

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



*June 29 The Feast of
Saints Peter and Paul*

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary



PARISH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. David L. James J.C.L.
PASTORS EMERITI: Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin
Rev. Msgr. William E. Handges
PERMANENT DEACON: Mr. Thomas Reimer
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Mrs. Lina Abi-Samra
FINANCE MANAGER: Mrs. Michelle Ahern
DIRECTOR OF REL. ED.: Mrs. Linda Johnson

MASS SCHEDULE: DAILY: 8 A.M. (*Wednesday and Friday*)

Saturday Evening: 4:30 P.M. Sunday: 10:30 A.M.

Holy Days: 8:00 A.M.

PENANCE: Saturday: 3:45 to 4:15 P.M. and by appointment

During Advent and Lent, Communal Penance Services are celebrated.

BAPTISM: Contact the rectory for an appointment.

Baptism is scheduled on Sunday following the 10:30 A.M. Mass

Parents may be required to attend a preparatory instruction in the rectory.

MARRIAGE: Couples should contact the parish priest at least 1 year but no later than 6 months prior to the intended wedding date. Weddings are on Saturday between 10A.M. and 1P.M.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Notify the rectory when someone becomes seriously ill, or weak due to old age, so that the person might receive this Sacrament.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: The priest & Deacons perform this service monthly. Notify us when someone wishes to be visited.

HOSPITALIZED: Alert us whenever someone has to be hospitalized, especially when their admission is an emergency. The parish identification number is #171.

PARISH REGISTRATION: New members should make an appointment with the pastor.

HIGH SCHOOL: Allentown Central Catholic, 4th & Chew St., Allentown 18102; Phone 610-437-4601

ELEMENTARY: Good Shepherd Catholic School, 1300 Newport Ave., Northampton, PA 18067
phone: 610-262-9171 Mrs. Susan Parker, M.Ed. Principal

CCD PROGRAM: Classes conducted at the Holy Apostles Catholic Education Center,
3008 Ruch St., Whitehall, PA 18052

The program is from September to the end of April. These classes are necessary for eligibility to receive the Sacraments of Penance, Eucharist and Confirmation. Contact Mrs. Linda Johnson at 610-261-0144

BEQUESTS: Please remember St. Peter Church in your Last Will & Testament.

IN MEMORIAM FUND: After the death of a family member you are invited to have that person's name commemorated on the Church Plaque by suggesting that memorial offerings be donated to the Church in memory of the deceased person.

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE Wendy Krisak, Direct Telephone 1-800-791-9209 Email: victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT Pamela Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204 Email: pruso@allentowndiocese.org

CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.



 www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com



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610.262.2417



610.262.2652

Mission Statement

We, as a Catholic parish under the patronage of Saint Peter, are a Eucharistic family, centered in prayer and worship, dedicated to self-sacrificing stewardship, and journeying together, Spirit-inspired, to the heavenly Kingdom.



Sunday June 23 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 38: 1, 8-11; 2Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

8:00 AM Dick Rodgers (St. Peter)
Edward and Anna Parvel (St. John)

10:30 AM Holy Name Society (St. Peter)
Martina Lloyd (St. John)

Monday June 24th The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Is 49: 1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

8:00 AM No Morning Mass

Tuesday June 25th Weekday at Saint John

2Kgs 19: 9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Mt 7:6, 12-14

8:00 AM Louis Stumpf (St. Peter)
Gyory Family-LV (St. John)

Wednesday June 26th Weekday at SAINT PETER

2Kgs 22:8-13, 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

8:00AM Raymond Sommers

Thursday June 27th Weekday at St. JOHN

2Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Peter and St. John

Friday June 28th St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr at SAINT PETER

2Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4

8:00AM Carl Kroboth

Saturday June 29th Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles at SAINT PETER

Acts 12:1-11; 2Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

8:00AM Donald Rogan (St. John)

Vigil Mass at SAINT PETER

Confessions: 3:45-4:15PM

4:30 PM Allen Sr. and Anna Edelman (St. Peter)
David Carl (St. John)

Sunday June 30th Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM at **SAINT JOHN**
William and Pauline Kuchera (St. Peter)
Frederick Vrana (St. John)

10:30AM at **SAINT PETER**
Anette Velekei (St. Peter)

Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 6/16

Basket collection \$4200.00 plus online \$436.00

Please continue your weekly or monthly giving to our parish. Your contributions are vital in order for us to meet our obligations. If unable to attend Mass, kindly send your envelopes through the mail or drop them in the rectory mail slot.

Your **support** to your parish is critical.

I thank you for your kind and generous response.

Please be assured that you and your family are always in my prayers
Monsignor James



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<https://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com>

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PRAYER GROUP

If you would like your name or the name of a family member to be added to the list please call the office at 610.262.2417



FLAME OF LOVE

On Tuesday, June 25th 2024



HOLY HOUR

Will be held on Wednesday, June 26th at 7pm in the Church

MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS:

DECEASED: Helen Boger, Leslie Toth, Janet Rusiano, George Pavelko, George Bethurem

COLLECTION FOR THE EVANGELIZING SISTERS OF MARY

The Altar and Rosary Society will be collecting some essential items for the sisters who will reside in the convent at Saint Peter.

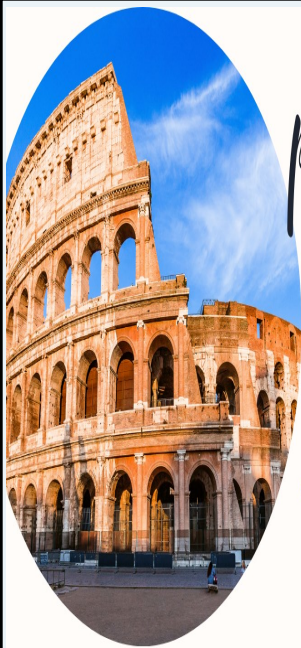
We need: toothpaste, toothbrushes, hand soaps, hand lotions, facial tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, shampoos, conditioners, body wash, hand towels, kitchen/dish towels, kitchen utensils.

The collection bins are in all vestibules



Thank you for supporting this great fundraiser!





pilgrimage

13 days to Italy & Austria

TRAVEL WITH MSGR. DAVID L. JAMES

We will be visiting Rome, the Vatican, Assisi, Orvieto, Loretto, Florence, Siena, Padua, Salzburg, Burgenland, Eisenstadt, Vienna.



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Good Shepherd Catholic School has limited space available for students entering grades K-8, Pre-K (4 years old) and Preschool (3 year old). We are now accepting registrations for the 2024-2025 school year for all grades. Classrooms are filling up fast! Don't wait! For more information regarding enrollment, please call Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director at 610-262-9171, email her at msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com or visit our school website at www.goodshepherd-catholic.com!

Our summer office hours will be Tuesday – Thursday 9am-11am. The office will be closed the weeks of July 15th and July 22nd. Grocery card sales will take place on the following Tuesdays during the summer. June 11,18; July 2; August 6,13,20,27.



Holy Apostles RE

610.261.0144 or holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org
Summer Office Hours:

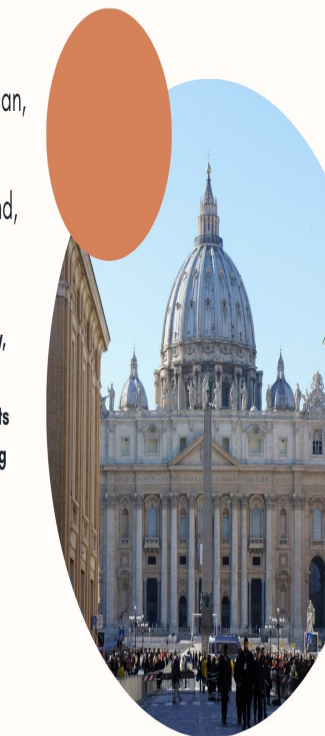
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10:00am-5pm
Thursday: 12Noon-6:00pm
Friday: Closed

ANGELORUM



the Women's Choir of the Diocese of Allentown, under the direction of Beverly McDevitt, has been asked to sing at the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA, on the Feast of the Assumption, August 15, 2024. We are opening up the bus trip to the Diocese in the hope that others may want to join us at this beautiful shrine for a day of prayer culminating in Mass at 2 pm. The bus will leave the Cathedral parking lot at 6:30 am and return at approximately 9:30 pm the same day. Lunch and dinner are on their own. Cost is \$65 per person, and seats will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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“Whoever is generous to the poor
lends to the Lord, and he will
repay him for his deed.” Proverbs
19:17 ESV

CEREAL COLLECTION FOR THE WHITEHALL COPLAY HUNGER INITIATIVE

It is that time again! *We will be collecting boxes of Cereal (hot and cold) in support of Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative. Containers are located in the main vestibule and the elevator vestibule. This collection will take place on the last weekend of the month. Our goal is 100 boxes.*



Dear Parishioners,

In my letter last week, I mentioned that for the remainder of 2024, you will see two intentions assigned to each Mass. One intention will be the one requested for that particular Mass at St. Peter and the other one was requested for that Mass at St. John. If there is only one intention listed that means that one parish had an intention for that Mass.

The doubling of intentions is permitted by the Holy See (the Vatican) in situations where two parishes are twinned or merged and there are a number of Mass intentions that must be satisfied.

In these cases, the priest offers the Mass for both intentions. Since the fruits of the Mass are infinite because of the infinite nature of Christ's sacrifice in redeeming the world, the infinite fruits of the Mass are applied to both intentions without either intention receiving less. So, the practice of offering Masses for double intentions does not “rob” either person who is remembered of the graces of the Mass. Remember that a Mass may be offered for the living and the dead.

There are three options open to the donor of the Mass intention when it is doubled with another intention:

The donor may withdraw the intention, have the \$10.00 stipend refunded.

The donor may ask the pastor to transfer the intention and the stipend to a retired priest or missionary priest, who will offer Mass for that intention alone. We can transfer the intentions to the Apostles of Jesus or the Father Ritz, the Vicar for Clergy who will then send the intention to a retired priest who needs Mass intentions.

The donor may simply let the Mass be offered for the intention as it is scheduled.

Unless I am told otherwise, I will presume that the donors who have requested the Mass intentions are fine with his or her intention being offered with another intention. In those cases where the Mass is offered for two intentions, the priest may only keep the stipend from one of the intentions and give the other stipend away. That is specified in Church (Canon) Law. In the Diocese of Allentown, the local regulation is that the extra Mass stipends are to be given to the Priests' Pension Fund for the care of the retired priests.

If you have any questions about Mass intentions or stipends, don't hesitate to ask me.

The Solemnity of the Birth of Saint John the Baptist

Monday, June 24, is the Solemnity of the Birth of Saint John the Baptist, the patronal feast day of Saint John the Baptist Parish. While there is no Mass scheduled for that day, the church will be open from 8:00am until 4:00pm for those who want to come and make a visit. A plenary indulgence (the remission of all temporal punishment for our sins) can be gained by visiting the Church and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father and reciting the Our Father, and the Apostles Creed. The person gaining the indulgence must be in the state of grace, i.e. no mortal sins. If you are cognizant of having committed a mortal sin, sacramental confession is required for the indulgence to be granted. An indulgence, either plenary (full) or partial can be applied to oneself, to another living person, to a particular deceased person, or to all the souls in Purgatory.

The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul

Saturday, June 29th is the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, the patronal feast day of Saint Peter Parish. Because of this solemnity and the opportunity of gaining an indulgence by attending Mass in a church on its patronal feast day, the Saturday morning Mass which would normally be at St. John the Baptist will be at St. Peter at 8:00am. Please see the note on the Solemnity of Saint John the Baptist for the particulars of gaining the indulgence.