10:00 am (Spanish)
11:30 am & 5:15 pm (Main Church)

African Sunday Mass

11:30 am (St. Peter's Chapel) **

Daily mass at St. Peter

5:15 pm Monday
7:00 am Tuesday through Friday
6:30 pm Wednesday (Spanish)

St. Peter Central Catholic

Principal- Mrs. Meg Kursonis 508-791-6496
stpetercentralcatholic.com Pre-K through 8th Grade

St. Peter Parish + St. Andrew the Apostle Mission

January 11, 2026 /11 de enero

Contact Information

Parish Office: 929 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01610

St. Andrew the Apostle Mission, 5 Spaulding St.
(Office at St. Peter's)

Office Hours THIS week January 12-16:

Mon	9:00 am—2:00 pm
Tues	9:00 am—2:00pm
Wed	9:00 am—2:00 pm
Thurs	12:30 pm—5:30 pm
Friday	CLOSED

Phone: 508-752-4674 / 508-754-6057
Fax: 508-767-1511

Email: stpeters_standrewsparishes@verizon.net

www.stpeters-standrews.faith

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

(in the Chapel)

Saturday 8:30 -9:15 am

Wednesday 5:30- 6:15 pm

HELP Hotlines

Children at Risk Hotline: 800-792-5200

Drug Abuse or Alcoholism: 855-786-7378

National Hope Line (Suicide): 988

Domestic Violence Resources: 800-799-7233

Diocese's Office for Healing & Prevention

(Abuse within the church): 508-929-4363

Health and human services: 211

Dear Family in Christ,

What a joy to be baptized! What a gift to know that we are God's children and therefore sharers of His gifts and blessings! So why do some of us forget that we are God's sons & daughters? It is no different than our blood family dynamics. We can go through stages of being cold or estranged from family, and sometimes we do the same with God.

The Good News is that He is right there, always ready to welcome us back!

May God's love for us be our strength this week! Be holy!

In Christ,

Fr. José

P.S. Update on the bathrooms at St. Andrew... the work began and is still as scheduled. I will just leave you with the image to the right...



The Ultimate Guide to Catholic Baptism

By Shelby Mayer

What Is Baptism?

Baptism serves as the first sacrament one receives when entering the Catholic Faith. It is a sacrament of Initiation (which you can only receive one time), meaning once you received it, you officially enter into the body of Christ, the Catholic Church. The recipient receives justifying and sanctifying grace when baptized, and the Holy Spirit begins to dwell within them.

Every sacrament requires two things, form and matter. The form of the sacrament is the words that are spoken and the matter is the physical substance used during the sacrament. For example, for baptism, the form is the baptismal formula, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The matter is the water poured over the head of the recipient. Traditionally, the one being baptized has water poured over them or is fully emerged in water three times.

What It Does

- 1) It forgives all sins that were committed before baptism including original, mortal, and venial sin.
- 2) It makes the baptized a new creature.
- 3) It turns the baptized into a newly adopted son or daughter of God and a member of the Church.
- 4) It brings them to share in the royal priesthood of Christ. (1 Peter 2:9)
- 5) It leaves a spiritual mark (or character) of belonging to Christ on the soul of the baptized.

Parents or Guardians

Parents (or guardians) take on the responsibility for raising the child Catholic when they ask for baptism. They are the ones responding to the baptismal promises on behalf of the child. When asking for a Catholic baptism, the parents or guardians must be able to say with confidence that the child will be brought up within the Faith. This includes taking the child to Mass, teaching them the Faith, praying with and for them, and making sure they receive the sacraments including reconciliation, first Communion, and confirmation. The role of the parents is a crucial aspect of any infant baptism, and must not be taken lightly.

Godparents

The role of the chosen godparents is twofold. First and foremost, they are to act as a source of prayer and example for the child being baptized. Secondly, they are expected to assist in the formation of the child's faith throughout their life, and, if needed, are available to raise the child in the Faith if the parents cannot. This being said, the faith of the godparents is an extremely important factor in fulfilling the baptismal promise of being raised in the Catholic Faith.

Parishioners who are Homebound or in a Nursing Home Please reach out to the office 508-752-4674

**Baptismal Class
Saturday,
January 17th at
10:00 am**

This class will be held in the meeting room.



 **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
Classes resume on Sunday, January 25

Office will be **closed** on **Monday, January 19** in observance of Martin Luther King Day

Mass Intentions at St. Peter's

Sat. 1/10	4:00 p.m.	Mass
Sun. 1/11	7:00 a.m.	+Rev. James M. Shea by Shea Family
	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	10:00 a.m.	+Porfirio Burgos
		+Azara Crozier
	11:30 a.m.	+Edward G Lambert Jr. 18th Anniv by Family
	5:15 p.m.	+George Barababy by Victoria Fontana
Mon. 1/12	5:15 p.m.	Mass
Tue. 1/13	7:00 a.m.	Mass
Wed. 1/14	7:00 a.m.	Mass
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Por la salud de Jacob</i>
Thurs. 1/15	7:00 a.m.	Mass
Fri. 1/16	7:00 a.m.	Mass
Sat. 1/17	4:00 p.m.	Mass
Sun. 1/18	7:00 a.m.	+Robert Marchand 25th Anniv by Family
	9:00 a.m.	+Trainor Family
	10:00 a.m.	+Ramón Moreno by Family
	11:30 a.m.	+Patrick Fitzgerald by Family
	11:30 a.m.	African
	5:15 p.m.	+Ronald Picard

Mass Intentions at St. Andrew the Apostle Mission**No Masses at St. Andrew*****Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament***

Friday, January 16
7:30—8 am
Saturday during Confessions

Praying for the sick of St. Peter's & St. Andrew's...
Deacon George, Gail R. Ryan Heiss

If you would like us place your name or the name of a love in the bulletin, please call or email the office.

In your kindness pray for the souls of...
Valerie Cotter
Azara May Crozier
AnnMarie Murray
through the mercy of God, may they rest in peace!

Weekly Collection**January 3-4, 2026**

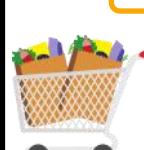
Weekly St Peter	\$6,827.
Building Restoration	\$556.
Extraordinary	\$121.
First Offering	\$62.
Catholic University	\$131.
New Year's	\$201.
St. Andrew	\$530.
African Ministry	\$4,950.

Thank you for your support!!

Free Medical Program

Thursdays 6—7:30 pm
in the Parish Hall

Food Pantry

 Wednesdays
6:45—7:30 am
in the Parish Hall

ALL Weekend Masses

January 10-11
17-18
24-25



will be at St. Peter's Church

They will be working on the bathrooms at St. Andrew.

4:00 pm Saturday and African Mass in the Chapel



Snow Day Policy... When school is canceled in Worcester, all parish activities will be canceled. On the weekend and during school vacations, we will send a **flocknote**.

Stay updated with parish events and changes. Please sign up to **Flocknotes** by sending a text to the number **84576** with the following message **spsaw**



Iglesia San Pedro
929 Main St. Worcester
El Bautismo del Señor
18 de enero de 2026

Misas:

Domingos 10:00 am
Miércoles 6:30 pm



Matrimonios: Para más detalles hablar con el Padre Andy o el Diácono Jorge



Bautismos: Clase para los padres y padrinos es requerida.

Próxima clase— **Sábado...** de Febrero a las 10 am en el salón café.



Banco de comida:

Miércoles 6:45 -7:30 am en el gimnasio



Clínica médica:

Jueves de 6:00 - 7:30 pm en el gimnasio



Juan XXIII: Miércoles—Misa y reunión



Asamblea de Oración: Jueves 6:30 pm



Adoración del Santísimo

Viernes, 16 de enero

7:30 –8:00 am

Sábado durante las confesiones

Los horarios de oficina están publicados en la portada del boletín.

Clases de ESL

comenzarán nuevamente para el próximo semestre este próximo jueves, 15 de enero
10 a. m. a 12 p.m.



Virgen de la Altagracia
Patrona de la República Dominicana

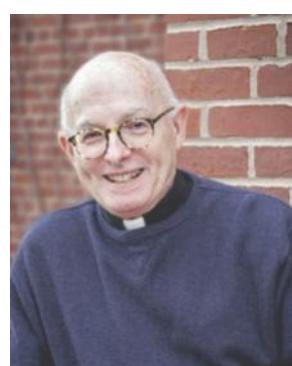


Domingo,
18 de enero
10:00 am Misa con procesión

Despedida para Padre Bill Reiser

(Se retira a finales de enero)
Iglesia San Bernardo, Lincoln St.

Domingo, 25 de enero
11:00 am Misa seguido por un almuerzo en el gimnasio
Si deseas cooperar con el almuerzo comunícate con la Hna. Susi 508-755-3820



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