



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

May 16, 2021



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Office Hours:

Monday * Tuesday

Thursday * Friday

9:00am - 12:00pm * 1:00-4:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am -12:00 pm

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 Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack

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www.stmarysstpeters.com



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

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth." - Jn 17:15-17

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 15, 2021 Saint Isidore (Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28)8:00 am Mass for **BOB ROOD** by Mom5:00 pm Mass for **MARY ELLEN HANSEN (Birthday)** by Family * **THOMAS MYERS** by Ginny Craiglow**Sunday, May 16, 2021 Seventh Sunday of Easter (Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19)****Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com**7:30 am Mass for **JANE BIRCHENOUGH** by Joanne Gaffey * **TOM MYERS** by Sheila & John Wilson & Family
RICHARD DeLUTIS, Sr. (Birthday) by Bridget & Family * **JOHN LENIHAN** (Birthday) by Wife, Barbara10:00 am Mass for **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ROME POLICE DEPARTMENT** by Rome Police Dept.**JOHN DICKSON** by Judy Dickson * **ROSWITHA MARIA MUNGER** by the Arthur Zelesnikar Family6:00 pm Mass for **SISTER HELENE COURTNEY, CSJ** by Barbara Gurley Loso**Monday, May 17, 2021 Easter Weekday (Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33)**7:00 am Mass for **KATHLEEN ZELESNIKAR** (Anniv) by Family**Tuesday, May 18, 2021 Easter Weekday (Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a)**7:00 am Mass for **RONALD DeRUBY** (14th Anniv) by Kathy DeRuby * **MARION STOOK** (Birthday) by Daughter
VLADIMIR WILLIAMS by Mom**Wednesday, May 19, 2021 Easter Weekday (Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:1b-19)**7:00 am Mass for **MARY WILSON** (10th Anniv) by Family**Thursday, May 20 2021 Saint Bernadine of Siena, Priest (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)**7:00 am Mass for **FRANCES GALLUPPI** by Dorothea & Paul Iselo
ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA by Granddaughter, Kim Ocuto**Friday, May 21, 2021 Saint Christoher Magallanes, Priest & Companions (Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19)**7:00 am Mass for **ANDREW THOMAS JONES** by Patricia Johnson**Saturday, May 22, 2021 Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)**8:00 am Mass for **STEVEN MATTHEW FITSIK** (Birthday) by Aunt Pat5:00 pm Mass for **HEIDE BIELBY** (Anniv) by Victoria O'Brien * **MARY MCADOO** (Birthday) by Mom
PETER & PATRICIA CHARNEY (Wedding Anniv) by the Charney Family**Sunday, May 23, 2021 Pentecost Sunday (Acts 2:1-11; 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23)****Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com**7:30 am Mass for **JAMES & ELLEN DUNN** by Joanne Gaffey
BABY CHESTER MASZTAK (Anniv) by Brother, Stanley10:00 am Mass for **DEBBIE POCCIA** by the Zelesnikar Family**GERALDINE TOEPP CORE** (Birthday) by Jeanette Reid**MARY JANE WHOOTEN** (Birthday) by Children & Grandchildren6:00 pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF THE ROME AREA 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
Jayne Atwood
Fr, Gabriel Berko
Paula Bailey
Raymond Barbar, Jr
Mary Ann Boucher
Chris Bousalis
Jimmy Brognano
Margaret Brizek
James Brooks
Lorayne Calicchia
Stephanie Calicchia
Mary Carmody
Adam Carpenter
Annie Cimo
Nick Coonrod
John Cordsen
Tom Delpico
Barry Dunning
Sarah Eastup
Paul Eisinger
Robyn Engle

Bill Evans
Carol Fasick
Ron Fazio
Judith Ann Fesner
Joan Fiaschetti
James Flemming
Diana Fowler
Julianna Fusco
Lauri Fusco
Augusta Ginsburg
Scott Ginsburg
Amanda Gold
Gail Greene
Donald Hartman
John Hedrington
Joshua Hedrington
Billy Jo Hildenbrandt
William Herrig, Jr.
Norma Hurbut
Joan & Jerry Jacobs

Barbara Joanis
Jessa Johnson
Carol Johnson
Lena Johnston
Megan Jones
Jennie Kemp
Paul LaSalle
Teresa LaSalle
Bill Lennon
Bill "Dobbie" Link
Lori Losowski
Anne Lubecki
Nicole Mathe
David, Liz, Mitzi
Marcelletta
Geoff Marchione
Russell Marchione
John Massett
Brian McQueen
Joe Migeroll

Michael Mizgala
Ann Moster
Phil Murphy
Sonia Myers
Beverly Nasci
Tari-Lyn Orton
Debbie Pacicca
Clair Papadametrious
Rachel Pawlikowski
Barbara Pazdur
Jim Pekarski
Joseph Petrelli
Carol Piatt
Datie Ponath
Paul Powers
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
Spencer Robert Smith
Sharon Sprague
Gabriel Streiff
Carol Piatt
Blanche Sweatman
Anne Toepp
Rylin Turley
Dominick Tuzzolino
Vito Waterman
Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Diane Wolpert
John Wright
Bernice Young

Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.

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

WEEKDAYS 7:00 am
SATURDAYS 8:00 am * Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS 7:30 am * 10:00 am * 6:00 pm
HOLYDAYS 7:00 am * 12:10 pm * 6:00 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 and belongs to a certain parish.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of **May 16th & 23rd**
for **Grace Corbett, Granddaughter**
In Thanksgiving for Successful Surgery by Sonia Myers

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In Memory of **Joseph Foley** requested by
Dale & Judi Rashford

In Mission of the Christ Child

In Memory of **Edwin Baker** requested by
Barbara Loso

Misc. Donations

Isabella Cain
Rocco & Bettina Favata

Window Fund

In Memory of **Katherine & Louis Finoccharo**
& **C. Jane Hicks** requested by
Mary Kay Finoccharo

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**St. Aloysius Catholic Center:** Julie McCormick**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, JUNE 8th AT 6:30 PM
St. Peter's School, 400 Floyd Ave., Rome, New York

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE**May:** Mary Wahl * Fran Rose**June:** Barbara Brady * Judy Panara***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**May 9, 2021**

Regular Collection	\$11,718.95
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,379.55
Make ups	\$ 446.00
Total:	\$13,544.50
Fuel Collection	\$ 2,996.00
In Mission of the Christ Child	\$ 348.00

Thank you for your support!



**FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR**
have come to an end.

*Information regarding our Fall Schedule
will be available in late summer.
In the meantime, be sure to pray each day,
attend Mass and celebrate the sacraments!
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!*

JESUS' LITTLE FRIENDS

*Today
10:00 am Mass*

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!

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 Father O'Brien at 315-336-5072.*

Altar Rosary Society

NEXT MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 20 AT 6:00 PM
Please mark you calendars.

*We will be laying the ground work
for exciting upcoming fund raising events.*

We are always looking for ladies to attend one of our meetings to see what we are all about.

Your time & talents are welcomed.

Meetings are the third Thursday
of the Month at 6:00 pm

*We are a fun & productive group of ladies
who sponsor various social events, donate hand-made
items to the community, as needed, and
arrange fundraisers throughout the year.*

THE MERRY MAKERS

KNITTERS & CROCHETERS:

*We can always use more hands.
Please consider joining us.*

SEWERS:

We have lots of precut 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

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 home bound, and would like to receive a greeting card, call **Debbie Pinti 315-337-5982** or email

dpinti@twcnv.rr.com

with the person's name and address and our team will gladly send them a greeting card to brighten their day.

Our community parish is a very caring and friendly group of individuals and we want the sick, nursing home residents and home bound to know that they remain in our hearts and in our prayers.

Thank you in advance for all your help!

FAMILY PERSPECTIVESEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
John 17:11-19

Jesus was worried about his disciples and
He turned to prayer.

No matter how much time we spend
trying to *guard and protect* our children,
each day they become less dependent on us
and we must let go and let God.
Prayer and parenting go together.

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.

Special Note: In honor of the recent
beatification of our founder,
Fr. Michael J. McGivney,

men are now eligible to join or rejoin
the Knights of Columbus at no cost.

Men can join as online members of the
Knights for free at kofc.org/joinus using promo code
MCGIVNEY2020.

Mention Rome Council #391
and we will be automatically notified.

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

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



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.

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP
at St. Paul's Parish Center**

Meetings are held the second
Sunday of the month.

For Information: Call Celeste 315-794-9851.

Formation for Ministry

**Preparing Lay Ministers
for Service in the
Diocese of Syracuse
2020-2021 Course Offerings***

The Formation for Ministry Program prepares
lay ministers for service in the Diocese of
Syracuse and provides opportunities for faith for-
mation to adults across the diocese. Courses are
open to those enrolled in our Lay Ecclesial
Ministry program and for any adult who wishes to
learn more about a topic for their own personal
enrichment. Those enrolling for personal
enrichment are allowed to take up to 3 courses
before enrolling. Tuition for courses for personal
enrichment is \$70. For more information about
Lay Ecclesial Ministry Formation and our adult
faith formation options, and to register for courses,
please visit our website

formationforministrysvr@org or
email us at formationforministrysvr.org
or call (315) 470-1479.

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Last weekend we were blessed
to have a visiting priest from
Cross Catholic Outreach.

Thank you

FATHER BERNARD OLSZEWSKI
For visiting our parish!

More than ever, the poor in developing
countries desperately need food,
water, shelter, medical care and
spiritual nourishment.

To support those ministry efforts,
please go to

CrossCatholic.org/outreach
Or text BLESSINGS to 474747

St. Aloysius Catholic Center

400 Floyd Ave. Rome

For information regarding
the use of the center:

Please contact:

Julie McCormick 914-536-5704
julmcc5197@gmail.com

Dear Padre,

My neighbor, a fundamentalist Christian, said I won't be saved unless I accept Jesus as my personal savior. Didn't Jesus become my savior when I was baptized?

Your neighbor is probably referring to John 3:7, when Jesus said, ***You must be born anew*** (Common English Bible). Jesus is talking about a spiritual rebirth; we must have a spiritual birth in order to be saved. As you noted, Catholics believe this happens at baptism. In John 3:5, Jesus says, ***Unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, it's not possible to enter God's kingdom.***

We are saved by the waters of baptism. But for Catholics, it's not merely a onetime event. We continue to accept or reject the salvation offered us by the decisions we make every day.

Your neighbor used the words ***personal savior***. Catholic Christians go even deeper through the sacraments. We develop and nurture a very personal relationship with Jesus by regularly receiving the Eucharist. In the sacrament of reconciliation, we admit we have sinned and ask Jesus to forgive us. And in the sacrament of confirmation, our relationship is ***sealed*** with the gift of the Spirit.

Many Catholics also celebrate the sacrament of marriage. The couple's personal relationship with Jesus is deepened through the love the couple shares. So, tell your neighbor you are indeed saved by Jesus. And because you are saved, you deepen that relationship with Jesus by living a sacramental life.

—Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR



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

MAY INTENTIONS
The World Of Finance

Let us pray that those responsible for the financial world will collaborate with governments to regulate financial markets to protect citizens from their danger.



10475 Cosby Manor Rd

Utica, New York

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP
SUSAN READ, MSRN Facilitator

Starting Monday May 17 6:30-8:00 pm (Once a Month)

The Good News Center is hosting a FREE and open to the public monthly Caregiver Support Group, starting Monday, May 17th from 6:30-8:00 pm, facilitated by **Susan Read, MSRN**. The group provides a source of emotional and social support and resources for those caring for a loved one. Our support group offers self-care strategies and tools to reduce stress and enhance coping. We welcome adults, spouses, family members or friends in the caregiver role. For those who prefer to do so, the program is also being offered virtually.

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. Grief Survivors is a support group for those grieving the loss of someone close.

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.

WOMEN AT THE WELL

Last Tuesday of Each Month 6:30-8:00 pm
SISTER ELLEN SCHOPFER Facilitator

All Christian women 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