



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

**May 23, 2021**



**St. Peter's Church**  
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 Monday \* Tuesday  
 Thursday \* Friday  
 9:00am - 12:00pm \* 1:00-4:00 pm  
 Wednesday 9:00 am -12:00 pm

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**Parochial Vicar: Father Bernard Menard**  
**Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher**  
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 210 W. Liberty Street  
**315-336-5072**

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**315-337-8307**  
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 W. Liberty Street  
**315-336-3110**



*Pentecost*  
**SUNDAY**

“When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father ... he will testify to me.” - Jn 15:26AC

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## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, May 22, 2021 Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)**

8:00am Mass for **STEVEN MATTHEW FITSIK** (Birthday) by Aunt Pat  
 5:00pm Mass for **HEIDE BIELBY** (Anniv) by Victoria O'Brien \* **MARY McADOO** (Birthday) by Mom  
**DENNIS & JOAN BELLINGER** (50th Wedding Anniv. -Living)  
**PETER & PATRICIA CHARNEY** (Wedding Anniv) by the Charney Family  
**BABY CHESTER MASZTAK** (Anniv) by Brother, Stanley

**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](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com)

7:30am Mass for **JAMES & ELLEN DUNN** by Joanne Gaffey  
 10:00am Mass for **DEBBIE POCCIA** by the Zelesnikar Family  
**GERALDINE TOEPP CORR** (Birthday) by Jeanette Reid  
**MARY JANE WHOOTEN** (Birthday) by Children & Grandchildren  
 6:00pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF THE ROME AREA PARISHES**

**Monday, May 24, 2021 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Gen 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34)**

7:00am Mass for **JACK HURLEY** (Birthday) by Charles & Gretchen Sprock  
**JoANNE McLELLAN** (Birthday) by the McLellan Family

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021 Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de Passi, Virgin (Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31)**

7:00am Mass for **CHESTER MASZTAK** by the Mission of the Christ Child

**Wednesday, May 26, 2021 Saint Philip Neri, Priest (Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mk 10:32-45)**

7:00am Mass for **JOHN "PAPA" FERLO** (Anniv) by Dortha & Paul Isele \* **MARIAN NILES** by Bobby, Kim & Marlee

**Thursday, May 27 2021 Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (Sir 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52)**

7:00am Mass for **LOIS HURLEY** by Charles & Gretchen Sprock

**Friday, May 28, 2021 Weekday (Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26)**

7:00am Mass for **ORLANDO A. DESTITO** (Birthday) by RoAnn & Christopher Destito

**Saturday, May 29, 2021 Weekday (Sir 51:12cd-20; Mk 11:27-33)**

8:00am Mass for **ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim Ocuto  
 5:00pm Mass for **JOSEPH FOLEY** by Alane & Sarah \* **HELEN O'BRIEN** (Birthday) by Victoria O'Brien  
**DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MARCOCCIA FAMILY** by Daughter, Gilda & Family  
**TONY SALCE** (14th Anniv) by Wife, Gilda & Family

**Sunday, May 30, 2021 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20)**

Today's Mass will be available online at: [www.stmarysstpeters.com](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com)

7:30am Mass for **JOSE RUIZ** by Family  
 10:00am Mass for **MICHELLE ADEY** (Birthday) by Dad, Mom & Brian  
**THOMAS BARRY, Jr.** (2nd Anniv) by Jim & Mary Anne Kenny \* **LOIS HURLEY** by Jeanette Reid  
**ROSA NODA** by the Zelesnikar Family \* **J. VINCENT TOEPP** (Anniv) by Jeanette Reid  
 6:00pm Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF THE ROME AREA PARISHES**

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

Georgie Amodio	Robyn Engle	Joan & Jerry Jacobs	Joe Migeroll	Robert Roman
Jayne Atwood	Bill Evans	Barbara Joanis	Michael Mizgala	Lisa Ryder
Fr, Gabriel Berko	Carol Fasicck	Jessa Johnson	Ann Moster	Kelly Sabia
Paula Bailey	Ron Fazio	Carol Johnson	Phil Murphy	Jacqueline Schachte
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Judith Ann Fesner	Lena Johnson	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 Lennon	Rachel Pawlikowski	Freja Emily Simpson
Carla Caccatori	Augusta Ginsburg	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Barbara Pazdur	Spencer Robert Smith
Lorayne Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Lori Losowski	Jim Pekarski	Sharon Sprague
Stephanie Calicchia	Amanda Gold	Anne Lubecki	Joseph Petrelli	Gabriel Streiff
Mary Carmody	Gail Greene	Nicole Mathe	Carol Piatt	Blanche Sweatman
Adam Carpenter	Donald Hartman	David, Liz, Mitzi	Datie Ponath	Anne Toepp
Annie Cimo	John Hedrington	Marcelletta	Paul Powers	Rylin Turley
Nick Coonrod	Joshua Hedrington	Geoff Marchione	Patrick Quinn	Dominick Tuzzolino
John Cordsen	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Russell Marchione	James Rank	Vito Waterman
Tom Delpico	William Herrig, Jr.	John Massett	Bill Reese	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Barry Dunning	Norma Hurbut	Brian McQueen	Catherine Roman	Diane Wolpert
Sarah Eastup				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** 7:00 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 23rd**  
 for **Grace Corbett, Granddaughter**  
 In Thanksgiving for Successful Surgery by  
 Sonia Myers

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

**Thomas Myers** requested by  
 Bernadine Rousseau  
 Charles & Gretchen Sprock

**Misc. Donations**

St Paul's Social Ministry

**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](http://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. Peter's 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 Catholic Center (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 16, 2021**

Regular Collection	\$ 8,718.72
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,804.53
Make ups	\$ 1,118.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$11,713.25</b>
Ascension Thursday	\$ 1,630.00
Catholic Communication	\$ 697.00
In Mission of the Christ Child	\$ 130.00

*Thank you for your support!*





## **FAITH FORMATION**

*Parents are the primary educators of their children in the ways of faith and life.*

*There is, however, another group of people who help our children to grow in faith.*

*They are the men and women who volunteer in our Faith Formation Program.*

*Inspired by their own life of faith, they share in the formation of our young people.*

*They lead others to know the living Jesus Christ through word and deed.*

*We are so grateful to them, and we thank them for their dedication to this most vital ministry of our parish.*

Visit the Faith Formation website:  
[www.smspfaith.com](http://www.smspfaith.com)

Follow us at:  
St. Mary's/St. Peter's  
Faith Formation Facebook page

## **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, JUNE 17 AT 6:30 pm**

*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 take pleasure being of service to our clergy, our parishioners and our community.*

*We sponsor various social events, donate hand-made items to the community, as needed, and arrange fundraisers throughout the year.*

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## **THE MERRY MAKERS**

**Knitters & Crocheters' Meeting  
Sewing Group Meeting**  
*Meetings are suspended until further notice.*

### **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](mailto: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 PERSPECTIVE****PENTECOST SUNDAY****John 15:26-27, 16:12-15**

Today, on Pentecost, we remember Christ has given us the Holy Spirit to assist us in raising our family and He expects us to use this personal gift. Let us turn off the noise, apps and distractions in our lives and let the Holy Spirit guide us to the truth.

**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 formation 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](mailto:formationforministrysvr@org) or  
email us at [formationforministrysvr.org](http://formationforministrysvr.org)  
or call (315) 470-1479.

**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](http://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](http://kofc.org/joinus) and use *Council 391*.

**St. Peter's Catholic Center**

400 Floyd Ave. Rome

For information regarding  
the use of the center:

Please contact:

**Julie McCormick 914-536-5704**  
[julmcc5197@gmail.com](mailto:julmcc5197@gmail.com)

**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.

**PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS**  
*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless act they perform for us in our time of need, and give us peace. Amen.*

*Dear Padre,*

### Why is there now a Mass honoring Mary after Pentecost?

The eleven apostles and some women, including Mary the Mother of Jesus, were praying in the upper room when they were filled with the Holy Spirit, which descended upon them as a strong wind and as tongues of fire (see Acts 1:13–14; 2:1–13). This is the final time Mary’s name appears in the New Testament. In Luke’s Acts of the Apostles, the same Holy Spirit that overshadowed Mary at the annunciation in Luke 1:38 now comes upon her during Pentecost. “Just as the Incarnation of the Spirit had formed the physical body of Christ in her virginal womb, now in the upper room the same Spirit comes down to give life to the Mystical Body” (St. John Paul II, general audience, May 28, 1997).

Thus, the Virgin Mary, full of grace and filled with the Holy Spirit, is both the Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church. “Mary is the mother of the members of Christ, because with charity she cooperated in the rebirth of the faithful into the Church,” wrote St. Augustine (354–430).

In 1975, The Roman Missal included a votive Mass honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary under her ancient title, Mother of the Church. However, in 2018, Pope Francis elevated this votive Mass to an annual obligatory memorial in the General Roman Calendar, observed on the Monday following Pentecost (also called Whit Monday).

Mary is a model for the gifts of the Holy Spirit, exemplifying “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control” (Galatians 5:22–23).

—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)

#### **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.*



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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.

### **PARENTS OF ADDICTED LOVED ONES—PAL**

**Mondays, June 7th & June 21—6:30-8:00 pm**

The primary goal of **PAL** is to provide **HOPE** through education for people dealing with the pain of having an addicted loved one. Each **PAL** group is facilitated by a trained peer, someone walking the same path. Meetings are **FREE** and open to anyone with an addicted loved one, participants must be 18 and over.

For more information please call The Good News Center at 315-735-6210 or visit us at [www.thegoodnewscenter.org](http://www.thegoodnewscenter.org)