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ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 2025 - NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK: AUGUST 11 - 17

Mon.	7AM	Bill Meyer III, John Matthews
Tues.	7AM	Special Intention - Rebecca & Jack Baker
Wed.	7AM	Barney Lucas - Margaret
Thurs.	7AM 4:15PM	Mary Beth Durst - Family Kim Gibson - Fred & Amy Reeping
Fri.	7AM Noon	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Richard Reed - Ultreya Phil Baker - Burger Family
Sat.	4PM	Alexis Matthews - John & Betsy
Sun.	8AM 10AM 12:15PM	Jennifer Harrelson - Dave & Sue Smith For the People Virginia and Russel Crimone - Family

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.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE: AUGUST 10 - 17

Wed.	8AM	Quilters - Annex
Thurs.	4:15PM	Mass - Solemnity of the Assumption
Fri.	7AM 1PM Noon	Mass - Solemnity of the Assumption Rosary & Prayers - Church Mass - Solemnity of the Assumption

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, August 14th, at 4:15PM and Friday, August 15th, at Noon. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. We invite you to join us!

Catholics have honored our Blessed Mother since the time of the apostles, and on this day, we celebrate her entrance, body and soul, into the resurrected glory which Jesus promises us all. We continue to discover how ancient Marian devotion really is! At Nazareth, the words Chaire Mariam "Hail Mary" are legible on a column of an ancient building found deep under the present day Byzantine Basilica. The words are undoubtedly intended as, and are a form of, an intercessory prayer from the first centuries of the Church. Catholic Christians have honored our Blessed Mother since the time of the apostles, and on this day, we celebrate her entrance, body and soul, into the resurrected glory which Jesus promises us all.

The Catholic Daughters Court Roses of Mary #2766 are proud to celebrate their fifth anniversary. If you are seeking more fulfilment in your life, consider joining us in our projects. We are always looking for good members.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH PASTOR’S NOTES:
ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY LITURGY
Bishop Mark Barchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2025 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, September 21 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, September 28 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2PM. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Friday, September 12th.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS - The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Wednesday August 13th, 2025, at 6:30PM at the Sunken Gardens. (In case of inclement weather they will be at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University). The presider will be Fr. David Dodd, T.O.R. Bring a Friend!

ST. JOHN VIANNEY - On August 4, the Church celebrated the feast day of St. John Vianney, patron of priests. John Vianney, also known as the Holy Curé de Ars, was born May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, near Lyon, France to a family of farmers. He was ordained a priest in 1815 and became curate in Ecully. He was then sent to the remote French community of Ars in 1818 to be a parish priest. Upon his arrival, the priest immediately began praying and working for the conversion of his parishioners. Although he saw himself as unworthy of his mission as pastor, he allowed himself to be consumed by the love of God as he served the people.

Vianney slowly helped to revive the community’s faith through both his prayers and the witness of his lifestyle. He gave powerful homilies on the mercy and love of God, and it is said that even staunch sinners were converted upon hearing him. In addition, he restored his church, formed an orphanage, “La Providence,” and cared for the poor. His reputation as a confessor grew rapidly, and pilgrims traveled from all over France to come to him in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Firmly committed to the conversion of the people, he would spend up to 16 hours a day in the confessional.

Plagued by many trials and besieged by the devil, St. John Vianney remained firm in his faith, and lived a life of devotion to God. Dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament, he spent much time in prayer and practiced much mortification. He lived on little food and sleep, while working without rest in unflinching humility, gentleness, patience and cheerfulness, until he was well into his 70s. John Vianney died on August 4, 1859. Over 1,000 people attended his funeral, including the bishop and priests of the diocese, who already viewed his life as a model of priestly holiness.

The Holy Curé of Ars was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925. He is the patron of priests. Over 450,000 pilgrims travel to Ars every year in remembrance of his holy life. In 2009, Pope Benedict XVI, commemorating the 150th anniversary of St. John Vianney’s death, declared the Year for Priests. The Pope wrote a Letter to Clergy, encouraging all priests to look to the Curé of Ars as an example of dedication to one’s priestly calling.

DEAR PARISHIONERS, There will be a second collection to secure funds for building maintenance projects. The sum total of the costs for the following projects are estimated at \$122,000. These projects are:

1.Roof Repairs: The slate roofs on our buildings (Church, Hall and Rectory) are aging and are missing several slate tiles and ridge caps. The roofs are over 50 years old, and we are doing our best to extend their life. The cost to repair the roofs and to install heat tracing in the gutters is \$25,000.

2. Church Pavers: \$6,700 **COMPLETED**

3. Parking Lot. The parking lot needs some pavement repairs and resealed. The estimated cost for this work is \$22,000.

4. Hall Air Conditioners: We are proposing to replace the existing units with two high efficiency units at a cost of \$14,400.

5. School Boilers: We had to replace the boilers in the school this past winter. One boiler was replaced at a cost of \$18,000, and \$36,000 is still needed for the two remaining boilers, for a total cost of **COMPLETED** \$54,000.

Over the next several weeks, we will be conducting second collections to raise money for the repairs. Our Parish has always been very generous in supporting the needs of our Church and we hope you will be as generous as your means permit. Thank you! **FUNDS RAISED: \$50,549**

YOU ARE INVITED to the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on Friday, October 17th, 2025. Bishop Mark will celebrate Mass in the upper church at 2PM and visitors will be able to tour this historic Catholic landmark throughout the day. Those interested in participating in the diocesan pilgrimage are welcome to travel on their own OR register and pay to ride on one of the diocesan-organized busses that will leave from various locations around the diocese. We ask that all who are traveling on their own and meeting us in Washington, D.C. RSVP themselves or their carpooling group. Please call the rectory for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS to Megan Harris and Thomas Yonke who were married this past weekend at St. Peter’s. May God Bless their marriage covenant!

STEWARDSHIP: August 10th, 2025 - “For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”

Regular Sunday: \$8,443
Votive: \$265
Online Giving: \$3,066
School: \$0
Building Fund: \$1,698



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SCHOOL NEWS FOR AUGUST 10, 2025
OFFICE HOURS: The school office will be open Mon. – Thurs. 8AM – 2PM, and Fridays 8AM – Noon. We will be closed: Thurs., 8/21 and Mon., 8/25.

AUGUST MAILING: Parents should have received the August Mailing. Please review and return forms by August 14th.

UNIFORM EXCHANGE: The Uniform Exchange is open and available during school office hours.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION: Our Kindergarten Orientation will be Thursday, August 21st at 6:30PM. Families will receive invitations in the mail.

SUPPLIES: Student Supply Lists for the 25-26 school year were handed out in May. They will also be in the upcoming Welcome Back Newsletter and on our new website as soon as it is launched. Please also stop at the office for a printed copy if needed. Students are to have all supplies for the first day of school.

SUMMER MATH & READING: Students in grades 1-6 are to turn in their Summer Math and Reading folders by Fri., August 29th. These were sent home in June.

WELCOME BACK PICNIC: Our “Welcome Back Picnic” will be Saturday, August 23, behind the school for our current students, staff and families. More details will be forthcoming in the Welcome Back Newsletter. We hope to see you there!

8/21: Kindergarten Orientation at 6:30PM
8/23: “Back to School Picnic” More details TBA
8/26: First Day of School; Opening Mass, 11:15AM – Full Uniforms (Grades 1-6)
8/29: School Mass at 11:15AM – Full Uniforms
9/1: NO SCHOOL – Labor Day

2025-2026 CCD REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Scan the QR code below to complete a registration form. You can also visit our parish website or Facebook page to find and complete the form. All new and returning students must be registered. *For any questions, please contact Prudence Shaulis at pshaulis@dioceseaj.org*
Please be sure to review the Confirmation Process Changes



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We would like to thank our sponsor of the week: Miller Funeral Home

ST. PETER’S MEN’S GROUP is excited to announce details for That Man is You! It is an interactive men’s program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith. Beginning Sept. 9th at 7PM in the Hall. All men are welcome. You can learn more at tmiy.org or contact Bill Croushore at billcroushore6768@gmail. com. “*As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.*” - **Proverbs 27:17.** Scan for more info or to sign up.



ST. PETER’S WOMEN’S GROUP will be visiting the Johnstown Deanery Churches for the Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope on Tuesday August 12th. We will depart at 10:30AM, attend Mass at St. John Gualbert Cathedral, followed by recitation of the Rosary at Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, and returning around 3:30PM. Anyone wishing to attend, please call Denise Demchak 814-233-6281.

ROSARY & PRAYERS - As we honor the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Friday August 15th, please join us at 1PM for our monthly Rosary & Prayers in the Church. We will seek the intercession of our dear Blessed Mother for the sick and suffering members of our Parish Family. All are welcome!



THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

will have their next meeting on Wed., September 3rd at 6PM in the annex.

MINISTER SCHEDULE:
AUGUST 14-15 (Solemnity).
Please volunteer
AUGUST 16 - 17
Saturday - 4PM
E.M.: S. McNelly
Lector: V. Jacob
Greeters: Kolonich
Cleaners: L. Holloway & A. Vought
Sunday - 8AM
E.M.: J. Ansell
Lector: J. Wahl
Greeters: Delano
Sunday - 10AM
E.M.: Deacon Komula
Lector: F. Reeping III
Greeters: Hook, Sekela
Sunday - 12:15PM
E.M: B. Farkosh
Lector: F. Kovak
Greeters: Sheets



Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
Pray for us!