

*St. Peter's Parish  
Rome, New York  
May 29, 2022*



## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



"I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one." - Jn 17:22-23a

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, May 28, 2022

- 8:00am **ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim  
**JOSEPH V. PETRELLI** by Koreena Palmon  
 5:00pm **WILLIAM GAFFEY** by Joanne Gaffey \* **ALAN GAFFEY** by Family  
**MICHAEL JOHN TESTA JR.** (B'day) by Mike & Colleen  
**FAITH L. JONES** by Chris & Brenda Klara

### Sunday, May 29, 2022 Seventh Sunday of Easter

- 7:30am **SALOME HUEY** (Anniv) by Family \* **THOMAS HEARN** by Kathy Miller  
**STEVEN FITSIK** (B'day) by Aunt Pat  
 10:00am **HELEN O'BRIEN** (B'day) by Victoria O'Brien  
**FRANK COSTELLO III** by Bryan & Lorrie Whooten  
**WILLIAM J. EVANS JR.** by Michele & Marie Grifasi  
**J. VINCENT TOEPP** (Anniv) by Daughter, Jeanette  
**JOSEPH PETRELLI** by Judy & Frank Lawruk  
 6:00pm **FRANK COSTELLO III** by Family

### Monday, May 30, 2022

- 7:00am **THE DECEASED MEMBERS of the O'BRIEN, THOMPkins & MCTAGUE FAMILIES**

### Tuesday, May 31, 2022 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:00am **FAY C. GOODCHILD** by Jim & Mary Margaret VanDamme

### Wednesday, June 1, 2022 Saint Justin, Martyr

- 7:00am **PRO POPULO**

### Thursday, June 2, 2022 Saint Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

- 7:00am **SUSU GHARBIELT** (Healing) by Pat Johnson

### Friday, June 3, 2022 Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

- 7:00am **PRO POPULO**

### Saturday, June 4, 2022

- 8:00am **ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim  
**GRETCHEN GILLEN** by Family  
 5:00pm **RICHARD UTTER** (B'day) by Family  
**THOMAS HURLEY** by the Myers Family  
**JOSEPH V. PETRELLI** by Mike & Colleen Dunn  
**JOHN LENAHA** (B'day) by Family

### Sunday, June 5, 2022 Pentecost Sunday

- 7:30am **MARGARET & ELMER RICHARD** by Son  
**DARLENE TELLER** (Healing) by Pete Wood  
 10:00am **CORA SUE HOWE** (30 day) By Merry Makers  
**MICHAEL SAMSEL** by Nancy & Vince Janik  
**TOM MYERS** (Wedding Anniv) by Loving Wife  
**FRANCES MACDONALD** by Daughter  
**WILLIAM WHOOTEN** by Children & Grandchildren  
 6:00pm **JOSEPH V. PETRELLI** by Rick & MaryJo Fiorini

**Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church  
 are now live streamed & available on the parish website: [www.stmarvsspeters.com](http://www.stmarvsspeters.com).**

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

Michelle A.	Paul Eisinger	Jerry & Joan Jacobs	Beverly Nasci	Thomas Serra
Barbara K. Acchino	Robyn Engle	Jesse Johnson	Dale Newman	Emmalynn Sharrow
Georgie Amodio	Carol Fasick	Lena Johnston	Debbie Pacicca	Alexander Simpson
Leonard Amodio	Beatrice Ferguson	Megan Jones	Clair Papadametrious	Freja Emily Simpson
Jayne Atwood	Judith Ann Fesner	Jennie Kemp	Rachel Pawlikowski	Spencer Robert Smith
Fr. Gabriel Berko	Joan Fiaschetti	Theresa Lanigan	Barbara Pazdur	Sharon Sprague
Paula Bailey	James Flemming	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Jim Pekarski	John Stark
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Diana Fowler	Michael Loso	Carol Piatt	Gabriel Streiff
Chris Bousalis	Julianna Fusco	Lori Losowski	Datie Ponath	Neil Sutherland
Jimmy Brognano	Lauri Fusco	Anne Lubecki	Paul Powers	Blanche Sweatman
James Brooks	Joanne Gaffey	David, Liz, Mitzi	Patrick Quinn	Anne Toepp
Carla Cacciatori	Augusta Ginsburg	Marcelletta	Bill Reese	Barbara Thomas
Lorayne Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Geoff Marchione	Francine Riolo	Rylin Turley
Stephanie Calicchia	Amanda Gold	Russell Marchione	John Ritchie	Sr. Rosaire DeMare
Mary Carmody	Gail Greene	Patti Mastrangelo	Catherine Roman	Fr. Corey VanBuren
Adam Carpenter	Denis Hartman	Nicole Mathe	Robert Roman	Francis Rosario Vitale
Annie Cimo	John Hedrington	Marybeth Matyasik	Lisa Ryder	Vito Waterman
John Cordsen	Joshua Hedrington	Brian McQueen	Kelly Sabia	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Alex D'Argenio	Mike Henry	Carol Misiaszek	Jacqueline Schachte	Patricia Willis
Melody Darrow	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Michael Mizgala	John Schachte	John Wright
Tom Delpico	William Herrig, Jr.	Ann Moster	Brian Schilling	Bernice Young
Barry Dunning	Robin Hurd	Sonia Myers	Bradley Sharpstene	Cathy Ziemba

*Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.*



## St. Peter's Parish

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Rome, New York 13440  
Parish Office: 315-336-5072  
St. Peter's Fax: 315-336-0855  
E-mail: [smsprectory@twcnny.rr.com](mailto:smsprectory@twcnny.rr.com)

### Office Hours:

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

**Pastor:** Very Rev. Sean P. O'Brien, VF  
**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

### 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 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 COUNCIL

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

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:**  
Next meeting: **JULY 19, 2022**  
**6:30PM St. Aloysius Center, Floyd Ave.**

### St. Peter's Cemetery

E. Dominick Street Rome 315-337-8307

### St. Mary's Cemetery

W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

### Faith Formation Office

315-336-5066

Online at: [www.smspfaith.com](http://www.smspfaith.com)

Email: [spcdre@twcnny.rr.com](mailto:spcdre@twcnny.rr.com)

### 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.

**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.

**HEARING AIDS:** Assistive hearing devices are available for loan in the Sacristy before mass.

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

**May 23, 2022**

Regular Collection	\$8,371.65
Electronic Giving	\$1,304.96
Make-ups	\$245.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$9,921.61</b>

### HELP US GROW WITH ELECTRONIC GIVING

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](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com) and click on **Donate**. Complete the electronic giving authorization form to get started.

*Thank you for your support!.*





## FAITH FORMATION



Join us for “**Monumental**”, our Vacation Bible School program.  
**Monday, July 11– Friday, July 15 from 9-11:30AM.**

Registration for “**Monumental**” begins on June 1st.  
Visit the Faith Formation website or Facebook page  
for the online registration link.  
[www.smspfaith.com](http://www.smspfaith.com)

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### JESUS' LITTLE FRIENDS

**SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022**

**Jesus' Little Friends 10:00AM MASS**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022**

**Jesus' Little Friends 10:00AM MASS**

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

### THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of **May 29, 2022**

In Memory of  
**JOHN F. KELLY** by Family

### DONATIONS

#### **WINDOW FUND**

In Memory of  
**CECILIA DUNN** by Nicole Mathe

#### **CHURCH RESTORATION FUND**

In Memory of  
**STEPHEN MATHE** by Nicole Mathe

### BANNS OF MARRIAGE



**MEREDITH SUWAK  
&  
COREY WASILNAK**

**JOIN US ON JUNE 12, 2022 6:00PM**



### **BACCALAUREATE MASS**

Honoring our graduates from  
our local parishes.



### **CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY of the DEDICATION of TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH!**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15th, 5:30PM**

All are invited to Mass at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.  
A special invitation to Transfiguration parishioners.  
A reception will follow at St. John the Baptist parish hall.

### **SAFE ENVIROMENT RECERTIFICATION CLASS JUNE 20, 2022**

**9:30AM and 6:30PM**

In St. Peter's Social Hall  
Pre-registration is required.  
Visit the Syracuse Diocese website to register.  
[www.syracusediocese.org](http://www.syracusediocese.org)

### **WHO LOVES A PARADE???**

St. Peter's Parish will be participating in the  
**HONOR AMERICA DAY PARADE.**

The parade will take place on July 30, 2022. at 10:00AM.

Anyone interested walking along the

St. Peter's Church float is welcomed to come!!!

Sign up sheets will be available as we get closer to the date.

**Later that evening at 8pm,**

Symphoria will perform popular show tunes, rousing marches,  
and a celebration of the American spirit at 8pm at Fort Stanwix  
National Monument, along with cannon fire, the ringing of  
church bells, and a spectacular  
fireworks display!



### FORMATION IN A MINUTE...

#### **The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Celebrated on May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth. The meeting of these two women was a joyful and unique event. Both found themselves pregnant in unusual circumstances — Elizabeth in her old age after suffering from infertility, and Mary by the Holy Spirit.

At their meeting, John the Baptist leaped in the womb of Elizabeth, and Elizabeth blessed Mary and the Christ Child. Elizabeth's words to Mary, "*Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb*" we recognize as part of the prayer, *The Hail Mary*. Mary, in turn, responds with the famous Magnificat praising the Lord. The Magnificat begins: "*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God, my savior.*" The entire prayer can be found in the Gospel of Luke, chapter 1, verses 46-55.

In our parish church, the Visitation is depicted in the first two sections of our south-facing windows. The windows show Elizabeth joyfully greeting Mary and the Christ Child in her womb. Pope Benedict XVI tells us that this feast day is a day to recognize Mary's humility and willingness to be used by God, and that we should strive to imitate it in our own lives.



## CALLED BY NAME...

In his letter to the Romans, St. Paul writes "for as in one body we have many parts, and all the parts do not have the same function, so we though many, are one body in Christ". God has given each of us different gifts and talents to use in this life, and in preparation for the next. When we bring our different gifts and talents together as a faith community, the Church becomes a richer place.

Over the next few weeks, the Diocese of Syracuse is undertaking the "Called By Name" vocation promotion initiative. The goal of which is, through prayer, to encourage and foster vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life within our parish communities. We all have something we can contribute. Let us pray that more people answer the call God has placed in their hearts.

### WHO IS OUR PASTOR, FR. SEAN O'BRIEN?



**Birthday:** August 8, 1965

**Home Parish:** Our Lady of Sorrows, Vestal, N.Y.

**Favorite Saint:** St. Joseph

**Ordained:** June 5, 1993

**Family:** Father, Mother and younger sister.

**Hobbies / Interests:** old cars, snowmobiling, playing the violin.

**Favorite Scripture Passage:** Sirach 6:14-16



## 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.

### The Mission Served:

May 24, 2022

Households:	75
Children:	52
Adults:	102
Seniors:	43
<b>Total Fed:</b>	<b>197</b>

*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

### BASKET RAFFLES

**Girl/Boy Raffles**

**Before and after all masses;**

**June 4-5, 11-12, 18-19.**

**Don't miss out on a chance to win one of these prizes!!!**

As always we invite the ladies of our parish to attend one of our meetings to see what we are all about.

We are a fun, productive group who are an active, working organization whose mission is giving service to our church, our clergy and our parishioners.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

*Without our parishioners our mission would not be successful.*

### ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

**JUNE:** Judy Panara  
Barbara Brady  
**JULY:** Tina Brognano  
Bre Kubik

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## THE MERRY MAKERS

### KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & SEWERS

*We had a very good turnout for our March meeting in spite of the snow. Only two entries, however, for the "Challenge" have been handed in so far, so we are waiting for more entries before the final judging.*

**Next meeting: June 8, 2022, 6-9 p.m.**

**Location: 911 N George St, Rome NY**

**For Information: (315)225-7900**

**(Light refreshments, h'ors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served)**

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)225-7900 or email **Cate at PowersCate@gmail.com** If you have items to drop off, or if you need more yarn, please call ahead at (315)225-7900.

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

## A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.  
We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.  
We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.  
May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world. Amen.



### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #391**

112 Ridge Street Rome, New York

The next business meeting of the Knights of Columbus Council #391 will take place at **6:30PM Thursday, June 9, 2022** at Council Hall, 112 Ridge Street, Rome. It will be preceded at **5:00PM** by the Holy Rosary. The faithful are encouraged to pray the Rosary, especially on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of each month, with the intention that the Supreme Court will decide that laws which protect the unborn are not in conflict with the US Constitution.



Please say this prayer to adopt spiritually an unborn child:

***"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."*** Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

The Knights are looking for interested Catholic males over 18 to join and help support our area churches and community. For information to learn about the Knights call **315-337-4010** or join online at [kofc.org/join-us](http://kofc.org/join-us) and use **Council 391**.

**Special Note:** In celebration of the recent beatification of our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, men are now eligible to join, or re-join, the Knights of Columbus through the end of 2022 at no cost. Men can join online at [kofc.org/join-us](http://kofc.org/join-us) using promo code **MCGIVNEY2020**. Mention Rome Council #391 and we will be automatically notified.

### **ROME AREA VETERAN'S SUPPORT GROUP**

Rome area Veteran's support group meetings are held the 1st Sunday of every 2nd month at St. Paul's Parish Center. The next support group will meet on **June 5th at 1:00PM**. We welcome all for fellowship, to receive or provide support and to have a light lunch. For more info call **Jim Nichter at 315-339-1221** or **Gene Blackburn at 315-225-1520** for more info.

### **BEREAVEMENT GROUP at ST. PAUL'S PARISH**

Meetings are held the second Sunday of the month.

**For more information call Celeste 315-794-9851**

**Next meeting is June 12th at 2:00pm in the parish hall.**

### **FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

### **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Jesus tells us today, "you are my witnesses" and guarantees the "promise of the Father" to "clothe us with the power" to accomplish this mission. It is not worldly power which dominates and manipulates. It is the power of the Kingdom of God to live in peace, forgiveness, compassion, service to others, love of enemies and care for the poor and defenseless.



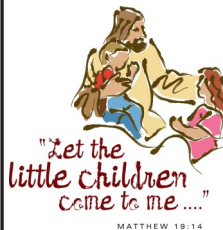
**Pope Francis** asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month. To pray with the Pope daily visit: [clicktopray.org](http://clicktopray.org)

### **JUNE INTENTION FOR FAMILIES**

We pray for Christian Families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

### **TEACH YOUR CHILDREN TO PRAY**

Kids will enjoy learning through simple rhymes while adults will also benefit from the solid truth in God's promises.



Hi, it's me, just come to pray  
And thank you for a fun filled day!  
You've been with me, so I know you've seen  
All the great exciting things.  
But also when I'm sad or cross  
I know you love me, no matter what!  
So help me rest and go to sleep  
And feel the peace of your love for me. Amen.

### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED:**

Altar Servers \* Lectors  
Eucharistic Ministers \* Ushers \* Choir \* Greeters  
Funeral Ministry  
Please call the rectory for more information.  
315-336-5072



10475 Cosby Manor Rd  
Utica, New York  
(315) 735-6210

### **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP**

Caring...it's not the hard part of caregiving. The Good News Center is hosting a free and open to the public monthly **Caregiver Support Group**. Meetings are the **third Monday of the Month (except holidays) from 6-7:30PM**, facilitated by Susan Read, MS, RN. This group provides a source of emotional and social support for those caring for a loved one. We welcome adults, spouses, family members or friends in the caregiver role to attend. Upcoming meeting is **June 20th**. Please call the Good News Center at **315-735-6210 Monday -Friday 8:30AM-4:30PM** to register for both in-person or virtual meetings or email us at [info@thegoodnewscenter.org](mailto:info@thegoodnewscenter.org).

### **PAL-PARENTS of ADDICTED LOVED ONES**

The primary goal of PAL is to provide **HOPE** through education for people dealing with the pain of having an addicted loved one. Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL) is a national organization founded in Arizona by a Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor. Each PAL group is facilitated by a trained peer, someone walking the same path. Our meetings are **FREE** and open to anyone with an addicted loved one. **Participants must be 18 and over**. Meetings are **6-7:30PM** every other Monday. **Upcoming meetings are June 6th and June 20th**. For more information call the Good News Center at **315-735-6210 Monday through Friday from 8:30AM-4:30PM** to register both in-person or virtual. Or email us at [info@thegoodnewscenter.org](mailto:info@thegoodnewscenter.org)