



St. Mary's /St. Peter's Parish
 200 N. James Street
 Rome, New York 13440
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May 9, 2021



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8th Sunday OF EASTER

“It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain.” - Jn 15:16A

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 8, 2021 Easter Weekday (Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21)

8:00 am Mass for ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA by Granddaughter, Kim Ocuto
 5:00 pm Mass for DIANE M. BAKER by Tara With Love * PAULINE FROELICH by Jeanne Dixon
 LAWRENCE POWELL by Nickie, Karen, Gail, Anthony & Debbie
 FATHER PHILIP HEARN (Birthday) by Friends

Sunday, May 9, 2021 Sixth Sunday of Easter (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17)

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

7:30 am Mass for FRANCES ROTOLO by Steve & Michele Granacki
 10:00 am Mass for DEACON NICHOLAS ROSER In Thanksgiving of his 25th Anniversary to the Diaconate
 JOSEPH & FRANCES COLUCCIO (Birthdays) by Children & Grandchildren
 FRED GIFFORD, SR. by Mark & Patti Gifford
 MARGARET M. YOUNG (Birthday) by Nancy & Carl Quance
 6:00 pm Mass for the SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF THE ROME AREA PARISHES

Monday, May 10, 2021 Saint Damien deVeuster, Priest (Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a)

NO 7:00 AM MASS

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 Easter Weekday (Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11)

NO 7:00 AM MASS

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 Saint Nereus; Saint Achilleus & Saint Pancras, Martyrs (Acts 17:15,22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15)

7:00 am Mass for M/M WALTER STINEBRECKNER & JOSEPH ESCHE by Their Estate
 BERNARD GRANACKI by Stephan Granacki * BOB LOSO by Wife, Barbara

Thursday, May 13, 2021 Ascension Of The Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) (Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20)

7:00 am Mass for ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA by Granddaughter, Kim Ocuto
 12:10 pm Mass for SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S PARISH
 6:00 pm Mass for SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S PARISH

Friday, May 14, 2021 Saint Matthias, Apostle (Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17)

7:00 am Mass for PATRICK BURNS (Birthday.) by Loving Family

Saturday, May 15, 2021 Saint Isidore (Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28)

8:00 am Mass for BOB ROOD by Mom
 5:00 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, Barbara
 10:00 am Mass for DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ROME POLICE DEPARTMENT by Rome Police Dept.
 JOHN DICKSON by Judy Dickson * ROSWITHA MARIE MUNGER by the Arthur Zelesnik Family
 6:00 pm 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	Michael Mizgala	Lisa Ryder
Jayne Atwood	Bill Evans	Barbara Joanis	Ann Moster	Kelly Sabia
Fr, Gabriel Berko	Carol Fasick	Jessa Johnson	Phil Murphy	Jacqueline Schachte
Paula Bailey	Ron Fazio	Carol Johnston	Sonia Myers	John Schachte
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Judith Ann Fesner	Lena Johnston	Beverly Nasci	Brian Schilling
Mary Ann Boucher	Joan Fiaschetti	Megan Jones	Tari-Lyn Orton	Thomas Serra
Chris Bousalis	James Flemming	Jennie Kemp	Debbie Pacicca	Emmalynn Sharrow
Jimmy Brognano	Diana Fowler	Paul LaSalle	Clair Papadametrious	Alexander Simpson
Margaret Brizek	Julianna Fusco	Teresa LaSalle	Rachel Pawlikowski	Freja Emily Simpson
James Brooks	Lauri Fusco	Bill : "Dobbie" Link	Barbara Pazdur	Spencer Robert Smith
Lorayne Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Lori Losowski	Jim Pekarski	Sharon Sprague
Stephanie Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Anne Lubecki	Joseph Petrelli	Gabriel Streiff
Mary Carmody	Amanda Gold	Nicole Mathe	Carol Piatt	Blanche Sweatman
Adam Carpenter	Gail Greene	David, Liz, Mitzi	Datie Ponath	Anne Toepp
Annie Cimo	Donald Hartman	Marcelletta	Paul Powers	Rylin Turley
Nick Coonrod	John Hedrington	Geoff Marchione	Patrick Quinn	Dominick Tuzzolino
John Cordsen	Joshua Hedrington	Russell Marchione	James Rank	Vito Waterman
Tom Delpico	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	John Massett	Bill Reese	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Barry Dunning	William Herrig, Jr.	Brian McQueen	Catherine Roman	Diane Wolpert
Sarah Eastup	Norma Hurbut	Joe Migeroll	Robert Roman	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 16th & 23rd**
 for **Grace Corbett, Granddaughter**
 In Thanksgiving for Successful Surgery by Sonia Myers

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In Memory of
Albert Eisinger requested by
 David & Bernadette Arthur
 Dale & Judi Rashford

In Mission of the Christ Child
In Memory of
Rick Finster requested by
 Lorrie & Bryan Whooten

Stained Glass Window Fund
In Memory of
Thomas Gazitano requested by
 Joan & Joel Waterhouse

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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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, 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 2, 2021

Regular Collection	\$ 8,874.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,383.33
Make ups	\$ 204.00
Total:	\$10,461.33
Mother's Day	\$ 2,012.00
In Mission of the Christ Child	\$ 1,492.00

Thank you for your support!



FAITH FORMATION CLASSES FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

have come to an end. Both our in-person and online sessions were well attended.

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

**Sunday, May 9, 2021
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!

ASCENSION
of the Lord

"Holy day of Obligation"
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021

ST. PETER'S MASS SCHEDULE:

7:00 am * 12:10 pm * 6:00 pm
200 N. James Street, Rome, New York

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

I thank you, Creator of us all, for my mother. I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all those years. She gave me my faith, helping me to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. She taught me how to love and how to sacrifice for others. She taught me that it was okay to cry and that I should always tell the truth. Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give your today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her. Give her the strength and courage, compassion and peace. Bless her this day with your love. Amen

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 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



SATURDAY,
MAY 15, 2021

Armed Forces Day is a special holiday for people all over the world to come together and thank the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. First conceived by President Harry S. Truman, the holiday was established in 1949. The creation of a single day celebration for all five branches of the United States military made sense due to its recent unification under the Department of Defense. Today, Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday of every May, this year falling on May 15. Be sure to mark your calendar & support our military!

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
John 15:9-17

Today's gospel challenges us to
love one another as I have loved you.

Jesus is our model and he asks us to
lay down our life (our time, attention, opinions
 and needs) for each other.

This is the sacrament of the family, when God is
 made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH
MAY 8 & 9, 2021

FATHER BERNARD OLSZEWSKI
 from Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting
 our parish this weekend to share some touching
 stories about the amazing work Catholic
 missions are accomplishing worldwide.

Cross Catholic Outreach has very little over-
 head, and the majority of funds raised go directly
 to the projects helping the poorest of the poor in
 more than 30 countries around the world.

To learn more about Cross Catholic Outreach,
 please visit CrossCatholic.org/outreach
 Or text **BLESSINGS** to 474747

THE BLESSING OF
VINTAGE CARS & MOTORCYCLES



SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021
ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Parking lot (rear of church)
 11:00 am

ALL ARE WELCOME!



NOVENA

*** TO THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL***
*** TO ST. JUDE ***
 AND
*** TO ST. PEREGRINE ***

Monday Evenings
7:00 pm

Transfiguration Church
 111 Ridge Street
 Rome, New York



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #391
 112 Ridge Street, Rome, New York

NEXT MEETING—THURSDAY, MAY 13
 Rosary at 6:30 pm
 Business meeting 7:00 pm

*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 #381 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**.

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
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.

Dear Padre,

How does a priest keep the confession of a grievous sin by someone he knows from affecting their personal relationship?

One of a priest's most sacred responsibilities is the confidentiality of the confessional. This confidentiality encompasses everyone—even the priest and penitent outside the confessional. A priest is not allowed to discuss the confessed sin with the person outside the confessional unless permission is granted for further counseling.

The confessor is also forbidden to use any knowledge gained through the sacrament of reconciliation to restrict the penitent. For instance, if a pastor's bookkeeper confessed he was embezzling money, the pastor could not use the knowledge acquired in the confessional to fire the person.

Priests generally try to forget the specific sins parishioners confess to us, and it really isn't that difficult. Contrary to what many think, a parishioner's sins do not rush into my mind when I speak to him or her. We have all sinned, done things we are ashamed of, things we wouldn't want anyone to know about, things we wouldn't want others to define us by. This knowledge and the grace of the sacrament help us look past the mistakes of others and recognize Christ within them.

—Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR



Pope Francis asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month.

To pray with the Pope daily, visit: 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.



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.

SPRING FLING GARAGE SALE

FRIDAY, May 14th 9:00 am-4:00 pm & SATURDAY, May 15th from 9:00 am-3:00 pm

The Good News Center is having a Spring Fling Garage Sale, rain or shine, Friday, May 14th 9:00 am-4:00 pm and Saturday, May 15th 9:00 am-3:00 pm on our grounds at 10475 Cosby Manor Road, Utica, New York.

Most of our items will be indoors in our building just follow the signs to begin shopping. We have been doing our spring cleaning and have tons of items for sale such as furniture, household items, artwork, electronics, toys, games, books and so much more. Stop by and give us a visit! For more information please give us a call at (315) 735-6210.

For more information please call

The Good News Center at 315-735-6210 or visit us at www.thegoodnewscenter.org