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MASSES FOR THE WEEK: APRIL 21 - 27		
Mon.	7AM	Guy Stoltz - Sally & Family
Tues.	7AM	Guy Luciano - Cate & Roy Burger Leister
Wed.	7AM	Judy Visalli - Sue & Tom Krise
Thurs.	7AM 11AM	Lewis Mapes - Family Memorial Mass for Richard Reed
Fri.	7AM 11:15AM	Marge Jacob - Weekday Morning Mass Friends Flo Deitke-Bob & Teri Kolonich
Sat.	4PM	Lillian Brinham - Dave & Sue Smith
Sun.	8AM 10AM 12:15PM	Gene Molnar - Wife Margie For the People Jay Lauer - The Pingatore and Lauer Families

WEEKLY SCHEDULE: APRIL 20 - 27		
Sun. 20th		NO CCD OR CONFIRMATION CLASS - Easter Break 7PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
Mon.	6PM	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break Divine Mercy Chaplet - Church
Tues.	12PM 6PM	Bible Study - Sue Sube's House Divine Mercy Chaplet - Church
Wed.	8:30AM 6PM	Quilters - Annex Divine Mercy Chaplet
Thurs.	6PM 6PM	Finance Meeting - Annex Divine Mercy Chaplet
Fri.	11:15AM 6PM	School Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet
Sat.	8AM	Divine Mercy Chaplet - Church
Sun. 27th		Final CCD Class

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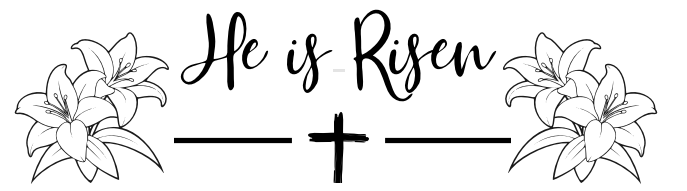
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ORDINARY SCHEDULE - Sat. Mass: 4PM, Sun. Masses: 8AM, 10AM, & 12:15PM.
HOLY DAY MASSES - As announced.
CONFESSIONS: 2:45PM Sat. or upon request.
BAPTISM: Parish registration and participation in baptismal preparation are necessary.
MARRIAGES: The priest 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.



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
Regina Coeli
Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
For he, whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
R. For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia.
Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

April 20th - Easter Sunday: Pastor's Notes:

Easter Sunday's Gospel tells us that Peter and John "saw and believed." Baptized into His death and Resurrection, we, too, are now His witnesses. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek the things that are above. Like the Apostles, we eat and drink with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for the day when we too "will appear with Him in glory."

THANK YOU to all who helped make our celebration of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum so beautiful. Thank you to our Music Director, Choir and Cantors, our faithful Altar Servers, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, and all who helped with the preparation, cleaning and decoration of the Church. Special thanks to our school children for the inspiring SHADOW STATIONS on Monday of Holy Week and for their participation in our Holy Thursday Procession, and to all who participated in these blessed celebrations. I also thank all who have been so kind and thoughtful through your prayers and cards, and for the Easter treats, cookies, and candy.

Jesus is Risen! On behalf of Fr. Michael Raj and Deacon Mark Komula, I wish you a very Happy Easter. May you and all your loved ones have a blessed and joyous Easter! May the Peace of Christ which comes at this happy time remain with you throughout the year. And may Almighty God bless each of you with a joyous and life-giving Easter Season.

The joy of the Easter Season continues for 50 days. Feel free to take some of the blessed Easter holy water home with you throughout the season. Our young parishioners will celebrate the Easter Sacraments of First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 10 at 10AM and Confirmation on Saturday, May 17 at 4PM.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - Next Sunday, April 27th, we celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy. The message of the Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us - all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy can be prayed anytime.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET (Using Rosary Beads)

· Make the Sign of the Cross, look at the Divine Mercy image, and with faith say:
Jesus, I trust in You.

Begin with:
Our Father...,
Hail Mary...,
The Apostles Creed.

On the five Our Father Beads:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the ten Hail Mary Beads:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude with:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (Three times)

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET will be said April 20th at 7PM and every evening of Easter week at 6PM in the church starting on Monday, April 21st and ending on Saturday, April 26th at 8AM. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is a Catholic devotion, prayed on a rosary, that focuses on God's mercy upon the world, especially for sinners, by invoking the redemptive merits of Jesus' sacrifice. We hope you can join us!

2025 Catholic Ministries Drive – FOLLOW ME

During this Easter Season, and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties – and one of those holy duties is to support the Church. This year's campaign theme is "Follow Me," an invitation to grow in our living relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist, 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 Jesus, 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 letter, 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 card and gift through the offertory collection.

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. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries!

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Drive target for Saint Peter is \$58,700.



ST. PETER SCHOOL

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SCHOOL NEWS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 21ST:

- 4/21: NO SCHOOL – Easter Break
- 4/22: School Resumes
- 4/23: Grade 5 Parent Graduation Meeting 6:30PM in Annex
- 4/24: Grades 3 & 4 Field Trip to Pittsburgh Zoo
- 4/25: Grade 5 School Mass 11:15 am – Full Uniforms

LOOKING AHEAD:

- 4/30: Midterm of Fourth Grading Period; Fr. Gartland Walk
- 5/1: Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Spelling Bee at St. Matthew's in Tyrone - Good Luck, Lucy Stoy!
- 5/2: NO SCHOOL - SPRING CONFERENCES; Somerset County Scrabble Tournament! Good Luck teams!
- 5/6: St. Peter School Science Fair 6:30 - 8:00PM in school
- 5/7: Grade 5 "Aquatic Insect Study" Field Trip; Marianna's Sub/Pizza Orders Due
- 5/8: Kindergarten Celebration 1:30PM in the Hall
- 5/9: ST. PETER SCHOOL IN SESSION Special Busing will be provided to Somerset Bus students for the AM & PM routes. Parents will receive information about this in the coming weeks.

CCD NEWS

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

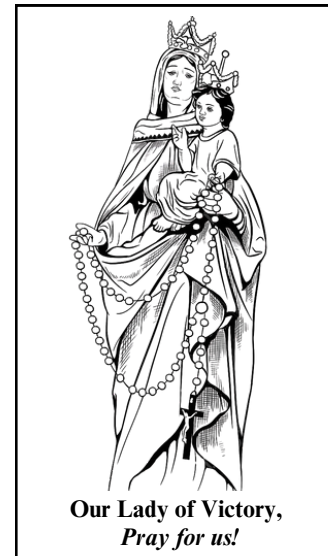
- 4/20: No CCD or Confirmation Class - Easter
- 4/27: Final CCD Class
- 5/7: Confirmation Class (Zoom or in-person) - 6PM

LOOKING AHEAD:

- 5/4: Rite of Sending for Confirmation candidates at 12:15PM Mass. Luncheon to follow - Parish Hall
- 5/9: First Holy Communion Rehearsal from 8:15AM-2:15PM
- 5/10: Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10AM
- 5/15: Confirmation Rehearsal from 6:00 -7:15PM
- 5/17: Sacrament of Confirmation at 4PM.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE:
APRIL 26-27**

- Saturday - 4PM**
E.M.: S. Kingsinger
Lector: P. Diesel
Greeters: Kolonich
- Sunday - 8AM**
E.M.: M. Woy
Lector: B. Wilmette
Greeters: Reeping, Woy
- Sunday - 10AM**
E.M.: Deacon Komula
Lector: A. DiLoreto
Greeters: Hilton, Komula
- Sunday - 12:15PM**
E.M.: V. Barbera
Lector: L. Latuch
Greeters: Sheets



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We would like to thank our sponsor of the week: Anita M. Petroski, M.Ed., Financial Services

PRO-LIFE CORNER: "By His Resurrection, He has destroyed the power of death, and therefore the power of abortion. The outcome of the battle for Life has already been decided: Life is victorious!"



FINANCE MEETING will be held on Thursday, April 24th at 6PM in the Annex.

MEALS ON WHEELS - It is that time of year to begin providing desserts for Meals on Wheels. Any questions can be directed to Sue Smith. Thank you all who help!

ATTENTION Class of 2025 High School, College & Trade School Graduates! Save the Date for the Annual Graduates Celebration hosted by the St. Peter's Women's Group on Sunday, June 8th at 12:15PM Mass. More information to come!



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

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 opportunity to tour the beautiful Basilica and Bishop Mark Bartchak will say Mass. Registration begins in the Summer of 2025. More information to come!

STEWARDSHIP: April 13th, 2025 - The Resurrection has been passed on for 2,000 plus years now by those willing to serve as witnesses to its power in their lives. Now it is our turn, privilege, and responsibility to serve as Christ's witnesses.

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Thank you

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Votive: \$128
Online Giving: \$2,470

