





### **LIVE THE LITURGY**

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes, especially when life gets overwhelming and difficult, we can find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable. Wallowing in this uncomfortable darkness seems to be our norm and it's difficult to see a way out of, or through, this experience. If we listen carefully enough, we will hear God's voice calling out deep within, beckoning us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Faith tells us that God has already begun the creation of a good work in us and is with us, bringing it to completion, until Christ Jesus comes again. It is this light of God's glory for which we are asked to pave the way and straighten the paths of our lives so that it can shine. With all that life can ask of us and bring to us, it is our task to constantly discern what is of value. So that we do not get so weighed down by things that we no longer see, or feel, God's salvation.



# Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> Holy Day of Obligation

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass Schedule: 8:00 am & 7:00 pm

(Live-Streamed at 7:00 pm)

## Hal Shapiro,

was baptized and received into the Church on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. **On November 25<sup>th</sup>, he was received** 

On November 25<sup>...</sup>, he was received into the arms of his Lord.

May he rest in peace.

In Christian charity, pray for his family's consolation.

Eternal rest grant unto **Hal** O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



# Thank You!

The St. Peter's Women's Ministry is so grateful for everyone's support of their recent Bake Sale!
God bless our bakers and all our parishioners who have a sweet tooth!

We received an early Christmas gift!

Andrew & Katie Schroeder

and their children, Cora and Emmett,

Just became members of St. Peter's

We Welcome their family to ours!





## ST. PETER'S WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday, December 7th 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Drinks will be provided; please bring a dessert to share with the group! We will have our White Elephant gift exchange and create a cute Christmas craft after our monthly meeting.

All are Welcome!
We look forward to seeing everyone!

## **CHRISTMAS WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

CHRISTMAS EVE - (LIVE-STREAMED AT 4:00 PM)
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH AT 4:00 PM AND 10:00 PM

## CHRISTMAS DAY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH AT 9:00 AM AND 11:00 AM

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH AT 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM AND 11:00 AM

## NEW YEAR'S WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31ST AT 4:00 PM

## THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

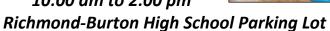
SATURDAY, JANUARY 1ST AT 4:00 PM SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND AT 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM AND 11:00 AM

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HOLIDAY BULLETIN SUBMISSION

ALL ARTICLES NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY NOON

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH DUE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH DUE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH DUE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND DUE: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22ND

## **Christmas Creche Contest**



Our St. Peter's Women's Ministry is hosting a special event, for special parishioners, to celebrate a very special birthday! The children of our parish are invited to use their imaginations and creativity to

build a Christmas manger scene in honor of Jesus' birthday! Use common household items, or you can spend up to \$20 on other material.

Visit StPeterCatholicChurch.org and find more information under Events. We have three different age categories. *All entries must be dropped off in the parish hall between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>*.

Fellowship with The Claus Brunch on Sunday, December 19th after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. Everyone who attends will get an opportunity to vote

for their favorite creche design.

One winner, in each category, will be announced by 12:30 on December 19<sup>th</sup>!





### Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from December 5<sup>th</sup> through December 18<sup>th</sup> for † **Kathy Wehrheim**

May this light which reminds us of Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary Welcome him into eternal peace.

## PRAYER REQUESTS!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into your hands, all fellow parishioners we know and love, who are ill or injured and in need of Your healing touch.
Jesus, be with them all, especially:

Gina Adduci Stephen Bonner Rita Chinni Debra Cooke Deacon Eugene Damian Rob Darmofal Ann DePaul Sandy Devine Norman Dolsky Frank & Carol Dzielak Dolores & Irv Ellefesen LCpl. Romel (Tre) Finley, USMC Carol Flatley James Formeller Michael Frer Glenn Geske Lynn Geske Anthony Hodnik Patricia Hodnik Edward Johnson

Diana Kattner

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### The names above will appear on the prayer list August 1st through December 31st

If you or a loved one would like to continue to be on the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. 815-675-2288



A guy walks up to the receptionist in the Psychiatrist's office and says, "I'm the invisible man and I'd like to talk to the Doctor." She pokes her head into the Psychiatrist's office and says, "There is a man here who wants to talk to you and he claims he's the invisible man. The Psychiatrist replies, "Tell him I can't see him right now."



### FOR THE WEEKENDS OF 12/4 - 12/12/2021

*I* INTENTIONS								
Th	ne Mass		For	From				
Second Sunday of Advent								
Confessions offered on Saturday's, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.								
Sat	4 pm	†	Lenard Geraci	Rosalie & Family				
Sun	7 am (1)	†	Michele Bibbiano	Bibbiano Family				
	(2)	†	Dolores Trzaskowski	George & Georgene Keim				
	9 am	†	Jack Schmitt	Bev Schmitt				
	11am	†	Ruza Licheniak	Stan & Alina Urbaniak				
Tues	8 am	†	Genevieve Stack	Diane				
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin								
Wed	8 am	†	Agustina Fuentes	Miroslaw & Alina Lukaczyk				
	7 pm	†	Sue Podolski	John & Patti Mueller				
Thur	8 am	†	Theresa Poletto	Brandstetter Family				
Fri	8 am (1)	†	Frank & Henrietta Jarmoluk	Rygiel Family				
	(2)	†	Walter & Orian Brown	Family				
Third Sunday of Advent								
Confessions offered on Saturday's, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.								
Sat	4 pm	†	Lenard Geraci	Rosalie & Family				
Sun	7 am	†	Les Barycki	Rygiel Family				
	9 am	†	Aaron Brandstetter	Brandstetter Family				
	11am (1)	†	Richard Jaeger II	Fr. Joe				
	(2)	†	Patricia Berger	Karen Sprouse-Gerbig				

## JEWEL OSCO AND HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY HAVE ASKED US TO HELP PROVIDE FOR THOSE IN NEED

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EVERY donation helps feed more people.

## Jewel Osco and Helping Hands Food Pantry of Spring Grove thank you for your support and generosity!

We have supported Helping Hands Food Pantry in the past and hope to continue to help them through participation in this holiday project sponsored by our Jewel Osco.

	Lectors	Extraordinary	Ushers							
Second Sunday of Advent										
<b>Saturday</b> <b>12/4</b> 4:00 pm	Alexia Spatz	Carol Rygiel	Gary Miller Denise Wahls							
Sunday 12/5 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Bill Ledger	Dennis Wehrheim Shaun Gosselin							
9:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Steve Besetzny	Gary Miller John Jindra							
11:00 am	Peggy Mack	Mike Rygiel	Andy Hommowun Zach Rygiel							
lmmacı	ulate Conce	ption of the B	Blessed Virgin							
<b>Wednesday</b> 12/8 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	Mary Seil	Chad Franckowiak							

### Third (Gaudete) Sunday of Advent

Paul Leali

<b>Saturday</b> <b>12/11</b> 4:00 pm	Chad Franckowiak	Heather Justen	Chad Franckowiak Phil Webb
<b>Sunday</b> <b>12/12</b> 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	David Smid Antonina Kolton
9:00 am	Kathy Rietschel	Lori Olmstead	Paul Leali Ben Leali
11:00 am	Mary Yager	Mike Rygiel	Tom Straley Mike Gordon



7:00 pm

## Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound

December 5<sup>th</sup> - 2nd Sunday of Advent

Karyn Leali

Paul Serio, Jacqui Wold, Tom Gough & Steve Besetzny

**December 12<sup>th</sup> - 3rd Sunday of Advent** 

Kathleen Van Ella, Peggy Neuman, Mary Seil & Julia Francis

## Readings for the Week

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5TH

Sunday: <u>2nd Sunday of Advent</u>

Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3];

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

Monday: Is 35:1-10;

Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14

[cf. ls 35:4f]; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11;

Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13

[cf. ls 40:10ab]; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20;

Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Is 41:13-20;

Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8];

Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6

[cf. Jn 8:12]; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11;

Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4];

Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: <u>3rd Sunday of Advent</u>

Zep 3:14-18a; ls 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6];

Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18



## God Bless our Parishioners Who Serve!

Zach Rygiel



Jeannie and Tony Rygiel covered the boxwoods to protect them from the winter cold and salt.





Nettie Toms,
Mary Fritz,
Lorrie Tinsley,
Bev Schmitt and
Kathy Toms (absent from photo),
scrubbed the church from top to
bottom in preparation for the
Advent and Christmas Season.

Putting our Advent Wreath together was (L to R): Braeden Hamill, Calvin Hamill, Dylan Hamill, Laura Hamill, DeAnne Besetzny, Jason Toms and Nettie Toms.

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### PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

**2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT** 

- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:45 am
- RCIA Parish Office Upstairs Classroom 10:00 am
- SVdP Meeting Parish Hall 12:00 pm
- Sacramental Instruction Classes 6:00 pm

Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>

- Holy Communion Prep Class 5:00 pm
- Confirmation Prep Class 6:30 pm

Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

• Women's Ministry Meeting - Parish Hall - 6:30 pm Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** 

(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

• Masses at 8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 9th

• Choir Practice - Church - 7:00 pm

Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, December 11th

• Adoration After the 4:00 pm Mass until 6:45 am

Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

**3RD (GAUEDETE) SUNDAY OF ADVENT** 

- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:45 am
- RCIA Parish Office Upstairs Classroom 10:00 am
- Sacramental Instruction Classes 6:00 pm







### PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS - Msgr. Jarmoluk is eager and happy to baptize children whose parent(s) are practicing the Catholic faith and registered members of St. Peter's Parish. Please call the Parish Office for additional requirements and information.

MARRIAGES - Please contact Father before you set a date, at least six months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION - Parishioners confined to their homes, for an indefinite length of time due to illness or advanced age, may call the Office and request that the Holy Eucharist be brought to them on Sunday mornings.

**REGISTRATION** - New members should register by either calling the Parish Office or visiting us online at StPeterCatholicChurch.org

**HOSPITAL VISITS** - If you wish Father to visit during your stay in the hospital, please call him at the Parish Office and he will be happy to do so. Likewise, if you wish to be added to our Prayer Chain, let us know by calling (815) 675-2288

FUNERALS ARRANGEMENTS - are to be made in consultation with Father.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK - If you or someone you know is sick,** injured or being admitted to a hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office without delay.

Should there be an emergency after normal business hours, please call (815) 675-2339

#### **Knights' Corner**

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