



Weekends

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.

Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30, 9:00 Children's Liturgy and Choir,

10:30 a.m. with Adult Choir and 12:00 N

Spanish Mass – 5:00 p.m.

Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday through Saturday - 7:30 a.m.

Monday through Friday - 12:10 Noon

(HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday - 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must begin to make arrangements at least 8 months prior to their wedding date by contacting the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Attendance at pre-Baptism class is required prior to the Baptism of the first child. Classes are held on the second Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. in the Rectory. Please pre-register by calling 203-743-2707. Baptisms in English are on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:15 p.m.

Saint Peter Church, Danbury, CT

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Gregg D. Mecca, Pastor

Rev. David J. Riley, In Residence

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - MONDAY through FRIDAY

104 Main Street, Danbury, CT

OFFICE NUMBERS

Phone: 203-743-2707

Email Address - office@stpeterdanb.org

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MUSIC MINISTER

Dr. Glen Segger, gsegger@stpeterdanb.org



LATINO COMMUNITY

Bautizos—Cuartos Domingos de cada Mes. Contacten con Ana Espinal para el formulario y la información sobre la clase pre-bautismal. Se celebra el sacramento de bautismo dos veces al mes: el primer domingo del mes a las 3 y el cuatro domingo a la 1:15.

Confesiones—Domingos a las 4:00 p.m.

Horario de Oficina—De Lunes a Viernes, de 1:30 p.m. a 3:30 p.m. En español pregunten por Ana Espinal.

SAINT PETER SCHOOL OFFICE

Mary Lou Torre — Principal - 203-748-2895

StPeterSchoolDanbury.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FORMATION

Barbara Siano—Director of Religious Education K - 8
203-743-1048 or spreligioused@stpeterdanb.org

Chairman of Parish Council – Fred Visconti – 203-744-2311

Chairman of Finance – Arthur Mannion - 203-733-0183



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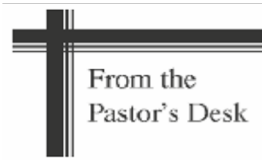
13 SAT	5:00 PM	†	Agnes and Martin Lynch
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
14 SUN	7:30 AM	†	Sweet and Gillotte Families
	9:00 AM		Our parishioners
	10:30 AM	†	Marion McGlory
	12:00 N	†	Carmelina and Maria Marasco
	1:30 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
15 MON	<i>St. Isidore</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Eleanor Anne Lockhart
	12:10 N	†	Peter A. Herger and Josephine and Francis Paola
16 TUE	7:30 AM	†	Carol Scarpetti
	12:10 N	†	Jeanne Mulvihill
17 WED	7:30 AM	†	Mary Ellen Cesca
	12:10 N	†	Vincent Pannozzo
	5:30 PM		Our Parishioners
18 THU	<i>The Ascension</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Joe Pepin
	12:10 PM	†	Immac Thampoe
	7:00 PM	†	Mary Ellen Cesca
19 FRI	7:30 AM	†	Charles A. Riley
	12:10 N	†	Souls in Purgatory
20 SAT	<i>St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Rosalie Cornacchio
	5:00 PM	†	Margaret Mary Rasmussen
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
21 SUN	7:30 AM	†	Anna Minh Tran and Peter Fon Chen
	9:00 AM		In Thanksgiving
	10:30 AM	†	Jack Smith
	12:00 N		Our Parishioners
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass

On the weekend, if the intention of the Mass is yours,
please see an usher about bringing up the gifts.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING—May 7, 2023.....\$ 7,350
Online Giving—May 7, 2023.....\$ 2,024
Our weekly goal\$ 10,500

Thank you for your support.

Father Mecca



Today is the non-liturgical holiday of mothers. Happy Mothers' Day to all our mothers of the parish! May is the prettiest month in our part of the world. Maybe that's why this

day was chosen for mothers. I have no knowledge whatsoever of the origins of this day of recognition to our mothers. The flowers of spring are a lovely backdrop in any case. May, of course for Catholics, is the Blessed Virgin Mary's month. Yesterday, the 13th and the Feast of our Lady of Fatima, parishioners gathered at the statue of Our Lady outside to honor her and pray to her. May our Blessed Mother always act as an inspiration to our mothers and be a source of strength and fortitude. As we have done for so many years, we are offering carnations for sale today. We may purchase one as a token of love to our living mothers or to our deceased mothers by placing it in a vase at the feet of Mary. We are donating the proceeds from the sale to Caroline House in Bridgeport, a ministry of the School Sisters of Notre Dame which assists mothers and their children.

The Greater Bridgeport Symphony concert on the 5th was by everyone's estimate a great success. I want to recognize and praise Glen for his performance on the organ for Camille Saint Saens' "Symphony for Organ." While I have caught portions of this symphony on the radio, this was the first time I've heard it in its entirety. It is quite lovely. The collaboration with the GBS was smooth and a pleasure for all of us. The GBS was grateful to be here. The team was always respectful of the sacred space and handled everything with care and precision. Judge Heidi Winslow, the underwriter of the event, expressed her gratitude many times. Some parishioners may have wondered why I agreed to collaborate with the Symphony. I heard from a third source of some conversations along those lines, including what kind of compensation we would get for it. I thought at the time that a collaboration offered several positive things. It gave the GBS an opportunity to perform outside of their hall, the Klein Auditorium, in Bridgeport and bring their music to people who might never drive to them. Bringing the arts closer to people is a plus. It's bringing beauty to people. God is Beauty itself. The collaboration offered this parish a chance to show itself off to a world larger than the parishioners who attend Mass here. We have a treasure in this church in which we worship. It is a beautiful edifice with excellent acoustics and an excellent instrument. Good, performance quality organs are far and few between. During the concert, I thought of Msgr. John Bumstead who restored to us a pipe organ. I thought he would be proud to see the audience experience it. I, and parishioners who attended, received many compliments about the beauty of our church. I was also complimented for our openness and welcoming



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns

In Memory of
Anthony Martins



WE WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Luka David Azaiah Perez Gael Perez
Elaina Southard Ruby Zambraski

KINDLY REMEMBER THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Daniel Alvarez Dorothy Bennett Barbara Glasso
Richard Baris Ray Condon Nubia Dekker Jerry DeJulia
Elizabeth Ianelli Joseph Kasinskas Teddy Marchione
Christopher McLaughlin Garrett Moore Erick Neil
Anthony Pelle, Jr Robert Soares Sr. Mary Bernard Wiecezak

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

attitude. We had good exposure and so did the Catholic Church. Will it spark in someone a desire to worship here, to join our family of faith? Maybe, maybe not, but the guests walked away knowing us and possessing a very positive regard for us. As for monetary gain, there was none beyond covering our custodian's compensation. The GBS is a non-profit. No tickets were sold, so other than having its costs covered, GBS didn't realize a profit. Our gains were of the intangible kind, which at times outweigh the tangible.

Seventy-eight children received their First Holy Communion yesterday split between two Masses. What a number! We congratulate them and pray for them that they will always seek Jesus and treasure Him. Much thanks from all of us goes out to the dedicated catechists—Carmen, Carolina, Lucy, and Rakel-- who prepared the children. We thank God for their generous hearts which are willing to form the young in the faith. Thanks always to Barbara who manages our faith formation program with skill, profound love of the Lord and concern for children and families.

—Fr. Mecca

This past week was Teacher Appreciation Week. We had fun recognizing and celebrating our wonderful nurse and our dedicated staff/faculty with daily surprises and a special breakfast!

Our 8th graders are getting ready to present Capstone projects. This is the first time we are doing this at St. Peter School. The students have selected some very interesting projects which are focused on topics such as homelessness, specific WWII events, flipping houses, and culinary arts, just to name a few. We look forward to their presentations!

Have a blessed week!

—Mrs. Mary Lou Torre, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Holy Communion—We extend our sincere thank you to our catechists, Carmen Perez, Rakel Perez, Carolina Sanango and Lucy Victorino who have been preparing the students, for the past two years for this important step in their initiation into the Body of Christ and His sacramental mysteries. Thank you to all the parents, godparents, relatives, and friends who have inspired and helped our First Communicants. And finally, congratulations to all our students who made their First Holy Communion yesterday.

Confirmation Candidates— Just a few reminders:

Monday, May 22, 2023, Confirmation Rehearsal at 5:45 to 7:00 pm in the Church. Please bring your sponsor or parent.

Confession forms due by May 21, 2023

Rite of Confirmation Thursday May 25, 2023. Confirmation candidates meet in the parish hall at 5:00 pm; sponsors proceed to the Church by 5:30 pm

Last Day of Classes for 2022/2023—The last day of religious education classes is May 21, 2023.

Registration for 2023/24 Religious Education School year : Registration for all **current** students begins May 28, 2023, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. The registration fee is \$100.00 due at the time of registration. We accept cash or a check made payable to St. Peter Church.

May

14—Lesson 25

21—Lesson 26

28—Registration for all current students only 9:00 am – 12:00 noon.

—Barbara Sciano, Director of Religious Education



We offer our condolences to the family of
Ann Barrett
who passed away last week.

SAINT PETER SCHOOL NEWS

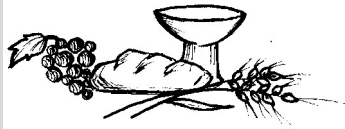


For more information about registering your child at St. Peter School, please contact mcorrea@spsdanbury.org or mtorre@spsdanbury.org or call the school office @ 203-748-2895.

On Thursday, we celebrated Oliveira Medeiros at The Breakfast of Champions sponsored by the Diocese. The students were recognized for their commitment to faith and their academic prowess. Congratulations, Olivia!



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Congratulations and blessings to the Saint Peter Religious Education students who received Jesus in the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday, May 13. We pray you always know how much Jesus loves you and may you come often to receive His precious gift.

Aiden Ampeloquio Manuel Ampeloquio Jareth Andrade
Kristen Anguisaca Leonardo Asanza Abel Barrionuevo
Mia Brham Danna Caivinagua Nantar Caivinagua
Alden Calle Elan Canafe Stephanie Carchi
Anthony Cardenas Arianna Cardenas Axel Castro
Natalie Centeno Steven Chacon Alexis Chimbo
Johnny Chimbo Ian Coronel Kaley Cuji
Yahaira Espinoza Steven Fajardo Aiden Fernandes
Kailyn Figueroa Nathaly Garza Jordy Guaman
Sabrina Guaman Samantha Guaman Saygua Guaman
Kelly Guartasaca Maria Guartazca
Jean Carlos Guillen Melvin Hernandez
Giancarlos Liranzo Shayla Liranzo Dayana Loja
Capson Lopez James Lopez Kimberly Lucero
Bryan Mainato Justin Marquez Jordi Mercado
Anthony Merchan David Montano Julian Morocho
Jason Morocho William Morquecho Sheila Vieves
Jazzmir Nunez Jozzel Nunez Jesus Ordonez
Allison Orellana Mike Orellana Jaiden Panza
Jayla Paulino Barbara Pelaez Jayden Pelaez
Leslie Pelaez Dayanna Penaranda Bianco Pereira
David Perez Christopher Picoita Ana Prado
Aaron Ramirez Katty Riofrio Anthony Salazar
Brenda Salinas Maria Sanango Jalyn Sanchez
Jayley Sanchez Denise Sanchez Jankeli Sandoval
Anali Severino Sebastian Severino Aden Valle
Sabrina Valverde Andrew Vazquez Yannick Vazquez

Parish Life Committee

Please join Annette Luciani for the first meeting for Holiday Macrame Crafts. Learn how to macramé ornaments and bookmarks. These crafts will be sold before the Holiday Season to support our parish.

Where: Parish Hall

When: Monday, May 15th

Time: 12:00 p.m.

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Today, Mothers' Day, our Parish Life Committee is selling flowers for \$2.00 to either be placed at the altar or taken home. The proceeds benefit Caroline House which educates single mothers with children.

Carnation flowers

Family Movie Night
(sponsored by the Men's Society)



"Ghostbusters" (PG)

Friday, May 19, 2023
Parish Hall at 7 p.m.

Admission is only a \$1.00 per person to get in and includes a bottle of water and a bag of chips. If children would like to sit on the floor in the front row, please bring your own blanket. At intermission refreshments will be sold. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and movie starts at 7 p.m. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Coffee
Hour**



The Men's Society would like to welcome you to a **Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall, next Sunday, May 21, 2023 after the 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Masses.** There is no charge to

attend. Just come down and meet new and old friends after Sunday morning Mass.