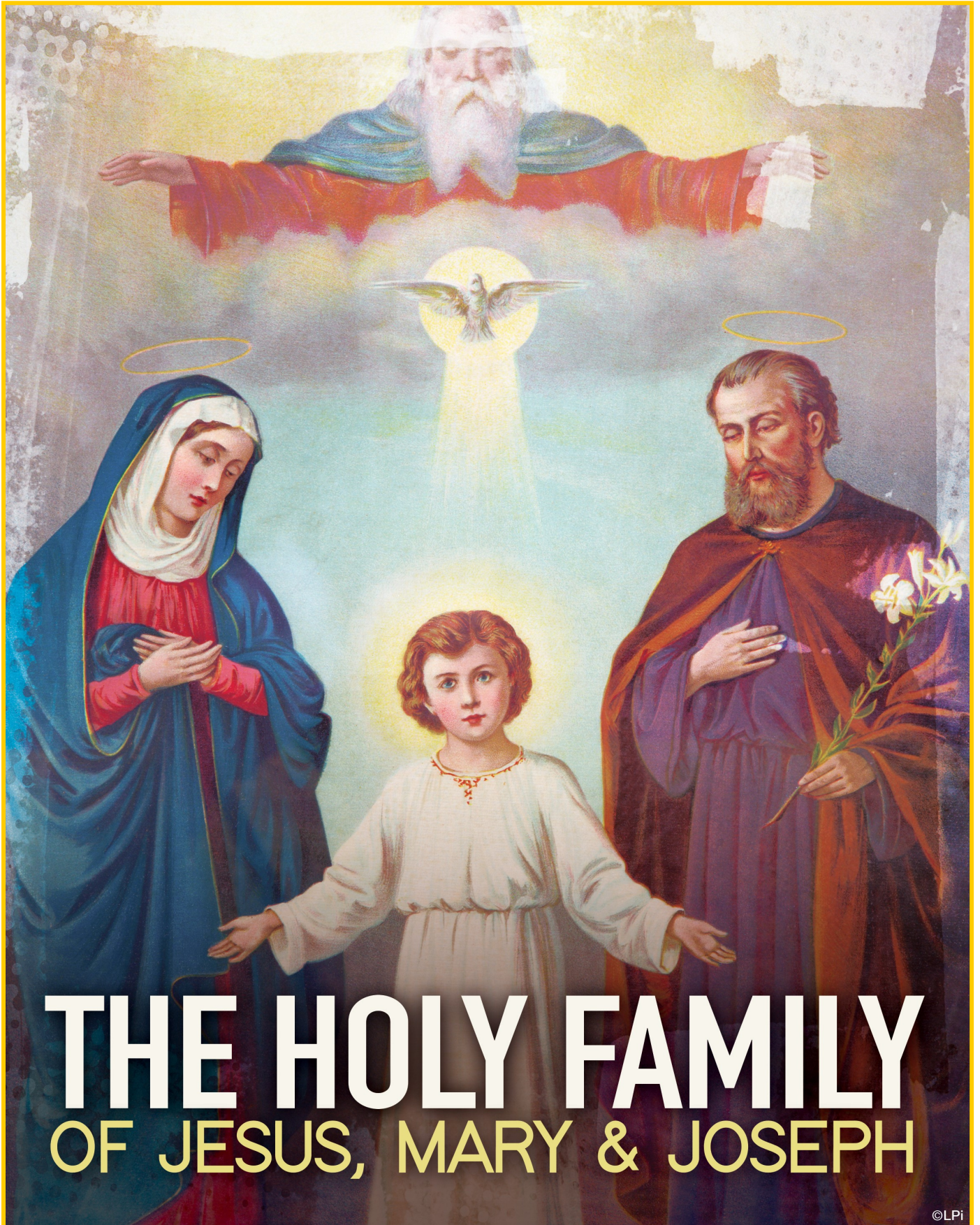


St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
December 26, 2021



THE HOLY FAMILY
OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday, December 25, 2021 The Nativity of the Lord**

7:30am **PRO POPULO** (For the People)
 10:00am **PRO POPULO** (For the People)
NO 5PM VIGIL MASS

Sunday, December 26, 2021 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30am **VIRGINIA DUNN** by Joanne Gaffey * **GLORIA & BILL IZZO** by Izzo Family
DAVID BOVI by Margaret Bovi
 10:00am **FRED GIFFORD SR.** by Mark & Patti Gifford * **PATRICK MCLAUGHLIN** by the Stanton Family
MICHELLE ADEY by Family * **ROBERT BAKER** by Diana Baker
 6:00 pm **WILLIAM E. LENNON** by Mr. & Mrs. Samuel DeCarlo

Monday, December 27, 2021 Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

7:00am **JOSEPH UTTER** (16th Anniv) by Family

Tuesday, December 28, 2021 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00am **IN MEMORY OF THE TWINS** by Gramma
JOSEPH FUSCO (Healing) by Pete Wood & Mary Ann Lyman

Wednesday, December 29, 2021 Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

7:00am **MARIAN NILES** by Bobby, Kim & Marlee
VLADIMIR WILLIAMS by Pete Wood & Mary Ann Lyman

Thursday, December 30, 2021

7:00am **ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter Kim Ocuto
CATHY 'MURPH' CLEM (Living) by Pete Wood & Mary Ann Lyman

Friday, December 31, 2021 Saint Sylvester I, Pope

6:00pm **VIGIL MASS, PRO POPULO** (For the People)

Saturday, January 1, 2022 Soleminity of Mary, Mother of God

9:00am **PRO POPULO** (For the People)
 5:00pm **VIGIL MASS**
JOE IZZO by Water Filtration Plant * **WILLIAM DEHIMER** by Richard & Kathy Fazio

Sunday, January 2, 2022 The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30am **ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter Kim Ocuto
 10:00am **BRUCE LYMAN** by Dennis & Joan Bellinger
PHIL MURPHY by Mike Adey, Brian Miller & Joe Stanton
WILLIAM E LENNON by Kathy Miller
 6:00pm **SUSAN GRACE** by Jim Cunningham

**Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church
 are now live streamed & available on the parish website: www.stmarysstpeters.com.**

Please remember our families, friends and parishioners in your prayers.

Georgie Amodio	Judith Ann Fesner	Jennie Kemp	Beverly Nasci	John Schachte
Leonard Amodio	Joan Fiaschetti	Paul LaSalle	Dale Newman	Brian Schilling
Jayne Atwood	James Flemming	Teresa LaSalle	Tari-Lyn Orton	Bradley Sharpstene
Fr. Gabriel Berko	Diana Fowler	Joan Leahy	Debbie Pacicca	Patricia Sterling
Paula Bailey	Joe Fusco	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Clair Papadametrious	Thomas Serra
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Julianna Fusco	Michael Loso	Rachel Pawlikowski	Emmalynn Sharrow
Chris Bousalis	Lauri Fusco	Lori Losowski	Barbara Pazdur	Alexander Simpson
Jimmy Brognano	Joanne Gaffey	Anne Lubecki	Jim Pekarski	Freja Emily Simpson
James Brooks	Augusta Ginsburg	David, Liz, Mitzi	Joseph Petrelli	Spencer Robert Smith
Carla Cacciatori	Scott Ginsburg	Marcelletta	Carol Piatt	Sharon Sprague
Lorayne Calicchia	Amanda Gold	Geoff Marchione	Datie Ponath	John Stark
Stephanie Calicchia	Gail Greene	Russell Marchione	Paul Powers	Gabriel Streiff
Mary Carmody	John Hedrington	Pattie Mastrangelo	Patrick Quinn	Neil Sutherland
Adam Carpenter	Joshua Hedrington	Nicole Mathe	Bill Reese	Blanche Sweatman
Annie Cimo	Mike Henry	Marybeth Matyasik	Francine Riolo	Anne Toepp
John Cordsen	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Brian McQueen	John Ritchie	Barbara Thomas
Tom Delpico	William Herrig, Jr.	Joe Megerell	Catherine Roman	Rylin Turley
Barry Dunning	Jerry & Joan Jacobs	Carol Misiaszek	Robert Roman	Sr. Rosaire DeMare
Paul Eisinger	Jesse Johnson	Kathy Miller	Lisa Ryder	Vito Waterman
Robyn Engle	Lena Johnston	Michael Mizgala	Kelly Sabia	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Carol Fasick	Megan Jones	Ann Mosier	Jacqueline Schachte	John Wright
Ron Fazio		Sonia Myers		Bernice Young

Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.



St. Peter's Parish

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Office Hours:

Monday * Tuesday
Thursday * Friday
9:00am-12:00pm &
1:00-4:00pm
Wednesday 9:00am-12:00pm

Pastor: Father Sean P. O'Brien
Parochial Vicar: Father Bernard Menard
Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher
Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack
Seminarian: Ben Schrantz

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

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	* 12:10pm * 6:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE

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.

Faith Formation Office **315-336-5066**

Online at: www.smspfaith.com
Email: spcdre@twcnny.rr.com

St. Peter's Cemetery

E. Dominick Street Rome **315-337-8307**

St. Mary's Cemetery

W. Liberty Street, Rome **315-336-3110**

PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society: Mary Wahl
St. Peter's Senior Group: W. Warren Sickles, Jr.
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Miller
Scripture Study: Betty Pettinelli
Funeral Preparations: Barbara Thomas
Hospital Ministry: John MacGaffick
St. Aloysius Catholic Center: Julie McCormick
ASL Interpreters: Mary Margaret VanDamme
Gabby Griffin

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation: Laura Mack
First Sacraments Coordinator: Jean Bauer
Music Ministry: Barry Russo
Office Administration: Sharon Hansen
Administrative Assistant: Kathy Miller
Maintenance Director: Mark Lagasse
Cemetery Superintendent: Kate Stephan
Communications/Media: Joseph Stanton

PARISH COUNCIL

Father Sean O'Brien, Pastor
President: Kevin Barry
Trustees: Bernard Kaier,
Lawrence Riolo, Jr., Timothy Sestito,
Barbara Thomas

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Next meeting January 11, 2022
6:30pm at St. Aloysius Center

St. Mary's/St. Peter's Collection

December 19, 2021 will be in next week's bulletin

Thank you for your support!

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.



FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Sunday, December 26, 2021
No First Penance Class

Sunday, December 26, 2021
No Confirmation Classes

Monday, December 27, 2021
Grades 1-6 - No Class
Grades 7-8 - No Class

For information about classes and schedules
please visit our website
or stop by the Faith Formation Office.

We look forward to seeing you and
sharing our faith together!

www.smspfaith.com

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

JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

No Class on December 26, 2021

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of December 26, 2021
Peter and Patricia Charney
requested by Charney Family.

MISSION of the CHRIST CHILD

Donation by St. Paul's Social Ministry

Volunteers are needed as: Altar Servers * Lectors
Eucharistic Ministers * Ushers * Choir * Greeters

Please call the rectory for more information.
315-336-5072

From the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse

New York State has instituted a mask mandate
in all public places effective Monday, December 13th.

It is being done as a safety precaution
and out of the utmost concern for one's neighbor.

Bishop Lucia expects that all parishes in
the Diocese of Syracuse will cooperate
with this important public health matter
and comply with the mask mandate.

*Let us continue to pray for one another
as we continue to navigate these
interesting times.*

Special **"THANK YOU"** to all who donated
to our Parish **GIVING TREES**.
Deliveries were made and were
greatly appreciated.

HELP US GROW

Electronic giving gives you a convenient way to
keep up with your weekly offerings.

Simply scan the QR code or
go to www.stmarysstpeters.com and click on

Donate and complete the electronic giving
authorization form to get started.

Questions about online giving?
Give us a call 315-336-5072.



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
debbiepinti5@gmail.com with the person's name and
address and our team will gladly send them a greeting card
to brighten their day.

Thank you in advance for all your help!

2021 Christmas Ornament



St. Mary of the Assumption

St. Peter's Church

\$25.00
per-ornament

Available after all masses
or contact: Diane Sjodahl 315-271-1881
emaildsjodahl@gmail.com

There are a few of last year's ornaments still available of the **LAST SUPPER WINDOW**

THE MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD

The Food Pantry is an all volunteer team that distributes free food to low and middle-income families from the mission office at 400 Floyd Ave. every Tuesday. If you are interested in joining our volunteer team, please call or text the Mission at 315-281-9492.

Thanks to all the volunteers that staff the Mission Food Pantry each week and to all of the parishioners that generously support the Mission with food donations and financial contributions.

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.*

Altar Rosary Society

There are no meetings/events in January or February. We will resume in March. Please consider becoming an ARS member. We are a fun, productive group of ladies whose mission is giving service to our clergy, our parishioners & our church.

THE MERRY MAKERS

KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & SEWERS

To anyone who can knit, crochet or sew:

The **MERRY MAKERS** is a group of knitters, crocheters & sewers who currently knit and crochet hats, mittens and scarves for local school children. For cancer patients we make chemo caps, lap robes and prosthesis (to fit into mastectomy patient's bras). We also make adult bibs, masks and walker bags. We give all these items to the local school nurses, cancer & infusion centers, local adult facilities and to individuals upon request.

If you or someone you know are in need of these items or if you would like to join us in this endeavor, please call **Cate Powers** at (315)337-2289 or (315)225-7900.

If you have items to drop off, or if you need more yarn, please call ahead. (315)337-2289

Thank you all for continuing to produce so many beautiful items for the people we care about.

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Next Knitting and Crocheting Meeting:
January 12, 2022

The "Merry Makers" would like to thank all those who have been leaving yarn at the church for us to use. We want you to know that it is being made into lively hats, mittens and scarves for our local school children.

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

December: Tina Brognano
Fran Rose



FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Today's gospel contains the truth about parenting: "but his parents did not know." One of the reasons parenting is so difficult is because our children don't tell us everything. If the Holy Family had trouble with their teenager, why do we think it would be easier for us?



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)

DECEMBER INTENTION

CATECHISTS

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Diane Barthlowmew in charge of our Food Pantry, and volunteers Ben Schrantz, Carolyn Wroblewski & Carol Nethercott, came in on a Saturday to help place the refrigerated foods under refrigeration and the frozen food into the Mission freezers.

A special thanks to ***Kristen Synakowski*** and her entire staff at the ***United Way of the Mohawk Valley*** for their exceptionally generous donation and delivery of individual Meal Boxes distributed to every patron of the Mission of the Christ Child Food Pantry. It was greatly appreciated as our community ramps-up for the Holidays!



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SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP

You don't have to go through separation or divorce alone. During this difficult time your friends and family have been very supportive, but they just don't grasp the level of your pain and frustration. They try to be helpful but they just don't get it. The Separated and Divorced Support group is there for you led by people who have gone through it and know what you are dealing with. This confidential group is **FREE** and open to anyone trying to rebuild their life after the pain. **Meetings are every other Sunday from 5pm-7pm. Meetings are December 19, 2021, January 9, 2022, January 23, 2022, February 6, 2022, February 20, 2022, March 6, 2022, and March 20, 2022.**

GRIEF SURVIVORS

Grief Survivors is a bi-weekly program that helps individuals journeying through grief. Grieving individuals feel a variety of emotions. Many times individuals going through them wonder if this is normal. Grieving is unique to each individual although there are many similarities. The Grief Survivors support group allows individuals to explore their feelings, find support from individuals experiencing similar feelings, and move through the grieving process. Each session is unique, offering a blend of discussion, activities, and video presentations. Fellowship is a large part of the process and there is time for that as well. Individuals are invited to share during the discussions, but there is no pressure to do so. ***The program is offered every other Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Upcoming meetings are December 21st, January 5th and January 19th.***

For more information, please contact the Good News Center at 315-735-6210, info@thegoodnewscenter.org, or visit us online at www.goodnewscenter.org. For those who prefer the program is also being offered via Zoom.

We ask you to please call 315-735-6210 to register for both in-person or virtual meetings.