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SUNDAY AUGUST 27 2017
MASSES FOR THE WEEK: AUG. 28-SEPT. 3

Mon.	7:00AM 2:00PM	Frank & Lois Pucci-Family (Meadowview) Frank Pensiero-Dave & Sue Smith
Tues.	7:00AM	Steve Benedict-John & Sandi Mattie No 8AM Mass
Wed.	7:00AM 11:15AM	Harrison Bartlett-Susan & Jim Jordan First St. Peter School Mass Charles Morocco - Sister
Thurs.	7:00AM	Matolyak Family-Son, Stephen & Daughter Charlotte
Fri.	7:00AM 11:15AM	Theresa College-Family Michael M. Demchak-Daughter & Son
Sat.	10:00AM 4:00PM	(Wedding) Amos Woy & Marlee Miller Greg Svonavec-Theresa & Dave Woy
Sun.	8:00AM 10:00AM 12:15PM 2:30PM	Ed Pollock-Rita & Sons, Ed & Doug For the People Michael Murphy-Mother, Betty (Wedding) Anthony Derry & Kaila Kramer

ORDINARY SCHEDULE
Sunday Masses: 4:00 PM Saturday
8:00 AM and 10 AM, 12:15 PM Sunday
HOLY DAY MASSES - As announced
CONFESSIONS: 2:45 PM Saturday or anytime upon request.
Additional times during Advent & Lent.
BAPTISM: Parish registration and participation in baptismal preparation are necessary.
MARRIAGES: Please make the priest your initial contact as early as possible. An interview with the couple must precede the setting of a date. He will also guide the preparation process.
PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please call the Rectory to request the Sacrament of the Sick for family members who are seriously ill. Communion is taken to the hospital, nursing homes, and the home-bound on a regular basis.
PARISH MEMBERSHIP: It is important to be a registered parishioner in order to gain the benefits and privileges of parish membership. New parishioners are most welcome. If you have moved into, within or outside the parish or are not a member of the parish at present please call the rectory so that your situation may be addressed.

ONLINE GIVING -We now offer Online Giving! If you are interested, please go to www.stpetersparish.com for details.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sun.	11:00AM	CCD Teachers Meeting -Annex
Mon.	6:30PM 7:00PM	Catholic Faith Discussion Group - Annex Msgr. Adult Religion Class-Annex
Tues.		First Day of School
Wed.	8:30AM 11:15AM	Quilting Group-Annex First St. Peter's School Mass
Thurs.	7:00PM	Financial Council Meeting-Rectory
Fri.	Noon to 1PM	Eucharistic Adoration



ST. PETER'S SCHOOL has openings in grades K-6 for 2017-2018 academic year. Our school develops intellectual, physical and spiritual talents of children in its care. Please call the school for information.

- WELCOME -
BACK TO SCHOOL



**AUGUST 27, 2017
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
PASTOR'S COMMENTS**

* We welcome those visiting or passing through Somerset County. May you enjoy your times with us. May God grant you pleasure and safety on the journey.

* This month is a time of transition for many of our younger parishioners as they either begin or continue their pursuit of higher education. May God bless and protect them and may the Holy Spirit inspire them in their endeavors!

* Msgr. Tomaselli's adult education series begins at 7PM on Mon., Aug. 28. This class is an excellent resource for those discerning membership or committed to joining the Catholic Church. It is most worthwhile for Catholics wishing to grow in their faith understanding. Call the rectory if you wish to sign up. It's also okay to simply show up!

* CCD Classes for the upcoming academic year will begin on Sunday, Sept. 10, at 11AM. The religious education of our youth is an important obligation placed upon our parish and families. Consistent attendance and active participation are essential to the success of our program. We ask parents to recognize faithful attendance at CCD as an expectation and not a topic of negotiation.

* Our local schools open this week. Please drive carefully in the area of busses and schools. May the Holy Spirit guide and sustain our young scholars!

* Friday of this week is First Friday. Communion will be brought to the homebound by appointment. Please call the rectory to be added to the home visitation list. There will be Eucharistic Adoration on Friday from 12PM-1PM.

* **The Rectory Office will be closed Monday, Sept., 4th for the Labor Day Holiday.**

MARRIAGES are presently being scheduled for 2018. If you are planning to marry in 2018 please meet with Fr. O'Neill to schedule the ceremony while many weekends remain available. Please secure an approval wedding date in the church before arranging a hall, music, catering, etc.

CELL PHONES. Many of us find cell phone to be both convenient and essential modes of communications. Please, in consideration to others, turn off your cell phone or set it on "vibrate" when in church.

ONLINE GIVING. We recently introduced online giving. This program has been very successful and has strengthened the financial stability of our parish. In the name of the parish I wish to thank all of those who contribute to the fiscal well-being of our parish, whether via offertory collection or online giving.

SCRIP. Participation in the parish scrip program has greatly declined. Our parish cannot offer the benefits available at a local super market. But participation in our local program is of financial benefit to our parish. We need your support if the program is to continue.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING on Thursday, August 31, at 7PM in the Rectory.

FINANCIAL REPORT-Enclosed find an abridged copy of the Financial Report submitted to the diocese. Our regular collection had a nice increase. (Note that the 2015-2016 "Transfer from M.A.P." related to the vestibule project.) In the name of the parish I wish to gratefully acknowledge those who contribute so generously in support of our parish and its mission.

2017 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES DRIVE- Our assigned target is \$57,543. So far 113 families have contributed \$56,215. Only about 19% of our households have participated in this drive which responds to the great social needs in our diocese. The drive is directed toward the poor, the troubled; those on the fringes of society. We are only about \$200 short. It would be a parish accomplishment to meet the target.

STEWARDSHIP

Christian stewards come to see everything in their midst as awesome gifts. May you use these gifts "through Him and for Him" to build up the kingdom of God on earth.

SUNDAY COLLECTION, \$7,939.

ONLINE GIVING, \$2,010

VOTIVE, \$269.

SCHOOL COLLECTION, \$301.

PERQUISITES, \$269.

ASSUMPTION, \$2316.

BEQUESTS, \$415.

A **BLUE MASS** honoring first responders for their service will be held at 11AM Sunday, Sept. 10, at St. John Gualbert Cathedral, Johnstown. This event is open to all police, law enforcement, public safety, firefighters and EMTs and families. The Blue Mass celebration will be open to the general public and honors those who serve our community in a most outstanding way as first responders. For information, call (814) 659-6240 or evyanz@hotmail.com.

ST. GREGORY'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL, MCDONALTON, is Sun., Sept. 3. Family style ham and turkey dinners served from 11AM to 2pm. Adults \$10 and children under 12, \$5. Fun for all.

ST. PHILIP AND JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH, MEYERS-DALE, Labor Day Festival on Monday, Sept. 4. Ham and turkey dinner from 11:30 to 3:30. Adults \$8, Children \$4, under 5, free. Plenty of activities, entertainment. Please come and enjoy the day.

IN YOUR PRAYERS please pray for Marion O'Brien, sister of Bill Free and Lydia Peiffer, sister of Phil Sheets, who died last week. May they rest in peace! May God bless, sustain and console their families and friends.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Saturday, September 2, at 4:00PM

- * E.M.: P-Good, Jacob, Svonavec / C-M, Weimer, Maria Weimer
- * Lector: J. Orange
- * Servers: C. & S. Jano, B. Prediger, M. Camacho
- * Greeter: Saylor
- * Church Cleaners: J. Lizambri, R. Baker Family, S. Robson
- * Rosary: R. Rizzo, Sr.

Sunday, September 3, at 8:00AM

- * E.M.: P-S. & A. Isgan, Smerbeck / C. Swearman, Croushore
- * Lector: D. DiLoreto
- * Servers: C., H. & N. Jacob, E. Rosenbaum
- * Greeters: Reeping, Woy
- * Rosary: D. Greene

Sunday, September 3, at 10:00AM

- * E.M.: P-Zanoni, Stoltz, Schrif / C-Kuhn, Craig
- * Lector: D. Rullo
- * Servers: S., H. & I. Basala, J. Glover
- * Greeters: Halverson, Bruening
- * Rosary: J. Jano

Sunday, September 3, at 12:15PM

- * E.M.: P-Scioli, Pessalano, Knopsnyder / C-Wilks
- * Lector: K. Gibson
- * Servers: L. & B. Good, B. Emerick, S. Klejka
- * Greeter: Gombita
- * Rosary: Please Volunteer

VOLUNTEER CLEARANCES. Any parent or family member who would like to volunteer during the next school year is required to complete the mandated state and diocesan background checks and online trainings before the first day of school. Details about what is required and how to obtain them can be found on our school website or by calling the school during office hours. Volunteers who already completed their clearances are not required to do so again but will be notified when they need to be renewed.

THE NEXT BAPTISM CLASS will be held on Thursday, September 7, at 7PM in the Annex. **If you are planning to attend please call Deacon Ron at 893-0162 to register.**



KNIGHTS NOTES

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13, at 6:30PM in the Annex.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank Paul Bunyan Stump Removal, for sponsoring an ad in our bulletin.

THANK YOU FOR THE DONATION to St. Peter's School in memory of Charles Morocco from Jeannette & James Mayak and in memory of Melio Zanoni from Joseph & Pam Zanoni, Agnes Zanoni, Dwight Woy Family and Mark Gontis.

CCD NEWS

DRE Kelsey Orange

Registration forms DUE! Forms and schedules can be found on the parish website and in the Rectory. Parents of students in grades 1-11 should **complete and return ASAP** and print or pick up a schedule. **NO** registration fee this year.

First CCD Class: Sept. 10th 11AM-12:05 PM.

11th Grade Parent Meeting: Sept. 10th 11AM, Hall.

9th Grade Parent Meeting: Sept. 17th 11AM, Hall.

First Confirmation Class: Sept. 17th 6:30-8 PM

We still need teachers and substitutes for the upcoming year. If you are interested, please call Kelsey at 814-443-6574. Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

"Faith formation is more than a subject to be taught- it is an invitation to a way of life." -Joe Paprocki



IGNITE YOUTH MINISTRY

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Upcoming Events

Have you ever forgotten to say your prayers? On **Sunday, September 10 from 6-8 PM** we will be painting prayer rocks and learning about the best ways to find time to pray during our busy lives! And of course, there will be food. Be sure to bring a friend!

Follow us!

Facebook @StPetersChurchYouthMinistry

Instagram @igniteyouthministry1920!

Online Event Calendar- link on parish website

"From the ends of the earth I call; my heart grows faint. Raise me up, set me on a rock, for you are my refuge, a tower of strength against the foe." - Psalm 61:2-4



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We warmly welcome back our faculty, students, new and returning families for the 2017-2018 school year. Our theme this year is **"Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. SUCCEEDThe masterpieces of His hand!"** Empowered by our Catholic Education, we embrace our gifts and the gift of each other as true "masterpieces" of God's hand, the Great Artist of our lives! Like each work of art, we are different in our talents, how we learn and the gifts and strengths we all possess. But we are each a valuable treasure - all created by God to do good. May our year be a masterpiece of learning, growth, friendship and service to each other and to our community and world. God is good...All the Time!! May God bless all of us with a safe and rewarding school year! School will begin on Tuesday, August 29th.

Mon., Aug. 28: St. Peter School Act 80 Day - The office will be open from 8- 11 am and 1-3pm

Tues., Aug. 29: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL Students are to bring in supplies and wear full uniforms. Students should arrive between 7:10 and 7:35 am. The tardy bell will ring at 7:35 am.

Wed., Aug. 30: OPENING DAY SCHOOL MASS AT 11:15. **Gym & Library:** Students wear gym uniforms (Students may wear navy uniform shorts for gym in Sept. with gym t-shirts)

Fri., Sept. 1: First Friday Mass 11:15 - Full Uniforms

LOOKING AHEAD:

Mon., Sept. 4: NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
SEPT. 8: All First Day Paperwork Due
SEPT. 11: Grandparents Picnic 11:35-12:30 Parish Grounds.
SEPT. 12: Open House 6:30-8 pm in School. Young Heart Book Fair in Library
SEPT. 11 & 12: Young Heart Book Fair in Library
SEPT. 18: First PTA Meeting 7pm in Hall

WE INVITE FAMILIES AND PARISHIONERS TO JOIN US FOR 11:15AM OPENING DAY MASS ON WED., AUGUST 30TH.

We are proud to welcome back our wonderful faculty and staff!

Principal: Mrs. Jill Harris, School Secretary: Mrs. Beth Svonavec, Kindergarten: Mrs. Tammi Dirienzo, Grade 1: Mrs. Lori Holloway, Grade 2: Mrs. Carlye Grosholz, Grade 3: Mrs. Cindy Miller, Grade 4: Miss. Julianne Isgan, Grade 5: Mrs. Sheila Ulerich, Grade 6: Mrs. Kelly Mateljan, Title I: Mrs. Maureen Taggart, Kindergarten Aide & Music: Mrs. Polly Close, Librarian: Mrs. Penny Greene, Spanish: Miss. Paulette Parlock, Phys-Ed: Miss. Torie Brant, Guidance: Mrs. Louise Beamer, Paraprofessional: Mrs. Mandie Acey, Paraprofessional: Mrs. Amy Dwire, Maintenance Mr. Bart Sharbaugh, Mr. Matt Stevanus, Miss Caroline Gastley.

SUMMER READING & SUPPLY LISTS ETC. Summer Reading projects are due by Thurs., Aug. 30. Details about these and Student Supply Lists can be found on your child's grade Class Notes page of our school website.

2017 GRANDPARENTS'DAY PICNIC/BOOK FAIR AND OPEN HOUSE. We will host our Grandparents' Day Picnic on Mon., Sept. 11 from 11:35am to 12:30pm. Parents, grandparents and/or special family members are invited to come and enjoy lunch together on the St. Peter's Parish grounds. Open House will be on Tues., Sept. 23 from 6:30 to 8:00pm in the school. Our young Heart Book fair will be going on during both events in the school Annex.