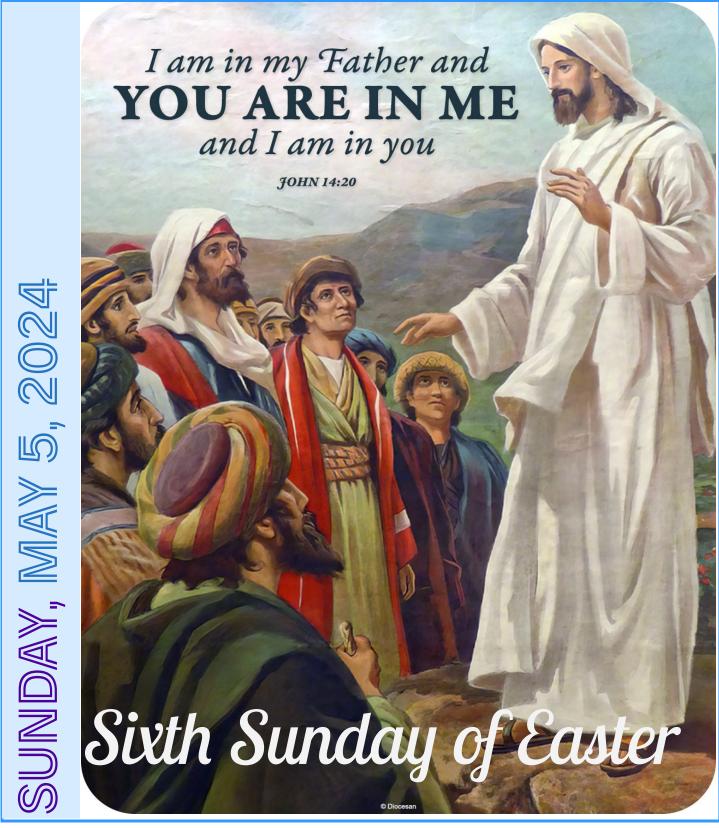
# Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037





2024

### **PARISH STAFF**



**PASTOR:** Rev. Msgr. David L. James V.G., 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. ~ Chapel (except Monday & Saturday)

Saturday Evening: 4:00 P.M. Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 Å.M.

Holy Days: 8:00 A.M. & 6:30 P.M.

**PENANCE:** Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 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 Sts., 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

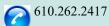
CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at <a href="https://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org">www.ReportBishopAbuse.org</a> or by calling 800-276-1562.

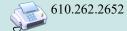


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### Mission Statement

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.



<u>Sunday May 5th Sixth Sunday of Easter</u>
Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; 1Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17
8:00 AM Theresa Meixner
10:30 AM Edward and Theresa Koren

Monday May 6th Easter Weekday Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a 8:00 AM No Morning Mass

Tuesday May 7th Easter Weekday
Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11
8:00 AM Parishioners of Saint Peter

Wednesday May 8th Easter Weekday
Acts 17:15,22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15
8:00AM Jacob and Mary Molchany
6:30PM Betty Blaker and John S. Bundra Jr.

Thursday May 9th Ascension Of The Lord
Acts 1:1-11; Mk 16:15-20
8:00 AM Paul H. Csencsits

Friday May 10th Easter Weekday

Acts 18:9-18; Jn 14: 6-14
8:00AM Deceased Members of Sinkovits and
Schatz Families

Saturday May 11th Easter Weekday Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Vigil Mass 4:00 PM Living and Deceased Mothers

### Sunday May 12th Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Living and Deceased Mothers 10:30AM Living and Deceased Mothers



### 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

### Stewardship Corner Sunday Collection Week of Sunday 4/28 Basket collection \$4132.00 plus online \$743.00

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



### **ONLINE GIVING**

\*\*Start giving online today!\*\*
Visit our parish website at
<a href="https://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com">https://www.stpeterchurchcoplay.com</a>
Click on the online giving link
Create an account.
Schedule your recurring gifts



### FLAME OF LOVE On Tuesday, May 7th 2024



## HOLY HOUR No Holy Hour this Week

No Holy Hour this Week Because of Ascension Thursday Mass

### **DEVOTIONAL LAMP**



### Sanctuary Light

Will burn in memory of Herman Frisch. Offered by Dorothy Holderman

### Saint Joseph Vigil Light

Will burn in memory of
Deceased Members of the Sinkovits and Schatz family
Offered by Donna and Theresa Sinkovits

### **PIEROGIES**

We have a limited amount of frozen pierogies. If anyone is interested please call Judy at 610.262.6626



#### MAY PROCESSION

Our Annual May Procession and Crowning of the Blessed Mother will take place this Sunday, May 5th, at 1PM in front of the Shrine. In case of inclement weather we will meet in the Church.



In the past week someone claiming to be Monsignor James has attempted to defraud at least two parishioners by requesting gift cards. Monsignor James will not contact anyone by email or text asking for money or gift cards. If

someone contacts you claiming to be Msgr. James, do not respond.

Please notify the parish office at 610.262.2417.

### ASCENSION THURSDAY

ASCENSION THURSDAY is Thursday, May 9th. This is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 6:30PM on Wednesday, May 8th and at 8:00AM on Thursday, May 9th. The Ascension of Jesus reminds us that Jesus' resurrected body was taken up to Heaven. This happened in the presence of eleven of his apostles, 40 days after the resurrection.

Now accepting reservations for St. Peter bus trip Date: Thursday, November 7, 2024



to see "JOY TO THE WORLD" at American Music Theatre, in Lancaster.

Includes R/T transportation from St. Peter, show, Family style meal at Hershey Farms, and a stop at Kitchen Kettle, refreshments & snacks on bus. Cost is \$125 per person. A non-refundable deposit of \$25pp is due with names of all participants. Please make checks payable to St. Peter R.C. Church. For reservations contact Beverly M. Sobchak at 610-767-1887. Balance due no later than Sept. 10, 2024.

Mark your Calendars for our 2025 trips.

- March 7, 2025 Philadelphia Flower Show
- Dinner show at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse or
- Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre,
- Penn's Peak Tribute to Johnny Cash
- ♦ Christmas Show Nov. 25, 2025
- A possible cruise.

For additional information, or if you have any questions please contact Beverly at 610.767.1887



Good Shepherd will be closed Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Our May Procession will be held Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am in our school parking lot. All are invited to attend! We ask that you please do not park in the school parking

lot. Thank you!

Get ready! Good Shepherd will be participating in the "Make A Joyful Noise" lip dub video competition again this year against other Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Allentown. On May 1<sup>st</sup> our school video will be available to view, vote & donate! Be on the lookout for the QR code, website and our school flyers! Thank you for helping to make GSCS a winner!

Good Shepherd Catholic School will now be selling GSCS Family Prayer Cards. Each card is \$5.00. You can enroll deceased family members or friends, or someone for health and blessings. Prayer cards are available for purchase during school hours, and before and after our school Masses.

Good Shepherd Catholic School Family members will be acknowledged in the following ways:

A votive candle will be lit in their honor.
Their name will be written in our intention book.
They will be remembered every day in the prayers of all the children during morning prayer.

Good Shophard Catholic School Prayer Family.

Good Shepherd Catholic School Prayer Family members will be remembered at every school Mass. This card is not a Mass Card, rather a Prayer card where a general intention inclusive of all Prayer Family Members will be mentioned.

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 Nochton, Advancement Director at 610-262-9171, email her at <a href="mailto:msnochtong-scs@goodshepherd-catholic.com">msnochtong-scs@goodshepherd-catholic.com</a> or visit our school website at <a href="https://www.goodshepherd-catholic.com">www.goodshepherd-catholic.com</a>!



### Holy Apostles RE

610.261.0144 or holypostlesre@holyapostlesre.org <u>Office Hours</u>: M-Th 3-8PM; closed Fridays

As another P.R.E.P. year comes to a close, we recognize and **thank** our P.R.E.P. teachers and volunteers who work so selflessly to teach our children each week during the school year We ask God to bless them for this great sacrifice of love!

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY HOAGIE SALE

Holy Name members are available after this weekend's and next weekend's Masses. Next weekend is your last opportunity to order hoagies. Pick-up 5/18 1-5 PM in the Church Hall.

Join us for coffee and donuts on the weekend of May 25-26. This gathering will be to honor all U.S. military personnel who died serving in our Armed Forces, and to socialize and share camaraderie with friends and neighbors.



The 2024 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal is underway! Our parish support is a vital part of

this Diocesan-wide

effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. You can make your gift today at:

www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org

Saint Peter's Goal: \$46,881.00 pledged to date \$26,484.00.

Last year we raised through gifts and pledges: \$47,500.00

Thank you to all who donated so far!

### **2025 JUBILEE**



Travel with Msgr. David James, Pastor of Saint Peter's Parish, Coplay, PA on our Pilgrimage to Italy and Austria.

**WHERE:** Rome, Orvieto, Loreto, Assisi, Siena, Pisa, Florence, Padua, Vienna, Eisenstadt, Burgenland, Salzburg

TRIP DATES: October 12-24, 2025 COST \$6599.00 Airfare and ALL-Included To register, please contact (855) 842.8001or (508) 340-9370. You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com

For any questions please call the office at 610.262.2417

### **CORPUS CHRISTI**



The Annual Corpus Christi Procession will be held on Sunday, June 2nd at 1pm. We will begin in the Church. Please mark your calendars for this special event.



### **MOTHERS' DAY CARDS**

Mother's Day Mass cards are available in the Main vestibule, please drop your donations in the Collection Basket.

Happy Mothers' Day!



The office will be closed on Thursday May 9th, in observance of Ascension Thursday, and will reopen on Friday May 10.

During the month of May the rosary will be recited before all Masses and the Miraculous Medal Novena will be recited during our weekly Holy Hour. Please join us for this great devotion to our Blessed Mother.



RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9 - 11, 2024 and again on October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit <a href="www.HelpOurMarriage.org">www.HelpOurMarriage.org</a> or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.