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MASSES FOR THE WEEK: APRIL 7 - 13		
Mon.	7AM	Deceased member of Jordan Family - Karen and Sam.
Tues.	7AM	Frank & Lois Pucci - Family
Wed.	7AM	Special Intention Scott Ash-Rose & Angelitto
Thurs.	7AM	Special Intention, Sue Hook - Bob
Fri.	7AM 11:15AM	Art Gusbar - Rizzo Family Hazel Kinsinger - Bob & Margaret Charney
Sat.	7AM	Judy Visalli - Joseph Grunta
Sat.	4PM	Charlotte Palm - Gary & Cecelia Lintz
Sun.	8AM 10AM 12:15PM	Billy Halverson - Family Mabel & Bill Revello - Suzie Coleman For the People

WEEKLY SCHEDULE: APRIL 6 - 13		
Sun.	9AM 11AM 12:15PM	PTA Spring Crop - Hall CCD Class 2nd Grade First Communion Meeting-Annex
	6PM 7PM	Confirmation Class Stations of the Cross - Church
Mon.	12:15PM 6PM	School Stations of the Cross - Church OCIA Class - Annex
Tues.	12PM	Bible Study - Sue Sube's House Gardner's Candy Pickup - Annex
Wed.	8:30AM 6PM 7PM	Quilters - Annex Children's Choir Practice (Dress Rehearsal) - Annex Adult Choir Practice - Church
Fri.	1PM 4PM	Mary's Way of the Cross - Church Marianna's Pizza/Sub Pickup - Annex (11:30AM - 12:15PM & 2:30 - 3:30PM) Fish Fry - Hall
Sun. 13th		NO CCD OR CONFIRMATION CLASS - Palm Sunday

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ORDINARY SCHEDULE - Sat. Mass: 4PM, Sun. Masses: 8AM, 10AM, & 12:15PM.
HOLY DAY MASSES - As announced.
CONFESSIONS: 2:45PM Sat. or upon request.
BAPTISM: Parish registration and participation in baptismal preparation are necessary.
MARRIAGES: The priest is your initial contact. Interview with the couple must precede setting a date.
PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Call the Rectory to request the Sacrament of the Sick for family members who are seriously ill. Communion is taken to the hospital, nursing homes, and home-bound on a regular basis.
PARISH MEMBERSHIP: It is important to be a registered parishioner in order to gain the benefits & privileges of parish membership. New parishioners are welcome. If you have moved into, within or outside the parish or are not a member, call the rectory so that your situation may be addressed. For questions, call the rectory, 814-443-6574.

ST. PETER PTA EASTER EGG HUNT! St. Peter's PTA will again sponsor the 2025 Easter Egg Hunt. This event is open to our school and parish families and any friends or family who would like to come along. It will be held on the parish grounds on Holy Saturday, April 19th at 11AM. We will start precisely at 11AM and it goes VERY FAST so please bring a bag or basket for children to collect eggs. Thank you, PTA and families for this beautiful Easter tradition!



THE APRIL SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn this month in memory of Charlotte Palm from family.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE - CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE - Our 2025 Catholic Ministries Drive continues. Your sacrificial gift of prayer and treasure will make an immediate and lasting impact on our ministries that focus on evangelization, serving those in need and formation of our priests and deacons. During Lent, and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties - and one of those holy duties is to support our Church. This year's campaign theme is "Follow Me". During this time of the Eucharistic Revival, Following Christ is an invitation to grow in our living relationship with Christ in the Church, to open our hearts to serving our brothers and sisters, and to fulfill our holy duty of supporting the Church by gifts of our time, talent and treasure. Your sacrificial gift of prayer and treasure for the 2025 Catholic Ministries Drive will draw us into an ever deeper relationship with Christ, as we share in His mission of love and service, proclaiming the Good News to all. There is no limit to what we can accomplish together in Christ. Please reflect on Bishop Mark's invitation that arrived by mail, and prayerfully consider supporting our diocesan ministries. You may return your pledge card and donation through the mail, make your payment online, or return your pledge card and donation to your parish through the offertory. All contributions received beyond our parish goal will be used toward the purchase of new boilers for St. Peter's School. Thank you for supporting the Catholic Ministries Drive and our diocese's vital ministries.

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LENTEN REGULATIONS - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting. There is a limit of one full meal/light eating on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive. Those with serious health problems are not required to fast. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of total abstinence from meat. Days of Abstinence: All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat. There is no upper age limit on abstinence after which a person is automatically excused, but those who need to eat meat for a medical reason may be dispensed from the abstinence requirement. Easter Duty Obligation: After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Easter Season.

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION - Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, as encouraged by Pope Francis, you will join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land, directly making a difference in the lives of those caught up in war, violence and instability in this region. You become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. During Holy Week, the Gospel readings come to life in a special way as we gather to celebrate the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The readings remind us of our special connection to the land where this great story unfolded. Supporting the Church in the Holy Land is an historic mission. Since the time of St. Paul, Christians worldwide have understood the responsibility to support the land where Jesus walked and from where their faith originated. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the fundamental needs of the People of God, including basic things like food, medicine and school tuition to make sure their children, still living in this Land where the Church was born, can receive a Christian education. Last year this collection supported 23 parishes and three academic institutions, provided a home in Bethlehem for 30 children from homes facing domestic violence, offered more than 500 scholarships for university education, helped keep schools open for over 10,000 pre-K through grade 12 students, supported 53 friars preparing for the priesthood, restored and maintained 640 houses/apartments for Christian families, provided assistance to more than 9,000 families through weekly food baskets, and preserved 80 shrines from the life of Jesus, the Apostles and the prophets. Thank you for supporting the Pontifical Good Friday Collection. By doing so, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS ON GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18!** For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

SAVE THE DATE! The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to join us for a Jubilee Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on October 17th, 2025. There will be a special Liturgy with Bishop Mark Barchak as Celebrant along with priests of the diocese. You will be able to tour the amazing shrine and there will be opportunity for Adoration & Confession. Registration begins in the Summer of 2025.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE:
APRIL 12 - 13
Saturday - 4PM
 E.M.: V. Jacob
 Lector: Demchak, Diesel
 Greeters: Lizambri
Sunday - 8AM
 E.M.: D. Woy
 Lector: Wahl, Fapore
 Greeters: Woy, Kuhn
Sunday - 10AM
 E.M.: Deacon Komula
 Lector: Rullo, Niemiec
 Greeters: Hook, Sekela
Sunday - 12:15PM
 E.M.: V. Barbera
 Lector: Latuch, Petrosky
 Greeters: Soberdash





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SCHOOL NEWS FOR APRIL 6, 2025
4/7: Stations of the Cross 12:15PM
4/8: Gardner's Candy Pick-up in Annex
4/10: Grades 1-3 Field Trip to Pasquerilla Center
4/11: Marianna's Pizza/Sub Pick-up in Annex 11:30AM-12:15PM and 2:30 - 3:30PM

LOOKING AHEAD:
4/14: "Shadow Stations" in church 12:15PM & 7:15PM
4/15: PTA Lenten Chicken Noodle Soup Hot Lunch; Lifetouch Spring Pictures
4/16: SPECIAL BUSING St. Peter School will be in session for a full day while SASD has an early-dismissal. Students will be assigned to a PM bus if parents designate so in PickUP Patrol by April 7th.
4/17: SPECIAL BUSING & EARLY DISMISSAL. St. Peter School will be in session this day while SASD does not have school. We will also have an early-dismissal at 12:40PM. Somerset bus transportation will be provided in the morning and afternoon if parents signed up in PickUp Patrol by 10AM on Mon., April 7th. Holy Thursday Mass & Procession 7PM
4/18 - 4/21: NO SCHOOL - Easter Break

CONGRATULATIONS FORENSICS TEAM! Thirteen members of our original Forensics Team competed at the Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Forensics Competition on Fri., March 28th. Nine of these team members earned top honors in their categories. The team members who placed at the Diocesan competition and their categories are: advanced and their places at the Regional Competition are: In Original Oratory, Anderson Coughenour won 5th place. In the Drama Category, Raymond Zhang won 5th place and Avalyn Bergstresser won 2nd place. In the Impromptu category, Gabe Zawisza won 6th place and Emily Borek won 4th place. And in the Duo Drama category, Brooke Miller and Lidia Cacciotti won 4th place and Gabby Maurer and Leila Stankan. We are proud of all of our team members for all of their hard work this year. Thank you to coaches Mrs. Lori Holloway, Mrs. Theresa Sanner, Mrs. Lindsey Swearman, and Mrs. Joanne Swearman.

CONGRATULATIONS ROCK'N READERS! Both of our St. Peter School's "Rock'n Readers" earned top honors at the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08's spring Reading Competition this past Tuesday. And we brought home the trophy for the highest score. Our teams competed against over 40 teams from public and Catholic schools from multiple counties. Congratulations and a very special thank you to our coaches, Mrs. Lindsey Swearman & Mrs. Cindy Miller and to the parent volunteers who served as moderators and scorekeepers. Our spring "Rock'n Readers" are Fourth Grade: Griffin Faidley, Emma Glessner, Evan Gontis, Abigail Swearman, Laurel Weigle. Fifth Grade: Anderson Coughenour, Laura Kikuchi, Lucy Stoy, Lauren Topper, Tenley Wintersteen, Sophia Zambanini. Sixth Grade: Meredith Baker, Avalyn Bergstresser, Emily Borek, Lidia Cacciotti, Joshua Long, Gabby Maurer, Lincoln McCusker, Leighton McGuire, Brooke Miller, Tucker Platt, Leila Stankan, Zachary Swearman, Gabe Zawisza, and Raymond Zhang.

CCD NEWS
 Prudence Shaulis, DRE 814-443-6574 ext. 4 & pshaulis@dioceseaj.org

4/6: CCD & Confirmation Class
4/13: No CCD or Confirmation Class - Palm Sunday
4/20: No CCD or Confirmation Class - Easter
4/27: Final CCD Class

LOOKING AHEAD:
4/6: 2nd Grade Parent Retreat/Meeting for Communion from 12:15PM - 1:15PM.
5/10: Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10AM.

Dear Parents and Students, We are excited to announce that there are some important changes to the Confirmation process this year! Any young Catholic entering 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade for the 2025-2026 school year is invited to attend an Information Meeting on Thurs., May 1st from 6-7PM in the Parish Hall to learn more about these updates. At least one parent must attend with their son or daughter. This will be a great opportunity to get all the details and ask any questions you may have about the upcoming changes to the Confirmation preparation process. *Please scan the QR code if you plan to attend.* We look forward to seeing you there! Thank you, and may God bless you!




PLEASE PRAY for all nursing home residents and homebound parishioners as they will be remembered by Fr. Patti, Fr. Michael, Deacon Mark and Msgr. Tomaselli, along with all St. Peter Parish members at the Easter Octave of Holy Masses beginning Easter Sunday and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday. Thank you!


ST. PETER'S WOMEN'S GROUP is joining the Christian Mothers from St. Raymond's Parish in Donegal, PA, on a bus trip to St. Anthony's Chapel in Pittsburgh on Wed., June 25th, 2025. The bus will leave St. Raymond's Church at 10AM and the cost is \$55 per person. This fee includes a tour of the chapel, which houses 5,000 first-class relics, a light lunch, and bus transportation. Those wishing to go must submit the RSVP form to St. Raymond's Church by May 1st.

 **THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA** will have their meeting Wed., May 7th at 6PM in the annex.

STEWARDSHIP: April 7th, 2025 - When we turn to God for forgiveness, He is gracious and merciful. So much so, that not only will He forgive us without condemnation, but He will make us completely new creations in Christ. **Scan the QR code** for online giving or a one-time gift.



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