

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them,
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself,
take up his cross, and follow me."

Mt 8:34



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024





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



info@stpetersccoplay.com



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 September 15th Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:4c-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

8:00 AM Altar and Rosary Society (St. Peter)
Joseph R. Sommer (St. John)

10:30 AM Parishioners of Saint Peter & Saint John Parishes

Monday September 16th Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 11:17-26,33; Lk 7:1-10

8:00 AM No Morning Mass

Tuesday September 17th Weekday at Saint John

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17

8:00 AM Larry Plotsko (St. Peter)
Dennis Atiyeh-LV (St. John)

Wednesday September 18th Weekday at SAINT PETER

1 Cor 12:31—13:13; Lk 7:31-35

8:00AM Deceased Members of the Weber and Meyer Families

Thursday September 19th Weekday at Saint John

1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50

7:00 AM Carlos Ramirez (St. Peter)
Peter Blynn (St. John)

Friday September 20th Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs at SAINT PETER

1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3

8:00AM Pauline Kuchera (St. Peter)
Robert Seng (St. John)

Saturday September 21st Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist at SAINT JOHN

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

8:00 AM Frank and Julia Tauber (St. John)

Vigil Mass at SAINT PETER

Confessions: 3:45-4:15PM

4:30 PM Marguerite Sommers (St. Peter)
Danette Koons (St. John)

Sunday September 22nd Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM at **SAINT JOHN**

Bernard Schwindenhammer (St. Peter)
George E. Berner (St. John)

10:30 AM at **SAINT PETER**

Holy Name Society (St. Peter)
Patrick Sinatore (St. John)

Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection 4733.00 plus online \$1288.00

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

OUR PROVIDER HAS A NEW MOBILE APP!



• **Go to:**

• **Search**

for: Church by Ministry One

• **Download App now**

• **Type: St Peter (no period after St) and click find my church**

• **Scroll down and click St Peter Coplay**

• **Click on select this church on bottom of screen**

• **Click allow**

• **Follow instructions on screen to open app and make your donations**



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, September 17, 2024



HOLY HOUR

On Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Masses Said by Retired Priests:

Deceased: Joe Groller



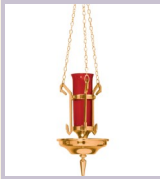
CHOIR NEWS

Choir rehearsals for the month of September are: Mondays 9/16;

9/30

Rehearsals start at 6:15 P.M.

New members are welcome



**DEVOTIONAL LAMPS
SANCTUARY LAMP**

*Will burn this week in memory of
Pauline Kuchera
Offered by Monica Kuchera*



**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC
SCHOOL** 1300 Newport Ave,
Northampton, PA 610-262-9171
e-mail: altngs@ptd.net
<https://www.goodshepherd-catholic.com>


*School Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-3pm.
Good Shepherd Catholic School will be closed Mon.,
Sept. 2 for the Labor Day weekend. For more info
regarding enrollment, please call Erica Nochtan,
Advancement Director or email her at
msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com.
Visit our website: GoodShepherd-Catholic.com*





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 Copley,
Airfare, Taxes and fees, 4 or 5 star hotels,
Transportation with luxury bus. All breakfasts
and dinners, Guided tours, Luggage handling
(1 carry-on and 1 suitcase)

 **DATE:** October 12-24, 2025
 **COST:** \$6,599.00 per person
make checks payable to:
Proximo Travel, Inc.

 **NOT INCLUDED:** Lunch, Travel Insurance.

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For additional info., please call the rectory at 610.262.2417

**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC DAILY
MASSES**

*Monday, 10/28 St. Teresa of Calcutta, 600 W.
Mahanoy Ave., Mahanoy City at 6pm*

HOLY APOSTLES RE

610.261.0144 or holyapostlesre@holyapostlesre.org
Fall Office Hours :

*Monday-Thursday 3-8pm
Friday: Closed*

*We are looking for volunteer teachers for grades 7
& 6th. If interested please call the office at
610.261.0144*

*First Penance parents meeting 9/20 at 7pm at Holy
Trinity.*

No Classes 10/14,16

*All Classes Rosary 10/15 at St. John the Baptist from
6-6:45pm*

ST. ELIZABETH – GOLF TOURNAMENT

*The St. Elizabeth Regional School Annual Golf
Tournament on September 28th at the Whitetail Golf
Course is a short time away! Have a foursome or
need a player? This is a fun day packed with good
times and great people. Contact Jason Kahr,
jkahr2@gmail.com or the school office for more de-
tails 610-264-0143. Looking forward to seeing you*

MASS BOOK



*The 2025 Mass Book will open on
Wednesday, September 18, 2024. We
will be in the **CHURCH HALL** be-
tween 9:30am and 12 noon. We will*


*schedule 3 Mass intentions per family, one weekend
Mass and two weekday Masses. The stipend for each
Mass intention is \$10. Requests will be honored on
a first come first serve basis, and will be granted as
close to the requested date as possible, if the re-
quested day is not available. We will accept cash,
check (made payable to St. Peter Parish) or credit/
debit.*

ST. MARY'S
OKTOBERFEST
 122 UNION ST., CATASAUQUA
Saturday, September 21
 4:00 PM in the Church
 German Mass with a Polka Flair
 featuring Robbie Lawrence




5:00 to 9:00 PM in the Parish Center
 German Themed Foods
 and Beers with live music by
Robbie Lawrence and the SteelWorkers
Kitchen Open – Free Admission
No Outside Food or Drinks Permitted
 For more information email: kim.stmarys122@gmail.com
 Visit our website: annunciationbvm.net

PENNSYLVANIA
PRO-LIFE
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TOWNHALL TALK
PRO-LIFE 101

Are you wondering what's happening in Pennsylvania on the pro-life front?

Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation's Maria Gallagher and Remil Teny will shed light on the current state of the pro-life movement in Pennsylvania, offering insights and perspectives that matter.

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| DAY SEPT 29 | TIME 4PM | ST. ANNE'S COMMUNITY CENTER 375 Hickory St Bethlehem, PA 18018 |
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For more information
www.BethlehemEastonProLife.org
phlorat@rcn.com



Renew Youth Minister Retreat

The Diocese of Allentown invites you to join us. Whether you are a veteran or new to youth ministry, this retreat will renew your heart, root you more deeply in Christ, and strengthen you to minister more effectively through the power of the Holy Spirit.

WHEN: October 14th-16th
WHERE: Camp Damascus
 7550 Ramey Rd - Centerburg, OH 43011
COST: \$50
(Includes lodging and meals)
COST: \$80
(includes transportation, lodging and meals)


***Mass**
***Adoration**
***Keynote Speakers**
***Fellowship**
***Activities**

CONTACT INFO:
zhodgskin@allentowndiocese.org
kalbright@allentowndiocese.org
 (610)871-5200 ext 2312 or 2216

To register contact
Zelenda Hodgskin or Katie Albright

Join us!

ALLENTOWN CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS
Networking Breakfast Series




TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024 / 8-9am
 MASSON AUDITORIUM • NO CHARGE • BUSINESS CASUAL
 Doors open at 7:30am, a continental breakfast will be served with time for networking with fellow participants.


GUEST SPEAKER: Mike Guman, former NFL/Penn State star, father of five Allentown Central Catholic Alumni, retired Senior Advisor Consultant Invesco, board member/consultant for several Lehigh Valley nonprofits.

The mission of this gathering is to engage our community to celebrate our Catholicity in business which mirrors the mission of Allentown Central Catholic to graduate students who are always faithful to living a life that is committed to faith, equitable justice, integrity, and responsible citizenship.

Open to alumni, community members, business persons who share similar beliefs and want to contribute to the betterment of our community.



To RSVP, <https://bit.ly/4daXu3l>
 or scan the QR code to RSVP –
 we look forward to seeing you!



For more information, please contact
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 and Associate Director of Athletic Advancement
 at dcsensits@acchs.info.