

Pentecost Sunday May 15, 2016

#### **Mission Statement**

We, the parishioners of St. Peter's Church, are called to holiness by God as present day disciples of Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united in service to God to share our faith with one another and our community. May our participation in the Holy Sacraments, our ministries and our devotion to Mary bring glory to God and His Kingdom.

#### **Baptisms**

Parents anticipating the birth of their first child are asked to attend baptismal instructions classes before the birth of their child, if possible. Please contact the Rectory to register. Note: Baptisms cannot be scheduled until all the necessary paperwork is completed.

#### Confirmation

Confirmation is administered every year to all 8th grade students in our Parish CCD program. Children wishing to receive Confirmation must be enrolled and participating in the CCD program for two years before they are eligible to receive the sacrament.

#### **Marriages**

In order to complete the necessary paperwork, couples are asked to contact the Rectory at least one full year in advance of the proposed marriage date.

#### Reconciliation

The sacrament is celebrated each Saturday from 4:00 – 4:45pm and Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 11:45am -**12:00noon** in the church and also by appointment.

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Please contact the Rectory whenever a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized. Please note, because of the new government regulations regarding privacy, hospitals cannot release information without a patient's consent.

#### **Monthly Visitations**

Any parishioner who is homebound and wishes to receive the Eucharist on a monthly basis is asked to contact the Rectory to schedule a visit.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation in Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA prepares interested adults for reception into the Catholic Church. The program is adapted to the each person's needs and prepares them for full initiation into the faith. Please contact the rectory to register for the classes.

# St. Peter's Church

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#### **Rectory Office Hours**

Monday through Friday 9:00-2:00pm

#### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Rev. David Bechtel - Dbechtel00@yahoo.com Secretary: Connie Spang – stpch@ptd.net Business Manager: Patti Mitchell – stpadm@ptd.net Director of Religious Ed.: Maureen Poirier -

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Maintenance Staff: Connie Spang, Francis Kennedy

#### **Schedule of Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm ~~ Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15 – 4:45pm

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 11:45am-12:00noon

#### **Emergency Contact**

In the event of an emergency, please call the rectory at 570-724-3371. If no answer, please call 570-329-5762. This is a pager. You will be instructed to enter your phone number and Fr. Bechtel will return your call.

#### **Religious Education and Formation**

Religious Education classes are held for Pre-K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Pre-K (ages 3-5) is held during the 8:30am Mass. K-12<sup>th</sup> begins at 9:30am and concludes at 10:40am. Confirmation Prep Class meets one Sunday a month from 5:00-6:30pm as scheduled.

#### **Pregnancy Support**

Catholic Social Services (800) 982-4310 Crisis Pregnancy Help line (888) 4-OPTIONS Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center (570) 673-4476

#### **Parish Contact Listing**

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Parish Council - Rectory 570-724-3371

Worship Committee - Rectory 570- 724-3371

Sunday Communion at Nursing Homes – Eileen Evert 570-439-4470

Prayer Chain – Kate Black 570-724-3047

Order of Secular Carmelite – Lori Makos 570-724-3371

Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention		
<b>Monday 5/16</b> Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Anna Beuter (Children)		
Tuesday 5/17 Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37	7:30am	All Souls in Purgatory (Ostapowicz Family)		
Wednesday 5/18 Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:30-37	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Gerald T. Matthews (Grab Family)		
Thursday 5/19 Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Gertrude Warusz (Ostapowicz Family)		
Friday 5/20 Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Ruby Radocaj (Friend)		
Saturday 5/21 Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16	4:15-4:45pm 5:00pm	Confessions In Memory of Charles Griscavage (Poirier Family)		
Sunday 5/22  Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5;  Jn 16:12-15	8:30am 11:00am	In Honor of Jim & Holly Josten All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish		



### This Week's Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle is a reminder to us of the presence of Christ reserved in the Tabernacle. This week's candle is offered in memory of **Arlyne Robinson** (Paul & Marion Patt)

### The Week Ahead

#### **TUESDAY, May 17, 2016**

Eucharistic Adoration – 8:00am – 7:00pm

Staff Meeting – 8:30am, Rectory

Women's Bible Study – 9:00am, Parish Center Parish Council Meeting – 7:00pm, Parish Center

AA/Al-Anon – 8:00pm, Parish Center

#### WEDNESDAY, May 18, 2016

Italian Diner Prep – 9:00am, Parish Center ChristLife Series – 6:30pm, Parish Center

#### **THURSDAY, May 19, 2016**

Cards & Games – 12:00noon, Parish Center

St. John Neumann Prayer Group – 7:00pm, Parish Center

#### FRIDAY, May 20, 2016

Italian Dinner – 4:00-7:00pm, Parish Center

### **Ministers of the Altar Schedule**

### Weekend of May 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### 5:00pm

Servers: E.Poirier, W.Poirier, J.Grab Lectors: L.Sampson, G.Poirier

E. Min.: E.Evert, E.Payne, G.Vargas

#### 8:30am

Servers: N.Ingerick, M.Ingerick, G.Macensky

Lectors: M.Ostapowicz, S.Ingerick

E. Min.: M. Sampson, M.Bialas, K.Wilcox

#### 11:00am

Servers: K.Pacific, A.Burge, L.Burge Lectors: C.Waclawik, M.Stirnaman E. Min.: L.Makos, C.Lannak, C.Hewitt

### Banns of Marriage

Christina Berbyla and Randy Stephens – May 28<sup>th</sup>
Lynn Knudson and Anthony Nespola – June 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Welcome to St. Peter's Church!

If you are visiting Tioga County this weekend, welcome and thank you for celebrating the Eucharist with us! If you are searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us in worship and invite you to become part of our church family. Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.

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### **Liturgical Reflection**

Pentecost Sunday FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-11

Jesus had promised to send his Spirit, and that promise is fulfilled at Pentecost. The Spirit comes upon them like a great wind, and enables them to speak in tongues. When they go forth, they are able to address the people of all the world who have gathered for the festival in their own languages, underscoring the universality of the message they carry. The barrier between them and God's Word is removed. The Spirit now allows God's Word to penetrate deep into each human heart

#### SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

Paul writes to the community about the disturbance that is being caused by a disproportionate liturgical emphasis on speaking in tongues. The gifts are in everyone, but they are different. And these gifts have an intent: they are to be a source of service. God's Spirit takes possession of us, not for our own benefit, but for the benefit of all. The body has many parts, but must remain one. This metaphor of Paul's is a powerful metaphor for the Church today.

#### **GOSPEL: John 20:19-23**

John's account of the appearance of Jesus has a strong point of emphasis: peace. Although they are fearful (and it appears doubting: he mentions that Jesus must show his hands and side) they are restored when they encounter him. The final verses of this passage are central to the theology of John. The gift of the Spirit is the source of the power to forgive sins. The image of the breath is evocative of the gift of the life given to humanity in Genesis 2:7. The Risen Lord has not only wished them peace, he has also shared the surest way to sustain it.

#### ABOUT THIS SUNDAY



The Greek word for Pentecost (pentekoste) means "fiftieth," and in early Christianity it referred to the entire fifty days of Easter. The roots of Pentecost can be found in the Jewish festival of Weeks (Shavu'ot), the fifty-day

celebration following Passover (Exodus 23:16). It was a harvest festival in which the first fruits of the harvest were offered to God in gratitude. It eventually became associated with the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. Christians reinterpreted the Jewish festival commemoration of the coming of the Holy Spirit, since Acts records that the Holy Spirit came to the disciples when the festival of Pentecost was fulfilled (Acts 2:1-11). During the celebration, the Spirit's sudden arrival surprised all who had gathered: the newly reconstituted "Twelve," that included Matthias (newly elected to replace Judas,) and a group of disciples numbering over one hundred that included Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Ten days before, the Apostles bid final farewell to Jesus and received their mandate to witness to him to "the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Now, his promise of "another advocate" (John 14:16) is fulfilled.

### **Parish Activities and Information**

St. Peter's Church ~ Italian Dinner

Friday, May 20, 2016 -- 4:00 - 7:00pm

Adults - \$12.00 \* Children (under 12) - \$5.00 All You Can Eat! ~ Basket Raffle!

**Menu**: Chicken Piccata, Pasta with Marinara Sauce, Pasta with Alfredo Sauce, Meatballs, Italian Wedding Soup, Salad, Rolls, Homemade Desserts Coffee, Soda, Tea, Lemonade

Need Need Your Help! In order for this dinner to be a success, we need volunteers to work during and after the dinner, donations of some food items and baked goods, and donations of filled baskets for the raffle. Signup sheets can be found in the back of the church

#### YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE

St. Peter's is planning a Year of Mercy pilgrimage to the Holy Door at the Basilica of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Danville. The bus trip will take place on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and will include Mass at the Basilica then on to Lancaster County with a stop at Kitchen Kettle followed a showing of "Sampson" at Sight and Sound. Registration brochures, with complete details of the pilgrimage, can be found near the handout table on the side of the church.

#### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

**May's** Food Pantry items are: canned tuna, ham and chicken. Place your donations in the box at the entrance of the church anytime throughout the month.

### **Pro Life News**

Pentecost Voice -The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, former President of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life has said, "The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example -- the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind."

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for May 8<sup>th</sup>: \$7,685.00\* Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$5,990.00

Difference: \$1,695.02

Year-to-Date Budget Variance: \$3,348.92 \*Includes Ascension Collection: \$1,413.00 Envelopes Mailed – 475; Envelopes Used – 161

With gratitude for your Weekly Sacrifice!!! We are grateful to all those who financially sacrifice every week to support our parish and its ministries!

### That's The Way It Is!



One of the doctrines the Catholic Church teaches about Mary, is the Perpetual Virginity. The doctrine states that Mary was a virgin before the birth of Christ, during the birth of Christ, and after the birth of Christ. In this article I want to examine what the doctrine

reveals and why it is important. In later articles (I don't mean next week) I will take a look at the debates between Protestants and Catholics, as to the scriptural references to the brothers and sisters of Jesus. Right now, I happen to think that examining the meaning of the doctrine is more important than the often tedious debates over the identity of the brothers and sisters of Jesus in Scripture.

Our modern culture exaggerates the importance of human sexuality. Sex is almost seen as a basic human need on the order of food, clothing and shelter. As a consequence people do not consider their sexual passions merely an aspect of who they are, but integral to who they are. People conflate their sexual passions and appetites with their identity. In such a culture celibacy and virginity are seen as curses.

Virginity is not a curse, but a blessing from God. If we do not believe this at the outset, the Perpetual Virginity of Mary will not make sense. Virginity is a total and complete self surrender to God. Physical virginity embodies and gives meaning to this complete self surrender. Virginity is not a negation; that is the renunciation of some good, but a joyful decision that comes totally and completely from the will. That is what makes virginity a blessing; the decision is made in total and complete freedom of the will. The decision does not come from and is not compelled by instinct, passions, or appetites of the flesh.

Mary is unique in the order of redemption. Mary is the Second Eve, the one whom God had chosen from eternity past to be the mother of Jesus. Her virginity flows from this unique role. Mary's virginity is not a negation of sex; it is rather, something God enabled her to choose through a gift of Grace. Mary's virginity enabled her to dedicate her whole being to God's plan of redemption; to serve God with an undivided heart. To put it bluntly: Mary didn't need sex to be happy and complete. It isn't that Mary renounced sex; it is that she didn't need sex. Her mind, body and soul were in perfect union with the will and plan of God. Mary's passions, instincts, and appetites were likewise ordered totally and completely to the things of God. Mary placed her body and soul at the complete service of God. That meant that she ordered her passions and appetites not to the things of this world, but the things of God.

The Perpetual Virginity of Mary also reveals our eternal destiny: we are like the angels in heaven who are neither married, nor given in marriage (Matthew 22:30). Human sexuality is good, but it is part of this life. The purpose of human sexuality is to propagate our species; to create new life. In heaven there is no need to reproduce, hence human sexuality passes away. Mary was living the everlasting life of heaven here on earth, because her heart was so filled with the Grace of God. Again it isn't that Mary renounced sex, it is

that she didn't need it. It isn't that sex is bad, it is that it belongs only to this life. Mary was living the everlasting life of heaven here and now. The doctrine therefore, reveals that God's power and love have entered into this world. Heaven and earth are united. In other words, it magnifies the truth of the Incarnation. Heaven has been brought to earth and united with it, and we see this most perfectly revealed in Mary.

The doctrine also magnifies the uniqueness of Christ as only Son. In his divinity Christ is the only begotten son of the Father; His perfect offspring. In his humanity Christ is the only begotten Son of Mary; her perfect offspring.

This article, of all the articles I have written thus far, may to some be difficult to understand. The idea that a married couple would not have intercourse seems counterintuitive. Again, however, this is in part due to our sex crazed society.

I invite you this week to pray over and even struggle a bit, with what I have written and reflect on it. Allow the Holy Spirit to open your mind and hearts to the beauty of the Perpetual Virginity of Mary. You will see human sexuality within its proper context: something beautiful, something desirable, yet something that is for this life and is thus passing away. It is not a part of eternal life.

That's the way it is!

The Reverend David Bechtel



### **Jubilee Year of Mercy**

This Holy Year will conclude on Sunday, November 20, 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe and living face of the Father's mercy.

How can we show others the mercy of God? Our actions need to authentically reflect God's mercy.

#### **ACCEPT MERCY FROM OTHERS**

It takes humility to admit that we, too, are in need of mercy. When you allow others to be merciful to you, you give them the opportunity to reach outside of themselves and enter into your pain. When that happens, they become instruments of God's love to heal and comfort you. *In what ways have you accepted mercy from other people?* 

#### Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Joseph DeVizia at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

### **News From the Vatican**

#### AMORIS LETITIA – THE JOY OF LOVE



Pope Francis released his apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Letitia* (the Joy of Love) on April 8, 2016. An apostolic exhortation is a particular kind papal teaching that communicates the mind of the pope on a certain topic. In this case is it used to share the conclusions reached by the

Holy Father, after consideration of the recommendations of the Bishops at the conclusion of two Synods on the topic of family and marriage. Over the next weeks, this column will give short excerpts from each chapter. The complete document can be read on the Vatican website at www.vatican.va.

#### **Chapter 4: Love in Marriage**

- ◆ The grace of the sacrament of marriage is intended before all else "to perfect the couple's love."
- ◆ Love is patient being patient does not mean letting ourselves be constantly mistreated, tolerating physical aggression or allowing other people to use us. We encounter problems whenever we think that relationships or people ought to be perfect, or when we put ourselves at the center and expect things to turn out our way. Then everything makes us impatient, everything makes us act aggressively. Love always has an aspect of deep compassion that leads to accepting the other person as part of this world, even when he or she acts differently than I would like.
- ◆ Love is at the service of others St. Paul makes it clear that patience is not a completely passive attitude, but one accompanied by activity, by dynamic and creative interactions with others. Love is more than a feeling...to love is "to do good."
- ♦ Love is not jealous love has no room for discomfiture at another person's good fortune. Envy is a form of sadness provoked by another's prosperity; it shows that we are not concerned for the happiness of others but only with our own well-being. Whereas love makes us rise above ourselves, envy closes us in ourselves. True love values the other person's achievements.
- ◆ Love is not boastful Those who love not only refrain from speaking too much about themselves, but are focused on others; they do not need to be the center of attention. Some people think that, because they are more "spiritual" or "wise" they are more important than they really are. What really makes us important is a love that understands, shows concern, and embraces the weak. It is important for Christians to show their love by the way they treat family members who are less knowledgeable about the faith, weak, or less sure in their conviction. Love is marked by humility; if we are to understand, forgive and serve others from the heart, our pride has to be healed and our humility must increase.
- ♦ Love is not rude To love is also to be gentle and thoughtful...love is not rude or impolite; it is not harsh. Its actions, works, and gestures are pleasing and not abrasive or rigid. Love abhors making others suffer. As an essential requirement of love, "every human being is bound to live agreeable with those around him." To be open to a gentle

- encounter with others, "a kind look" is essential. This is incompatible with a negative attitude that readily point out other people's shortcomings while overlooking one's own. A kind look helps us to see beyond our own limitations, to be patient and to cooperate with others, despite our differences.
- ♦ Love is generous The Bible makes it clear that generously serving others is far more noble than loving ourselves. Loving ourselves is only important as a psychological prerequisite for being able to love others. Love can transcend and overflow the demands of justice, "expecting nothing in return" (Lk 6:35), and the greatest of loves can lead to "laying down one's life" for another (Jn 15:13).
- ♦ Love is not irritable or resentful There is a need for a patience that does not immediately react harshly to the weaknesses and faults of others. It is one thing to sense a sudden surge of hostility and another to give into it, letting it take root in our hearts. My advice is to never let the day end without making peace in the family.
- ◆ Love forgives Once we allow ill will to take root in our hearts, it leads to deep resentment. When we have been offended or let down, forgiveness is possible and desirable, but no one can say that it is easy. The truth is that family communion can only be preserved and perfected through a great spirit of sacrifice...otherwise or family life will no longer be a place of understanding and encouragement, but rather one of constant tension and mutual criticism.
- ◆ Love rejoices with others We rejoice at the good of others when we see their dignity and value their abilities and good works. This is impossible for those who must always be comparing and competing, even with their spouse, so that they secretly rejoice in their failures. The family must always be a place where, when something good happens to one of its members, they know that others will be there to celebrate it with them.
- ♦ Love bears all things This is about more than simply putting up with evil; it has to do with the use if the tongue. Married couples joined by love speak well of each other; they try to show their spouse's good side, not their weakness and faults...they keep silent rather than speak ill of them. Love coexists with imperfection.
- ♦ Love believes all things This trust enables a relationship to be free. It means we do not have to control the other person, to follow their every step lest they escape our grip. Love trusts, it sets free, it does not try to control, posses, and dominate everything. A family marked by loving trust, helps its member to be themselves and spontaneously to reject deceit, falsehood, and lies.
- ♦ Love hopes all things Love does not despair of the future. Though things may not always turn out as we wish, God may well make crooked lines straight and draw some good from the evil we endure in this world.
- ◆ Love endures all things This means that love bears every trial with a positive attitude. It is a love that never gives up, even in the darkest hour. Love does not yield to resentment, scorn for others or the desire to hurt or to gain some advantage. The Christian ideal is a love that never gives up. (Chapter 4 continued next week.)

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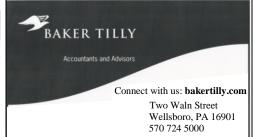
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We hope you'll consider including a gift to St. Peter's Church in your will or living trust. Called a charitable bequest, just a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed. Share this sample bequest language for St. Peter's Church with your estate planning attorney:

"I, [name], of [city, state, zip], give, devise and bequeath to St. Peter's Church, Wellsboro [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."

### **Parish Prayer List**

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Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord and Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

Lord, this we know, no matter how difficult life may be at this time, we know you will not stop loving us and will always hold us in the palm of your hand. We are reaching to you, Lord, to hold us, comfort us, and heal us. Lord, this we know, you are faithful in your love for us today and forever. You are with us, and we are with you. Amen.