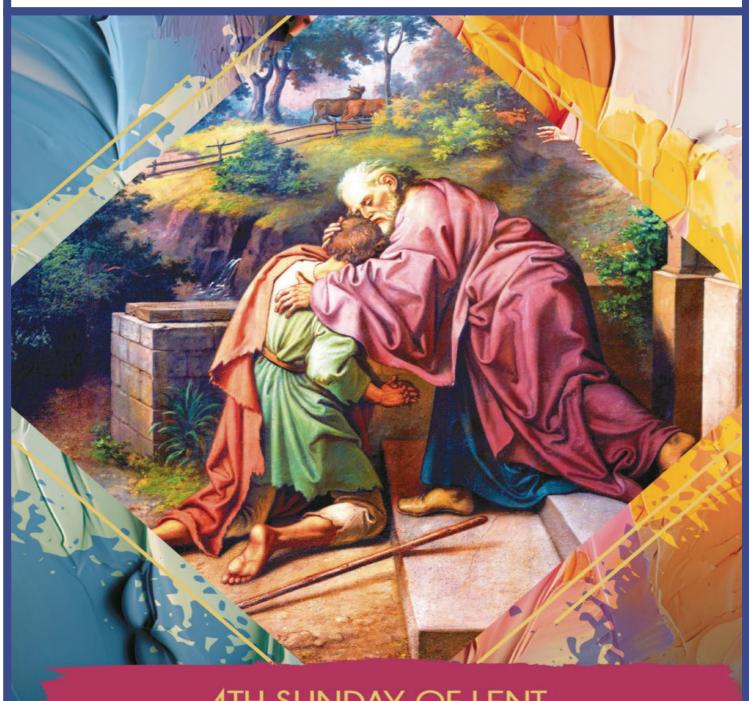
St. Peter's Parish Rome, New York March 30, 2025



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"This son of mine was dead, and has come to life again." - Lk 15:24a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. @LPi

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 29, 2025

8:00am ED SPROCK, SR. by the Sprock Family * BOB ORDWAY by Nancy and Vince Janik

5:00pm GERRY SEARS by Kathleen and Tom Yoxall * CAROL PIATT by the Powell/Pinti Families

Sunday, March 30, 2025 4th Sunday of Lent

8:00am ROY "PEANUT" AUSTIN, III by Loving Family * LAZETTA TALLARINO by Ocuto Family

10:00am FRANK CIHOCKI by the Giovanni Libertella Family * LAWRENCE F. MESSENGER, JR. by Ocuto Family

6:00pm **LORNA KAIER** by her Estate

DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS OF FRANK B. AND NELLIE KAIER by their Estate

Monday, March 31, 2025

7:00am RICHARD CANFIELD by Gretchen Sprock * RICHARD JOHNSON by A.L.B.

12:10pm KEVIN AUSTIN by Judy Costello * JIM OCUTO by Daughter, Kim

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 April Fools' Day

7:00am MARIAN NILES by A.L.B * BRUCE BEACH by A.L.B

12:10pm FRANK S. GRIFFO (Anniv) by Beloved Wife, Ginette and Daughter, Nora and Family

DEBBIE PINTI (in Thanksgiving) by Pat

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

7:00am **BOB ORDWAY** by Pat Johnson * **DON "BUTCH" JONES** by A.L.B.

12:10pm ST. JOHN PAUL II, POPE (20th Anniv)

Thursday, April 3, 2025

7:00am MARGARET (BROCKWAY) ROSER by A.L.B. * MR. AND MRS. ED HERR by A.L.B.

12:10pm KATHY CHASE (in Thanksgiving) by Pat

Friday, April 4, 2025 St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00am RICHARD JOHNSON by the Giovanni Libertella Family * BOB ORDWAY by Carol and Lucky Parzianello

12:10pm PRO POPULO

7:00pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** at Transfiguration

Saturday, April 5, 2025 St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

8:00am **BOB ORDWAY** by the Mission of the Christ Child

5:00pm DAVID GRATTAN LEMON (Anniv) by His Children * JEANNE PORTNER (B'day) by Family

Sunday, April 6, 2025 5th Sunday of Lent

8:00am KEVIN AUSTIN, III by Barbara and Ray Meier and Roger and Nancy Smith

LEE HALEY by the Altar Rosary Society

10:00am MIRANDA GIFFORD by Mark and Patti Gifford * JEREMY BURNS by Lisa and David Carello

6:00pm BRIAN HEATH by Mackenzie Rutledge * BILLY EVANS (for Healing) by Cousin, Sybil

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.

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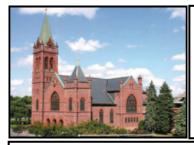
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St. Peter's Parish

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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

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

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Please call the Rectory Office for information.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

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PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

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JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

March 30, 2025, 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 March 30th 6:00 PM

Explanatory Mass No Morning Class

Monday Night Classes March 31st NO CLASS

> First Sacraments April 6th 9:00-9:50 AM

Monday Night Classes April 7th

Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM

2nd Year Confirmation March 30th 6:00 PM Mass Meet in Social Hall 5:45 PM

> OCIA Mondays 6:00 PM

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to complete the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey. The survey assesses our unique strengths and opportunities.

Fellowship gathering to assist parishioners to complete the survey will be after 3/29 and 3/30 Masses.

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LENTEN SERVICES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

CONFESSIONS

April 4th - Transfiguration April 11th - St. John's Mondays - St. Paul's 5PM-6PM

Tuesdays - St. Peter's 5PM-6PM with Benediction

Wednesdays -St. John's 4:30PM-6PM

Rosary Society



Annual Easter Sale/Bake Sale April 5-6th. Baked good donations are welcome.

Spring Basket Raffle tickets will be available April 5-6, 12 -13, & 19-20 Winners will be selected after the

10am Mass on April 20th.

If not present you will be contacted.

Next schedule meeting - Thursday, April 17th in church hall. All are invited & are welcomed to attend.

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

APRIL

Tina Brognano Mary Wahl

MERRY MAKERS

Our Next Meeting
April 9
6-9 pm
In St. Peter's Church Hall

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



Holy Cross Academy will be selling homemade Easter fudge in 6 flavors after Masses on April 12th and 13th. Cost is \$13/lb or \$25/2 lbs

See holycrossacademycny.com/events

COFFEE AND QUESTIONS

Thank you for your questions!

Fr. Immanuel will answer the questions about our faith and traditions from the coffee pot on

Thursday April 3rd at 6:30pm at St. Aloysius.

All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

<u>DONATIONS</u> MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD

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By B. Rousseau

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Face to Face Meetings on Wednesdays at 5:30-6:30 at St. Aloysius Center, 400 Floyd Ave.



March 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes-Joint Parish Councils St. John the Baptist/Transfiguration, St. Leo & St. Ann's, St. Paul's St. Peter's, and St. Joseph's

Participants were welcomed to St. John the Baptist by Father Paul Angelicchio. Father led us in an opening prayer and briefly discussed the evening's agenda.

Pastoral Update:

Father Paul stated that there has not been anything in writing from Bishop Lucia regarding the proposed name, Sacred Heart, or the proposed mass schedule for our consolidated parish. Father O'Brien did say that the Bishop was impressed with the Weekend Mass Schedule subcommittee. The Bishop stated to Father O'Brien that he was amazed at the depth of their report. Father Paul thanked their subcommittee for all their hard work in compiling all the data for their report. He said he thought they did an outstanding job.

Father Paul spoke about the addendum to the mass schedule proposal that St. Leo/St. Ann parish could possibly become part of St. Paul's Parish in Whitesboro. He explained that this proposal had been discussed in past PCA meetings and submitted to the Diocese as a future recommendation.

Social Subcommittee:

Deb Grogan reported that their next subcommittee meeting would be March 26th at 6:00 PM at St. Paul's Church. Their committee is asking representatives of all the social committees from our churches to attend and discuss upcoming social events involving our new consolidated parish such as a Parish Picnic.

Communications Subcommittee:

Cheryl reported that the Communications subcommittee met on January 25, 2025. She noted the following progress:

Publications:

- FAQ Columns spotlighting all the subcommittees have been published.
- An additional FAQ Column with information provided by the Weekend Liturgy Subcommittee was also
 published to accompany the announcement of the proposed weekend mass schedule.
- The focus beginning in March through June will now be on columns to introduce the clergy (Priests and Deacons) to all the parishioners. Each column will introduce one priest and one Deacon. The subcommittee decided that alphabetical order by each priest's last name would determine the order of publication, and a Deacon would be paired with each one. The subcommittee also decided that a picture of the individual should be included in the write-up.
- The planned order of publication is:
 - Fr. Immanuel Agbulu & Deacon John MacGaffick
 - Fr. Paul Angelicchio & Deacon Michael Gudaitis
 - Fr. Bob Kelly & Deacon Ed Doyle
 - Fr. Seán O'Brien & Deacon Nick Rosher
- The first columns are scheduled for publication on the weekend of March 22 & 23.
- Other columns or bulletin announcements will be published whenever information is forwarded from either the subcommittees or the Joint Parish Councils that need to be shared.
- All bulletin announcements, FAQ columns, and Joint Parish Councils meeting minutes are all available on the Parish Merger page hosted on St. Peter's website. Information posters with the URL and the QR code for accessing this page have been placed in all Parish facilities.

Other activities planned:

- We are finalizing the survey to obtain requirements for the new Joint Parish Website and other social
 media platforms which will feed into a requirements specification. Our current plan is to solicit
 requirements in an incremental or tiered fashion to make the process more manageable. The first "round"
 would be to distribute the questionnaire to the following individuals:
 - Priests
 - Deacons
 - Office Administrators
 - DRE's
 - RCIA Facilitator
 - Parish Council Presidents and members
 - Parish Organizations Presidents/Facilitators
 - Parish Employees

Once these inputs are received, documented, and analyzed, the questionnaire will be reviewed to refine or modify if necessary and then forwarded to all the parishioners for their input.

Cheryl concluded by stating that she believed her subcommittee's final activity would be to finalize a recommendation for the development of the new website and other social media platforms based upon the requirements specification that is developed.

Faith Formation Subcommittee:

Evelyn Surace reported that her subcommittee had met recently. She said that they have been brainstorming ideas on how to get more parental involvement in their programs.

Cemetery and Facilities Subcommittee:

Tom Carinci stated that going forward all the cemeteries will have common hours of operation as well as the same opening and closing dates. He will meet with Father O'Brien to determine the number of employees needed at each cemetery.

Tom said he has overseen the facilities at Transfiguration, St. John's and St. Leo/St. Ann's churches. He stated that he and Mark LaGassee have done a walkthrough of St. Joseph's and St. Paul's. Mark works at St. Peter's. Weather permitting Tom said he will do a walk through with Mark at Transfiguration and St. Leo & St. Ann's. He noted that due to the winter there have been issues with roofs, ice and snow. He noted that up to this time, Mark has taken care of St. Peter's, St. Paul's and St. Joseph's while he has been taking care of St. John's, Transfiguration and St. Leo/St. Ann's. At their last subcommittee meeting, Tom said it was agreed they would meet with Father O'Brien to discuss staffing and responsibilities. This meeting should be within two weeks. After this meeting, it will be decided if the subcommittee will continue to meet.

New Business:

Father O'Brien spoke about the staffing for the future consolidation of our parishes. For example, he said there would be one parish office and one business administrator. He said the new Parish Council of our consolidated parish would have fair representation from St. John the Baptist, St. Leo & St. Ann's, St. Peter's, St. Paul's, and St. Joseph's. He asked each Parish Council to nominate two individuals from each council to become the new Parish Council.

Father O'Brien concluded the meeting by stating that we all need to be unified and positive through this process. He led us in a closing prayer. The meeting concluded at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Marullo, Recording Secretary, St. John the Baptist/Transfiguration, St. Leo & St. Ann's

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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**

APRIL INTENTION

FOR THE USE OF THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES. Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

March 30, 2025: 4th Sunday of Lent (LK 15:1-3, 11-32)

We may feel like the Prodigal Son but the gospel wants us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?





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