



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

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MUSIC MINISTER

Dr. Glen Segger, gsegger@stpeterdanb.org

SAINT PETER SCHOOL OFFICE

Mary Lou Torre — Principal - 203-748-2895
StPeterSchoolDanbury.org



HISPANIC COMMUNITY

Confesiones—Primer Domingo del mes—3:45—4:45 p.m.

Grupo de Oracion—Lunes 7:00 p.m. Sotano de la Iglesia

Estudio de La Biblia—Viernes 7:00 p.m. Sotano de la Escuela

Rosario de La Aurora—Sabado 5:00 a.m.—Iglesia

Bautizos—Requiere de una clase prebautizmal contactarse con nuestra oficina 203-743-2707 office@stpeterdanb.org

Ministerio del Coro—Alejandro Servin 203-300-9584

Intensiones para la Misa—Anotarse 15 minutos antes en la entrada.

Horario en Espanol—1:30 - 3:20 p.m. de Lunes—Virnes

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



NOVEMBER



11 SAT	5:00 PM	† Cheryl Delaney
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass
12 SUN	7:30 AM	Our Parishioners
	9:00 AM	† All Souls
	10:30 AM	† Henry Stegerhoff
	12:00 N	Special Intention
	5:00 PM	Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass
13 MON	<i>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Al Palestroni
	12:10 N	† Souls in Purgatory
14 TUE	7:30 AM	† Agatha Witkowski
	12:10 N	† Peter A. Herger and Josephine and Francis Paola
15 WED	<i>St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Susan Schullery
	12:10 N	† Souls in Purgatory
16 THU	<i>St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	12:10 PM	† Michael J. Durkin
17 FRI	<i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i>	
	7:30 AM	† Susan Lynch
	12:10 N	† Immac Thampoe
18 SAT	<i>Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin</i>	
	7:30 AM	Eileen & William Brabender
	5:00 PM	† Sandra and Michael Palanzo
	7:30 PM	Brazilian Mass
19 SUN	7:30 AM	Our Parishioners
	9:00 AM	† Maria Ta
	10:30 AM	† Peter Tac Tran
	12:00 N	Special Intention
	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—November 5, 2023.....\$ 9,450
Online Giving—November 12, 2023.....\$ 2,554
Our weekly goal\$ 10,500

Thank you for your support.

Father Mecca



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns
In Memory of
Sandra and Michael Palanzo



WE WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Odyn Curry Hailey Gillette
Hailey Gonzalez Mason Santana

KINDLY REMEMBER THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Daniel Alvarez Dorothy Bennett Ware Cohen Barbara Glasso
Richard Baris Nubia Dekker Jerry DeJulia
Joshua Erickson Elizabeth Ianelli Joseph Kasinskas
Teddy Marchione Catherine McDermott
Christopher McLaughlin Anthony Pelle, Jr Robert Soares

Our liturgical year is winding down. We have arrived at the 32nd Week of Ordinary Time. There are only two more Sundays before the church year ends. With the arrival of this Sunday, our readings become apocalyptic, that is about the end time. The scriptures chosen for the last weeks of the year are designed to make us acknowledge that all of us face and end here on earth so we must live with an eye toward heaven. Today's Gospel parable about the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids puts before us the question: have we been wise enough to prepare ourselves for entrance into heaven? Wise people do not live only for the here and now. They look ahead. Next weekend, we listen to Jesus' parable about the master of the house who gives three servants money and is pleased with two out of the three who make the sum grow and displeased with the one who did nothing with it. The question Jesus is asking: have we brought forth a lot of good with our lives? Wise people invest themselves in the production of Godly virtues so as to warrant eternal life.

As Americans, we are focusing now on our preparation for the great American feast of Thanksgiving Day. Part of our thanksgiving tradition is to show our gratitude for what we have by helping others who have less. On behalf of our Community Concerns Committee, I thank everyone who took a grocery bag last weekend for the contribution of food and household items which we will give to those in need. I took a bag with the household item list. I have to admit, it's not as much fun to buy detergent and toilet paper as it is to buy food, but these things are very necessary. We request that you bring the items in next weekend so that the committee members and other helpers can set up the pantry. There are some bags remaining, so if you missed them last week, pick one up today.

If you haven't noticed, we have a new hand-crafted piece of furniture by Patrick Palmieri. He has been looking at the metal and plastic flower stand that has been at the head of the aisle with the hand sanitizer for the last three years. He had on-hand a small amount of wood and made the stand that you now see. Patrick designed it to match the cantor's stand. I abandoned the practice put into place during the pandemic of sanitizing my fingers after distributing the Eucharist on the tongue. I just don't see the continued need. In truth, I never thought there was much chance of transmitting anything to begin with. I removed the other two months ago but left the one because Fr. Riley continues to sanitize. I told Patrick that his new creation doubles as a perfect table for the cruet and ciborium at a funeral or

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

wedding Mass. It tucks in so nicely in the space where the pews shorten. I love the stand, and I thank Patrick for this lovely gift to us.

Keep in mind the organ recital that Glen is offering us on Friday evening. We are so fortunate to have a very fine pipe organ and a space that does it justice. I know the king of instruments is not everyone's favorite, but I've been a fan since I was a kid and discovered E. Power Biggs' album of Bach organ works. Wow. The skill of moving two hands and two feet across key and pedal boards, the variety of sounds that the instrument is capable of, and the power of the instrument all captured me. Take an hour out of your week to listen to some great pieces from the organ repertoire.

The men put on another delicious breakfast last week. A big thank you to them for the hot food and for the opportunity to spend some time with one another.

—Fr. Mecca

States. Schools typically observe the week with Masses, assemblies and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members to celebrate and congratulate the great work and good news of Catholic schools. Our students always look forward to the festivities that occur during Catholic Schools Week!

We are in the process of taking orders for Christmas wreaths. If you are interested in supporting this St. Peter School fundraiser, there are flyers in the vestibule. The cost is \$30/wreath or \$80/3 wreaths. The deadline for ordering is November 14, and pick up will be on November 25 and November 26. Thank you for supporting this very important fundraiser! We have sold over eighty wreaths thus far!

Our (50) Boxes of Joy have been stuffed, packed up and dropped off at an area donation area. From there, they will go to the screening center in Dora, FL where they will be sorted and shipped to children around the world.

—Mrs. Mary Lou Torre, Principal

SAINT PETER SCHOOL NEWS



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

Discover Catholic Schools Week is from November 12 – 18, 2023. This week is designated to help schools connect with prospective families, donors, educators and other community members. It is a time to help showcase what makes Catholic schools the best choice when families are looking to find the right school for their children. We already have a running waiting list for prospective students for the 2024-2025 school year which is very exciting and not something we have experienced during my tenure at St. Peter School. Our preschool is growing in size, and this week is dedicated to reaching out to potential PK families. We have a few openings in PK-3 for the 2023-2024 school year if families are interested in learning more about St. Peter School for their child especially during Discover Catholic Schools week. Contact Ms. Martinez (mmartinez@spsdanbury.org) or Mrs. Torre (mtorre@spsdanbury.org) for more information. The school number is 203-748-2895. From January 28 – February 3, 2024, St. Peter School will celebrate the traditional Catholic Schools Week. This is the annual celebration of Catholic school education in the United

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Save The Date: December 3, 2023, Confirmation Meeting: There will be a meeting for parents of students in Confirmation A & B, Sunday December 5 at 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall. We will explain the documentation needed for Confirmation and the next steps for your child. It is a good time to begin the search for a sponsor. This is someone other than yourself to provide spiritual help to the candidate. He or she should be willing to serve as a strong and lasting Christian influence to your child and must be a practicing Catholic.

Reserve la fecha: 3 de diciembre de 2023, reunión de confirmación: Habrá una reunión para padres de estudiantes en Confirmación A y B, el domingo 5 de diciembre a las 2:00 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial. Le explicaremos la documentación necesaria para la Confirmación y los próximos pasos para su hijo. Es un buen momento para comenzar la búsqueda de patrocinador. Se trata de alguien que no sea usted mismo para brindar ayuda espiritual al candidato. Él o ella debe estar dispuesto a servir como una influencia cristiana fuerte y duradera para su hijo y debe ser un católico practicante.

November 2023

12 – Lesson 6

19 – Lesson 7

26 – No Class

—Barbara Sciano, Director of Religious Education



Community Concerns wishes you all a refreshing and beautiful fall season! The “giving” time is upon us and Thanksgiving is a little less than three weeks away. You will notice the Thanksgiving bags for our collection in the back of the church as you leave today. We will be picking up 50 turkeys donated so generously by Stew Leonard’s again this year. The parish hall will be set up as a pantry once again this year as our neighbors enjoyed selecting their own items last year. You will see that there are different sheets requesting different categories of items. They have been carefully selected as the items most in demand. Please take a bag and get one or as many of the items that you choose. Quantities are indicated for some items so please comply with those specifics. We did that to make it more practical for our families to pack their bags- each will get two large grocery bags to fill.

The pickup date for the event is **November 19** so **please return donation on that date-** we will be collecting in the parish hall.

We thank you in advance for your loving generosity and wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving and a blessed day with loved ones—so much for which to give thanks.

Annual Collection for the Retired Priests of the Diocese

This weekend, November 11/12, the second collection will support the retired priests of the Diocese of Bridgeport. The funds collected will contribute to the resources available to the priests who have faithfully served our diocese, many of whom reside at the Catherine Dennis Keefe Queen of the Clergy Residence in Stamford. In thanksgiving for their faithful dedication and hard work for the Church in Fairfield County, please give generously to recognize our priests who have given so generously themselves with many years of priestly service.

Discovering Our Faith

Thursday, November 16, we will continue exploring the program “**Divine Mercy: The Second Greatest Story Ever Told**” which tells the dramatic history of God’s love and mercy. The topic is “**Mary’s Knight**”. We meet in the parish hall on **Thursday evenings 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** Please call the parish office to reserve a book with which you can follow the video presentation by Fr. Michael Gaitley. There is a review each week prior to the session.

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND
9AM-2PM

ST. PETER SCHOOL CRAFT FAIR
AT ST. PETER PARISH HALL

**CRAFTS, VENDORS, RAFFLES,
BAKED GOODS AND MORE!**



CRAFTER/VENDOR REGISTRATION \$25 PER TABLE
CALL THE SCHOOL AT (203) 748-2895 OR EMAIL
CVILL@SPSDANBURY.ORG

November 12, 2023

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at Seven

ORGAN RECITAL This Friday, November 17 7:00 pm

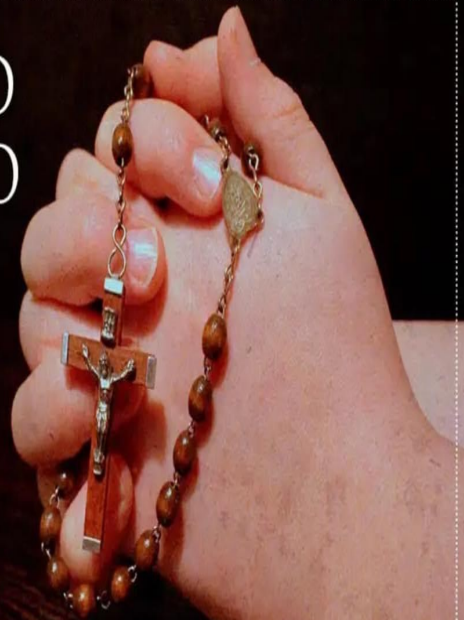
Our music director, Glen Segger, will give an organ recital featuring works by J.S Bach, Jehan Titelouze, George Muffat, Denis Bedard, and Freddie Mercury. This recital is free and open to the public, with a free-will donation being taken at the door. A light reception will follow in the sacristy. Come enjoy an evening out while listening to our mighty Peragallo pipe organ!

—Glen Segger, Director of Music

EL SANTO ROSARIO

Sabado
5:00 a.m.
en nuestra
Iglesia

*Iglesia St. Peter
Danbury CT.*

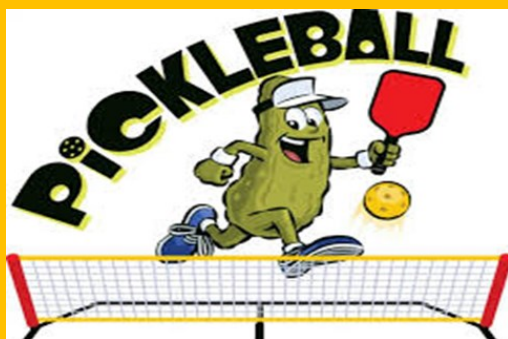


St. Peter Youth Group Grades 8—12

Join Us!

Saturday, November 18
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

St. Peter School Playground
Pickleball, Prayer, Music
And FOOD



Rain
or
Shine

Parents welcome to join us!

Grupo Juvenil de St. Peter Grados 8—12

Ven y Participa!

Sabado 18 Noviembre
1:00—4:00 p.m.

En el patio Escuela San Pedro
Pickleball, Oracion, Musica y
COMIDA



Lluvia
oh
Sol

PADRES INVITADOS!