

*St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
January 14, 2024*



2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 13, 2024 Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00am ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA by Granddaughter, Kim * IN HONOR OF LADY FATIMA by Pete Wood
 5:00pm EDWARD HELLWIG by Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Robinson
 MARY ANN LYMAN by Christine Betrus

Sunday, January 14, 2024 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am KIMBERLY WOOD (Healing) by Family
 MICHAEL J. KUNKEL by Family
 10:00am IRENE MEIER by Helen Lewis and Family
 LIVING AND DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FAITH FORMATION TEAM
 6:00pm GARY SHARPE by Cousin
 JACK SKEA by Friend

Monday, January 15, 2024 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

7:00am ANN DRAPER BROWN (28th Anniv) by Bill and Mary Draper * WILLIAM LYNCH by Ann Peach Lynch

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

7:00am MARIAN NILES by Bob, Kim and Marlee
 TIM HURLEY by Gretchen Sprock

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 Saint Anthony, Abbot

7:00am VLADIMIR WILLIAMS by Mom * JOE GOETZ by Gretchen Sprock
 HARRY L. CLAPPER (Anniv) by Wife, Betty * BILL EVANS, JR (2nd Anniv) by Wife, Children, and Parents

Thursday, January 18, 2024

8:00am ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
 9:00am ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Friday, January 19, 2024

8:00am ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
 9:00am ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Saturday, January 20, 2024 Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr

8:00am RICH CURTIS (for Healing) by Kim Ocuto * JIM OCUTO by Daughter, Kim
 5:00pm KATHERINE RETROSI by John Giarrusso
 FREMONT PLOPPER (B'day) by Norma, Robyn, Patrice, Monty and families

Sunday, January 21, 2024 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am EUGENE A. CZAJKOWSKI (4th Anniv) by Bill and Mary Draper * DENNIS SANITA (for Healing) by niece, Kim
 10:00am MARK OPPER (for Recovery) by Jack Opper * MARILYN MCLIESH by Kim Ocuto
 6:00pm HARRIET BUCK by Family * CHRISTOPHER DESTITO (Anniv) by RoAnn Destito and Family

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.

Michelle A.	Barry Dunning	Megan Jones	Debbie Pacicca	Bradley Sharpstene
Barbara K. Acchino	Melissa Dunning	Ted Kehoe	Al Pallas	Emmalynn Sharrow
Georgie Amodio	Paul Eisinger	Jennie Kemp	Clair Papadametrious	Alexander Simpson
Leonard Amodio	Robyn Engle	Theresa Lanigan	Rachel Pawlikowski	Freja Emily Simpson
Jayne Atwood	Beatrice Ferguson	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Barbara Pazdur	Spencer Robert Smith
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Raymond Barbar Jr.	Joan Fiaschetti	Anne Lubecki	Carol Piatt	Kelly Stevens
Marietta Booton	Diana Fowler	Francis Lust	Norma Plopper	Lillian Stutmann
Robert Brady	Julianna Fusco	Karen Martin	Datie Ponath	Blanche Sweatman
Jimmy Brognano	Lauri Fusco	David, Liz, Mitzi	Nicoletta Powell	Barbara Thomas
James Brooks	Joanne Gaffey	Marcelletta	Patrick Quinn	Anne Toepp
Carla Cacciatori	Augusta Ginsburg	Geoff Marchione	Bill Reese	Rylin Turley
Lorayne Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Russell Marchione	Francine Riolo	Larry Utter
Mary Carmody	Amanda Gold	Patti Mastrangelo	John Ritchie	Fr. Corey VanBuren
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Melody Darrow	Mike Henry	Ann Moster	Jacqueline Schachte	Ellie Wood
Tom Delpico	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Sonia Myers	John Schachte	Kim Wood
Sr. Rosaire DeMare	Joan Jacobs	Beverly Nasci	Brian Schilling	John Wright
Pat DeMatteo	Jesse Johnson	Terri Nichols	Jean Sereno	Patricia Zeller
George DeFabio	Lena Johnston	Mark Opper	Thomas Serra	



St. Peter's Parish

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Office Hours:

Monday * Thursday
 9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-3:00pm
 Tuesday
 9am-1:00pm
 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 8:00 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

PARISH COUNCIL

Pastor: Father Seán O'Brien
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 Timothy Sestito

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.

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.

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

St. Peter's Weekly Collection

January 7, 2024

Cash and Envelopes \$7,027.40
Electronic/Online \$1,473.12
Total \$8,500.52

St. Peter's Cemetery
 E. Dominick Street Rome 315-337-8307
St. Mary's Cemetery

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

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

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Christmas Collection \$2,855.00
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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.

HEARING AIDS: Assistive hearing devices are available for loan at the altar rail and in the front vestibule before mass.

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FAITH FORMATION

JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

January 14, 2024
10AM Mass

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Sacraments January 14th No Classes	2nd Year Confirmation January 21st 4:30 PM dinner, 5:00 PM Class, 6:00 PM Mass
Monday Night Classes January 15th No Classes	Monday Night Classes January 22nd Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM
First Sacraments January 21st 9:00-9:50 AM	

www.smspfaith.com

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.

GIVING STATEMENT FOR 2023

If you would like your giving statement for 2023
please fill out the following form below:

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ENVELOPE NUMBER: _____

To receive statement via email:

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By Joni Rosenburgh and Ginny Craiglow

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

St. Peter's Music Ministry

Sunday Melodies

featuring:

JONATHAN BURGDORF (piano)
ISAAC PAZ (violin)
OWEN PAZ (cello)

Performing:
Selections for
Piano & Strings

January 28th 12PM

St. Peter's Church
200 N. James St. Rome

We are asking all
who attend to bring an
item or make a free will
donation for our food bank.
(In Mission of the Christ Child)

Reconnect with your Faith or Connect for the first time...



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Third Thursday of the month 6:15-8 PM
Hart's Hill Inn, Whitesboro, NY

Theology Uncorked welcomes
Rev. Sean P. O'Brien, Thursday, January 18, 2024
Happy New Year from Theology Uncorked!
You are invited to join us as we welcome Rev. Sean P. O'Brien, who will be sharing with us "Confession - how it reunites us with the faith community."
Rev. O'Brien is currently the Pastor at St. Mary - St. Peter Church in Rome, NY.

Reservations required by January 16, 2024
Please call The Good News Center at 315-735-6210.

 **The Good News Center**
10475 Cosby Manor Road Utica, NY 13502

NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:00am
10:00am
6:00pm

SURRENDER FOR SERENITY

is an ongoing AL=Anon meeting held on
Thursdays from 5:30-6:30
at **St. Aloysius Parish Center.**
All are welcome.

For those that would like to send cards or letters to
Dc.Ben Schrantz his address is:
Dc. Ben Schrantz
401 Michigan Ave.
Washington, DC 20017

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY CELEBRATION

41st Annual Marriage Day will be celebrated on
February 11th, 2 pm at the Cathedral of the
Immaculate Conception, Syracuse.

The Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will specially honor couples who will celebrate their 25th, 50th and beyond 50th anniversary in 2023.

If celebrating your 25th, 50th, or 50th+ anniversary, please contact the parish office to receive a special invitation from Bishop Lucia.

Altar Rosary Society

Altar Rosary Society breaks in
January & February.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, March 21st



Our annual parish wide
St. Josephs / St. Patricks dinner
catered by Eddie's Paramount Diner.
Details to follow regarding ticket sales.

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

We are now **recruiting male members** as we are in need of men interested in being part of our organization. **We do have men who are planning to join the Altar Rosary Society!**

If you are interested in being an important part of a "WORKING" organization please call

Mary Wahl @ 315-617-3478 or
Tina Brognano @ 315-571-6707.

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

JANUARY

Donnamae O'Brien
Fran Rose

MERRY MAKERS

Next Meeting in the Church Hall
February 14, 6-9 p.m.

KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & SEWERS

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Find out what we do and see what we make
We need many more hands

Light H'ors D'oeuvres, Refreshments and Desserts
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Contact: Cate 315-225-7900
For more information

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

January 9, 2024

Families	64
Adults	74
Children	56
Seniors	25
Unique	4
Total Fed	159

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, February 8th at Council Hall, 112 Ridge Street, Rome. The meeting will be at 7PM preceded at 6:30PM by the Holy Rosary.

*Be a hero to your
unborn baby*

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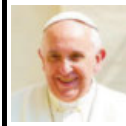
The Knights are looking for interested Catholic males over 18 to join and help support our area churches and community. For information to learn about the Knights call **315-337-4010** or join online at [kofc.org/join us](http://kofc.org/join-us) and use **Council 391**. We will be automatically notified.

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.

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

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

JANUARY INTENTION

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

January 14, 2024: Second Sunday (John 1: 35-42)

Jesus' question in today's gospel is still valid today: "What are you looking for?" What do you want from your spouse, children or parents? Families are populated with imperfect people. To expect perfection is unreal. To expect and accept imperfection is wisdom.



*Many thanks for all the cards,
gifts and treats this Christmas.*

*May everyone have a Happy,
Healthy New Year,*

Deacon Nick



The American Cancer Society wishes to express many thanks to the parishioners at St Peter's for the very generous donation to the American Cancer Society via the special efforts in the **No Shave November** activities. **We raised \$1,493.00!**

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GRIEF SURVIVORS

Grief Survivors is a **FREE** bi-weekly program that helps individuals journeying through grief. 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. That's the reason for Grief Survivors, a confidential support group, for those grieving the loss of someone close.

Each session offers a blend of discussion, activities, and video presentations. The program is offered **every other Tuesday from 2-3:30 PM or 6:00 to 7:30 PM**. Please check our calendar for upcoming dates.

For those who prefer, **the program is also being offered via Zoom**. Please contact The Good News Center at **315-735-6210 Monday-Friday 8:30 AM-4:30 PM** to register for both in-person or virtual meetings.

CARING... IT'S NOT THE HARD PART OF CAREGIVING.

The **Caregiver Support Group** meets **monthly from 6-7:30 PM**, facilitated by Susan Read, MS, RN.

Our group is **FREE** and open to the public and meets the **third Monday of the month**. Please check our calendar for upcoming dates. The group provides a source of emotional and social support and resources for those caring for a loved one. We offer self-care strategies and tools to reduce stress and enhance coping. We welcome adults, spouses, family members or friends in the caregiver role to attend. For those who prefer to do so, the program is also being offered **virtually via Zoom**. Please contact **The Good News Center at 315-735-6210 Monday-Friday 8:30 AM-4:30 PM** to register whether attending in-person or virtually.

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