



**St. Mary's /St. Peter's Parish**  
 200 N. James Street  
 Rome, New York 13440  
 Pastor: Father Sean P. O'Brien

**October 11, 2020**



**St. Mary's Oratory**  
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 315-336-5072

**St. Peter's Cemetery**  
 E. Dominick Street  
 315-337-8307  
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 W. Liberty Street  
 315-336-3110

**St. Peter's Church**  
 200 N. James Street  
 Rome, NY 13440  
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**Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack**



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# 28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, October 10, 2020 Weekday, BVM (Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28)**8:00 am Mass for **PATRICIA MELIORIS** by John and Penny Evans2:00 pm Wedding **ALBERT DECKER & LYDIA ZEGARELLI**5:00 pm Vigil Mass **DIANE M. BAKER** (3rd Anniv) With Love, Tara \* **LARRY POWELL** by Dorothea and Paul Iselo  
**WILLIAM ERNENWEIN** (1st Anniv) by Wife, Judy \* **JAMES GRIFASI** by Loving Wife, Marie**Sunday, October 11, 2020 Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14)****Today's Mass will be available online at: [www.stmarysstpeters.com](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com)**7:30 am Mass for **HARRY CLAPPER** by Family10:00 am Mass for **DAVID ABBE** by Michael and Karen "Abbe" Liddy  
**JANICE CORR** (Anniv) by Art and Jeanette Reid**Monday, October 12, 2020 Columbus Day (Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Lk 11:29-32)**7:00 am Mass for **JAMES AND ELLEN DUNN** by the Gaffey Family \* **VIRGINIA DUNN** by the Gaffey Family**Tuesday, October 13, 2020 Weekday (Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41)**7:00 am Mass for **SHARON BART PAPE** by Family**Wednesday, October 14, 2020 Saint Callistus, Pope and Martyr (Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46)**7:00 am Mass for **SHARON LARSEN** by Arlene Cordsen and Barbara Lenihan  
**WINDSOR S. THOMAS** (9th Anniv) by Loving Wife, Barb**Thursday, October 15, 2020 Saint Theresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church (Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54)****NO 7:00 AM MASS****Friday, October 16, 2020 Saint Hedwig, Religious, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin (Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7)**7:00 am Mass for **JACQUELINE BAYNES** by Family \* **VINCENT JANIK** (37th Anniv) by Family  
**PEARL MELLEN** by Loving Family \* **TODD PINTI** (Birthday) by Mom, Dad, Natalia & Family  
**IN MEMORY OF OUR TWINS** by Gramma**Saturday, October 17, 2020 Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr (Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12)**8:00 am Mass for **SHIRLEY P. JONES** by Anne Rafferty2:00 pm Wedding **KEVIN MUNZ & JULIANNA DAINOTTO**5:00 pm Vigil Mass **JANE KERNAN EVANS** by Children, William and Diane Evans  
**ESTHER MAE KOBITO** by Lorna Kaier \* **JOSEPH & LORRAINE UTTER** (Wedding Anniv) by Family**Sunday, October 18, 2020 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 45:1, 4-6; 1Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21)****Today's Mass will be available online at: [www.stmarysstpeters.com](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com)**7:30 am Mass for **PATRICIA MELIORIS** by Robert Falk10:00 am Mass for **PHILLIP GOETZ, JR.** by Family \* **CARL MASSETT, JR.** (9th Anniv) by Family  
**VINCENT A. & KENNETH P. TOEPP** (Anniv) by Art and Jeanette Reid

**Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church**  
will be available on the parish website: [www.stmarysstpeters.com](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com).

**Please remember our family, friends and parishioners in our prayers**

Georgie Amodio  
Jayne Atwood  
Paula Bailey  
Raymond Barbar, Jr  
Doris Barry  
Joseph Beasock III  
Karen Bieksza  
James Brooks  
Lorayne Calicchia  
Stephanie Calicchia  
Mary Carmody  
Nick Coonrod  
John Cordsen  
Tom Delpico  
Barry Dunning  
Sarah Eastup  
Al Eisinger  
Paul Eisinger  
Robyn Engle

Bill Evans  
Carol Fasick  
Ron Fazio  
Judith Ann Fesner  
Joan Fiaschetti  
Diana Fowler  
Julianna Fusco  
Lauri Fusco  
Augusta Ginsburg  
Scott Ginsburg  
Amanda Gold  
Gail Greene  
Donald Hartman  
John Hedrington  
Joshua Hedrington  
Billy Jo Hidenbrandt  
John Hinman  
Barbara Joanis  
Carol Johnson

David Johnston  
Lena Johnston  
Paula Johnston  
Megan Jones  
Jennie Kemp  
Gary Koster  
Paul LaSalle  
Teresa LaSalle  
Bill ." Dobbie" Link  
Lori Losowski  
Anne Lubecki  
David, Liz & Mitzi  
Marcelletta  
Geoff Marchione  
Russell Marchione  
John Massett  
Patrick McLaughlin  
Brian McQueen  
Tom Meyers

Joe Migeroll  
Ann Moster  
Phil Murphy  
Beverly Nasci  
Tari-Lyn Orton  
Debbie Pacicca  
Clair Papadametrious  
Rachel Pawlikowski  
Barbara Pazdur  
Jim Pekarski  
Carol Piatt  
Datie Ponath  
John Preski  
Patrick Quinn  
James Rank  
Bill Reese  
Catherine Roman  
Robert Roman  
Lisa Ryder

Kelly Sabia  
Jacqueline Schachte  
John Schachte  
Brian Schilling  
Thomas Serra  
Emmalynn Sharrow  
Alexander Simpson  
Freja Emily Simpson  
Kaye Skinner  
Russell Smith  
Spencer Robert Smith  
Gabriel Streiff  
Blanche Sweatman  
Anne Toepp  
Dominick Tuzzolino  
James Van Damme  
Vito Waterman  
Ray "Dusty" Whitman  
John Wright  
Bernice Young

*Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.*



**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**  
**All Masses at St. Peter's Church**

**PLEASE NOTE THE SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES**

**SATURDAY** Vigil MASS 5:00 pm  
**SUNDAYS** 7:30 am \* 10:00 am  
**Weekdays** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00 am  
 Saturday 8:00 am  
**Holydays** 7:00 am \* 12:10 pm \* 5:30 pm Vigil

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION**  
 Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

**SACRAMENTS OF MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE AND/OR SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
 Please call the Rectory Office for information

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL**  
 When a family member or friend may be in need of anointing, please call the Rectory Office.

**HOSPITAL**  
 Since COVID, our visitations have been restricted "until further notice." But it still keeps us informed for the family member to continue to indicate the person being admitted to the hospital, is a Catholic & belongs to a certain parish.

**PARISH STAFF**

**Director of Faith Formation:** Laura Mack  
**Organist:** Barry Russo  
**Office Administration:** Sharon Hansen  
**Administrative Assistant & Bulletin:** Kathy Miller  
**Maintenance Director:** Mark Lagasse  
**Cemetery Superintendent:**  
 St. Peter's and St. Mary's: Kate Stephan

**PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION**

**Altar Rosary Society:** Mary Wahl  
**St. Peter's Senior Group:** W. Warren Sickles, Jr.  
**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathy Miller  
**Scripture Study:** Betty Pettinelli  
**Prayer Group:** Barbara Thomas  
**Funeral Preparations:** Barbara Thomas  
**Hospital Visitations:** Jim Flemming

Volunteers are needed as: Altar Servers \* Lectors  
 Eucharistic Ministers \* Ushers  
 Choir \* Greeters  
 Please call the rectory for more information.

**PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Father Sean O'Brien, Pastor**  
 Kevin Barry, President \* Betty Pettinelli, Vice President  
 Joseph Maurer, Trustee St. Peter's \* Dale Rashford, Trustee St. Mary's  
 Joseph Stanton, Trustee St. Peter's \* Bernard Kaier, Trustee St. Mary's  
 Michael Adey \* Ginny Craiglow \* Edward Donohue  
 Doug Holdridge \* Carol Kaun \* Joan Lamb  
 Laura Mack \* Marguerite Maurer \* Patrick Reilly  
 Deacon Nicholas Rosher

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13 AT 7:00 PM**  
 St. Peter's School, 400 Floyd Ave., Rome, New York

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**  
 will burn  
 The weeks of **October 11 & October 18**  
 For **James & Mark Grifasi** by Family

**ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE**

**October:** Barbara Brady \* Judy Panara  
**November:** Tina Brognano \* Fran Rose

**HOSPITAL VISITATION**  
**TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

**MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS**  
*In Mission of the Christ Child*

*Misc Donations*  
 Bettina & Rocco Favata  
 Mary Ann Massett  
 Mr. & Mrs. Frank Riolo

**A SPECIAL NOTE:**  
 For those who find it difficult to walk, etc.  
 The front pews across the Church are reserved for you. Communion can be brought to your pew. If anyone needs Communion in any pew, please indicate that to the Minister of the Eucharist who will assist the person in need.

**HEARING AIDS:**  
 Assistive hearing devices are available for loan in the Sacristy before Mass.

**WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**KEVIN MUNZ & JULIANNA DAINOTTO**  
*October 17, 2020*

**Help Us Grow:**

Did you know that your weekly contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card? Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and provides much needed donation consistency for our parish. Simply scan the QR code using your phone's QR code reader or go to [stmarysstpeters.com](http://stmarysstpeters.com) and locate **DONATE** in the menu. Questions? Give us a call: 315-336-5072



**St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection**  
**October 4, 2020**

Regular Collection	\$ 8,161.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,644.85
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 9,805.85</b>
Respect Life	\$ 968.00
Make-Ups	\$ 60.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$10,833.85</b>

**PARISH EVENTS**

Tuesday, October 13 **Parish Council Meeting** at 7 pm in St. Peter's School, 400 Floyd Ave., Rome  
Sunday, October 18, **New Altar Server Training** at 11:30 am in St. Peter's Church  
Monday, October 19 **Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers Meeting** at 7 pm in St. Peter's Church

 **Faith Formation**

**FAITH FORMATION IN-PERSON CLASSES**

**Catholic Parish Center  
(Formerly St. Peter's School)  
400 Floyd Ave. Rome, New York**

Faith Formation classes begin soon,  
and we look forward to greeting our students in  
**Grades 1-9 beginning Monday, October 19**

We have already started instruction  
for **First Sacraments** at St. Peter's Church

Sunday, October 11- **No First Penance Class**

Sunday, October 18  
**First Penance Class** at 9:00 am

All Grade Level in-person classes will be held  
at the Catholic Parish Center.

Classes for grades **1-9 will be held on  
Monday evenings from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm.**

For information on our online sessions,  
please visit the Faith Formation website:  
[www.smspfaith.com](http://www.smspfaith.com)

We look forward to seeing you  
and to sharing our faith with you!

**ALTAR ROSARY  
SOCIETY**

**ARS MEETINGS WILL RESUME!  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15  
6:00 pm in St. Peter's Church Hall**

**COVER DISH DINNER MEETING**  
If you are able, please bring a dish to pass!

**THIS MEETING WILL BE A *STATUS MEETING*  
FOR UPDATING/ORGANIZING  
2020-2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SMART SHOPPERS 2021 COUPON BOOKS**

Due to the COVID-19, the printing of the books is  
delayed and will not be available until the end of October.  
**ADVANCED SALES ONLY**

If you are interested in purchasing a Smart Shoppers 2021  
Coupon Book, please contact Mary Wahl at: (315) 533-6907.

**THE MERRY MAKERS**

**Knitters & Crocheters' Meeting**  
*Beginning October 7, 2020—6:00-9:00 pm*

**Sewing Group Meeting**  
*Beginning October 8-9—10:00 am-4:00 pm*

We need **SEWERS** to sew at home and/or to sew  
with us at our monthly meetings. You need not be an  
expert. If you can sew a straight seam,  
please consider joining *Merry Makers*.

**For additional information:**

*Cate Powers*  
315-337-2289 315-225-7900

Please leave a message, and your call will be  
returned as soon as possible.

**RETIREMENT RECEPTION  
FOR FATHER SEAN P. O'BRIEN**

*Over 29 years as Navy Chaplain*

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18th**

1:00 pm—3:00 pm

**BPOE (Elks Lodge #96)**

126 W. Liberty Street, Rome

**Coffee & Light Refreshments**  
Compliments of the Altar Rosary Society  
**"ALL ARE WELCOME"**



**FORMATION FOR MINISTRY**



**2020-2021 COURSES IN UTICA**

*Evangelization \* Catholicism  
Church History \* Advanced Scripture  
Spirituality of Leadership*

Courses are open to any interested adult as well as FFM students and alumni  
For a detailed schedule and to register:

[Formationforministrysyr.org](http://Formationforministrysyr.org) or Call (315) 470-1479

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY (Mt 22:1-14)**

*Provided by the Hope Appeal Funds*

Today's gospel speaks about *unworthy wedding guests*. What makes a *worthy* guest?

Presence and presents are not enough. The greatest gift we can give is support to the couple as they voyage through life together because marriage naturally contains within it the fields of disappointment.

Think of the weddings you have attended.

Have you been a *worthy guest*?

*Interested in becoming an Altar server?*

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS**

*If you have received your First Sacraments and would like to become an Altar Server, please attend this training.*

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 at 11:30 am**  
St. Peter's Church

*Interested in becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister?*

**LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

*If you would like to become a Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister at St. Mary's/St. Peter's, or if you are currently a Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister at St. Mary's St. Peter's Please attend this meeting.*

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 19 at 7:00 pm**  
St. Peter's Church



*In honor of the Month of the Holy Rosary*

**BLESSING OF ROSARIES**

**Sunday, October 11**  
St. Peter's Church  
After the 10:00 AM Mass



**BENEFIT OF WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA**

**Chicken BAR B QUE**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**  
**12 P.M. - 4 P.M.**



**ROME TEACHERS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

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**\$13 IN ADVANCE**

**\$14 DAY OF**

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OR

315-725-9673 OR 315-336-7810



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE UNITED STATES NAVY!**

**OCTOBER 13, 1775 TO OCTOBER 13, 2020**

**Q: Why didn't they play cards on Noah's Ark?**

**Dear Padre,**

**What is the Catholic Church's position on grace versus works?**

*For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works* (Ephesians 2:8–9). The Catechism of the Catholic Church attests that we have merit in God's sight only because "God has freely chosen to associate man with the work of his grace" (CCC 2008). After God acted first on his own initiative, it then follows that we're free to act through his collaboration, "so that the merit of good works is to be attributed in the first place to the grace of God, then to the faithful" (CCC 2008). In other words, it's only through God's empowering Spirit in each of us that makes our good works for salvation pleasing to the Lord!

Moreover, Catholics believe these good works "*contribute to growth in grace, so that the righteousness that comes from God is preserved and communion with Christ is deepened. When Catholics affirm the 'meritorious' character of good works, they wish to say that...a reward in heaven is promised to these works. Their intention is to emphasize the responsibility of persons for their actions, not to contest the character of those works as gifts, or far less to deny that justification always remains the unmerited gift of grace*" (Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification, Lutheran World Federation and the Catholic Church, 38).

Christian prayer provides us with the grace that's needed for meritorious actions (CCC 2010).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR



**Pope Francis** asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month. To pray with the Pope daily, visit: [clicktopray.org](http://clicktopray.org)

### **OCTOBER INTENTIONS**

*The Laity's Mission in the Church*

**We pray that by the virtue of Baptism,  
the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas  
of responsibility in the Church**



10475 Cosby Manor Road  
Utica, New York

### **GRIEF SURVIVORS**

#### ***A Grief Recover Support Group***

If you have lost a spouse, child, family member or friend, you've probably found that there are not many people understand the deep hurt you feel.

That's the reason for Grief Survivors, a support group for those grieving the loss of someone close.

It's such a relief to talk to folks who are Going through what you are. They get it. They understand.

Every Other Tuesday  
6:00-7:30 pm

**At The Good News Center**

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at [www.thegoodnewscenter.org](http://www.thegoodnewscenter.org)



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### **JESUS, THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE**

**Wednesdays, September 2nd to November 18th**  
10 am-12 pm. or 6-8 pm

\$35.00 per person (If registered by August 19th)  
\$45.00 per person (after August 19th)

### **THE THIRD OPTION**

**Every other Sunday beginning September 17**  
6:30-8:30 pm (except holidays)

The Third Option is a FREE confidential skills-based group program that helps participants build stronger, more fulfilling relationships. Open to the public. Come together or individually.

### **WOMEN AT THE WELL**

**Last Tuesday of Each Month 6:30-8:00 pm**

**SISTER ELLEN SCHOPFER** Facilitator

All Christian woman of any age are invited to come to *Women of the Well* to enrich their awareness of God in their life and become more attentive to the ways He nourishes them each day.

### **SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS**

**Sunday, October 25 from 5:00-7:00 pm**

If you're separated or divorced, the holidays can be a lonely, stressful, depressing time. But there is hope. Join us for an encouraging seminar That will help you survive the holiday a

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A: Because Noah was always standing on the deck