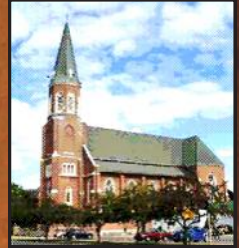


September 27, 2020



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Pastor: Father Sean P. O'Brien



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26th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

“Which of the two did his father’s will?” They answered, “The first.”
Jesus said to them, “Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and
prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.” - Mt 21:31

MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday, September 26, 2020 Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs, BVM (Eccl 11:9—12:8; Lk 9:43b-45)**

8:00 am Mass for **MSGR, FRANCIS CULKIN** by the Worlock Family
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass **FRANCES S. MacDONALD** by Daughter * **ROBERT CAPOCCIA** (7th Anniv) by Wife, Charlotte
CHARLOTTE FISHER by Ron and Dannielle Walker
ANGELA MESSINEO by Ed and Rachel Gianna & R.J. and Bryce Gianna

Sunday, September 27, 2020 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32)

Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com

7:30 am Mass for the **ROY AUSTIN, JR.** (Birthday) by Wife and Children
SUSAN OGDEN McSWEENEY by Family * **MICHAEL QUINN** by Patrick Quinn
 10:00 am Mass for **ESTHER MAE KOBITO** by Karen and Bruce Kobito & Family
ANTHONY GOTTI, SR. (Anniv) by Wife and Children
FRANCES AND JOSEPH COLUCCIO by Children & Grandchildren

Monday, September 28, 2020 St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs (Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50)

7:00 am Mass for **PATRICK BURNS** (Anniv) by Loving Family
JOYCE D. McMAHON (Birthday) by Martha McMahan
TODD PINTI (4th Anniv) by Mom, Dad, Natalia and Family

Tuesday, September 29, 2020 Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels (Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51)

7:00 am Mass for **ANTHONY GOTTI, SR.** by Wife and Children

Wednesday, September 30, 2020 Saint Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church (Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62)

7:00 am Mass for **ALFRED J & ARLYN C. ZELLER, SR.** (Wedding Anniv) by Alane and Sarah
GAIL MAREE (Birthday) by Family
LEO & CELESTE WASHBURN & SONS, LEO, GERALD & DALE by Joanne Gaffey

Thursday, October 1, 2020 Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church (Job 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12)

NO 7:00 AM MASS

Friday, October 2, 2020 The Holy Guardian Angels (Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Mt 18:1-5, 10)

7:00 am Mass for **MARY BARRY FITSIK** (Birthday) by Daughter, Pat
STEPHEN MELIORIS (5th Anniv) by Wife and Family

Saturday, October 3, 2020 Weekday, BVM (Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24)

8:00 am Mass for **MARY SHANNON** by Brother, Tom
 2:00 pm Wedding for **STEPHEN RUSSELL & MEGAN TOMPKINS**
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass **ELVERA LEMON** by Children * **MR. & MRS. JAMES A DUNN, SR.** by Family
SISTER VIRGINIA DUNN, SNJM by Family * **MARK GRIFASI** by Loving Mother, Marie

Sunday, October 4, 2020 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43)

Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com

7:30 am Mass for the **EDITH NUCCI** by Bridget DeLutis and Family
 10:00 am Mass for **PHILLIP GOETZ, JR.** by Family

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

Please remember our family, friends and parishioners in our prayers

Georgie Amodio	Bill Evans	David Johnston	Joe Migeroll	Kelly Sabia
Jayne Atwood	Ron Fazio	Lena Johnston	Ann Moster	Jacqueline Schachte
Paula Bailey	Judith Ann Fesner	Paula Johnston	Phil Murphy	John Schachte
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Joan Fiaschetti	Megan Jones	Beverly Nasci	Brian Schilling
Doris Barry	Carol Fasick	Jennie Kemp	Tari-Lyn Orton	Thomas Serra
Joseph Beasock III	Diana Fowler	Gary Koster	Debbie Pacicca	Emmalynn Sharrow
Karen Bieksza	Julianna Fusco	Paul LaSalle	Barbara Pazdur	Alexander Simpson
James Brooks	Lauri Fusco	Teresa La Salle	Clair Papadametrious	Freja Emily Simpson
Lorayne Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Bill ." Dobbie" Link	Jim Pekarski	Kaye Skinner
Stephanie Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Lori Losowski	Rachel Pawlikowski	Russell Smith
Mary Carmody	Amanda Gold	Anne Lubecki	Carol Piatt	Spencer Robert Smith
Nick Coonrod	Gail Greene	Geoff Marchione	Datie Ponath	Gabriel Streiff
John Cordsen	Donald Hartman	Russell Marchione	John Preski	Blanche Sweatman
Alice Dearo	John Hedrington	John Massett	Patrick Quinn	Anne Toepp
Tom Delpico	Joshua Hedrington	David, Liz and Mitzi	James Rank	Dominick Tuzzolino
Barry Dunning	Billy Jo Hidenbrandt	Marcelletta	Catherine Roman	James Van Damme
Sarah Eastup	John Hinman	Patrick McLaughlin	Bill Reese	Vito Waterman
Al Eisinger	Barbara Joanis	Brian McQueen	Robert Roman	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Paul Eisinger	Carol Johnson	Tom Myers	Lisa Ryder	John Wright
Robyn Engle				

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

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS
SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

THE SANCTUARY LAMP
 will burn
 The weeks of **September 20 & September 27**
 For **Patrick Burns** by Loving Family

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS
In Mission of the Christ Child
In Memory of
George Ernenwein requested by
 Vinnie Bravo
Misc. Donations from
 Rita Della Contrada
 St. Paul's Social Ministry

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS



STEPHEN RUSSELL & MEGAN TOMPKINS
October 3, 2020

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

September: Mary Wahl * Diane Sjordahl
October: Barbara Brady * Judy Panara

HOSPITAL VISITATION
TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

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.

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 and locate **DONATE** in the menu. Questions? Give us a call: 315-336-5072



St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection
September 20, 2020

Regular Collection	\$ 9,271.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 853.38
Total:	\$10,124.38
Make-Ups	\$ 240.00
Total:	\$10,364.38

THE FOLLOWING PARISH EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED

Wednesday, Scripture Class on St. Matthew at 6 pm in St. Peter's Church Hall
Wednesday, **Scripture Sharing** to reflect on the Readings for Sunday
Liturgy at 10:00 am in St. Peter's Church Hall.
Wednesday, **Prayer Group** at 7 pm at St. Mary's Parish Center



Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION OPEN HOUSE
Catholic Parish Center
(Formerly St. Peter's School)
400 Floyd Ave. Rome, New York

We encourage you to come to Open House to tour the school building, visit classrooms and meet catechists.

*In order to maintain social distancing
Open House will be held in two sessions.*

**5:30-6:30 pm - Families whose last names
begin with the letters A - M**
**6:45-7:45 pm - Families whose last names
begin with the letters N - Z**

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

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

Classes begin on October 19, and will follow the
school calendar. Registration will be done online this
year, through the Faith Formation website
www.smspfaith.com

Information regarding Sacramental Preparation
classes, including First Sacraments and Confirmation,
has been mailed to families in those programs.

For information on our online sessions please visit
the Faith Formation website.

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

Q: What do you call a sleepwalking nun?

**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**

*The Altar Rosary Society is always welcoming new
members to join our organization. We are a productive
and fun group of ladies and would love to see you come
to see what we are all about. Your time and talents are
needed!!!!!!*

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 MEETING Schedule

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

Sewing Group Meeting
October 8 & 9, 2020—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



JOIN US FOR THE

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
FEAST DAY OF ST. FRANCIS**

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 11:00 am
Parking Lot rear of church

*We invite participants to bring a pet care item for donation to a local pet shelter.
For donation suggestions, please check out the "wish lists" of area shelters available on their websites*



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 or Call (315) 470-1479

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (Mt 21:28-32)**

Provided by the Hope Appeal Funds

In today's gospel Jesus asked,
What is your opinion?

Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact?

An opinion is only how we perceive a
 situation or how we feel comfortable
 doing something.

Don't argue over or become divided by
 your opinion.

GREETING CARD MINISTRY

Help is needed from all parishioners to
 continue our Greeting Card Ministry.
 If anyone knows of a St. Mary's/St. Peter's
 parishioner who is ill, in a nursing home
 or homebound, and would like
 to receive a greeting card,

Contact **Debbie Pinti (315) 337-5982** or
 email dpinti@twcny.rr.com with the
person's name and address,

and our team will gladly send them a greeting card
 to brighten their day.

Thank you in advance for all your help.

**IN MISSION OF THE
CHRIST CHILD**

In Mission of the Christ Child Food Pantry is
 in need of non-perishable items:
 canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned soups, canned
 pasta sauces, dried pasta, canned pasta, peanut butter in
 plastic containers, grape jelly/jam in plastic containers.
 Macaroni & Cheese, and Campbell's Pork & Beans.

Please drop off items at St. Peter's Church.

**ADORATION of the BLESSED
SACRAMENT AT TRANSFIGURATION
Church Chapel**

Adoration from 7 am to 9 pm
 2 adorers required for each hour.
 To sign up or for questions call
 Bernadette Kapps at 315-337-5439.



*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

38th FAMILY ROSARY CRUSADE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020
TELEVISION CHANNEL CBS 5
5:00 pm—6:00 pm

GUEST SPEAKER
FATHER WILLIAM CASEY
 Fathers of Mercy
 Recitation of the Rosary:
 Led by the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
CONSECRATION TO MARY
SONGS TO THE BLESSED MOTHER

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

at St. Paul's Parish Center

October 11, 2020 at 2:00 pm
 Speaker **DEACON ED DOYLE**

*Please wear a mask,
 and maintain social distancing.*

Meetings are held the second Sunday of the month.

For Information:
 Call Celeste 315-794-9851



A: A roamin-catholic

Dear Padre,

Where does the tradition of praying with your hands together originate? I pray with my fingers intertwined. Is that acceptable?

According to the Caeremoniale Episcoporum (The Ceremonial of Bishops, 1985), “palms extended and joined together in the front of the breast, with the right thumb over the left in the form of a cross” (CE 107, n. 80) is the correct Catholic hand posture at Mass and prayer.

The origin of praying with hands folded is not known, but there’s mention of it in the Jewish Talmud. Historians have also asserted that it’s modeled on the practice of citizens in ancient Rome who joined their hands in the presence of rulers to communicate loyalty and submission to that higher authority.

Gestures and postures should allow our whole body to pray, as well as our heart and mind. Moreover, they are expressions of our faith. For example, like the early Christians, we stand during prayer and worship to express our readiness for Christ’s return, and as a sign of reverence to hear the gospels. Kneeling and striking the breast are expressions of penitence, humility, and our lowliness before God.

Likewise, at Mass the priest assumes the ancient posture of outstretched arms and hands, slightly elevated, to symbolize surrender in a gesture that reverences Christ’s outstretched arms on the cross. When we join hands together in prayer, it’s a gesture of supplication and a symbol of total submission to God, our supreme authority.

—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


SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS
Respect for the Planet’s Resources

We pray that we will not plunder the resources of this planet which you have entrusted to us. Help us share in a just and respectful way all of the blessings and resources that you’ve given to us.

“HANNAFORD HELPS”
REUSABLE BAG PROGRAM

Support A Local Non-Profit

Joseph Michael Chubbuck Foundation



Sept. 1 - 30th

Every **\$2.50** Community Bag sold at the
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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
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



MARY: HER PLACE IN THE CHURCH
Tuesday, October 6, 11 am—1 pm
FR. NATHAN BROOKS

The Good News Center welcomes Father Nathan Brooks for the Good News Center luncheon *Mary’s Role*. We will take a closer look at Mary in the Bible and her role of pointing us towards her son, Jesus Christ. We will also look at her role in our lives as Catholics.

Father Brooks grew up in Central Square and attended St. Michael’s Parish, now known as Divine Mercy. On June 1, 2019, Father Brooks was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Syracuse.

\$12 per person Must Register before September 24th

For more information please call
The Good News Center at 315-735-6210 or visit us
at www.thegoodnewscenter.org



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For information
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