# St. Peter's Parish Rome, New York November 3, 2024

Faithful Departed
November 1, 2023—October 31, 2024
May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, November 2, 2024 All Souls' Day

8:00am SCOTT TYGETT by the Boek Family \* DAVID SMITH by the Boek Family 5:00pm FRANCIS AND LINDA SCHWARTZ by the Giovanni Libertella Family

**ROSE MATTIA** by Richard and Catherine and Loving Family

#### Sunday, November 3, 2024 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Daylight Saving Time Ends

8:00am **EDWIN W. DRAPER** (25th Anniv) by Mary and Bill Draper

10:00am STANLEY GRYZIEC (Anniv) by Victoria O'Brien \* ELAINE BILLMAN by Nanette James

2;30pm SOLEMN VESPERS AND REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

6:00pm MASS OF REMEMBRANCE (For All Soul's Day)

#### Monday, November 4, 2024 St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

7:00am **BETTY NUNN DRAPER** (3rd Anniv) by Bill and Mary Draper

#### Tuesday, November 5, 2024 Election Day

7:00am **PETER GOODMAN** by John Goodman \* **JIM OCUTO** by Daughter, Kim

#### Wednesday, November 6, 202

7:00am ANNA MAE HURLEY by Sprock Family

#### Thursday, November 7, 2024

7:00am CHRISTINE REID (B'day) by Family \* THE IZZO FAMILY by their Estate

#### Friday, November 8, 2024

7:00am JOHN H. ROBERTS II (Anniv) by Ann and Roger Mellen \* TIM HURLEY by Sprock Family

#### Saturday, November 9, 2024 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00am PEARL MELLEN (Anniv) by Ann and Roger Mellen \* ROBERT T. JONES by Pat

5:00pm CHRIS HANSEN (Anniv) by Sharon Hansen

WINDSOR S. THOMAS (Wedding Anniv) by Barb Thomas

#### Sunday, November 10, 2024 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **ROBERTA C. DAVIES** (Anniv) by the Martin Family

JOSEPH E. AND JOYCE D. MCMAHON (Wedding Anniv) by McMahon Family

10:00am CORNELIUS O'BRIEN by Victoria O'Brien \* LYNN INGHAM by Rome CSJ Associates

6:00pm **ERNIE AND CHRIS** by Deborah Lisberg

Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church are now live streamed & available on the parish website: <a href="www.stmarysstpeters.com">www.stmarysstpeters.com</a>.

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

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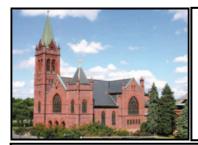
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#### St. Peter's Parish

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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 Parochial Vicar: Rev. Immanuel Agbulu Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher Deacon: Deacon John MacGaffick 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 ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society: Mary Wahl Scripture Study: Betty Pettinelli

Funeral Preparations: Barbara Thomas Hospital Ministry: Deacon John MacGaffick St. Aloysius Catholic Center: Julie McCormick

**ASL Interpreters**: Gabby Griffin

Mary Margaret VanDamme

## Faith Formation Office 315-336-5066

Online at: www.smspfaith.com Email: spcdre@twcny.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 at the altar rail and in the front vestibule before Mass.

#### **PARISH COUNCIL**

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

#### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Deacon Nick Rosher
Laura Evanciew
Nancy Janik
Mark LaGasse
Laura Mack
Dale Rashford
Pat Reilly
Barry Russo
Joseph Stanton
Kate Stephan

Please contact a council member with any questions or concerns you have regarding the upcoming merger.

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

W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

St. Peter's Weekly Collection October 27, 2024

Cash and Envelopes \$9,786.00 Electronic/Online \$1,381.61

**Total** \$11,167.61

St. Peter's Special Collections October 27, 2024

World Mission Sunday \$74.00 Respect for Life \$10.00

NOTE: Mission Food Pantry numbers for this week will be posted in next week's bulletin.

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### FAITH FORMATION

#### JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

November 3, 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 November 3rd 9:00-9:50 AM

Monday Night Classes November 4th Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM

> First Sacraments November 10th 9:00-9:50 AM

Monday Night Classes November 11th NO CLASSES

2nd Year Confirmation November 3rd 4:30 PM Dinner, 5:00 PM Class, 6:00 PM Mass www.smspfaith.com



Navigating right and wrong in an uncertain world...

Final adult session by Fr. O'Brien: Nov 4th at 6:30pm at the St. Aloysius Center Refreshments will be served.



REMEMBER the fallen. HONOR those who serve. TEACH



#### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Wreaths will be placed on veterans graves,
December 14th in conjunction with
National Wreaths Across America Program
At: St. Peter's, St. John's, St. Mary's,
Evergreen, Wright Settlement
and Westernville Cemeteries

If you would like to purchase a \$17 wreath for a loved veteran, send your check to: "Wreaths Across America" in care of Tom Buono, P.O. Box 4444 Utica, NY 13504

To volunteer helping place the wreaths, Email or call Tom at (tbuono3@roadrunner.com) 315-725-1402 Please visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org



#### Joint Parish Planning

"Creating One New Parish for All"

Announcing a Special Event Hosted by The Social Subcommittee

Please join us for our **November Meet & Greet Social Event**.

A celebration of all our parishioners as we move forward as one parish family!

Come meet our parishioners from Rome, Lee Center & Holland Patent. Learn about the 30+ organizations that are active among our 5 Parishes from representatives eager to share information and welcome new members.

When: Sunday, November 17, 2024 Time: Noon – 3:00 PM Where: St. Paul's Parish Center

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Light refreshments and snacks will be served. Anyone wishing to bring a snack or dessert to share should indicate that when you sign up.

Sign up to attend before or after Mass by Sunday, November 10th.



The Altar Rosary Society will be hosting a reception following the Veterans Memorial Service.

#### Altar Rosary Society

Thank you for your generous participation in making our bake sale a success. As always we appreciate you making our fundraising efforts fruitful!!

SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, November 21st for our annual parish wide Thanksgiving Dinner.

**Details to follow.** 

"SAVEAROUND" Coupon books are now available

(a) \$25.00. If you are interested in saving with various participating businesses for the coming year please contact Mary Wahl/315-617-3478. Supplies are limited.

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

We are actively Recruiting Male Members as well!!!

#### **ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE**

#### **NOVEMBER**

Fran Rose, Mary Ann Cox (2,9), Mary Wahl (16,23,30)

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#### MERRY MAKERS

Merry Maker Fall/Winter Meetings
November 13
December 11
6-9 pm

Remember, you do not have to be an expert to join.
As always, we continue to need more Sewers,
Knitters & Crocheters

#### **Merry Makers Request Forms**

can be found in the vestibule on the table. Place them in the collection basket during weekend Masses.

For more information: Cate (315)225-7900



FOR ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A CHILD

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

November 3, 2024: 31th Sunday (Mark 12: 28b-34)

In a family, children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and to listen if they want to be heard. Family life rescues us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.



Joint Parish Planning Town Hall Meeting October 21, 2024 St. John the Baptist Church

On Monday, October 21, 2024, at 6:30PM the fourth and final Town Hall Meeting for Joint Parish Planning was held at St. John the Baptist Church. Approximately eighty (80) people representing St. John's, St. Joseph's. St. Leo & St. Ann's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, and Transfiguration were in attendance. Clergy in attendance included: Father Seán O'Brien, Father Paul Angelicchio, Father Bob Kelly, Deacon Nick Rosher, Deacon Ed Doyle, and Deacon John MacGaffick.

Father Seán welcomed everyone and explained that the purpose of these Town Hall Meetings was to provide a forum for asking questions, listening, and sharing. Father Paul opened the meeting with a prayer. Father Paul explained that the subcommittees are working very hard to make this transition as smooth as possible. He reminded everyone that through the work of the New Name Subcommittee "Sacred Heart" was the name selected by Parishioners and will be submitted to the Bishop for approval. He also emphasized that many decisions need to be made that will effect everyone and that the Pastors understand that change is difficult. However, existing circumstances are dictating that we make changes. The good news is that we have a voice through the work being accomplished by the Joint Parish Councils, the Subcommittees and through our Town Hall Meetings. The Pastors are also always open to addressing your concerns and questions.

Father Paul and Father Seán then invited questions from the attendees.

 Several questions were posed related to the Weekend Mass Schedule and the need for the schedule to be accomplished by 1 priest.

The Weekend Liturgy Subcommittee is working to develop a schedule that is the most convenient for parishioners. They are considering the number of attendees, building capacity, and travel time. Currently there are 11 Masses celebrated each weekend. We must reduce this schedule to 5 Masses because even though for the first year we will have the luxury of 3 priests available, that might not always be the situation. As a Vicar, Father Seán must provide coverage in the event of an emergency throughout his Vicariate which includes our new Parish sites, churches in Taberg, Camden, Boonville, Forestport, Otter Lake, Florence, Greater Oneida area, and the Route 20 Catholic Community. In addition, if one of our Parish priests is on vacation or ill, this potentially leaves 1 priest in our new Parish to cover all our weekend Masses.

The schedule for our 5 weekend Masses will be based upon the guidance provided by the Bishop. Our weekend schedule will be comprised of 2 Saturday Vigil Masses (one in Rome and one in a rural location), 2 Sunday morning Masses, and 1 Sunday evening Mass. Once the Mass schedule is developed it will be constant with no weekly rotation of times or locations. However, if after a reasonable period we find that the schedule is not working, appropriate adjustments can be made.

- What will happen with our Music Ministry? Music is an integral part of our liturgy. Barry Russo and
  Anthony Stavola will be working together to bring beautiful music to all Masses. Mrs. Burgdorf will be
  available to assist with Funerals. Our coming together also provides the potential for choir music at every
  Mass.
- What is the plan for daily Masses? The current plan is to provide 2 Masses Monday Friday. We want to
  accommodate those who work and the late risers. Consideration is being given to an early morning Mass

(i.e. 7:00 AM) and then either midday or early evening. Nothing is definite yet, however, there will be no Communion Services.

4. What will happen on special occasions such as Confirmation, First Eucharist, Christmas and Easter? How will Confessions be handled? This is the last year we will celebrate Confirmation and First Eucharist in multiple churches. Beginning July 2025 we will be one parish with one celebration of these special events. We still need to work on the details for handling the increased number of people that attend during these times. Currently, we don't know if we will need to add additional Masses or adjust our schedule for Christmas and Easter. The schedule we have been using for holydays and Ash Wednesday has allowed us to accommodate everyone and a full Church leads to a wonderful celebration.

The schedule for Confession is still under consideration.

- How will funerals be handled? Funerals can be held in any of the Churches. The day and time of the funeral will be dependent on the availability of the priests. Father Sean noted that the same will be true for Baptisms and Weddings.
- 6. How will finances be handled for Sacred Heart Parish? Who will be creating the budget? How will we maintain all our facilities? What will happen with our Diocesan assessments such as Hope Appeal? The money from all the Parishes will be combined for our new Sacred Heart Parish. The money from our current Parishes doesn't go to the Diocese. There will be one envelope and one bulletin. The budget for our new Parish will be developed and monitored by the Trustees and the Finance Committee. The Finance and Facilities Subcommittees are currently working to collect and assess the data we need to build our new budget such as staffing needs, and repairs and maintenance of all our facilities including our cemeteries. In terms of Diocesan assessments, we will have one assessment which is based on our total income. Coming together should make us financially stronger. Both St. John's and St. Peter's are growing with the addition of young families and if all are good stewards our new Parish will flourish. Father Seán acknowledged that our savings were affected by our contributions to the Chapter 11 Trust, but we must continue to work together and move forward.
- 7. What is going to happen to the organizations in each Church? The Social Subcommittee is trying to provide opportunities for all the organizations and members to meet each other and potentially work together where that makes sense. Coming together as one Parish should provide the opportunity for membership growth. Vibrant organizations create a vibrant Parish, and they are important for spreading faith and sustaining the mission of our Church.
- 8. What about Faith Formation? The Faith Formation Subcommittee is working together with all the Directors of Religious Education (DRE's) to build a strong program. Starting this year all children in our Faith Formation Program are learning from the same curriculum, using the same books and materials. The goal is to allow the maximum amount of scheduling flexibility for parents and children. You will be able to attend Faith Formation Classes at a time and location that best meets your needs.

Father Seán reminded everyone that though this was the last Town Hall Meeting if anyone has questions you are encouraged to call or email him. Change is challenging and the transition will take time. Not everything will be completed by July 1, 2025. Your prayers for a successful process are needed.

Father Paul thanked everyone for coming and sharing their thoughts, questions, and concerns. He closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

(This summary was prepared by members of the Communications Subcommittee who were in attendance.)

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