

## *The Epiphany of the Lord January 8, 2017*

# St. Peter's Church

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### **Rectory Office Hours**

Monday through Friday 9:00–2:00pm

### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Rev. David Bechtel – [Dbechtel100@yahoo.com](mailto:Dbechtel100@yahoo.com)  
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### **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

### **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 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **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**

Women's Bible Study – Sue Singer 570-724-2360  
St. John Neumann's Prayer Group – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085  
Contemplative Spirituality Group – Kate Black 570-724-3047  
Cards & Games – Patty Kramer 570-948-9023  
Knights of Columbus – George Gamble 570-724-5216  
Social Concerns – Karen Plumley 570-439-0175  
Parish Rummage Sale – Mary Lasko 570-439-7706  
Mary Beth Sampson 570-724-2953  
Church Linens & Decorations – Sue Singer 570-724-2360  
Buildings & Grounds – Rick Joachim 570-439-2591  
Cemetery Committee – Howard Rutledge 570-724-4529  
Fundraising Dinners – Tara Gordon 570-439-0006  
Paul Urner 570-723-9970  
Music Ministry – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085,  
Marilyn deGuzman 570-376-5427  
Marian Miller 570-724-5245  
Samaritan House – Daria Guelig 570-724-3030  
Youth Group – Maureen Poirier 570-724-9789  
Eucharistic Adoration – Mary Cleveland 570-724-5286  
Finance Council – Priscilla Walrath 570-724-2056  
Parish Council – Rectory 570-724-3371  
Worship Committee – Rectory 570-724-3371  
Sunday Nursing Home Communion – Eileen Evert 570-439-4470  
Prayer Chain – Kate Black 570-724-3047  
Order of Secular Carmelite – Lori Makos 570-724-3371

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January 8, 2017

Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention
<b>Monday 1/9</b> <i>Is 42:1-6-7; Mt 3:13-17</i>	No Mass	
<b>Tuesday 1/10</b> <i>Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28</i>	7:30am	In Memory of Patrick Davis (Samaritan House Volunteers)
<b>Wednesday 1/11</b> <i>Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39</i>	11:45am – 12:00pm 12:10pm	Confession In Memory of Patrick Davis (Maryanne Cunningham)
<b>Thursday 1/12</b> <i>Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45</i>	11:45am – 12:00pm 12:10pm	Confession In Memory of Rose Marie Sweeney (Robert Hitesman)
<b>Friday 1/13</b> <i>Heb 4:1-5,11; Mk 2:1-12</i>	11:45am – 12:00pm 12:10pm	Confession In Memory of Elaine Myslinski (Tom & Linda Sampson)
<b>Saturday 1/14</b> <i>Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17</i>	4:15pm – 4:45pm 5:00pm	Confessions In Memory of Robert & Connie Brown (Daughter, Gina)
<b>Sunday 1/15</b> <i>Is 49:3,5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34</i>	8:30am 11:00am	In Memory of Harold Knapke (Tom & Ginny) All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Peter's Parish

This week's Sanctuary Candle is offered in Honor of  
Elsa DiBernardo and Wendy Newcomb

## The Week Ahead

### SUNDAY, January 8, 2017

Religious Ed. – Pre-School, 8:30am; K-12<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am  
ChristLife Meeting – 12:15pm, Parish Center  
Secular Carmelites – 12:00pm, Parish Center

### MONDAY, January 9, 2017

Finance Council Meeting – 8:00am

### TUESDAY, January 10, 2017

Eucharistic Adoration – 8:00am-7:00pm  
Benediction/Evening Prayer – 6:45pm  
Women's Bible Study – 9:00am, Parish Center  
Broad Acres Mass – 10:30am  
AA/Al-Anon – 8:00pm, Parish Center

### WEDNESDAY, January 11, 2017

Green Home Mass – 2:00pm  
ChristLife – 6:30pm, Parish Center

### THURSDAY, January 12, 2017

Cards & Games – 12:00pm, Parish Center  
R.C.I.A. – 6:00pm, Parish Center  
St. John Neumann Prayer Group – 7:00pm, Parish Center

### SUNDAY, January 15, 2017

Religious Ed. – Pre-School, 8:30am; K-12<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am  
Secular Carmelites – 12:00pm, Parish Center

## Ministers of the Altar Schedule

### Weekend of January 15<sup>th</sup>

#### 5:00pm

Servers: E.Poirier, W.Poirier, J.Grab  
Lectors: T.Sampson, L.Sampson  
E. Min.: G.Brown, I.Dziengowski, K.Wilcox

#### 8:30am

Servers: J.Singer, Z.Singer, J.Lubera  
Lectors: N.Kennedy, M.Ostapowicz  
E. Min.: A.Singer, N.Ostapowicz, L.Whitney

#### 11:00am

Servers: A.Burge, L.Burge, K.Kramer  
Lectors: M.Stirnaman, C.Waclawik  
E. Min.: C.Lannak, M.Stirnaman, C.Delong

### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

This month's food pantry items are: *canned tuna, ham, or chicken (5-6oz size)*. Please place your donations in the box at the entrance of the church.

**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.

### Request for Parishioner Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_



# Liturgical Reflection

## The Epiphany of the Lord

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1-6

Isaiah reminds us that the true wealth of the Jewish people lay in its children. No wealth compares: a lavish procession of camels bearing gold or all the riches of the seas cannot come close to the beloved face of one daughter or son. What parent cannot relate to “your heart shall throb and overflow” at the sight of one’s child, especially one who has been threatened, as today’s climate of violence has made increasingly frightening? Poor and inferior in many ways, Israel is radiant because of God’s presence with her.

### RESPONSRIAL PSALM: Psalm 72

The hopes of all the world’s peoples are ultimately the same: for peace, wise leadership, just government. People around the globe will hear and sing this psalm today in their own languages, a tribute to the magi who came from afar to worship the infant Jesus. This is the feats of inclusivity; no one was unwelcome at Bethlehem.

### SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Christians who hadn’t been born Jewish must have felt enormous relief to hear this message to Ephesians. They are in no way second-class in the new Christian community. Rather, they are affirmed as coheirs, members of Christ’s body, sharers in the promise. What might have been small, middle-eastern sect can now spread gloriously throughout the world, to everyone.

### GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

The story of the Magi following the star to find and worship the newborn King, stopping to ask Herod, then continuing to Bethlehem where, overjoyed, they find the child with his mother is deeply familiar, and resonates not only because people have heard it so often. Those in the assembly have also pursued quests, with varying degrees of success. They have looked to their own starts, and may have blundered into palaces of evil along the way. But the Gospel brings hope at the journey’s end, a new way of being and a return “by another way.”

### ABOUT THIS SUNDAY

Today we celebrate that the child born in the darkness of night in a lowly manger is revealed as the manifestation (the meaning of *Epiphany*) of God. Christ is revealed in many ways: as Lord, as King, as the one in whom God is present and acts. All of these manifestations are “lights” that shine on Christ, revealing a deeper understanding of who he is. The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord has several themes. First, we have the wise men being guided through darkness by the light of the star. Second, we have the star as a sign that leads the wise men to Jesus. Third, we have the manifestation of God to Gentiles, not just Jews, pointing to the reality that Jesus came for all people. Fourth, we have the mystery that God does reveal his very self in human flesh.



# Parish Activities and Information

## CHANGE TO MASS SCHEDULE

There will no longer be a Monday, weekday Mass at St. Peter’s. This owes to the need for Fr. Bechtel to offer a daily Mass in Elkland. He also plans to take Monday for his duties in Elkland. This is not a permanent arrangement. This is sort of like a test run. This can be changed or updated as needed.

## Pro Life News

### PRIESTS FOR LIFE

“Life is always a good. Why is life a good? This question is found everywhere in the Bible, and from the very first pages it receives a powerful and amazing answer. The life which God gives man is quite different from the life of all other living creatures, inasmuch as man, although formed from the dust of the earth is a manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory. This is what Saint Irenaeus of Lyons wanted to emphasize in his celebrated definition: ‘Man, living man, is the glory of God’. Man has been given a sublime dignity, based on the intimate bond which unites him to his Creator: in man there shines forth a reflection of God himself” (The Gospel of Life, n. 34).

### WORD OF LIFE

“To be actively pro-life is to contribute to the renewal of society through the promotion of the common good. It is impossible to further the common good without acknowledging and defending the right to life, upon which all the other inalienable rights of individuals are founded and from which they develop.” — *Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae, 101. © 1995 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.*

## Diocese of Scranton News

### RETRouvaille PROGRAM

Marriage Help: If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering separation or divorce, then the Retrouvaille Program can help you, Retrouvaille is helping couples put the pieces back together and to rediscover a more loving relationship. The next local program will be Feb. 24-26, 2017 at The Ramada Inn, Clarks Summit, PA. Registration Required. All calls confidential. Cost is by donation. For more information call 1-800-470-2230 or visit [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org).

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2017 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 11, 2017. The event includes a 2:30pm Mass at St. Peter’s Cathedral, followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation should be made through your pastor before March 13, 2017.

## That's The Way It Is!



This week (January 1-6) I was away. I took a small vacation. I visited with my family and caught up with friends. I usually take a week after New Years, Easter and a week in July when things slow down. Because I would be away I had to write this article in December to have it ready. I decided to address the suggestions that have been coming through the suggestion box. Many, if not all of them are simple enough that they don't really require a parish council meeting. Though I will keep them for our next meeting in case the council believes there is a better or different way to address them.

The first suggestion that came through was a request to move the 5:00PM Mass to 4:00PM on Saturday. This is something I certainly support. Given the fact that I may be appointed pastor of Saint Thomas in Elkland with the Mission Church of Saint Catherine in Westfield, we may need to look at changing the Mass schedule anyway. Until the situation clarifies, however, the Mass schedule will remain as it is. Once the situation clarifies we will be in a position to take a serious look at this suggestion.

A suggestion was offered to install "poor boxes." While I have not had poor boxes installed yet, this is a good suggestion that seems easy enough to accommodate. Before I proceed I will address this with the parish council. Another person suggested offering envelopes for children. Many parishes have offering envelopes for children to teach them the need to contribute to the work of their parish. This will be addressed with the parish council. A person also suggested (paraphrase) that we examine how we go about asking for contributions or increased offerings. This suggestion will also be taken up with parish council. A person suggested that we reduce the cost of the dinners to \$10. Last I checked and heard we are going to do this for the next dinner.

A person asked if the volume of the organ can be adjusted because it is too loud. I am uniquely qualified to address this because I am an organist. The answer is yes we can adjust the volume but we are not going to do so. For an organist, there are only two volumes: loud and loud. When I was an organist, if I had a nickel for every time a person told me I was too loud I would be rich. The organ does not need to be turned down. What needs to happen is that the parishioners need to start singing out like they are Protestant. If they do so, the organ will not seem so loud. The organ however, is also old technology. New electronic organs sound far superior—so good in fact you can't tell they are not a pipe organ. I am hoping to eventually replace our organ with a new or newer instrument that will sound a lot better. In the mean time—sing and sing loud!

A person expressed concern that with the cold and flu season upon us, can we should suspend the Sign of Peace. I do not have the authority to do so. That would have to come from the bishop. However, I want to make clear that no person should feel compelled to offer the Sign of Peace if they fear catching a cold or the flu—or passing it along. It is

completely acceptable to politely nod at someone and offer the Sign of Peace in that manner.

A person asked about cleaning the pews with soap or appropriate wood cleaner. I have passed this request along to the people who clean the Church. They intend to do this the week I am away. That is a good time for them to attend to this project because there is no Mass that week. No one will be in the Church to disrupt the cleaning.

A person asked about having different families take up the gifts. We continue to work on this and ask for volunteers. What happens is that if the family does not show up that evening or cannot make it that evening the ushers fill in for them. In any case we are already working on this.

A person requested that I use hand sanitizer prior to distributing Holy Communion. If it will make people feel better I will use it. However, hand sanitizer does not necessarily stop the spread of disease depending on what chemicals are in it. It can actually lead to resistant bacteria and viruses. Just be aware of that. I remember in the late 90's, hand sanitizer was all the rage. The trend never caught on with me.

Last but not least: a person requested more traditional music for Christmas, in particular, music the people know. They do not like learning new music. As an organist, I do realize that music can be one of the most divisive things in a parish. You have people who like contemporary and people who like traditional. You have people who like organ, and people who like Piano. Everyone has their own personal preferences when it comes to Liturgical music including priests. I have largely tried not to impose my preferences on the parish, choosing instead to allow the music ministry to choose the music they are comfortable with.

I will pass this request along to the music director. However, I do want to explain that at Saint Peter's the Mass where more traditional music is sung is the Sunday 11:00AM Mass. That is the "organ Mass." The 8:30AM is done by the contemporary group. The 5:00PM Mass is a mix. If you are looking for more traditional music, I suggest you come to the 11:00AM Sunday Mass. As for Christmas, since I have arrived the 10:00AM Mass on Christmas day is the Mass with the most traditional music and the organ. If you are looking for more traditional Christmas music I suggest attending the 10:00AM Mass on Christmas Day. We can, however, take a look at this for next year with the Liturgy Committee.

That's the way it is! The Reverend David W. Bechtel

### Stewardship

Sunday Collection for January 1<sup>st</sup>: \$ 6,653.15

Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$ 5,990.00

Difference: \$ 663.15

Year-to-Date Budget Variance: \$ 1,592.46

Diocesan Collection - Care & Ed of Priests: \$655.65

*We are grateful to all those who financially sacrifice every week to support our parish and its ministries!*

# St. Peter's Parish 2017 Survey

The Parish Council is gathering information from the parish community to establish goals and priorities, which will help determine the future of St. Peter's.

**There are three ways you can complete the survey:**

1) Fill out this paper copy and place in Survey **Collection Box** found at main entrance to the church

1) Fill out this paper copy and **mail to the Rectory** at 47 Central Avenue, Wellsboro, PA 16901

2) Fill out **on line** by copying and pasting this link:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/stpeterssurvey2017>

**IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIALITY,  
PLEASE DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON FORM.**

*If you answer "NO" to any question, please elaborate in the comments section at the end of that section.*

**PLEASE RESPOND TO THE SURVEY  
NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31, 2017**

## WORSHIP/LITURGY

*Please circle the Mass you typically attend:*

Saturday - 5:00pm    Sunday - 8:30am / 11:00am

1. Should weekend Mass times remain the same? (currently 5:00pm Saturday 8:30am & 11:00am Sunday) YES or NO
  - a. Would you attend a Sunday evening Mass (4:00pm or 5:00pm) if offered? YES or NO
  - b. Would you be willing to give up a Sunday morning Mass in order to have a Sunday evening Mass? YES or NO
  - c. If you answered yes to 'b', which Mass would you give up? 8:30am or 11:00am
  - d. Would you like the Saturday 5:00pm Mass to move to 4:00pm? YES or NO
2. Should Mass times for Holy Days be changed? (currently 5pm, 12:10pm and 7pm) YES or NO
  - a. What times would you prefer? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Overall, I am satisfied as a member of St. Peter's. YES or NO
4. I receive the information I need regarding church, such as notices, etc. YES or NO
5. Is St. Peter's welcoming? YES or NO

6. I am provided with spiritual growth and leadership. YES or NO
7. I intend to continue my membership at St. Peter's. YES or NO
8. The priest is: (check all that apply)  
 Approachable  
 Someone I feel comfortable seeking for counsel  
 Friendly  
 Leading the church in the right direction spiritually
9. The homilies: (check all that apply)  
 Are relevant to my life  
 Provide answers to the problems I face  
 Challenge me in my spiritual growth  
 Are uplifting and positive  
 Provide encouragement  
 Are easily understood
10. I am satisfied with the job the priest is doing. YES or NO
  - a. Please explain your response:
11. The music enhances my worship. YES or NO
12. The music choices encourage my participation in Mass. YES or NO
13. The version of music (the Gloria, the entrance and recessional hymns, etc) at Mass enhances my participation. YES or NO
14. I like the style of music during the Mass I attend. YES or NO
15. I prefer the following types of music: (check all that apply)  
 organ  piano  guitar  other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Would you like Father Bechtel to visit or contact you? YES or NO (If Yes, please call the Rectory to request)

Please provide any additional feedback regarding worship/liturgy here: *(Reminder to explain any YES/NO responses here.)*

## **BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

1. Do you think our current properties are being kept in good condition? YES or NO
2. Would you be interested in donating to any of the following capital projects? *Check all that apply.*  
 New roof (necessary within the next 3 years)  
 New porch on rectory  
 New doors for the church and parish center  
 New organ  
 New lighting in church  
 HVAC Unit (heating, ventilation & AC unit necessary within the next 3 years)  
 Kitchen renovation in the parish center
3. It has been suggested that the Tabernacle should be in the center of the Sanctuary (where the priest's chair is currently located).  
Would you be in support of moving the Tabernacle?  
YES or NO
4. Are the current rectory hours satisfactory? (Current Hours are 9am – 2 pm) YES or NO
5. Please provide any additional feedback regarding buildings and grounds here: *(Reminder to explain any YES/NO responses here.)*

## **EDUCATION**

1. Do you have children in Religious Education?  
YES or NO  
If YES, what grades are they in? (check all that apply)  
Preschool\_\_\_\_ First\_\_\_\_ Second\_\_\_\_ Third\_\_\_\_  
Fourth\_\_\_\_ Fifth\_\_\_\_ Sixth\_\_\_\_ Seventh\_\_\_\_  
Eighth\_\_\_\_ High School\_\_\_\_
2. Does the program fit your family's needs?  
YES or NO
3. Would you like to see more adult education activities offered? YES or NO
4. How can we reach out to the non-practicing Catholics in our community?

5. How can we better reach out to the non-Catholic community?

Please provide any additional feedback regarding religious education here: *(Reminder to explain any YES/NO responses here.)*

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

1. Do you know of anyone who is not attending church due to transportation problems? YES or NO
  2. From your point of view, please indicate how you feel the parish is doing in meeting the needs of the following groups within the parish?
- |                              | Excellent | Good  | Fair  | Poor  |
|------------------------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| Young people                 | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Elderly                      | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Sick and disabled            | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Married couples              | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Those dealing with death     | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Those in jail                | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Those with economic problems | _____     | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Please provide any additional feedback regarding social concerns here: *(Reminder to explain any YES/NO responses here.)*

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES**

1. Which of the following activities have you or your family members attended during the last 12 months?  
 Breakfasts/Dinners  
 Laurel Festival Fruit Booth  
 Church Rummage Sale  
 Dickens' Booth  
 Spiritual Growth Activities  
 Parish Management  
 Parish Religious Education  
 Liturgical Ministries  
 Bus trips  
 Other (please specify)\_\_\_\_\_

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)**

2. What activities would you like the parish to consider offering? (i.e., bus trips, movie nights, dinners, youth activities)
  3. If you are interested in volunteering in the church, do you know how to do so? YES or NO
  4. If you are interested in volunteering, what prevents you from doing so?
  5. I feel welcome to volunteer. YES or NO
  6. Do you visit the parish website? YES or NO
  7. Do you read the bulletin on a regular basis? YES or NO
  8. Please share any suggestions to improve the bulletin?
  9. Do you feel it is time to update the church directory? YES or NO
  10. Please provide any additional feedback regarding Parish Activities here: *(Reminder to explain any YES/NO responses here.)*
5. What is your current level of involvement?  
Check all that apply.  
 Regular Mass attendance  
 Not Regular Mass attendance  
 Regular adoration attendance  
 Liturgy volunteer  
 Religious education volunteer  
 Parish activities volunteer  
 Musical volunteer  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_
  6. I am excited about the direction and future of St. Peter's. YES or NO

## **FEEDBACK QUESTIONS**

1. What are you looking for from St. Peter's?
2. What do you like about St. Peter's?
3. What do you dislike about St. Peter's?
4. What can we do better at St. Peter's?


## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

1. What is your gender? MALE or FEMALE
2. What is your age? *Please circle the appropriate range.*

12-18	19-29	30-39
40-49	50-59	60 and over
3. What is your current marital status? *Please circle*  
Single    Married    Divorced    Widowed
4. How long have you been a member of St. Peter's?  
 Not a Member  
 Less than 1 year  
 1-5 years  
 6-10 years  
 More than 10 years
5. Other feedback?

*Thank you for taking time to complete  
the parish survey.  
Sincerely, Father Bechtel & the Parish Council.*

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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.