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# ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Dan Paugh, Maintenance Supervisor  
Brett Wilmotte, Pastoral Council  
Sean Isgan, Finance Council  
Jason June, Choir Director  
Abby Bristol, Social Media & Bulletin

MASSES FOR THE WEEK: May 11 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup>		
MON	7am	Lewis Mapes - Mapes Family
TUES	7am	Faye Igou - Family
WED	7am 4:15pm	Peggy Rozinsky - Lia Merritt <b>The Ascension of Our Lord</b> Judy Visalli - Joseph Gunter
THU	7am 11:15am 7pm	<b>The Ascension of Our Lord</b> Sue Smith - Pat Gombita <b>The Ascension of Our Lord</b> Lucy Rascona - Carol & Rich Wagner <b>The Ascension of Our Lord</b> Shirley Barndt - Meals on Wheels
FRI	7am *11:00am	Walter & Helen Frederick - Rich & Eric Frederick Ron Kolonich - John & Jo Kolonich
SAT	4pm	Dave Hauger - A Friend
SUN	8am 10am 12:15pm	Mash Bowlby & Fatula Families - Robert & Jeanne Bowlby Barney Lucas - Margaret Lucas For the People

WEEKLY SCHEDULE: MAY 10 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup>		
SUN	All Masses	Mother's Day Carnation Drive
TUE	12PM	Bible Study - Sue Sube's House
WED	9AM 4:15PM 6:30PM	Quilters - Annex The Ascension of our Lord Choir Practice - Church
THU	7AM 11:15AM 7:00PM	The Ascension of our Lord The Ascension of our Lord The Ascension of our Lord
FRI	*11:00AM	Mass - May Crowning (Please note Mass time change)
SAT		
SUN 5/17	12:15	2026 Graduate's Mass & Luncheon

### Parish Office Announcement

We are happy to introduce Renee Meager and Nancy Rose as our new Parish Secretaries. Both Renee and Nancy are parishioners with a long history of service to St. Peters. With Renee and Nancy now on-board, the Parish Office will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00am - 1:00pm. There is also a secure drop box at the office entrance where parishioners can drop off items, requests, etc. during times when the office is closed or you can email the office at [office@stpetersparish.com](mailto:office@stpetersparish.com).

We would also like to acknowledge Carol Wagner, Margie Molnar, Marilyn Ogle, and Janice Fapore who volunteered to staff the office for the past few months.  
THANK YOU LADIES!

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
2026 Parish  
Auction & BBQ  
Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> 2026



**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.

**SUNDAY, MAY 10th PASTOR'S NOTES:**

**125<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY of Altoona-Johnstown Diocese**  
In celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, all the faithful are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Bishop Mark on May 31 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. Priests, deacons, and men and women religious will be in attendance. All parishioners of the diocese are welcome and encouraged to attend the Mass. Anyone interested in being part of the festival choir for the Mass may contact Cathedral Music Director Robert Long by emailing him at rlong@dioceseaj.org.

**MAY 10, 2026 - Stewardship Reflection 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
On this sixth Sunday of Easter, our readings remind us Christian stewards of the importance and power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. They also teach us that love of God shows itself in concrete actions – this is precisely why the stewardship way of life is so necessary.

Throughout the Easter season, our first readings, taken from the Act of the Apostles, have recounted the growth (and growing pains) of the early days of the Church. Today we read that the Samaritans had accepted the word of God, and while there was great rejoicing over this, they were still in need of more before they were fully empowered disciples. The ‘more’ that they needed, was the Holy Spirit.

Today is a great opportunity, especially as we draw nearer to Pentecost, to begin to examine our relationship with the Holy Spirit. Do we make full use of all of the grace and power the Holy Spirit has for us in meeting the challenges of life?

**FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**

Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, is the Feast of our Lord’s Ascension into Heaven. Since it is a holy day of obligation we will have Mass on Wednesday, May 13, at 4:15pm and on Ascension Thursday, May 14, at 7:00am, 11:15am, and 7:00pm.



**FATIMA DEVOTIONS**

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Wednesday May 13, at 6:30pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. **We encourage you to Bring a Friend!**

**SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA**

Padre Pio spent hours in the confessional, bringing people closer to God’s mercy. He believed that forgiveness is a powerful gift that restores the soul. His patience and compassion welcomed sinners with love.

Through confession, he taught the faithful that God’s mercy is boundless. Reconciliation heals not only spiritual wounds but also emotional burdens. Padre Pio’s example reminds us to seek forgiveness without hesitation.

Confession requires humility and honesty – qualities he modeled in his own life. Through it, we encounter Christ personally and experience renewal. Mercy transforms hearts, creating peace within and around us.

By embracing God’s forgiveness, we can extend mercy to others. Padre Pio invites us to open our hearts to this divine gift.



**REGINA COELI** (Prayed during the Easter Season)  
*Queen of heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.  
For He whom you merited 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.  
O God, Who by the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, granted joy to the whole world, grant, we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may lay hold of the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen*

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**RETIREMENT AND JOB OPENING**

After many years of faithful service, our school’s principal, Mrs. Jill Harris, has announced her retirement. We are deeply grateful for her leadership, dedication and the lasting impact she has made on our school community over the past 20 years.

With this announcement, we also begin the process of seeking our next principal to continue the growth and mission of St. Peter School. Job requirements will soon be available on the diocesan website at dioceseaj.org under “Catholic Schools,” then click “Education Employment Opportunities.” Interested parties can also contact Fr. Patti at the rectory, or Mrs. Harris, to learn more about the position. We are also accepting applications for a teacher position for the 26-27 school year. This information will also be available on the diocesan website. We ask for your prayers during this time of transition, trusting in God’s guidance for our school’s future.

**MAY SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn this month in memory of Walter & Helen Frederick from Richard & Evelyn.

Please pray for Patricia McGuire, a parishoner, who died recently.



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen*

**DEAR PARISHIONERS,** The second collection will be for the building fund. Last year, we raised over \$100,000 and completed nearly all of the much needed list of maintenance items. The original electrical panel box in the Hall needs to be updated. Use of many of the circuits is limited. We are increasing the goal to \$170,000 for 2026 to support provision of a new breaker box, replacing a large portion of existing wiring, and replacing all of the original receptacles and switches. A new primary service line is required. Thank you for supporting and maintaining the physical plant **\$170,000** of our parish. **COMPLETED PROJECTS:** **Roof Repairs:** \$25,000, **Church Pavers:** \$6,700, **Parking Lot:** \$22,000, **School Boilers:** \$54,000. **UNFINISHED:** Hall Air Conditioners: \$14,000 and Electrical Work: \$50,000. **Funds Raised: \$149,825**



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**SCHOOL NEWS FOR MAY 10th, 2026**

- 5/11:** Grades 5&6 Field Trip to Flight 93 PTA Meeting and “Thank You Reception” 7pm
- 5/13:** Kindergarten Celebration 1:30pm in Parish Hall
- 5/14:** Ascension Thursday Mass 11:15am - Full Uniforms
- 5/15:** Grade 2 May Crowning Mass 11:00am

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

- 5/18:** Grade 3 Field Trip
- 5/19:** Grade K Field Trip; Grades 1 & 2 Field Trip New Parent Meeting 6:30pm in Annex
- 5/20:** Sports Day! Third Grade “Step Up Night” 6:30pm in Room 3
- 5/21:** Grade 5 DARE Graduation Noon
- 5/22:** Kindergarten Mass 11:15am Early Dismissal 12:40pm
- 5/27:** Sixth Grade Graduation Mass & Reception 6:30pm
- 5/29:** LAST DAY - Closing Mass 9:15am Dismissal 10:40am

**CONGRATULATIONS SCRABBLE TEAM!**

Fourth graders Blake Romesberg & Nicho Coughenour won the fourth-grade First Place Trophy at last week’s Somerset County SCRABBLE Tournament. Great job, boys! We are proud of all of our SCRABBLE teams and special thanks to those parents who volunteered for this year’s event.

**St. Peter School PTA Golf Outing**

Friday, June 26, 2026 at Somerset Country Club. Breakfast and registration begin at 8AM, with golf at 9AM. Cost is \$100/golfer, which includes coffee, light breakfast, BBQ lunch, and prizes.

**Sponsorship opportunities:** Banner Sponsor (\$200), Tee Sponsor (\$100), and Individual/Family Sponsor (\$25).

**All proceeds benefit St. Peter School in Somerset.**

To register a foursome or more information, contact: Jodi (814-442-6483, jodilohr@yahoo.com) or Dave (814-483-6460, davesube1981@gmail.com). Checks should be made to St. Peter School PTA and mailed or dropped off at: 433 West Church Street, Somerset, PA 15501 (Attn: Golf Outing).

**ST. PETER’S 2026 VBS: JUNE 23-25 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are seeking volunteers to assist in planning activities, helping with camp, and much more! If you're interested in lending a hand, please scan the QR code. Youth who are entering 7th grade and older are able to volunteer!



For social media or website content, email editor@stpetersparish.com. For bulletin announcements and parish calendar events, email both editor@stpetersparish.com and office@stpetersparish.com. Submit bulletin requests by the Wednesday before the Sunday announcement.

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

**CCD NEWS**

**Paula Vinzani, DRE**  
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Congratulations to all of our Confirmation and First Communion students! Thank you for the hard work, dedication, and faith you have shown in preparing to receive these holy sacraments. We are proud of each of you and pray that God continues to guide you on your faith journey.

As we look ahead to the fall, please prayerfully consider volunteering to serve as a CCD teacher. Sharing your faith and time can make a lasting impact on our parish children and families. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Paula.



**THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA** will meet Wednesday, June 3rd at 6PM in the annex.

**St. Peters Men’s Group** will meet Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7PM in the annex.

**ROSARY & Prayers** will be held on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00pm in the Church. The prayer intention this month is for the Class of 2026 Graduates that GOD will guide and bless them in their future endeavors. All are welcome to attend.

*The history of every human being passes through the threshold of a woman’s motherhood.*



St. John Paul II

**MINISTER SCHEDULE:**

**MAY 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Cleaners: Saturday**  
R. Frederick & A. Isgan  
**Saturday - 4PM**  
EM: A. Svonavec  
Lector: V. Jacob  
Greeters: McTiernan  
**Sunday - 8AM**  
EM: C. Gombita  
Lector: L. Wahl  
Greeters: Gusbar  
**Sunday - 10AM**  
E.M.: Deacon Komula  
Lector: F. Keeping III  
Greeters: Hook, Sekela  
**Sunday - 12:15PM**  
E.M.: J. Zern  
Lector: L. Latuch  
Greeters: Snyder

**STEWARDSHIP:**

*True love is an act of the will. It requires obedience, humility, and deep trust in God.*

**May 3, 2026**  
**Sunday Giving: \$9,618**  
**Online: \$3,395**  
**Building Fund: \$4,144**  
**Votive: \$120**  
**School: \$40**

