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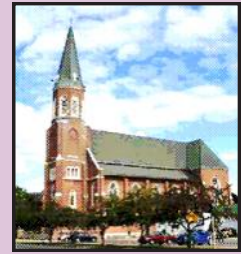
Senior Priests Retired: Father Donald H. Karlen
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February 18, 2018



St. Mary's Oratory
 210 W. Liberty Street

St. Peter's Cemetery
 315-337-8307
St. Mary's Cemetery
 315-336-3110

St. Mary's/St. Peter's Parish WELCOMES YOU. No matter what your present status is with the Catholic Church; No matter what your current family situation or marital status; No matter what your personal history, age, race, color or creed. You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at our parish. Thank you for worshipping with us.

**1st SUNDAY
 OF LENT**

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"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.
 Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:15

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LENT

OUR LENTEN SACRIFICE

Days of Abstinence

Ash Wednesday,
 All Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday for
 all who have reached their 14th birthday,
 no meat can be taken.

Days of Fast

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for all who
 have reached their 18th birthday and have not
 as yet reached their 60th birthday,
 a limit of one full meatless meal.

Weekdays of Lent

No obligation to fast, however,
 voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Easter Duty of Obligation

Must be made from the First Sunday in Lent
 (Feb.14th) through Trinity Sunday (May 27th).

Self Denial

is encouraged on a voluntary basis. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**Saturday, February 17, 2018 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order**

7:00 am Mass for William Mellen (Birthday) by Roger and Ann Mellen
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Carole Powers by Family
 and for Hazel Peterpaul (3rd Anniv) by Kathy Peterpaul
 and for Shirley Oppen by Ines Worlock

Sunday, February 18, 2018 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 am Mass for Helen Jane Berndt (Birthday) by Yvonne and Donna Martin
 10:00 am Mass for Daniel Clemente by Emily Renzi
 and for Karen Mortis by Lily Broski
 and for Colleen Kester McLaughlin (Birthday) by family
 11:30 am Mass for Paul Jouben (Anniv) by wife Patty
 and for Danny McDonald by Cathy Austin

**Monday, February 19, 2018 (Lv 19:1-2,11-18, Mt. 25:31-46)**

7:00 am Mass for Rosemary Colasanti by Mickey Consilio
 10:30 am Mass at Colonial Park Rehabilitation Center
 12:10 noon Mass for Evelyn D. Boulerville by Nate Tallarino

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 (Is 55:1-11; Mt 6:7-15)

7:00 am Mass for Mary Weber by Bob and Patricia Heath
 12:10 pm Mass for Dick Root by wife Cathy
 and for Roy Austin, Jr. by his loving Family

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 St Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**(Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32)**

7:00 am Mass for Shirley Oppen (Month's Mind) by Wanona Carey
 and for the People of the Parish
 12:10 pm Mass for Joe Simons by Michelle Carpenter

Thursday, February 22, 2018 The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle (1Pt5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)

7:00 am Mass for Julius Granacki by Steve Granacki
 and for Angeline Giardino by Marian Recchio
 12:10 pm Mass Donna Marie Schmandt by John, Shelley, Shannon, Dave, and Jack Dey

Friday, February 23, 2018 St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr (Ez 18:21-28; Mt. 5:20-26)

7:00 am Mass for Ron Henderson by Joe and Marilyn Goetz
 and for Sam Sanzone by George Fiordiliso
 12:10 pm Mass for Evelyn Kasby by Janet and Paul Pileckas

Saturday, February 24, 2018 (Dt 26:16-19; L Mt 5:43-48)

7:00 am Mass for Charles West by Art and Kathy Zelenikar
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Vincent Falconio (Birthday) by Anthony, Nickie,
 Larry and Debbie
 and for Ron Henderson by Carol and Joe
 and for Todd Pinti by Mom
 and for Francis Prusinowski (Anniv) nephew, Stanley

Sunday, February 25, 2018 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 am Mass for Barbara McCormick by Cyndi and Mark DeDominick
 10:00 am Mass for Diane Peters by daughters
 and for Joe Simons by Kris and Jim Brady
 11:30 am Mass for Betty and John Huckaby by Josephine, John Diane, Luke
 and for Mary Eileen Mitchell by Rozanne Kenneally

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00 pm
 or by appointment at the Rectory

SACRAMENTS OF MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE AND/OR SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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.

HOSPITAL

It is important that a family member indicate that the person being admitted to the hospital is a Catholic and belongs to a certain parish. Our Parish Ministers who are visitors go to the hospital almost everyday.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members to our parish family. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor and please call the rectory to register.

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. If anyone needs Communion in any pew, please indicate that to the Minister of the Eucharist who will assist the person in need.

*Second collection
 this weekend:
 Black and Native
 American*

February 11, 2018

St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection
\$12,101.67

Catholic Schools \$1165.00

Misc. makeups \$375.00

*Thank you for your
 generous support!*

PARISH EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, February 19th. **Legion of Mary** at 2:45 pm in St. Peter's Rectory
 Tuesday, February 20th. **Baptism Class** at 7 pm in St. Peter's Church Hall
 Wednesday, February 21st. **Scripture Sharing** to reflect on the Readings for Sunday Liturgy at 10:00 am in St. Peter's Church Hall. All are Welcome
 Wednesday, February 21st. **Prayer Group** at 7 pm at St. Mary's Parish Center
 Wednesday, February 21st. **REVELATION Bible Study** at 7 pm in St. Peter's Church Hall
 Friday, February 23rd, **Bingo** at **St. Mary's School** at 7 pm for **Team 2** Doors open at 5pm
 Friday, February 23rd. **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** at Transfiguration Church at 7 pm
 Saturday, February 24th. **NOCTURNAL ADORATION** at Transfiguration Church from 7 to 8 pm.

COLLECTION HELPERS
February 18th
 Ann Copperwheat
 Nancy Reilly
February 25th
 Kathy Montague
 Ines Worlock

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE for February
 Ashley Engle
 Mary Ellen Utter

HOSPITAL VISITATION
February 18th
 St. Mary's/St. Peter's Team 2
February 25th
 St. Joseph's Team 3

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	Vigil MASS 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS	8:00 am, 10 am and 11:30 am
Weekdays	Monday to Saturday 7:00 am During Lent 12:10 pm Mon to Fri.
Holydays	7:00am, 12:10pm and 5:30 pm

 **Faith Formation**

Sunday, February 18th. First Communion Class
 9 to 9:50 am

Monday, February 19th. NO CLASSES

Wednesday, February 21st. NO CLASSES

Sunday, February 25th. NO CLASSES


The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the
 The Week of **February 18th**
 For Grandchildren and Great Grand
 Children by Great Grandma
 The Weeks of **February 25th and March 4th**
 For **John De Mare** for improved health
 Requested by his Sister

*Donations to the Memorial Fund
 and In Mission of the Christ Child
 In Memory of*

Sam Sanzone requested by
 by Charles and Gretchen Sprock
 CCI Companies
 Richard Stapleton
 Rev. Curtis Metzger

Shirley Opper requested by
 Charles and Gretchen Sprock
 Charles J. Schoff

Angeline Giardino by
 The Giardino Family
 Additional Donations: St. Paul's Social
 Ministry and Carol Riolo

 **FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**
 Provided by the Hope Appeal Funds

Jesus went into the desert to put his life in perspective. This Lent, take a fresh look at a difficult relationship in your life. Concentrate on the positive things that person does, not just the negatives. Try to understand why their behaviors "bug" you. Can you honestly share your feelings with them without attacking them? Make Lent a time to MEND and FORGIVE.

Area Wide Retreat/Mission
St. Peter's Church
Monday, March 4th to Wednesday, March 7th
 7 pm.
Fr. Blaise Czaja, C.P. a Passionist Father
 will be conducting the Mission.

Choir Rehearsal for Easter
 begins February 18th
 after the 11:30 Mass.
 All are Welcome to praise God in Song.



Dear Padre,***Why won't the priest hear my confession right before Mass?***

Theoretically, any time is a good time for penitents to reconcile and renew their relationship with the Lord! In practice, the priest's refusal to hear your confession immediately before presiding at Mass may be as much for your benefit as his. In his preoccupation with last-minute details of leading the assembly, he may think: "How can I be more attentive to this individual and to a worthy celebration of the sacrament of penance without delaying Mass?" He might also be reacting to a penitent's mechanical understanding of the sacrament that fosters a scrupulous practice of devotional confessions—that is, confessing only minor sins in preparation for Communion.

Anyone who is conscious of serious sin is not to "receive the body of the Lord without previous sacramental confession unless there is a grave reason and there is no opportunity to confess" (CCC Law 916)

In this case, the person makes a sincere act of contrition, including a resolution to confess as soon as possible. "The Eucharist is not ordered to the forgiveness of mortal sins—that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1395). Nevertheless, "the Eucharist strengthens our charity...and this living charity wipes away venial sins [and] the Eucharist preserves us from future mortal sins" (CCC 1394-95).

Catholics in a state of grace show respect for the dignity of the Eucharist, but trying to confess grave sins to a priest right before Mass may lessen the dignity given to one sacrament over another if the celebration of the sacrament of penance is rushed or the celebration of Mass begins late. —

Fr. Byron Miller,

**FROM
THE
PASTOR**

In the reading from Genesis, God establishes a covenant with Noah, declaring the rainbow as the reminder to all his people. In the second reading, we hear that the eight who had been saved by the water in the story of Noah prefigure our baptism which saves us now. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus begins his Galilean ministry by proclaiming the need to repent and believe.

"Repent and believe in the Gospel." These sound like simple words from our short Gospel today. But it is fitting that Jesus begins his earthly ministry with this powerful message after the Spirit descended upon him at his baptism. He asks us to believe in the Gospel and embrace its message of humble service and discipleship for the kingdom of God is at hand.

The Lenten parish Mission for our Pastoral Care Area will be here from March 4th through Wednesday, March 7th, 2018. We will welcome Father Blaise Czaja, C. P. a Passionist Priest from California. He will be our Mission Director. There will be two sessions held each day, which will give us the opportunity to participate in one of them. This is a wonderful spiritual opportunity for our Lenten season. Save the dates!

The Rome Catholic School Association Hall of Fame evening was truly a success in many ways. Ori Destito and the staff at the Beeches as usual provided a marvelous setting for the event. Mike Adey was a great MC and the program went smoothly thanks to the planning committee members. An evening to remember with great gratitude!

Another Thank You to the Sunday at 3 committee for providing a special tune-filled afternoon entitled "The Best of Broadway". The members of the chorus, stage band and crew provided an excellent joy-filled performance. The social afterwards was also very special with great food and fellowship.

City Wide Stations of the Cross at 7 pm each Friday

February 23rd	Transfiguration Church
March 2nd	St. Mary's Church
March 9th	St. Peter's Church
March 16th	Transfiguration Church
March 23rd	St. Joseph's Church

Stations and Benediction Thursday at St. John's at 6:30 pm

During Lent things to remember:

It's a time for prayer. Lent essentially an act of prayer spread over 40 days.

It's a time to fast. With the fasts of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, meatless Fridays, and our personal disciplines interspersed, Lent is the only time many Catholic these days actually fast.



CSJA

The Sisters of St. Joseph Associates are sponsoring a for a homemade Quilt .

Tickets will be available from any of the Associates and will be sold at the church doors this weekend.

The benefit is for the needs of the group and in turn helps the Sisters of St. Joseph who sponsors this these ladies of about 25 women here in Rome. Please call Marion Waite for chances..315-533-7473



Pope Francis Speaks to our hearts!!

The Family that Prays Together Stays Together.

Don't forget:

The Family that prays together stays together!

This is important. There we come to know God, to grow into men and women of faith, to see ourselves as members of God's greater family, the Church. In the family we learn how to love, to forgive, to be generous and open, not closed and selfish. We learn to move beyond our own needs, to encounter others and share our lives with them. That is why it is so important to pray as a family! So important! That is why families are so important in God's plan for the church!

An Eleven-Part Bible Study Featuring Jeff Cavins



<p>Dates, Times, Location</p> <p>Starting Wednesday, February 21st 7 p.m. St. Peter's Church Hall</p> <p>Cost/Registration</p> <p>Goodwill Donation \$20 To help defray cost of materials</p> <p>For More Information</p> <p>Please register by February 7th At St. Peter's Parish Office 315-336-5072 or E Mail Julie at JULMCC5197@AOL.COM</p>	<p>In this intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, Jeff Cavins will explore Revelation to demonstrate how the Kingdom established by Christ in His Church is intimately connected with the Kingdom of Heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass. You will also learn what all the mysterious figures and images of Revelation represent, as well as what will happen during the Second Coming of Christ, what has already happened, and what is happening now in Salvation History.</p> <p><i>"Once you start learning he makes you hunger for more. Jeff pulls everything you need to know out of the Bible and it all starts to make sense like it never did before."</i> —Margaret A. Tirpak, NY</p>
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ENRICHING THE CHURCH
Pastoral Letter on the "Role of the Family in the life of the Church of Syracuse and Beyond"

God's Plan for the Family It is through marriage that the family comes to be. The very first chapters and verses of Genesis set forth God's plan for marriage. They tell us that marriage is not simply a human institute, but that marriage is a written in the nature of every man and woman. They are each created in the image and likeness of God and for pone another. When they enter into marriage, their union is unbreakable. Moreover, as a married couple they act as co-creators with God when they remain open to life, accepting children lovingly from Him and raising then in a faith-filled and loving home.

Attention men of the parish,

The theme for the

10th Annual

IGNITE Men's Conference is

10 years of Building Your Faith

Again we have 3 tremendous speakers that will challenge all who attend. You can be part of it on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at the SRC Arena and Event Center for an amazing day that will have a tremendous impact on you. You can register at www.ignitecatholicmen.org or contact our Parish Office. Limited seating available.

PARISH STAFF

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 Laura Mack (315-336-5066)

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 Sharon Hansen

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 St. Peter's Sister Rosaire Anne

Maintenance Directors
 St. Peter's Mark LaGasse
 St. Mary's William Link

Cemetery Superintendent
 St. Peter's Joseph Megerell
 St. Mary's Joseph Fusco

PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society Mary Wahl

Bingo Committee Mark LaGasse
 St. Peter's Senior Group
 W. Warren Sickles, Jr

Readers and Eucharistic
 Ministers Kathy Miller
 Legion of Mary Betty Pettinelli
 Parish Fellowship Ann Lubecki
 Scripture Study Betty Pettinelli
 Prayer Group Barbara Thomas
 Funeral Preparations B. Thomas

Volunteers are needed as:
 Altar Servers * Collection helpers
 Ushers * Choir * Greeters
 Please call the rectory for
 more information.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month

Father Philip A. Hearn, Pastor

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 Dale Rashford, Trustee
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 Sister Rosaire Anne De Mare
 Edward Donohue
 Doug Holdridge
 Carol Kaun
 Joan Lamb
 Laura Mack
 Marguerite Maurer
 Patrick Reilly
 Deacon Nicholas Rosher

Let us remember our family, friends and parishioners in our prayers

Bishop Thomas Costello	Donald Hayes	Nanci Peroni
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Doris Barry	Billy Jo Hidenbrandt	John Preski
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John Cordsen	Lori Losowski	Sharon Rossi
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Tom Delpico	David, Liz, and Mitzi	Margaret Rutledge
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Ronald Gladwin	Rachel Pawlikowski	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
	Clair Papadametrious	Riley Zabe

Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.



**CHRIST THE KING
 RETREAT AND
 CONFERENCE CENTER**

For all events call: 315-446-2680

**First Friday Reflections and Mass
 with Father Donald H. Karlen
 March 2nd (First Friday)**

Meditations and discussions focused upon Catherine Doherty's Nazareth Family Spirituality. Ideal for grandparents who empowered to hand on the beauty of Nazareth to their beloved next generation. Offering: \$25 includes lunch. Call to register.

**Day of Renewal for Separated and Divorced
 March 10th, 10 am to 3 pm**

Empowering workshops and small group sharing...Helping Our Children, Discerning a Path forward, Offering \$45
 Call to register.



Call for more info and to register call
 315-735-6210

THE THIRD OPTION

Many couples consider just two options...*his way or her way.*
 Find joy in tyour marriage and live a happier, healthier life together.
 Every other Sunday
 6:30 to 8:30 pm

WOMEN AT THE WELL

Last Tuesday of each month
 6:30-8:30 pm

Come to the well and be nourished.

This is conversation to help bring us closer to Jesus and our relationship with God. Also includes quiet time and prayer.

WHY

THE GOOD NEWS MATTERS

March 5th from 11 am to 1 pm
 A discussion with Mary Hillman to prepare our hearts for the Resurrection at the Good News Center

**Pope Francis
 Worldwide Prayer
 Network**

"February Intention"

**Say "No" to
 Corruption**

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

**ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament
 AT TRANSFIGURATION Church Chapel**

Adoration times will be from 6 am to 9 pm with 2 adorers required for each hour. To sign up or for questions call Bernadette Kapps at 315-337-5439.

