

ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2020

Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of
St. Peter and St. Casimir.

Parish Office: 715-344-6115 at
800 Fourth Ave., Stevens Point

Website:
stpeter.us

Facebook:
Saint Peter Catholic Church

ALL ST. PETER MASSES ARE PUBLIC

Weekdays: 8:00am Tues-Friday
4:00 pm Saturday
7:30 am Sunday
10:30 am Sunday

No Public Mass at St. Casimir

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Reconciliation Resumes Usual Schedule:

Tues-Friday: 7:15-7:45 am

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm

Baptism or Marriage: Call the Office

Anointing of the Sick:

Those who are seriously sick, ill for an extended period of time or are about to undergo surgery may receive Anointing and Holy Communion. Call the Parish: 715-344-6115 to make arrangements.

CURRENT OFFICE HOURS

8:30am - 3:00pm,

Monday through Thursday

Friday 8:30—11:30am

LIVE-STREAMED MASS:

4:00PM Saturday

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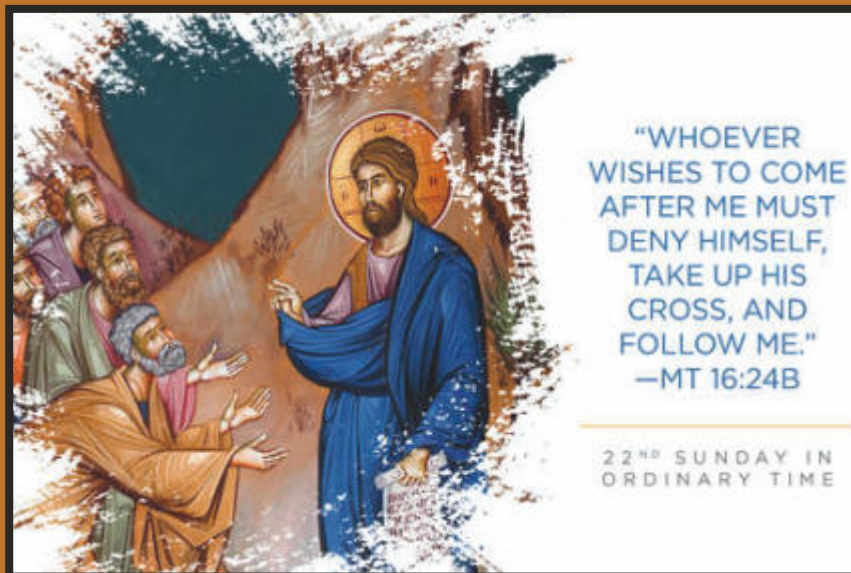
JOYFUL MYSTERIES on YouTube:

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MONDAY MASS ROTATION

Begins on Monday, September 7
Holy Spirit Parish @ 8:15 am

MASKS & SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED, effective 8/1/2020



SAINT PETER'S DAILY INTENTIONS, All Masses Public

TUESDAY, September 1

8:00 am †Howard Richards
†Ted & Lucille Zurawski

WEDNESDAY, September 2

8:00 am †Karen Rybarczyk
†Kevin Worzalla

THURSDAY, September 3

8:00 am †Rev. Leon Powell

For Safety & Courage for those Serving in Law Enforcement

FRIDAY, September 4

8:00 am †Veronica Zimbauer
†Nancy Wattron

SATURDAY, September 5 - Mass is Live-Streamed

4:00 pm †Clifford Falkowski
†Leonard Glodowski

SUNDAY, September 6

7:30 am †Peter Jushka

For Jacinta Zdroik

10:30 am †Kenneth James Zelinski

For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes



UPCOMING EVENTS: LUCKY 7 RAFFLE - Tickets Available Now

Basket Raffle/Pre-Order Bake Sale - September 27 - See Insert

#340 ENTRANCE: Life High the Cross

***Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world -- adore -- his sacred name.***



***1. Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.***

***2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.***

***3. All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.***

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH

JER 20:7-9

You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed.
All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me.

Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message;
the word of the LORD has brought me derision and reproach all the day.

I say to myself, I will not mention him, I will speak in his name no more.
But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones;
I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it.

The word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

" My Soul is Thirsting for You, O Lord my God. "

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST. PAUL TO THE ROMANS

ROM 12:1-2

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice,
holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.

Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

The word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

MT 16:21-27

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.

Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you."

He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me.

You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?

Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.

#259 OFFERTORY: We Have Been Told

Refrain:

*We have been told, we've seen his face, And heard his voice alive in our hearts;
"Live in my love, with all your heart. —
As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you."*

1. *"I am the vine, you are the branches,
And all who live in me will bear great fruit." — [To Refrain]*
2. *"You are my friends if you keep my commands;
No longer slaves, I call you friends." — [To Refrain]*
3. *"No greater love is there than this:
To lay down one's life for a friend." — [To Refrain]*



#198 COMMUNION: Draw Near

Refrain:

*Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.
Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured.*

1. *Draw near and take the body of your Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured:
Saved by his body and his holy blood,
With souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.*
2. *Christ, our Redeemer, God's eternal Son,
Has by his cross and blood the vict'ry won:
He gave his life for greatest and for least,
Himself the off'ring and himself the Priest.*



#269 RECESSIONAL: Make Us True Servants

1. *Make us true servants to all those in need,
Filled with compassion in thought, word, and deed;
Loving our neighbor, whatever the cost,
Feeding the hungry and finding the lost.*

2. *Lord, make us prophets to cry out the way,
Telling the nations of mercy's new day.
Let us break barriers of hatred and scorn,
Speaking of hope to all people forlorn.*

3. *Lord, make us healers of body and mind;
Give us your pow'r to bring sight to the blind;
Love to the loveless and gladness for pain,
Filling all hearts with the joy of your name.*



**Holy Michael the Archangel,
Defend us in battle...**



...Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the divine power thrust into hell Satan, and all the other evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

*Sincere and Heartfelt Condolences
to Family & Friends of our Parishioners:*



*~ Emily Tokarski ~
Funeral Held August 22, 2020*

*~ Gerald Hansen ~
Funeral Held August 24, 2020*

*"May Emily's Soul and may
Gerald's Soul, and the Souls of all the
Faithful Departed, through the
Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen."*

The Parish Chicken Dinner was a big success! Since this was the first time we tried a carry out only, no contact dinner, we didn't know what to expect. Many thanks to those who gave of their time to help prepare the chicken, make the soup, peel potatoes, for the dinner leading up to Sunday. Many thanks to those, led by our renowned chef Mike Konkol, who worked in a hot kitchen on a hot day making all of the delicious food and putting it together for take out. Many thanks to those who baked the wonderful desserts. Many thanks to those who made the experience enjoyable for all of our customers by putting together the dinner, soup, and dessert orders for take out. Very many thanks for the curbside traffic directors, order takers, and the "runners" who took the orders out to the cars; your joyful attitudes and prompt service gained us many compliments from our customers, all while working in the hot sun on a hot day. Lastly, many thanks to all of you who supported the dinner by purchasing chicken, soup, and desserts; often "over paying" for your order as an additional contribution to the effort, and for your patience while we worked out our "best practices".

- In all, **OVER 500 DINNERS**,
 - **almost 200 QUARTS OF SOUP**,
 - **and about 300 DESSERTS** were served;
 - **A COMPLETE SELL-OUT!**
- Final expenses haven't been totaled, but,
- **we had a healthy PROFIT OF OVER \$5,000!**



Combined with the Main Raffle from the picnic, we are over half way of making up the profit we usually enjoy from the picnic. We're getting there - together! ~Joe Niescior, Picnic Coordinator



Chicken Dinner To Go New Effort with Great Success

With much pleasure I would like to state that thanks to the meticulous planning and dedication of the organizers of the "Chicken Dinner To Go", last Sunday, the dinner was successfully sold out even at 12:15 itself.

Certainly, we will publish the net income coming to the Parish from this event. But before everything, I would like to express my gratitude to the following organizers:

Joe Niescior, Mike Konkol, Paul & Nancy Koch, Gerry & Dawn Weber, Fred Vieth, Fay Schultz, Dale & Mary Skrzeczkoski, and Kevin & Shelly Korgor.

Let me thank also those who baked desserts and donated, and the volunteers who came to serve. The youth were amazingly running up and down the road taking orders and supplying the food. All of you have proved that our Parish is active and lively, even during this hard time of pandemic.

May God bless and reward you all for your wonderful and dedicated service for the Parish community. Thanks a lot, to all those who came to buy food and support our effort to raise funds for the Parish.

~Gratefully, Fr. Arul Joseph V.

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Why Do Catholics Pray To Saints?

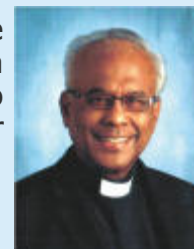
In continuation of last week's sharing, why we have the image of Jesus and the Cross in the Catholic Church, which is wrongly understood as against the first commandment, I would like to share and clarify another misunderstood concept: why the Catholics have the statues of the Saints and pray in front of them.

In the late 7th and early 8th century, St. John Damascene, a theologian and monk rose up to answer any objection against Catholic use of statues. He explained that Saints are holy, "just as the red-hot iron is called fire, not by its nature, but by contingency and its participation in the fire". He cited for evidence from the Book of the Leviticus in the Bible: "And the Lord said to Moses, "Say to all the congregation of the people of Israel, You shall be holy; for I the Lord your God am holy" (Leviticus 19:1-2).

We must also remember what Jesus has declared to Martha in the context of raising the dead Lazarus to life: "... he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die..." (John 11:25-26). Based on this declaration by Jesus Himself, we can certainly believe that those who are in heaven are certainly alive and remain in union with God. In another context, when the Sadducees came to Jesus to test him about the resurrection of the dead Jesus declares: "... they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection... Now he (God) is not God of the dead, but of the living; for all live to him" (Luke 20:36-38).

The Catholic Church pronounces a person Saint after having affirmed that he/she has performed at least two miracles, proved scientifically. If one is declared a Saint, then he/she is in communion with God and alive. Hence, all Saints, including Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God who was taken into heaven with body and soul are all alive. If they are all alive in communion with God, then they can intercede for us bringing favors from God.

So, when a Catholic spends time in prayer before the statue of a Saint, he/she understands that the Saint is in heaven with God and the same Saint can be a channel of grace to the one who prays. God has given us angels and saints to be our spiritual support. Let us, therefore, seek for their intercession in all our needs.



God bless you,
Fr. Arul Joseph V.

To help offset the gap in funds normally raised during the Parish Picnic, we are sponsoring a **"LUCKY 7 RAFFLE EVENT"**.

This fundraiser will keep people safe while still having the fun and thrill of **Winning some CASH!** It's a win-win for St. Peter Parish: it will make up some of the income the Parish relied on from the Parish Picnic.

We kindly ask for your support.

You need not be present to win, so PLEASE open the possibility of winning to friends, family, co-workers, ... **This will be FUN!** And who wouldn't love a dose of fun in the midst of all this!

May you & your families stay healthy and always full of hope.

God Bless, Matt Bablitch and Nancy Koch

St. Peter "LUCKY 7" Raffle Entry Form

Limited to 250 Tickets!! - \$50 each

Drawing held November 21, 2020 after 4PM Mass / Need Not Be Present to Win

To Enter Raffle, Pick a Number Between 1 - 250,

Otherwise, Your Number will be Randomly Picked

Your Number Pick is _____

| Prizes | Amount |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1st Prize | \$ 1,777 |
| 2 nd Prize | \$ 777 |
| 3 rd Prize | \$ 177 |
| 4 th Prize | \$ 177 |
| 5 th Prize | \$ 177 |
| 6 th Prize | \$ 177 |
| 7 th Prize | \$ 177 |

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ E-Mail _____

Initials _____ Questions? 715-344-6115 Winners will be posted on stpeter.us Raffle License No. R0009728-A-87505

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things and I desire to
receive you in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive
you sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were
already there
And unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated
from you.
Amen.

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715-347-5288

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*Niescior, Joe 715-344-3455
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Skrzeczkoski, Mary 715-342-0645
Weber, Gerry 715-344-8220

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715-344-7647

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Mary Makuski 715-344-3359

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Noon and 5:30 p.m. Saturday

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6:30 a.m. Sunday

Wausau (Public Access), Channel 980,

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Weekly Financial Report - Week 8

| Date | Envelopes & Offertory | Year to Date |
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| 08/26/2020 | \$ 6,341.42 | \$ 61,916.81 |
| Building Fund | \$ 10.00 | |

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UPCOMING SUNDAY INTENTION, September 6, 2020, 23rd Sunday:

In Thanksgiving - Happy Birthday, Leona Ziolkowski

Mass Intentions are currently offered in a Private Mass by Fr. Lynch



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For Information or
Questions, Contact:

Marianne 341-6732 or Renee 344-9119



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

| | |
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| Al Danczyk | 8/31 |
| Thaddeus Stoltz | 9/1 |
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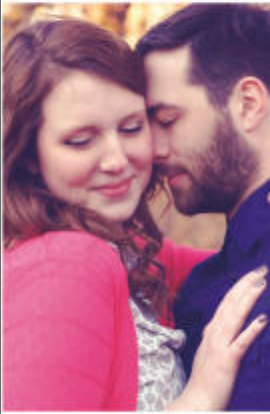
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