

*St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
August 13, 2023*



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter. - Mt 14:30-31

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday August 12, 2023 Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious; BVM

8:00am **JIM OCUTO** (For Healing) by Daughter, Kim
 5:00pm **CAROL KAUN** (3rd Anniv) by Ginny Craiglow * **BRETT DIXON** (B'day) by Aunt Kathy
CORA SUE HOWE by Husband, Alex and Family

Sunday, August 13, 2023 Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30am **MARY MEYERS-TAYLOR** (B'day) by Family * **IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA** by Pete Wood
 10:00am **FR. GABRIEL BERKO** by Jim and Kathy Chase
LIVING AND DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE HALEY FAMILY
 6:00pm **PAUL L. PILECKAS** by Ray and Sue Tarkowski

Monday, August 14, 2023 Saint Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

9:00am **EVA SPROCK** by Family

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00am **MARIAN NILES** by Bob, Kim, and Marlee
FOR THE INTENTION OF CONVERSION OF THE JOHNSON FAMILY

Wednesday, August 16, 2023 Saint Stephan of Hungary

7:00am **VINCENT DIMAGGIO, JR.** (1st Anniv) by Kitty Dillon
FRANCES ROTOLO (B'day) by Stephan and Michele Granacki
BERNARD A. TURI (Anniv) by RoAnn and Christopher Destito

Thursday, August 17, 2023

7:00am **WALTER STEINBRICKNER AND JOSEPH ESCHE** by Their Estate

Friday, August 18, 2023

7:00am **JOHN BART** (Anniv) by Family
KATHLEEN HURLEY by Family

Saturday August 19, 2023 Saint John Eudes, Priest; BVM

8:00am **ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim
HELEN CASHORA by Family
 5:00pm **FREJA SIMPSON** (B'day) by Family * **CORA SUE HOWE** by Husband, Alex and Family

Sunday, August 20, 2023 Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30am **PAUL PILECKAS** by Margaret Bovi * **DARLENE TELLER** (Healing) by Pete Wood
 10:00am **RICHARD P. DELUTIS, SR AND JOHN J. DELUTIS** by Gannon Family * **JACK KELLY** (B'day) by Family
EVANITA TOEPP by Jeanette
 6:00pm **HARRY AND JOAN MCKENNA** by Family

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.

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Office Hours:

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

Pastor: Very Rev. Seán P. O'Brien, VF
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

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation: Laura Mack
First Sacraments Coordinator: Jean Bauer
Music Ministry: Barry Russo
Maintenance Director: Mark Lagasse
Cemetery Superintendent: Kate Stephan
Communications/Media: Joseph Stanton

Holy Day Mass Schedule

August 15, 2023

St. Peter's 7am
St. John the Baptist 8am
St. Paul's 9am
St. Leo's, Holland Patent 12:15pm
St. Joseph's, Lee Center 5:30pm

PARISH COUNCIL

Pastor: Father Seán O'Brien
President: Larry Riolo
Trustees: Bernard Kaier,
Timothy Sestito

PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society: Mary Wahl
St. Peter's Senior Group: W. 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

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.

St. Peter's Cemetery

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W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

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Online at: www.smspfaith.com
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St. Peter's Collection

August 6, 2023

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JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

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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...

What Is the Feast of the Assumption?

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 15) celebrates the entry of Mary into heaven, body and soul. The belief that Mary's body (as well as her soul) was "assumed" into heaven was defined as a dogma (core belief of the faith) by Pope Pius XII on November 1, 1950.

Besides being supported by the tradition of the Church, belief in the Assumption is also justified on theological grounds. The early Church fathers asserted that it was fitting that God should not allow the one who was born without original sin (that's the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception there) to suffer the corruption of death (a consequence of original sin); Mary is therefore the "first fruits" of Jesus' saving action. Moreover, the Church said that it was fitting that Christ would honor the one who carried him in her womb and who gave him flesh.

By extension, the Assumption also affirms the dignity of our earthly bodies. Our bodies are essentially good, and are meant to be used for good, not abused or used only to pursue passing pleasures. That's a hopeful message in a culture that too often has little respect for the human body.

The feast of the Assumption is incomplete without some reflection on this celebration's significance for people today. Mary's role as the supreme model to follow in our common vocation to holiness and discipleship finds its ultimate triumph and reward in her assumption. Our certainty of Mary's return to God, body and soul, prefigures our own resurrection and final union with God. In celebrating Mary's assumption we not only celebrate the love that God showed her, but in more general terms the love that God has shown to all His children in granting the possibility of final resurrection to all. Jesus' earthly life brought salvation history to its climax; Mary's assumption gives us hope that in a constantly changing and ever more complex world God never abandons those who love Him, but rather rewards them with eternal life.

(Adapted from www.teachingcatholickids.com and www.simplycatholic.com)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of August 13, 2023

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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.



Hold my hand, God,
lead the way,
Help me be good every day.
Let me know what's wrong and right, keep me safe
day and night,
Let me know what you have planned, Lead the way
God, hold my hand.
Amen

The following information regarding Mass intentions has been provided by the Diocesan Presbyteral Council and, upon their recommendation, approved by Bishop Douglas J. Lucia.

Effective immediately:

- Donations for Masses will be \$15.00.
- Only two intentions will be allowed per Mass.
- Mass intentions must be satisfied within one year of request.

All currently scheduled Masses will remain "as is".

If you have any questions please feel free to call the rectory office.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED:

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

Fr. Bernie

For those who would like to send Fr. Bernie letters and cards of well wishes you may send them to the following address:

Rev. Bernard Menard
St. John Vianney Center
151 Woodbine Rd.
Downingtown, PA 19335
He would love to hear from you!

Church Picnic

August 20, 2023 after the 10AM Mass.

There are sign up sheets at all the entrances this weekend. If you would like to bring a dish to pass please sign up and let us know what you will be bringing. Write the recipe down on a card to share. If you are not a chef and would still like to bring something, we are in need of bottled water.

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 acts 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.

Altar Rosary Society

“There are no meetings in July & August, however, we are preparing for our annual multiple basket raffle which we kick off at the September’s parish picnic. Raffle tickets will be sold for 3 consecutive weeks.”

The ladies of Altar Rosary Society extends our sincere appreciation to our parishioners for your continued support in our fundraising / events efforts. Without your support our efforts would not be fruitful. Thank you!!!!

We are a fun, productive group of ladies who enjoy serving our clergy, our church & our parishioners. If you are interested in attending a meeting and being part of an active group please come and see what we are all about.

We continually look for new members to bring their time and talent to our organization.

Please call Mary Wahl @ 315-617-3478 or
Tina Brognano @ 315-571-6707
if you have any questions.

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE**AUGUST**

Mary Ellen Utter
Diane Sjodahl
Mary Wahl
DonnaMae O’Brien
Char Rondelli

MERRY MAKERS

Our next meeting: 09/13/23, 6-9 pm
Beverages, h’ors d’ouvres and desserts will be served.

Attention

Knitters, Crocheters & Sewers

You are always welcome.

*For more information, contact Cate at
(315)225-7900*

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

August 8, 2023

Families	64
Adults	75
Children	41
Seniors	20
Unique	4
Total Fed	140

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.



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, September 14th 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**. We will be automatically notified

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/join-us 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



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

AUGUST INTENTION

For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

August 13, 2023: Nineteenth Sunday
(MT 14:22-33)

The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressured, He dismissed everyone, so he could be "by Himself and pray." When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feelings to the Lord using Peter's prayer in today's gospel: "Lord, save me."

GREETING CARD MINISTRY

If anyone knows of a 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. Our team will gladly send them a greeting card to brighten their day.

Thank you in advance for all your help!

PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION

Parish Census Forms are available in the sacristy. If you would like to join our Faith Community *please* fill out a form and place it in the collection basket. If you are and have been a member of St Mary's or St. Peter's and have not already done so **PLEASE** fill out the census form so we may update our parish information. All information will be confidential.

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Join The Good News Center this fall and explore to live as a Christian in the midst of a pagan culture in First Corinthians an 11-part bible study. St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians addresses many of the same topics in the news headlines today: scandals, promiscuity, debates and controversies, and issues related to prosperity versus poverty. Clearly, the struggles faced by the early Christians are in many ways similar to our own.

Beginning **Wednesday, September 6th and continuing through November 15th**, morning sessions are 10AM-12PM and evening sessions are 6-8PM. The cost is \$30.00 per person.

Please register by **August 16th**, by calling **315-735-6210** or visit <http://www.thegoodnewscenter.org>

SIGHT & SOUND THEATRES PRESENTS MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

This holiday season, travel back in time with The Good News Center to Bethlehem on **December 11th and 12th** as the original Christmas story unfolds all around you at the Sight & Sound Theatre production of *Miracle of Christmas*. Journey alongside Mary and Joseph, a flock of surprised shepherds, and three wisemen—along with their camels! There may be no room at the inn, but God has a lowly stable prepared as the angels announce the coming of the Messiah! Experience *Miracle of Christmas* as it comes to life on stage with massive sets and live animals in this cherished holiday production. **The complete package includes transportation, accommodations, one (1) breakfast, one (1) lunch and one (1) dinner, admission to the show, and Kitchen Kettle Village attraction.**

Please call The Good News Center at **315-735-6210** for pricing information or to register.

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