

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
PEACE



PARISH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. David L. James J.C.L.

PASTORS EMERITI: Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin

Rev. Msgr. William E. Handges

PERMANENT DEACONS: Mr. Michael Kudla

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.

MASS INTENTIONS
December 8 - December 14, 2024

Sunday December 8th Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6,8-11; Lk 3:1-6

8:00 AM Anna Semler (St. Peter)
James M. Nolan (St. John)

10:30 AM Mike Baver (St. Peter)

Monday December 9th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Lk 1:26-38

8:00 AM at Saint Peter
Theresa Schwartz (St. Peter)
6:30 PM at Saint John
Ethel Cooper (St. Peter)
St. John's Memorial Members (St. John)

Tuesday December 10th Advent Weekday at St JOHN

Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14

8:00 AM Anna and Al Edelman, Sr. (St. Peter)
Helen Feichtl (St. John)

Wednesday December 11th Advent Weekday at St PETER

Is 40: 25-31; Mt 11:28-30

8:00AM Anette Velekei

Thursday December 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe at St JOHN

Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Peter & St. John

Friday December 13th St. St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr at St PETER

Is 48: 17-19; Mt 11:16-19

8:00AM John F. Toth (St. Peter)
Alois C. Rutz (St. John)

Saturday December 14th St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church at St JOHN

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

8:00 AM Joseph G. Sommer (St. John)

Vigil Mass at St PETER

Confessions: 3:45-4:15PM

4:30 PM Anna Marie Becker (St. Peter)

Sunday December 15th Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM at **SAINT JOHN**

Altar and Rosary Society (St. Peter)
Edward and Anna Parvel (St. John)

10:30 AM at **SAINT PETER**

Louis Klucharich (St. Peter)

Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection \$5405.00 plus online \$1100.00

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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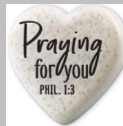
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PRAYER GROUP



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, December 10th, 2024
at 6pm in the Chapel



HOLY HOUR

On Wednesday, December 11th, 2024
at **6PM** in the Church
Confessions will be heard.



STOCKING STUFFERS

Are you in need of Stocking Stuffers or a special gift for the special people in your family? Please consider purchasing a yearly calendar for the price of 25 for a 365 chances to win.

MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS:

Deceased: Veronica Kurtz, Charlotte Hobel, Joseph Groller



DEVOTIONAL LAMPS SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn this week in memory of
*The Deceased Members of the Falco &
Hoffer Familiar*

Offered by Barry and JoAnn Walakovits

BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn this week in memory of
Helen Troop

Offered by Barbara Lynn

SAINT JOSEPH VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn this week in memory of
Robert Rabenold

Offered by Ron and Sue Rabenold



BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

The weekend of December 14-15,
we will observe Bambinelli Sunday.
Please bring the Infant or the Holy
Family from your home Nativity

scenes/creches to Church to have them blessed and
place them on the table inside the altar-rail. Please
make sure that they are marked with your name.



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.



Trip includes: transportation from/to Coplay,
Airfare, Taxes and fees, 4 or 5 star hotels,
Transportation with luxury bus. All breakfasts
and dinners, Guided tours, Luggage handling
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Northampton, PA
610-262-9171

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<https://www.goodshepherd-catholic.com>

The Home & School Association at Good Shepherd
Catholic School will be hosting their holiday craft/
vendor fair on Sunday, December 8th from 9am to 3pm.
There will be activities for the whole family, including
Christmas crafts, writing letters to Santa for the kids,
holiday themed snacks and concessions for all, in addi-
tion to all the wonderful crafters and vendors available
for all your gift-giving needs. Make a day of it to support
small businesses & stop by for some family fun, great
food, & finish your holiday gift-giving purchases! We
hope to see you there!

HOLY APOSTLES RELIGIOUS CENTER

610.261.0144 or

holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org

3008 S. Ruch St. Whitehall, PA 18052

Fall Office Hours : Monday-Thursday 3-8pm
Friday: Closed

All Students to attend Mass at St. John on Monday
12/9 at 6:30pm in observance of the Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Reconciliation Practice 12/12 7:30PM

First Penance: Friday 12/13 at 6:30pm



BUS TRIPS

NOAH Wednesday, May
21, 2025 at Sight & Sound
Theatre, Lancaster. It's
the "30th Anniversary" of
the show. The cost is \$175
per person includes:

transportation from St. Peter, a stop at Kitchen Ket-
tle, Dinner at Shady Maple, Driver Gratuity, Snacks
& Refreshments on the bus. NON-REFUNDABLE
DEPOSIT OF \$25pp is due with the names of all
participants. Balance due by March 26, 2025 Please
make checks payable to St. Peter Church.

FLOWER SHOW: Friday, March 7, 2025 is \$100
per person. Non- Refundable deposit of \$25 pp is
due with names of all participants no later than
01/15/2025. The bus will depart St. Peter at
9:30 AM. If you already signed up for either bus
trip, now is the time to send your deposit or drop it
off at St. Peter Rectory to ensure your seat.
For reservations or information, contact Beverly
610-767-1887.



WINE SALE

We have a nice selection for sale left from the Wine Fest. We will be selling wine after the 4:30 and the 10:30 Masses the weekends of December 7-8 in the Church Hall. For additional information, please contact Al at 484.515.6204

OPLATKI



Don't forget to order your Oplatki/Christmas wafers. Each wafer is \$1.00. Please call the rectory at 610.262.2417 to place your order or pick up. We have a very limited supply.



TIS THE SEASON FOR THE GIVING TREE

The Program this year is accepting gift cards to Target, Walmart, or any grocery store. Please donate to brighten someone's Christmas! you may drop them off in the collection baskets in an envelope labeled Gift Card or in the mail slot at the rectory. Your donations will be sent to Catholic Charities

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed"



COPLAY FOOD PANTRY

During the season of Advent, we will be collecting food items for the Coplay Food Pantry.

Please make sure the items that you are donating are not outdated. They are in need of microwavable food... spaghetti sauce, rice pouches, fruit cups, tuna, Hormel meals, canned pasta, apple sauce, paper products, soaps, spam, instant potatoes, noodles, crackers, Jell-O, oatmeal, cooking oil, canned vegetables, etc. No big items please. Please drop off your donations in the containers in the vestibules.

DECEMBER 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 First Sunday of Advent	2	3 Flame of Love 6pm Putz Lighting at Convent 7:15pm	4 Holy Hour 6 pm Communion Calls	5 communion calls	6 communion calls	7
8 Second Sunday of Advent	9 The Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses are 8am at St. Peter 6:30pm at St. John	10 Flame of Love 6pm	11 Holy Hour 6 pm	12	13	14
15 Gaudete Sunday	16	17 Cookie pick-up 3-6pm Flame of Love 6pm	18 Holy Hour 6 pm	19	20	21
22 Fourth Sunday of Advent	23	24 4pm Mass at St. John & St. Peter 9pm at St. John office closed	25 9:30 AM Mass at Saint Peter office closed	26 office closed	27	28
29	30	31 4pm Mass at St. John office closed	9:00AM Mass at St. Peter			