

Saint Peter Church

4 South 5th Street • Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037



All Saints All Souls

For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day.” John 6:40

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 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 DEACONS: Mr. Thomas Reimer
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@allentowndioocese.org

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

MASS INTENTIONS
October 27 - November 2, 2024

Sunday October 27th Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

8:00 AM Russell Schoch (St. Peter)
Frank and Julia Spanitz (St. John)

10:30 AM Holy Name Society (St. Peter)
Mary Christoff (St. John)

3:00 PM CEMETERY SERVICE

In case of inclement weather, the service will be in the church.

Monday October 28th Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles at **St PETER**

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

No Morning Mass

Tuesday October 29th Weekday at **St JOHN**

Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21

8:00 AM Margaret Weber (St. Peter)
Mary Jandrasits (St. John)

Wednesday October 30th Weekday at **St PETER**

Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30

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

Thursday October 31st Weekday at **St JOHN**

Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

7:00 AM Julia Yost (St. Peter)
Mary Baltzar (St. John)
6:30PM Mary Louise Lambert (St. Peter)
Members of St. John Memorial Society

Friday November 1st All Saints at **St PETER**

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

8:00AM Joseph and Caroline Wandler (St. Peter)

Saturday November 2nd All Souls at **St JOHN**

Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9

8:00 AM Poor Souls Intentions (St. John)

Vigil Mass at **St PETER Confessions: 3:45-4:15PM**

4:30 PM Ida Meyer (St. Peter)
Joseph and Stella Legath (St. John)

Sunday November 3rd Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM at **SAINT JOHN**

Harry and Dorothea Duncan (St. Peter)
Sylvia Marth (St. John)

10:30 AM at **SAINT PETER**

Deceased Members of Saint Peter (St. Peter)

Stewardship Corner

Sunday Collection \$4750.00 plus online \$961.00

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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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, October 29, 2024
at 6pm in the Chapel



HOLY HOUR

OCTOBER 30, 2024
at **6PM** in the Church
Confessions will be heard

LUCKY CALENDARS

Will be available for sales in the main vestibule following all weekend Masses and at the office.

MASSES SAID BY RETIRED PRIESTS

Health: Rich Goch, Scott Yost



DEVOTIONAL LAMPS SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn this week in memory of
Ronald & Helen Boger
Offered by Krisina & Albert Libricz

BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn in memory of the
Jean and Albert Libricz Sr.
Frank and Rosa Kovacs
Offered by Krisina & Albert Libricz

SAINT JOSEPH VIGIL LIGHTS

Will burn in memory of
William and June Boger
George and Stella Kornhausl
Offered by Kristina & Albert Libricz



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 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! For more info regarding enrollment, please call Erica Nochtton, Advancement Director or email her at msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com.

Visit our website: goodshepherd-Catholic.com



HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, November 8th
The Altar Rosary and
Welcome Ministries will be
hosting a Double Feature
Family Halloween Movie



Night, Friday, November 8th at 6:30 PM in the Church Social Hall. Our 1st feature will be "Spookley the Square Pumpkin" followed by Pixar/Disney's animated film, "Coco." Snacks, Water, Juice, Hot Cocoa and Popcorn will be served, but feel free to bring your own favorites. Children are encouraged to bring their blankets/pillows or sleeping bags for our movie night fun! This a free event open to our community families. Approximate run time will be 50 minutes and 1 hr. 45 minutes. Come join our Post-Halloween Fun! (Note: as this will be indoors, no pets can be invited!)

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

Regular Classes

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
4456 Main St. Whitehall, PA (Egypt)

Annual Basket Party!

Saturday, Nov. 2 • 10 am - 7 pm

Saturday 9 am - 10 am reserved
for guests with disabilities

Sunday, Nov. 3 • 8 am - 1 pm

Tickets: 25 for \$5.00, on sale at door

Winners will be called by phone.
Prizes will be available for pick up
Sunday evening and Monday afternoon.

only basket party committee may be present for drawing

**Homemade food and
baked goods for sale!**



Elevator Available

Call 610-262-9315 or 610-533-2794 for more information
Small games of chance license #0144R24

Directions: take MacArthur Rd (145 North) to light at Rt 329.
Take left at Rt 329 to the next light. Holy Trinity is on the left.

3rd Annual

WINE

Tasting

SAINT PETER CHURCH

4 S 5TH ST.
COPLAY, PA 18037

*Indulge in the finest wines from around the Lehigh Valley and
expand your palate. Enjoy delicious cheeses, and hot and cold
hors d'oeuvres.*

Join us for an evening of fun and wine tasting

11/2/2024

5:30-9pm

info@stpetersrcoplay.com

610.262.2417

**\$50.00 per person
21 or older**



CHRISTMAS SHOW BUS TRIP REMINDER

November 7, 2024 We are scheduled for the first show of the day. Please pick up your show tickets and seat assignments in the Church Social Hall at 7:45AM so our bus can depart promptly at 8:00 AM. We are now accepting reservations for St. Peter bus trip **FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025** to the award winning **PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW**, now in its 196th year. The theme for the show will be **GARDENS OF TOMMORROW**.
 Trip includes: Bus transportation from St. Peter, Show ticket, voucher for dinner at Cracker Barrel in Plymouth Meeting, driver gratuity and snacks & refreshments on bus. **COST** is \$100. per person. Non- Refundable deposit of \$25. pp is due with names of all participants no later than 01/15/2025 Bus will depart St. Peter at 9:30 AM. Please make check payable to St. Peter R.C. Church. For reservations or any questions please contact **BEVERLY M. SOBCHAK** at 610-767-1887.



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ENROLL TODAY FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR!

NOVEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					



1 OFFICE CLOSED

2 WINE FEST 5:30-9:00

3 ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS IN THE CHURCH HALL

4

5 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM IN CHAPEL

6 HOLY HOUR 6PM PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL AT 7PM

7 TRIP TO AMERICAN MUSIC THEATER

8 POST HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT IN THE CHURCH HALL

9

10 WCHI BINGO

11 PIEROGIES

12 PIEROGIES PICK UP AFTER 1PM FLAME OF LOVE 6PM IN CHAPEL

13 HOLY HOUR 6PM MARDI GRAS MEETING IN CHURCH HALL 6:30PM

14

15 FILLING ORDER DUE

16 FAREWELL TO EAACON TOM 5:30PM IN CHURCH HALL W/ LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

17 CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE BEGINS

18

19 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM IN CHAPEL

20 HOLY HOUR 6PM

21

22

23

24 ECUMENICAL SERVICE AT ST. PETER 7PM

25

26 FLAME OF LOVE 6PM IN CHAPEL FILLING ORDER PICK UP 3-6 IN CHURCH HALL

27 HOLY HOUR 6PM

28 happy thanksgiving OFFICE CLOSED

29 OFFICE CLOSED

30



Get ready for our

FILLING & Pickled Cabbage SALE

ORDERS DUE
NOVEMBER 15, 2024

Filling \$8.00 per 2 lb. containers
Pickled Cabbage \$4.00 per 1 lb. containers

Pick-up in the Church Hall
Tuesday, November 26 between 3 & 6PM

Name:-----

Phone:-----

Filling:-----@ \$8.00

Pickled Cabbage:-----@ \$4.00

Total Enclosed:-----Check #-----





Saint Peter Welcomes the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary

Saint Peter Parish welcomes the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary who took up residence at Saint Peter's Convent on Saturday, September 7, 2024, opening a new chapter in the life of our Parish and the Diocese of Allentown. We most gratefully recognize the support of His Excellency Bishop Alfred A. Schlert, the Diocese of Allentown, Saint Peter's Altar and Rosary Society, the many vendors, contractors, and parishioners who made possible the renovation of the convent and to welcome the sisters.



We the Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary (MCEM) are very grateful to His Excellency, Most Rev. Alfred A. Schlert, the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Allentown in Pennsylvania for inviting our Congregation to have its presence and offer our services here in the Diocese of Allentown. We, Sister Veronica Odera, Sister Dorothea Casian, and Sister Harriet Arach are very grateful and delighted to be here at Saint Peter Catholic Church in Coplay. We sincerely appreciate Monsignor David L. James and all the parishioners of Saint Peter Parish who warmly welcomed us and ensured that all our needs are met.



SISTER VERONICA ODERA

I am a member of the Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sister of Mary (MCESM), from Kiminini Parish, Kitale diocese - Kenya. I was born February 16 and baptized April 5, 1965, the second born of a Christian family of the late Mr. Mark Odera Mang'eni and the late Rose Namukuru Odera. I have four sisters and four brothers.

I am a Kenyan by nationality. After Primary education I joined the Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary in January 7, 1985 for initial religious formation.

In January 31, 1987, I became Novitiate and in January 6, 1989, I professed first Religious vows in the MCESM at Ongata Rongai Convent – Nairobi.

In January 6, 1995, I committed myself perpetually to God's service in the MCESM at Ongata Rongai Generalate and in January 6, 2014 I celebrated Silver Jubilee in sisterhood, thanking God for His faithfulness and Love in His vineyard.

From the Pontifical Urban University in Rome – Italy, I obtained, a certificate in Italian Language in October 9, 1997, a Bachelor's Degree in Missionary Catechesis in June 30, 2000, and a Master's Degree in Religious Studies with specialization in Missionary Catechesis and pedagogy of Religion in June 1, 2001.

I have served as an Academic Dean and teacher at Good Shepherd Catechetical Center in Lodwar Diocese in Kenya. A Teacher and Matron at Mother Kevin Senior Secondary School in Jinja Diocese, Uganda. An Academic Dean and lecturer at Institute of Catechesis and Pastoral Ministry, an affiliate Institute to the Catholic University of Eastern African in Nairobi – Kenya from 2008 to 2011. From December 2011 to December 2023 - I served as an Assistant General in the office of Education and Formation in the Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary.



SR. DOROTHEA (DOROTHY) CASIAN

I am a member of the Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary. I was born on February 7, 1966 and raised in Tanzania, East Africa in Singida Region. My parents are Mr. Casian Kiemi and Mrs. Theresia Khwema of happy Memory. I am the third born of 11 siblings. I joined the Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sisters Mary in 1985 at Kilacha Convent and Formation House in Himo, Moshi - Tanzania. I made my first religious profession on January 1, 1990.

After profession I was sent to Ongata Rongai Generalate for a year of Catechetical instructions. In 1992 I was sent to Meru Diocese in Kenya and worked in Children's home to 1996.

I professed my final vows in 1996 at Ongata Rongai, Nairobi Kenya the General House of our Congregation.

In 1997, I was sent for studies at Bigwa Sisters High School in Morogoro Tanzania. Upon graduation in 2000, I was sent to Moshi Catholic Diocese. I served as Administrative Assistant in the Diocesan Farm until 2005.

In 2006, I came to the USA to study at Alvernia University in Reading Pennsylvania and graduated in 2010 with a Bachelor of Art's Degree in Social Work and minor in Business administration. After my studies I was sent to the Diocese of Knoxville in Tennessee. I worked in various capacities, first as Case Coordinator for mental health institution, Care Specialist, and then as Administrator Assistant Emergency Shelter for seniors 60 years of age and above. I served in the Diocese of Knoxville for 14 years.

In 2015, while in the Diocese of Knoxville, Tennessee, I celebrated the Silver Jubilee of my Religious Profession. I thanked the Lord for His providential care in my vocation. I renewed my faithful commitment to my ministry.

The Lord has called me to come back to the Diocese of Allentown to serve Him through His People.



SR. HARRIET ARACH

I belong to the Missionary Congregation of Evangelizing sisters of Mary. I am a Ugandan by nationality. I was born in AUG/12/1979. We are five in our family, (3 boys and 2 girls) and am the first born. My father is Robert Oryek and my mother is Celestina Akelle both are alive.

I did my primary education from 1988-1994, from 1995-1998 I did my secondary, in the year 1999 I did certificate in Nursing aid in Kiryandongo hospital (Uganda), in 2014 -2015 I attained diploma in social work and administration in University of Kisubi (Kampala Uganda), in 2015 – 2017 I attained bachelor degree in social work and management in University of Kisubi (Kampala Uganda)

July 3, 2000 I Joined Missionary Congregation of The Evangelizing Sisters of Mary at Rubaga Hill Convent in Jinja Diocese - Uganda, March 24, 2003 I joined Novitiate formation in the MCESM at Ongata Rongai Convent-Nairobi Kenya, April 4, 2005 I made my first Religious Vows at Ongata Rongai Convent-Nairobi – Kenya and January 6, 2011 I made my Final Vows at Ongata Rongai Convent-Nairobi – Kenya.

In the year 2005-2007 I worked at Rongai Nakuru Dispensary in (Kenya) as Nurse assistance, 2007 -2011 I was at Fatima Orphanage and home for elderly in (Kenya) as in charge, 2011-2014, Rubaga hill convent (Uganda) doing community work with women, 2018-2019, I was appointed to work in Angal community – Nebbi diocese (Uganda) as school matron and counselor, 2019 – 2021 I worked at saint Ignatius of Loyola Wau Diocese in South Sudan as a teacher, giving guidance to the youth and working with refugees, 2021 -2022 I was at Bishop Mazzoldi primary school as an administrator and school Bursar, 2022- 2023 I worked at Bishop Mazzoldi secondary school as a receptionist and in the year 2023 – 2024 I was at Fatima Mission Hospital as a pharmacist.