

*St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
December 25, 2022*



The Nativity of the Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 24, 2022

8:00am NO MASS
5:00pm PRO POPULO

Sunday, December 25, 2022 The Nativity of the Lord(Christmas)

12:00am PRO POPULO
7:30am PRO POPULO
10:00am PRO POPULO
6:00pm PRO POPULO

Monday, December 26, 2022 Saint Stephen, The first Martyr

7:00am JOSEPH UTTER (Anniv) By Family * CHARLIE SPROCK By Family
HANK MLEKODAY By Anne DiCarlo Stanton

Tuesday, December 27, 2022 Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

7:00am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE HURLEY FAMILY By Family
PAULA & DAVID JOHNSTON By Family

Wednesday, December 28, 2022 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00am IN MEMORY OF THE TWINS By Gramma
CHARLIE SPROCK By Jeff and Laura Mack

Thursday, December 29, 2022 Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

7:00am NO MASS

Friday, December 30, 2022 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:00am ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA By Granddaughter, Kim
RICHIE TONGE By Eileen and Lester Whalen

Saturday, December 31, 2022 Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:00am JOSEF ANTHONY OLES By Joanne York
5:00pm VIRGINIA DUNN, SNJM By Joanne Gaffey * CHARLES M. SPROCK By Joe and Marilyn Goetz
RONALD FAZIO (Anniv) By Wife, Linda and Family * FRANK COSTELLO By Wife and Family

Sunday, January 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

7:30am ELIZABETH "BETTY" PREVO By Crystal D' Ambrose
10:00am PATRICK MCLAUGHLIN By The Stanton Family * CAROL STANTON By The Stanton Family
6:00pm GAIL HARVEY By Joanne York

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

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

Michelle A.	George De Sabio	Jesse Johnson	Debbie Pacicca	Alexander Simpson
Barbara K. Acchino	Barry Dunning	Lena Johnston	Al Pallas	Freja Emily Simpson
Georgie Amodio	Paul Eisinger	Megan Jones	Clair Papadametrious	Spencer Robert Smith
Leonard Amodio	Robyn Engle	Jennie Kemp	Rachel Pawlikowski	Sharon Sprague
Jayne Atwood	Carol Fasick	Theresa Lanigan	Barbara Pazdur	John Stark
Carol B.	Beatrice Ferguson	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Jim Pekarski	Gabriel Streiff
Raymond Barbar Jr.	Judith Ann Fesner	Michael Loso	Carol Piatt	Lillian Stutmann
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Marietta Booton	Diana Fowler	Francis Lust	Paul Powers	Blanche Sweatman
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James Brooks	Lauri Fusco	Marcelletta	Bill Reese	Anne Toepp
Carla Cacciatori	Joanne Gaffey	Geoff Marchione	Francine Riolo	Rylin Turley
Lorayne Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Russell Marchione	John Ritchie	Fr. Corey VanBuren
Stephanie Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Patti Mastrangelo	Kelly Homan Rodoski	Deborah Verminski
Mary Carmody	Amanda Gold	Nicole Mathe	Catherine Roman	Francis Rosario Vitale
Adam Carpenter	Gail Greene	Marybeth Matyasik	Robert Roman	Vito Waterman
Annie Cimo	Denis Hartman	Patty Walsh McCorduck	Lisa Ryder	Lois White
Sara Cosnett	John Hedrington	Brian McQueen	Kelly Sabia	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
John Cordsen	Joshua Hedrington	Carol Misiaszek	Jacqueline Schachte	Patricia Willis
Alex D'Argenio	Mike Henry	Michael Mizgala	John Schachte	John Wright
Melody Darrow	William Herrig, Jr.	Ann Moster	Brian Schilling	Bernice Young
Tom Delpico	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Sonia Myers	Thomas Serra	Cathy Ziemba
Sr. Rosaire DeMare	Joan Jacobs	Beverly Nasci	Bradley Sharpstene	
Pat DeMatteo		Terri Nichols	Emmalynn Sharrow	

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St. Peter's Parish

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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: Rev. Bernard Menard
Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher
Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack

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
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: G. Warren Sickles, Jr.
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

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

Email: spcdre@twcny.rr.com

St. Peter's Collection

Due to the holiday,
 the collection numbers for this week
 will be posted in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your support.

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.

HELP US GROW WITH ELECTRONIC GIVING

Electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your weekly offerings. Scan the QR code or go to www.stmarysstpeters.com and click on Donate. Complete the electronic giving authorization form to get started.





JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

No Jesus Little Friends
December 25, 2022
January 1, 2023

FAITH FORMATION

There are no Faith Formation or Sacramental preparation classes during the Christmas break. Classes will resume beginning Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

*We wish you and your loved ones
a very Merry Christmas and
a healthy, happy, and holy New Year!*

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19:14*



FORMATION IN A MINUTE...

The Grace of Littleness
A Christmas Message from Pope Francis

This is what we should ask Jesus for at Christmas: the grace of littleness. "Lord, teach us to love littleness. Help us to understand that littleness is the way to authentic greatness". What does it mean, concretely, to accept littleness? In the first place, it means to believe that God desires to come into the little things of our life; he wants to inhabit our daily lives, the things we do each day at home, in our families, at school, and in the workplace. Amid our ordinary lived experience, he wants to do extraordinary things. His is a message of immense hope. Jesus asks us to rediscover and value the little things in life. If he is present there, what else do we need? The littleness, the wonder at that small child – this is the message. Let us rouse ourselves, for tonight a light has been lit, a kindly light, reminding us that, in our littleness, we are beloved sons and daughters, children of the light (cf. "1 Thess 5:5"). Brothers and sisters, let us rejoice together, for no one will ever extinguish this light, the light of Jesus, who tonight shines brightly in our world.
(excerpted from the Papal Christmas Homily, 2021)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of **DECEMBER 25, 2022**
In Memory of
JOSEPH UTTER
By Family

DONATIONS

Memorial Fund

In Memory of
CHRIS HANSEN

Mission of the Christ

In Memory of
DIANE BAKER

PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION

Forms are still available in the sacristy. **PLEASE** fill out a form and place it in the collection basket so we may update our parish information. All information will be kept confidential.

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, please call Debbie Pinti 315-337-5982 or email debbiepinti5@gmail.com** with the person's name and address. Our team will gladly send them a greeting card to brighten their day.
Thank you in advance for all your help!

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.*

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.



2022 Christmas Ornaments of the St. Peter window will be available in the Vestibule of the Church each weekend. We have been able to keep the price at \$25. Previous Ornaments will also be available.

You can contact Diane Sjordahl at 315-271-1881 or dsjordahl@gmail.com to make other arrangements.

Altar Rosary Society



January/February we break for winter BUT we have arranged a presentation by Deacon Dan's "Divine Comedy". This event will take place on Sunday, February 19th @ 3pm in the church hall. It is sponsored by ARS at no cost to our parishioners. All parishes are invited. Details to follow as we get closer to that date.

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

DECEMBER
Mary Ellen Utter
Joan Combs
Tina Brognano

JANUARY
Arlene Cordson
Fran Rose

MERRY MAKERS
No meeting in December.
January Meeting:
01/18/23, 6-9 p.m.
(3rd Wed. of the month)
As always beverages,
h'ors d'œuvres & desserts
will be served

*For information on joining the Merry Makers
please call Cate at (315)225-7900*

The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the HOLY SPIRIT

*...he breathed on them and said
to them, "Receive the Holy
Spirit" John 20:23*

It's never too late to join us on our adventure.

The Wild Goose series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit with short videos, lively discussions and prayerful reflections. Fr. Bernie guides us on Wednesday evenings at 6pm at St. Aloysius Catholic Center on Floyd Ave. as we gather to become stronger disciples in Christ as we are called to be, and maybe help others along the way. Videos are available online at Wildgoose.TV. The first 3 set the foundation but are not necessary to participate.

"Hannaford Helps" Reusable Bag Program

Each month, Hannaford store leadership selects a different nonprofit to receive a donation from their reusable grocery bag sales. By simply making a \$2.50 Community Bag or Fight Hunger Bag purchase, shoppers give \$1.00 back to a local nonprofit. For the month of January, 2023, **THE MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD** has been selected as the nonprofit to receive this donation! Please keep this in mind as you shop at Hannaford's Supermarket. Many thanks to Hannaford for their support of our Mission.

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 315-271-4849

December 13, 2022

Families	48
Adults	59
Children	23
Seniors	20
Unique	3
Total Fed	105

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

MISSION OF THE CHRIST FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST

We are in need of **drivers** on **Mondays** to pick up donated food.

We are also in need of volunteers on **Tuesdays** to help at the Food Pantry.

If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please contact Brenda at St. Peter's Rectory. 315-336-5072



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 on Thursday, January 12th, 2022 at Council Hall, 112 Ridge Street, Rome. The meeting will be at 7PM preceded at 6:30PM by the Holy Rosary.

From this moment on, live the Eucharist fully, be persons for whom the Holy Mass, Communion, and Eucharistic adoration are the center and summit of their whole life.



The faithful are encouraged to pray the Rosary, especially on the 22nd of each month, in thanksgiving for the Supreme Court's decision that over turned Roe vs. Wade. Pray also for the success of continued efforts on behalf of the sanctity of human life.

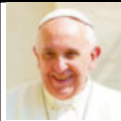
The Knights are looking for interested Catholic males over 18 to join and help support our area churches and community. For information to learn about the Knights call **315-337-4010** or join online at kofc.org/join-us and use **Council 391**.

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 Spring of 2023 at no cost. Men can join online at kofc.org/joinus using promo code MCGIVNEY2020. Mention Rome Council #391 and we will be automatically notified.

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
Knights of Columbus- Rome #391 P.O Box 4623, Rome NY 13440

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED:

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



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

DECEMBER INTENTION

For Volunteer Not-For-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation..

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, New York
Case No. 20-30663

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On June 19, 2020, The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, New York, ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Court has established January 17, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) (the "Supplemental Bar Date") as the deadline to assert claims against the Diocese arising from or relating to abuse that occurred when the survivor was 18 years of age or older, and which, prior to the enactment of the Adult Survivors Act (S.66A/A.648A) would have been subject to a statute of limitations defense ("Adult Claims").

If you have an Adult Claim against the Diocese you must file a claim on or before the Supplemental Bar Date, which will be treated confidentially in accordance with prior court orders in this case.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofsyracuse> or call (855)329-4244 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

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GRIEF SURVIVORS GROUP

The only people who think there is a time limit for grief, have never lost a piece of their heart. Please join us for this **FREE, non-denominational** support group for those suffering the loss of a loved one. Meetings help you face the difficulty associated with losing a loved one. For those who prefer to do so, the program is also being offered via Zoom.

Meetings are every other Tuesday from 6-7:30PM. . 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.

The Third Option

The Third Option is a **FREE** relationship education program. What does that mean? The Third Option is a series of fourteen lessons on how to improve communication skills. Individuals who practice the techniques explained are better able to communicate with loved ones in a loving and honest way.

The program is designed for couples but can benefit individuals as well.

The program is offered every other **Sunday from 6:30 - 8:30 pm** here at The Good News Center, 10475 Cosby Manor Road, Utica, NY.

For more information call **315-735-6210, Monday-Friday 8:30 AM-4:30 PM.**

For those who prefer the program is also being offered via Zoom.

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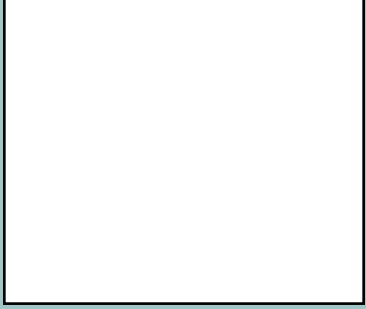
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