



St. Peter's Parish

**200 N. James Street
Rome, New York 13440
Pastor: Father Sean P. O'Brien**

February 28, 2021



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2nd Sunday **OF LENT**

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." - Mk 9:7

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 27, 2021 Lenten Weekday (Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48)

8:00 am Mass for **DORIS BARRY** by Lori & Gabrielle Ferrare
PATRICIA REILLY-SEIFERT by Peg Bratae, SAA Classmate
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for **JOHN BARRY** by Tom & Sonya Meyers
JOSEPH M. FOLEY by The Men's Fellowship Group * **JOHN JEFFERS** by The Men's Fellowship Group
HARRY & DIANE KOZMA by Mother, Rose & Family

Sunday, February 28, 2021 Second Sunday of Lent (Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10)

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

7:30 am Mass for **MARTY SIMONS** (Birthday) by Mom
 10:00 am Mass for **MIRANDA GIFFORD** by Mark & Patti Gifford
PAULA & DAVID JOHNSTON by Esther Martin
MSGR. JAMES KENNEDY (30 Day) by Altar Rosary Society
 6:00 pm Mass for **LEONA ZIMINSKI** (Anniv) by Carolee Watson

Monday, March 1, 2021 Lenten Weekday (Dan 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38)

7:00 am Mass for **MARIAN NILES** by Yvonne Martin
 12:10 pm Mass for **MARGARET SIMONS** (Birthday) by Daughter-in-law, Mary

Tuesday, March 2, 2021 Lenten Weekday (Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12)

7:00 am Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S**
 12:10 pm Mass for **RONALD W. LYMAN, SR.** By Time & Maria Ramos

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 Lenten Weekday/Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin (Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28)

7:00 am Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S**
 12:10 pm Mass for the **FATHER JAMES KENNEDY** by Pat Austin

Thursday, March 4, 2021 Lenten Weekday/Saint Casimir (Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31)

7:00 am Mass for the **VENETTA TREEN** by Family
 12:10 pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S**

Friday, March 5, 2021 Lenten Weekday/World Day of Prayer (Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)

7:00 am Mass for **MARIAN NILES** by A.L.B.
 12:10 pm Mass for **ROGER CONNOR** by Family

Saturday, March 6, 2021 Lenten Weekday (Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)

8:00 am Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S**
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for **MARY CARRIG** (Birthday) by Kasey & John Dingman
MARY McADOO (1st Anniv) by Mom * **ROSE MATTIA** (95th Birthday-Living) by a Friend
PATRICIA REILLY-SEIFERT by Alex & Cora Sue Howe

Sunday, March 7, 2021 Third Sunday of Lent (Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; 1Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25)

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

7:30 am Mass for **JASON BULEY** by Steve & Pam Hunt * **JANE MARTIN** (4th Anniv) by Husband, Fred
 10:00 am Mass for **CARL J. MASSETT, JR.** (Birthday) by Family * **FRED GIFFORD, SR.** by Mark & Pattie Gifford
CAROL STANTON by Jack & Ellie Destito
 4:30 pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS IN THE ROME AREA PARISHES**

Please remember our families, friends and parishioners in our prayers

Georgie Amodio	Robyn Engle	Norma Hurlbut	Joe Migeroll	Lisa Ryder
Jayne Atwood	Bill Evans	Barbara Joanis	Tom Meyers	Kelly Sabia
Paula Bailey	Carol Fasick	Jessa Johnson	Michael Mizgala	Jacqueline Schachte
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Ron Fazio	Carol Johnson	Ann Moster	John Schachte
Joseph Beasock III	Judith Ann Fesner	Lena Johnston	Phil Murphy	Brian Schilling
Mary Ann Boucher	Joan Fiaschetti	Megan Jones	Beverly Nasci	Thomas Serra
Chris Bousalis	James Flemming	Jennie Kemp	Tari-Lyn Orton	Emmalynn Sharrow
Jimmy Brognano	Diana Fowler	Paul LaSalle	Debbie Pacicca	Alexander Simpson
Margaret Brizek	Julianna Fusco	Teresa LaSalle	Clair Papadametrious	Freja Emily Simpson
James Brooks	Lauri Fusco	Bill ." Dobbie" Link	Rachel Pawlikowski	Spencer Robert Smith
Lorayne Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Lori Losowski	Barbara Pazdur	Gabriel Streiff
Stephanie Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Anne Lubecki	Jim Pekarski	Blanche Sweatman
Mary Carmody	Amanda Gold	Nicole Mathe	Carol Piatt	Anne Toepp
Annie Cimo	Gail Greene	David, Liz & Mitzi	Datie Ponath	Rylin Turley
Nick Coonrod	Donald Hartman	Marcelletta	Patrick Quinn	Dominick Tuzzolino
John Cordsen	John Hedrington	Geoff Marchione	James Rank	James Van Damme
Tom Delpico	Joshua Hedrington	Russell Marchione	Bill Reese	Vito Waterman
Barry Dunning	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	John Massett	Catherine Roman	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Sarah Eastup	William Herrig, Jr.	Brian McQueen	Robert Roman	Diane Wolpert
Al Eisinger				John Wright
Paul Eisinger				Bernice Young

Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.

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

WEEKDAYS 7:00am * 12:10 pm
SATURDAYS 8:00 am * Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS 7:30 am * 10:00 am * 4:30 pm
HOLYDAYS 5:30 pm Vigil * 7:00 am * 12:10 pm

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 VISITATION

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.

**MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE IN MARCH & APRIL,
 THE 6:00 PM SUNDAY MASS WILL BE AT 4:30 PM.**

THE SANCTUARY LAMP
 Will burn the week of **February 27th**
 for **Jay & Mary McAdoo** by Mom

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

Mission of the Christ Child
Misc Donations from:

M/M Ralph Mirabelli * Frank & Carol Riolo
 Janice Virkler * St. Paul's Social Ministry
 Catholic Daughters of the America's
 Court Mother Cabrini #2432

Window Fund
In Memory of

Gary D. Koster requested by Wife, Agnes
Marian Niles requested by Connie Cushman

Help Us Grow:

Did you know:
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



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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
ASL Interpreters: Mary Margaret VanDamme
 Gabby Griffin

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

President: Kevin Barry
Trustees: Dale Rashford, St. Mary's
 Bernard Kaier, St. Mary's
 Joseph Maurer, St. Peter's
 Vacant, St. Peter's

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS
NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 AT 6:30 pm
 St. Peter's School, 400 Floyd Ave., Rome, New York

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE
March: Cathy Lennon * Jackie Gamble

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.

St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection
February 21, 2021

Regular Collection	\$ 8,161.79
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,434.58
Make ups	\$ 606.00
Total:	\$10,202.37
Eastern Europe:	\$ 653.00
Black & Native	\$ 895.00

Thank you for your support!



Faith Formation

Sunday, February 28, 2021
First Sacraments Class—9:00-9:50 am
St. Peter's Social Hall

Sunday, February 28, 2021
RCIC - 11:00 am
St. Peter's Social Hall

Monday, March 1, 2021
Grades 1-9 - 6:30-7:30 pm

Sunday, March 7, 2021
First Sacraments Class - 9:00-9:50 am

Sunday, March 7, 2021
RCIC - 11:00 am

JESUS' LITTLE FRIENDS

The Sunday morning Jesus' Little Friends Program is temporarily suspended, but the leaflets for the children will continue to be available at the exits.



COMING SOON
A MUSICAL OPPORTUNITY FOR
FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS
STAY TUNED!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

COMING SOON IN MARCH—VIRTUALLY

Please visit the Faith Formation website:

www.smspfaith.com

and follow St. Mary's/St. Peter's Faith Formation Facebook page for the latest updates regarding our schedule/program. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Faith Formation Office:
(315) 336-5066
Thank you!

ALTAR ROSARY MEETING

Altar Rosary Society

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED ON
Thursday, March 18

If 2021 permits, the ARS anticipates resuming our traditional "Calendar of Events" as follows:

- **March:** COVID permitting, we will resume our meetings to discuss the pending "Calendar of Events". Will update all members prior to the anticipated March 18th date.
- **April:** COVID permitting, Palm Sunday weekend. The bi-annual **Bake Sale & Article Sale**

We are always looking for ladies of our parish to attend one of our meetings to see what we are all about. Your time & talents are welcomed.

We are a fun & productive group of ladies who sponsor various social events and fundraisers throughout the year.

THE MERRY MAKERS

Knitters & Crocheters' Meeting
Sewing Group Meeting
Due to COVID-19, meetings are suspended until further notice

SEWERS: We have lots of beautiful fabric, but we need sewers and people to help cut patterns. Sew at your own pace at home when you have some time to work, knowing you are helping to improve someone else's quality of life. If you would like to **sew at home**, we will supply you with *ready to sew* items to assemble, with instructions

For additional information:

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



BETHLEHEM WOOD CARVING SALE

SALE THIS WEEKEND
February 27 & 28, 2021
St. Peter's Church

The mission of the olive wood carving sale will benefit the Catholics who are struggling for a living due the COVID 19. A group will be at our Church at the front entrance only selling the wood carvings.



NEWS FROM THE MUSIC MINISTRY

"SUNDAYS AT 3
CONCERT"

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021
St. Peter's Church

Featuring:

Avec Sentiments
A Violin, Vocal & Guitar Group
Juliane Price, Soprano & Violinist
Specializing in 1940's French music

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The Second Sunday of Lent— Mark 9:2-10

The apostles thought they knew Jesus, but when he changed in front of them at the Transfiguration, they were *afraid*. In families, we cannot freeze relationships because change and growth are inevitable. Children grow up, parents grow old and spouses change. Transfigurations are all around us and within us. Relationships can only grow when we embrace the new and let go of the old.



To Order: Contact
DIANE SJODAHL @ (315) 271-1881
OR EMAIL dsjodahl@gmail.com

2021 IGNITE MEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, March 20th - Rosary—7:30 am
Conference 8:00 am—12:00 pm
Confession: 12:15 pm

Satellite Site: **St. Peter's Catholic Center**
400 Floyd Ave., Rome, NY

Live Streamed from Sacred Heart, Cicero

<https://www.ignitecatholicmen.orgsmspfaith.com>
Contact: Eric Stutmann at (315) 264-7828



THE AREA PARISHES WILL BE OFFERING THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

EVERY MONDAY DURING LENT
Beginning February 22nd
5:00-6:00 pm
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

EVERY TUESDAY DURING LENT
5:00-6:00 pm (Benediction Following)
ST. PETER'S CHURCH

EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING LENT
5:00-6:00 pm
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Lenten Schedule

Daily Mass Schedule During Lent
Monday-Friday: 7:00 am * 12:10 pm

2021 Rome City Wide Stations of Cross

Every Friday at 7:00 pm
February 26th: Transfiguration
March 5th: St. Peter's
March 12th: St. Joseph's, Lee Center
March 19th: Transfiguration
March 26th: St. Peter's

Holy Thursday April 1st
City Wide Mass of the Last Supper at 7:00 pm
St. Peter's Church

Good Friday April 2nd
City Wide Service at 3:00 pm
St. Paul's Church

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass April 3rd
8 pm St. Peter's Church

Easter Sunday Masses April 4th
Celebrating the Risen Lord
7:30 am and 10:00 am St. Peter's Church

Days of Abstinence: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays, and Good Friday for all who have reached their 14th birthday, no meat can be taken.

Days of Fast: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for all who have reached their 18th birthday and have not as yet reached their 60th birthday, a limit of one full meatless meal.

Dear Padre,

Was Lent always associated with sacrifice, sin, and penance? Did Lent have some other purpose in Church history?

A set period of Lent was not observed during the first centuries of Christianity. Rather, Christians prepared for the Easter celebration with an all-night vigil and a fast. This vigil concluded with a morning Eucharist. Gradually, Christians extended this celebration to include Jesus' own Passover (the supper on Holy Thursday and the death of Jesus on Friday). By the end of the second century, baptism became linked to the Easter Vigil, and the time leading to Easter became a period of intense preparation for baptism. At first, this preparation period lasted only three weeks. This baptismal preparation program eventually extended to forty days. The idea of forty days came out of Mark's Gospel (1:13), where we read about Jesus going into the desert for forty days to prepare for his ministry.

Today the Lenten period serves a double purpose. It is still a time of intense preparation for the catechumens, as they anticipate celebrating the sacrament of baptism at the Easter Vigil. But Lent also has become a time for baptized Christians to reflect on their own baptism. During Lent, the baptized are challenged to turn away from sin and choose again the deepest meaning of their baptism: the fact that they have died and risen with Christ and are now alive anew in Jesus. This renewal is done through the traditional penitential practices of fasting, prayer, and works of charity. .

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Pope Francis asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month. To pray with the Pope daily, visit: clicktopray.org

LENTEN INTENTIONS

The Women Who Are Victims of Violence

Throughout this season of Lent, we pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded. We also pray throughout Lent, that each of us may experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #391**

112 Ridge Street, Rome, New York

The Knights are looking for interested Catholic males over 18 to join and help us support our area churches and community.

For Information to learn about the Knights call (315) 337-4010 or join online at kofc.org/joinus and use *Council 391*.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP at St. Paul's Parish Center

Meetings are held the second Sunday of the month.
For Information: Call Celeste 315-794-9851

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament AT TRANSFIGURATION Church Chapel

Adoration times will be from 7 am to 9 pm with 2 adorers required for each hour.

To sign up or for questions call Bernadette Kapps at 315-337-5439.



The Good News Center

10475 Cosby Manor Rd
Utica, New York

LIVING OUT A SPIRITUALITY OF THE EUCHARIST

A Lenten Retreat

FATHER GERRY McKEON, S.J

Saturday, March 20, 2021—10:30 am-5:00 pm

Father McKeon is a Catholic Jesuit Priest in the Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus.

How can we integrate prayer and worship into our everyday lives?

How can we become a Eucharistic Community?

During this day of prayer, we will explore what it means to embrace a Spirituality of the Eucharist.

Reservations are required due to limited capacity and social distancing.

Please call (315) 735-6210 Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

THE THIRD OPTION

Every other Sunday 6:30-8:30 pm

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

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