



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

March 28, 2021



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Palm SUNDAY

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it.
 And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the
 road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from
 the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 27, 2021 Lenten Weekday (Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56)8:00 am Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S**5:00 pm Vigil Mass for **MARGARET HOUSE** (Birthday) by Children & Grandchildren**MIKE MALAKIE** (Birthday) by Daughter, Mary * **SISTER REGINA PELTZ, SNJM** by Joanne Gaffey**Sunday, March 28, 2021 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (Mk 11:1-10; Is 50:4-7; Mk 14:1—15:47)****Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com**7:30 am Mass for **SARA MARTIN** (Anniv) by Fred & Family**RICHARD P. DeLUTIS, SR.** (9th Anniv) by Bridget & Family10:00 am Mass for **DAVID BIRMINGHAM, SR.** by Arthur Zelesnikar * **JENNIE KNUDSEN** by Kathy Miller**RICHARD MARTIN** by Sue Gigliotti4:30 pm Mass for **BRETT DIXON** (Anniv) by Kathy Miller, Aunt**Monday, March 29, 2021 Monday of Holy Week (Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)**7:00 am Mass for **MARIAN NILES** by Sharon Hansen * **PAULINE FROELICH** by Yvonne Martin12:10 pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S****Tuesday, March 30, 2021 Tuesday of Holy Week (Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)**7:00 am Mass for **MARIAN NILES** by Bobby, Kim & Marlee12:10 pm Mass for **THOMAS MYERS** (30 Day) by Barbara, Terrie & Joseph Anderson**MARY CHMIELEWSKI** (Anniv) by Family**Wednesday, March 31, 2021 Wednesday of Holy Week (Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25)**7:00 am Mass for **THOMAS MYERS** by Kathy Miller12:10 pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S****Thursday, April 1, 2021 Holy Thursday (Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15)**7:00 pm **ROME AREA EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** at St. Peter's Church**Friday, April 2, 2021 Good Friday (Is 52:13—53:12, Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42)**3:00 pm **PASSION OF THE LORD** at St. Paul's Church, Rome**Saturday, April 3, 2021 Holy Saturday (Gen 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 55:1-11; Rom 6:3:11; Jn 11:45-56)**8:00 pm **EASTER VIGIL MASS****Sunday, April 4, 2021 RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9)****Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com**8:00 am Mass for **MR. & MRS. JAMES A. HARPER, SR** by Family * **THOMAS MYERS** by Pat Fitsik Johnson10:00 am Mass for **DAVID GRATTAN LEMON** (24th Anniv) by Children * **JOHN F. KELLY** by Family6:00 pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE ROME AREA CATHOLIC PARISHES**

**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 families, friends and parishioners in our prayers

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

EASTER VIGIL MASS—APRIL 3 - 8:00 pm

EASTER DAY MASSES—APRIL 4

8:00 am * 10:00 am * 6:00 pm

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY CALLING
 THE RECTORY AT (315) 336-5072**

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of April 3 & 10
 for Peter & Patricia Charney by
 Kathy Simpson

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

Mission of the Christ Child

Thomas Joseph Myers requested by
 Joseph & Anita Petrelli

Misc Donations:

Barbara Thomas
 David & Kathryn Wood

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

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: Kate Stephan
Communications/Media: Joseph Stanton

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
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
 Barbara Thomas, St. Peter's

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, APRIL 13th AT 6:30 PM
 St. Peter's School, 400 Floyd Ave., Rome, New York

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

March: Cathy Lennon * Jackie Gamble
April: Diane Sjordahl

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

March 21, 2021

Regular Collection	\$11,367.10
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,140.92
Make ups	\$ 200.00
Total:	\$12,708.02
Easter Flowers Donation	\$ 2,823.00

Thank you for your support!



Faith Formation

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

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

Monday, March 29, 2021
Grades 1-9 - 6:30-7:30 pm
St. Peter's Parish Center on Floyd Ave.

Sunday, April 4, 2021
NO First Sacraments Class

Sunday, April 4, 2021
NO RCIC

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.

A MUSICAL OPPORTUNITY FOR FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS



**Join us Monday,
April 12th and April 19th
6:30pm**

**St. Peter's Parish Center
400 Floyd Avenue, Rome, NY**

Contact the Faith Formation Office
for more information. 315-336-5066

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!

THE IHC MYSTERY PLAYERS

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2021—7:30 PM
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
WATERTOWN, NEW YORK**

The IHC Mystery Players will be doing a virtual Mystery Play on **Good Friday** at 7:30 pm from St. Patrick's Church in Watertown, NY. This Mystery Play will be similar to the Stations of the Cross but with some Covid based meditations.

Anyone interested in watching can go to the St. Patrick/St. Anthony website and click on Mystery Play. The livestream should begin at 7:15 pm with the prayer to start at 7:30 pm. It lasts a little over an hour.

Altar Rosary Society

**NEXT ALTAR ROSARY MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 15 AT 6:00 PM**

Please mark you calendars.

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, donate hand-made items to the communion, as needed, and arrange fundraisers throughout the year.

THE MERRY MAKERS

KNITTERS & CROCHETERS' MEETING:
Wednesday, May 5 from 6:00-9:00 pm

KNITTERS & CROCHETER:
*We can always use more hands.
Please consider joining us.*

SEWING GROUP MEETING:
Thursday & Friday, May 6 & 7
10:00 am-4:00 pm

SEWERS:

We have lots of pre-cut items to be assembled. You may sew at your own pace at home if you like or join us on a sewing day. I have extra machines in my study that you may use. 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*

Please... Don't Forget Your

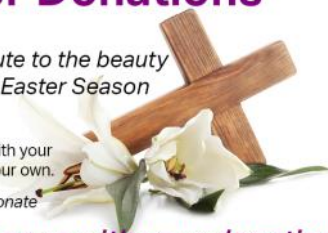
Easter Flower Donations

Your generous donations contribute to the beauty at St. Peter's Church during the Easter Season

Please use the donation envelope provided with your monthly envelope package, or you may use your own.

Or donate online at stmarysstpeters.com/donate

Be sure to list your loved ones with your donation



ANNOUNCEMENT FROM ST. MARY'S & ST. PETER'S CEMETERIES

**PLEASE REMOVE THE WINTER
DECORATIONS (i.e. WREATHS) FROM
THE GRAVE SITES BY APRIL 1, 2021.
Thank you :)**

VOCATION MINISTRY

The one who calls you is waiting.

Will you be faithful to his call?

Listen: God may be inviting you to be a priest, deacon, consecrated religious, or as a married or single person to share your gifts and talents.

Here at St. Peter's Parish, we will be starting a Vocation Ministry.

It is essential that as a Faith Community, we work together to help grow and nurture our spiritual family.

Our efforts in the promotion of vocations will be in close collaboration with the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Syracuse.

We will strive to encourage families towards this ministry as we create an environment that fosters it.

Finally we will support and honor those priests and religious leaders already working in their vocation, most especially our Pastor Father Sean O'Brien and our Parochial Vicar Father Bernard Menard.

If anyone is interested or thinking about one of these vocations, please contact the Rectory at (315) 336-5072 to speak with Father Sean.



THE AREA PARISHES WILL BE OFFERING THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

**EVERY MONDAY DURING LENT
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**

**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
8:00 am * 10:00 am * 6:00 pm
St. Peter's Church**

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTION AND SOCIAL DISTANCING, RESERVATIONS TO ATTEND THE EASTER MASSES ARE REQUIRED BY CALLING ST. PETER'S RECTORY (315) 336-5072.

St. Peter's Music Ministry presents:

Sundays at 3

featuring
Andrea DelPiano Falvo



Soloist and Keyboard

Performing
Broadway and Standard selections

**March 28th
3PM**

St. Peter's Church
200 N. James St. Rome

We are asking all who attend to bring an item or make a free will donation for our food bank. (In Mission of the Christ Child)

CDC Guidelines: Masks will be required and Social Distancing will be observed.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY— Mark 14:1-15:47

The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. This is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

Dear Padre,

I recently converted to Catholicism. Can you tell me more about the significance of the palm branches on Palm Sunday?

Welcome to our faith! And we are delighted to answer your questions. We can consider the meaning of the palm branches on two levels. On the first level, we commemorate a historical event—Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

In biblical times, people saw the palm as a kingly tree because of its height and majestic appearance. During festivals, the Jews carried palm branches in processions. Roman soldiers carried palm branches in their victory parades. In public games, the winners of contests and sports received palm branches as signs of victory. Thus, when people greeted Jesus with palm branches, they were greeting him in the spirit of joy and triumph usually reserved for victorious kings, armies, and athletes. It was the biblical equivalent of a ticker-tape parade!

That brings us to the second meaning for the palm branches. They do signify a joyful victory, but not in the worldly and military sense of the word. It is a victory that we can understand and celebrate only in the light of the other events of Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

The ultimate victory of Jesus was his Easter triumph over death and sin. But it was a victory won through suffering and dying. This is the victory we recall on Palm Sunday. Even though we must relive the sad events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday, we know the triumphant outcome of the story. Knowing that outcome enables us to make Palm Sunday the beginning of our victory celebration.

—*From Dear Padre: Questions Catholics Ask*, © 2003 Liguori Publications



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

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NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Every April, the Diocese of Syracuse, Parishes, and Catholic Schools, recognize the National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The Diocese embraces this opportunity to deepen our awareness of the need to be vigilant about providing a safe environment in our parishes, schools, agencies, and our communities. For information on how the Diocese of Syracuse implements safeguards to protect our children, young people, and vulnerable adults from abuse, contact the Office of Safe Environment at (315) 470-1421 or visit www.syrдио.org.



The Good News Center

10475 Cosby Manor Rd
Utica, New York

GRIEF SURVIVORS

A Grief Recovery Support Group
Every other Tuesday 6:00-7:30 pm

If you have lost a spouse, child, family member or friend, you've probably found that there are not many people who 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.

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 MARY 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.

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