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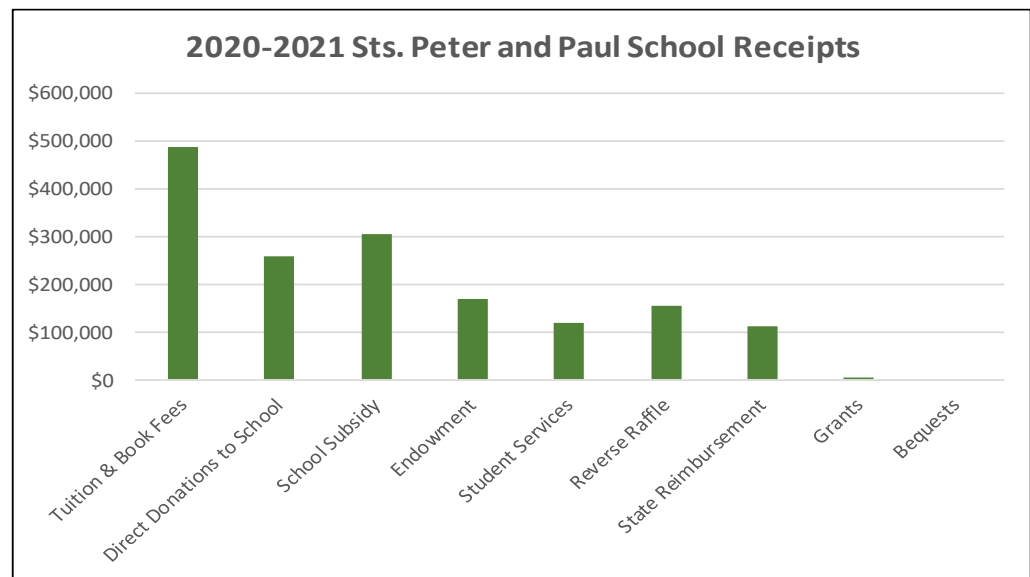
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Since inception, the SPPS Educational Foundation has given Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School a total of **\$2,484,700**, by only using interest that has accumulated in the fund.

Following is a breakdown of the Educational Foundation's receipts for the calendar years ending December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021.

	<u>YEAR END</u> <u>12/31/2021</u>	<u>YEAR END</u> <u>12/31/2020</u>
Cash Donations	\$ 8,841	\$ 5,663
Memorial Donations	\$ 1,640	\$ 520
Green Envelope Donations	\$ 11,191	\$ 35,632
Bequests	\$1,277,888	\$ 515,000
Stocks & Bonds	\$ 0	\$ 0
Insurance Policies	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total Cash Received	\$1,299,560	\$ 556,815



2021/2022 Grant from Foundation to SPPS \$ 220,000  
**Market Value of Endowment as of 12/31/21 \$ 6,173,405**

As our foundation grows our students at SPPS continue to benefit. The Endowment is only possible due to the generous support of our benefactors. Thank you for your support!

Sts. Peter and Paul Church, 307 N. Locust, Ottawa, Ohio 45875 (419) 523-5216

## DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST,

I am looking forward to my first in person Reverse Raffle gathering next Saturday. Because of covid we were not able to hold the Reverse Raffle in person last year but it was still a resounding success.

What a great way to raise money for our parish school and religious ed program and have a good evening to boot. Many thanks to all who work hard to make the Reverse Raffle evening a success not only for our kids but for the whole parish. It's all for the kids but it also helps bring us together as a parish family.

This weekend we will hear about the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). Each year all parishes are asked to help our Local Church (Diocese) to conduct the day to day needs of strengthening our Catholic Faith in Northwest Ohio.

Our goal for this year has been set at 40,214. Last year we exceeded our goal and we will do our best to repeat that success this year. Bishop Thomas thanks all who generously helps to support our Diocese as together we work to build up God's Kingdom.

Have a great week of blessings from the Lord. God is good, He's with us every moment of our lives. With Him at our side and the support of each other, we have nothing to fear.

Fr. Scott

## MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 21 - 27

### Servers

Mon.	8:15	Kayla Bellman, Kali Fenbert, Izzy Utendorf
Tues.	6:30	Noah Compton, Will & Aiden Kuhlman
Weds.	8:15	Ava Masters, Carlie & Heath Crawfis
Thurs.	6:30	Maci Maag, Cambrie Ellerbrock, Lily Nienberg
Fri.	8:15	Delaney Fruchey, Sammi Sunderhaus, MaKenna Haughn
Sat.	4:00	Dylan Mershman, Will & Tad Gerding
Sun.	8:00	Norm & Cathy Klass
	10:00	Lexie Herman, Kasey Inkrott, Brock Lammers
	11:30	Brie Fuka, Madelyn Evers, Elliott Siefker

### Eucharistic Ministers

Sat.	4:00	Barbara Hovest, Gene Hovest, Kim Schroeder, Chad Masters
Sun.	8:00	Mary Bruskotter, Lauri Gerdeman, Nancy Hovest, Kay Herman
	10:00	Mike Schumaker, Amy Utendorf, Jen Hovest, Ralph Heitmeyer, Kathy Aelker
	11:30	Laura Warniment, Kay Buckland, Amy Schlumbohm, Rick Hughes

### Lectors

Sat.	4:00	Kelly Baxter
Sun.	8:00	Chad Inkrott
	10:00	Craig Maag
	11:30	Mary Limpach

### Ushers

Sat.	4:00	Gene Hovest, Dave Hashbarger, Roger Gerten, Marcia Hovest, Joe Schroeder, Need 1 More
Sun.	8:00	Joe Kuhlman, Steve Barney, Joe Brinkman, Dale Kruse, Ken Schulte, Need 1 More
Sun.	10:00	Mike Stechschulte, Ross Alt, Bob Buckland, Dan Karhoff, Ken Pester, Tim Schulte
Sun.	11:30	Keith Eiden, Brad Alt, Jon Balbaugh, Jason Eiden, Kevin Eiden, Virgil Morman

### Livestream

Sat.	4:00	Jeff Giesige
Sun.	10:00	Jeremy Kuhlman

### Knights Care for Kids

March 5 & 6

Please sign up to volunteer at [signupgenious.com](https://signupgenious.com)



## MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Monday 2/21

8:15 a.m. Mass (Live streamed)

### Tuesday 2/22

9:00 - 6:00 p.m. Adoration in Chapel  
6:30 p.m. Mass (Live streamed)

### Wednesday 2/23

8:15 a.m. Mass (Live streamed)

### Thursday 2/24

6:30 p.m. Mass (Live streamed)

### Friday 2/25

8:15 a.m. School Mass (Live Streamed)

### Saturday 2/26

4:00 p.m. Mass (Live streamed)

### Sunday 2/27

8:00 a.m. Mass  
10:00 a.m. Young-Women Choir @ Mass  
(Live streamed)  
11:30 a.m. Mass



**HOLY FAMILY STATUE** The children of our parish have been raising money for a Holy Family Statue, which will be placed in front of the new school addition. **The cost for the statue and instillation is approximately \$25,000. We have raised \$15,000 so far.** Please continue to donate using the blue containers in church or donations may be put in the Sunday collection.



### Men: Looking to make an impact?

Welcome, formerly known as Christ Renews His Parish, will offer you a chance to strengthen your relationship with Christ, as well as provide wonderful fellowship with men of our parish. Welcome will be held at SPPS on Saturday, March 26, at 8:00 a.m. through Sunday, March 27, at 2:00 p.m. Please contact Scott Mersman at 419-615-8697 or sbmersman1564@icloud.com. to sign up or for any questions. Hope to see you there!

## Youth News

February 23 PSR at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria. Topic - The Kingdom of God. Perhaps the most controversial element of Jesus' ministry was His teachings. Many religious leaders of His day were threatened by what He taught. Jesus' teachings on the Kingdom of God stand out above all His teachings. This session will look at what Jesus meant by the Kingdom of God and what demands this Kingdom places on us. We will discuss Jesus' role as the King in the Kingdom of God, and how we need to turn to Him as the One Who has been given all power and authority.

March 2 Ash Wednesday, attend 7 p.m. mass

March 9 PSR at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria

March 16 PSR at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria

March 23 PSR at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria

March 30 PSR at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria - last night

**Next Leadership meeting:** March 16 from 5:30 - 7 p.m.

WII Games: March 27!!

**J.U.M.P.:** Next JUMP is Sunday March 20, for grades 6-8th.

**Deanery:** Next deanery event will be the **YES** project June 2-4

**Diocese:** XLT for High School youth will be hosted on February 27 from 6 - 9 p.m. by St. Joseph Maumee and St. Augustine Napoleon parishes. XLT is short for Exult and is a praise and worship event for youth groups in the Toledo Diocese\*. Teens will hear from a speaker, encounter the Lord in the Eucharist with adoration, and will have opportunities to go to reconciliation.

The theme is "Behold", and will feature a testimony from one of the Culture Project missionaries. God adores us. To adore God, sometimes we simply need to behold the one beholding us.

Here's a general breakdown of the schedule:

6 p.m. - optional Youth Mass

7 p.m. - pizza dinner and gather

7:30 p.m. - transition to XLT (welcome, speaker)

8 p.m. - adoration

9 p.m. - send

**If interested in going please text Cherie 419-523-4109, today if possible.**

## May They Rest In Peace

Kathryn Meyer (87) - 2/21/11

David Bockrath (67) - 2/21/01

Bernetta Altstaetter (80) - 2/22/92

Kim S. Lee (88) - 2/23/07

Joan M. Schumacher (55) - 2/23/85

Stephen Quigley (4 days) - 2/23/81

Fr. Ralph Schneider - 2/24/00

Celesta Dunn (84) - 2/25/02

Douglas Beckman (60) - 2/26/19

Marie E. Ruhe (69) - 2/26/86

Leonard Bendele (92) - 2/27/00

Catherine Birkemeier (83) - 2/21/88

Richard Hovest (82) - 2/22/01

Martha E. Gerker (76) - 2/22/92

Daniel Nienberg (79) - 2/23/06

Ross Alan Johnson (stillborn) - 2/23/88

Anthony "Tony" Brinkman (59) - 2/24/16

Lucille Aelker (83) - 2/24/96

Harriet (Babe) Behrns Croy (88) 2/25/17

Marie Looser (78) - 2/26/96

Ruth Giesige (97) - 2/27/20

Floyd Kuhlman (63) - 2/27/98

Florence Gulker (80) - 2/21/81

Edna Recker (74) - 2/22/96

Judi Bellman (70) - 2/23/21

Bernard Fenbert (92) - 2/23/94

Wanda M. Gerding (64) - 2/23/81

Yulida Hoorman (90) - 2/24/02

Gertrude A. Aelker (90) - 2/24/89

Julia VonderEmbse (59) - 2/26/21

Cornelius Brinkman (81) - 2/26/95

Norbert Steffan (92) - 2/27/15

Raymond H. Kistler (63) - 2/27/94



## SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

**KNIGHTS CARE FOR KIDS** Certificates are available in the back of church the first weekend of the month or in the rectory, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.



**300 CLUB:** Congratulations to Mary Ann Bockrath, winner of the drawing held on 2/14/21.

### Church Bulletin Advertising

Kevin McCollum, representing our Bulletin Publisher, Diocesan, is currently seeking new advertisements. Support our parish while you promote your business in print and digitally through social media. If interested, please contact Kevin directly or call the parish office. Only a third down payment is required to reserve an ad.

#### Contact

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## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### OUR GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK ON FEBRUARY 13

Church Collection..... \$14,335  
School Donations ..... \$1,943

### LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR 2/27/22



Sirach 27:4-7; Psalm: 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16  
1 Corinthians 15:54-58; Luke 6:39-45

## HOSPITAL

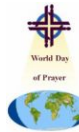
Kathy Hermiller  
Patricia Roberts

Dick Laudick

### OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

May He Rest in Peace

Dennis Ricker (76)



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** will take place at New Creation Church on March 4 at 10:00 a.m. with light refreshments afterwards. All women (and men) are invited to this annual event. This year, the women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland call us to worship with the words, "I know the plans I have for you," inspired by Jeremiah 29:1-14 For Jeremiah, God's plan was clear, and we share this assurance. We are invited to hear about their history and their culture. Women will be sharing their stories of intergenerational wisdom, traditions, and experiences of God's profound love. We will join with thousands of women from around the world and collectively worship on the first Friday in March.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS & MEETINGS

### Sunday 2/20

10:00 Early Childhood/Good Shepherd  
Pre-Marriage Weekend

**Monday 2/21** **President's Day - No School**  
6-7 p.m. RCIA

### Tuesday 2/22

7:00 p.m. School Boosters Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Prayer Group - Church

### Wednesday 2/23

3:00 p.m. Young-Women's Choir  
7:00 p.m. PSR & Youth Group

### Thursday 2/24

### Friday 2/25

4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Chicken & Fish Fry - K of C

### Saturday 2/26

6:10 a.m. That Man is You  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
4:00 p.m. Mass @ K of C for Reverse Raffle

### Sunday 2/27



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by clicking on Building Project [www.spps.noacsc.org](http://www.spps.noacsc.org).*

**Number of Families and Businesses: 606**

**Amount Pledged: \$3,750,000**

**Amount paid on Pledges: \$3,721,791.36**

**Phase II - Gym**

**Number of Families and Businesses: 242**

**Amount Pledged: \$581,220.23**

**Amount Paid on Pledges: \$552,160.09**

# Lent By Candlelight

Sunday, March 6 @ 6:30 p.m.

Ottawa K of C Hall

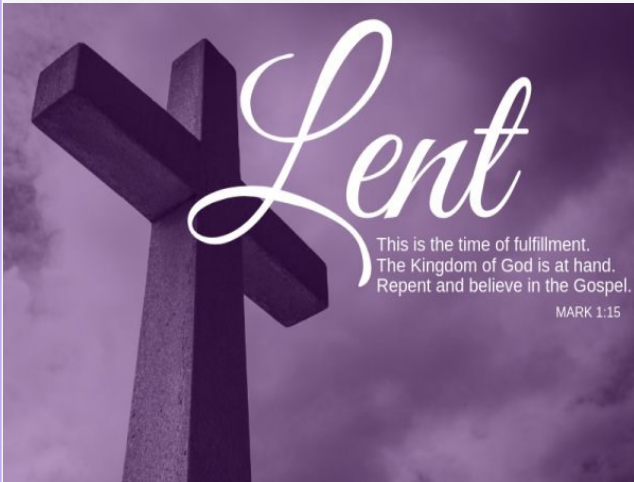
(Sponsored by Sts. Peter & Paul Rosary Altar)

## Men & Women of Putnam County:

Join us for this free event as we gather  
to grow in our Faith

Share an appetizer/dessert/or snack

Be inspired for your Lenten journey



**Guest Speakers:** Becky Dershem & Connie Dehnart from “Our Lady’s Children” a local non-profit promoting ministries in Medjugorje.

## HOST A TABLE:

Invite 7 people to sit with you at your table.

Decorate your table (as elaborate or simple as you choose) Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for Hosts only to decorate and set-up. Remember to include a candle (preferably flameless/battery operated).

Bring an appetizer, snack or dessert to share with your table. Host for the table will provide tableware, silverware & glassware.

**OR:** You can sign up as a single guest (We will reserve a place for you at a table).

Please call or contact a committee member to reserve a table or with any questions you may have.

Becky Hermiller - 419-796-8120

Suzanne McGlaughlin - 419-235-9226

Margaret Ruhe - 419-523-5315

Julie Lanwehr - 419-890-8293

A freewill donation will be accepted to benefit a local non-profit organization with this mission: “Answering the call to be her extended hands here on earth. We will serve the poorest of the poor where the Holy Spirit Leads us.” Members of this organization have all gone on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje & continue to support projects in that area of the world.



# A KNIGHT FOR ALL ★



## REVERSE RAFFLE PREVIEW



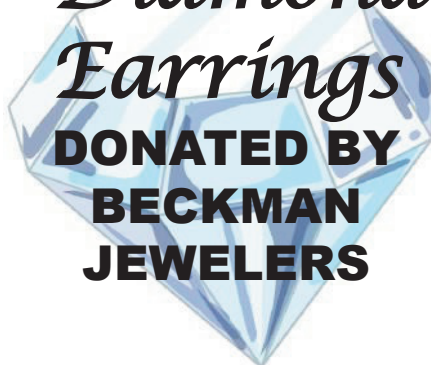
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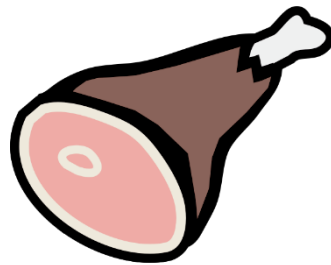


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HELMET BY FR RICK**



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SUNGLASSES, AND  
SO MUCH MORE!!!**



# January 31, 2022 Cemetery Committee Meeting

Annual Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery meeting was held on January 31, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.

In attendance was Al Laubenthal, John Tenwalde, Gary Hermiller, Father Scott Kramer, Joe Kuhlman, Greg Klear, Keith Schulte, Kim Hunt, Bob Fawcett and Orville Verhoff.

Al Laubenthal called the meeting to order and Father Scott gave a blessing.

- 1.) Al Laubenthal asked if I could send a thank you card to Elaine Odenweller for her years of service.
- 2.) There was a moment of silence for Al Wischmeyer.
- 3.) Review of the previous meeting's minutes
- 4.) Kim Hunt presented the financial reports. Bob Fawcett motioned to accept the financials and Gary Hermiller 2nd.
- 5.) Al Laubenthal presented yearly costs for running the cemetery. He estimated based on salaries and wages that we spend approximately between \$38,000 - \$39,000 each year.

Al Laubenthal introduced, welcomed and thanked the new committee members: Joe Kuhlman, Keith Schulte and Greg Klear.

## 6.) OLD BUSINESS -

- a) Mowers - Big John Deere has 447 hours on it, it is a 2019.

The garden tractor - It was discussed whether we should trade it in. John Deere was contacted and they advised that it would be better to trade it in now instead of in March. The new tractor would have a better seat, fuel injection, wider tires and more power. Joe Kuhlman motioned and Greg Klear 2nd to trade it in.

Zero turn mower - in great shape and was advised that there would not be much benefit in trading it in at this time.

- b.) Employees for 2022: Al Laubenthal, Orville Verhoff, Gary Hermiller and Kim Hunt all agreed to stay on. Dean Lanwehr wasn't at the meeting, but has agreed to stay and Joe Kuhlman volunteered to help when his schedule allows.
- c.) Concrete base replacement project in the flat section - Al Laubenthal thanked John Tenwalde and Orville Verhoff for the amount that they have replaced and then John Tenwalde gave an update. John mentioned that there are 33 yet to change out. They are switching the fiberglass, concrete bases with granite bases. Gary Hermiller suggested that a few of the cemetery workers including himself get together a few Saturdays and work on switching them out. Try to do about 10 each time. Father Scott Kramer agreed that he would rather not hire this job out.
- d.) Laptops update - they are doing good, running well.
- e.) Footer expansion in the new section - It was discussed whether we should extend the footers in the new section for a total of 4 or 5 rows. Further research will be done before a decision is made.

## 7.) NEW BUSINESS -

- a.) The big black walnut tree was taken down this past summer. Going forward we would like to remove 29 pine trees and 43 stumps.
  - b.) Entrance Road Trees - It has been determined that the Cemetery entry road and trees do belong to the cemetery. It was thought in the past that these actually belonged to the village. Currently we have around 18 Ornamental Pear trees, which are no longer available for replacement. One recommendation is that we take the pear trees down and make plans for something else. This recommendation, includes these trees as well as the trees in the infant section, to make a cohesive, nice looking entrance into the cemetery.
  - c.) Cosmetics for west end expansion - discussion on landscaping
  - d.) Wreaths Across America - Marcia Klima has been heading this up. There was a large donation from a parishioner to help keep this going.
  - e.) Marble Crucifix for cemetery - was ordered 11/24/2021, ship date is late May. After discussion we agreed to put it at the south end of the cemetery drive, illuminated at night.
  - f.) Old Cemetery base for old crucifix - There was a crucifix in the old section of the cemetery, but it was starting to rot and was taken down, the base remains. A possible use for this base will be found, possibly a statue. It is believed that this area of the cemetery was designated for the burial of religious priests and nuns. However, there is only one priest buried in this area.
  - g.) Placement of man/woman burial - There was a discussion about placement of a couple on a gravesite. The committee agreed to honor the families request as long as it is documented.
  - h.) The company that provides the headstones has announced a 5.3% increase in their granite base line. The committee decided not to raise prices at this time.
- 8.) Audit of treasury books - Greg Klear and Bob Fawcett agreed to do the audit this year.
- 9.) Election of officers : President - Al Laubenthal; Vice President - John Tenwalde;  
Sec/Treasurer - Kim Hunt
- 10.) Items from board members: The possible need for a columbarium was brought up. A suggestion was made that we take a road trip to Calvary Cemetery in Toledo to see how they are doing their cremation garden. The board will continue to look into various ways of handling cremations.
- Father Scott Kramer said that the cemetery looks great and to keep up the good work. Greg Klear motioned to adjourn the meeting and Gary Hermiller 2nd.

Respectfully submitted,

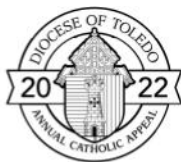
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Al Laubenthal (President)

Kim Hunt (Secretary)

Fr. Scott Kramer (Pastor)





**THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)** : The Theme is "Do Prayer, Do Service, and Do Gratitude." The Toledo Diocese's has mailed out the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal request letter. If you have not already received the letter, it will be coming soon. If you don't receive one in the next few weeks, there will be extra envelopes available near the church exits. To learn more about the appeal visit: [www.Toledodiocese.org/ACA](http://www.Toledodiocese.org/ACA)

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