



St. Peter's Church

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00–2:00pm

Parish Staff

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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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2017

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.

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 – 12th grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Pre-K (ages 3-5) is held during the 8:30am Mass. K-12th 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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2017

Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention
Monday 1/30 <i>Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20</i>	No Mass	
Tuesday 1/31 <i>Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43</i>	7:30am	In Memory of Scotty Saraceni (Ostapowicz Family)
Wednesday 2/1 <i>Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6</i>	11:45am – 12:00pm 12:10pm	Confession In Memory of Eugene David Getgen (Joan Getgen)
Thursday 2/2 <i>Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40</i>	11:45am – 12:00pm 12:10pm	Confession In Honor of Philip King
Friday 2/3 <i>Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29</i>	11:45am – 12:00pm 12:10pm	Confession In Memory of John Blackwell (Ostapowicz Family)
Saturday 2/4 <i>Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34</i>	8:15-8:45am 9:00am 4:15pm – 4:45pm 5:00pm	Confessions In Honor of Mary Lou Bonk (Cindy Shingara) Confessions In Memory of Edward & Eleanor Collins (Mitchell Family)
Sunday 2/5 <i>Is 58:7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mk 6:53-56</i>	8:30am 11:00am	All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Peter's Church In Honor of Kendal & Kennedy Kozub (Grandparents, Rick & Wendy)

This week's Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of Parishioners of St. Peter's Parish

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, January 29, 2017

Religious Ed. – Pre-School, 8:30am; K-12th, 9:30am

MONDAY, January 30, 2017

Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7:00pm, Parish Center

TUESDAY, January 31, 2017

Eucharistic Adoration – 8:00am-7:00pm

Benediction/Evening Prayer – 6:45pm

Women's Bible Study – 9:00am, Parish Center

Worship Committee Meeting – 7:00pm, Parish Center

AA/Al-Anon – 8:00pm, Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, February 1, 2017

ChristLife – 6:30pm, Parish Center

THURSDAY, February 2, 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, February 3, 2017

Religious Ed. – Pre-School-8:30am; K-12th-9:30am

Catch Our Spirit...Celebrate Catholic Schools Week January 29 – February 4, 2017

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week by attending one of our Catholic School Open Houses! From Pre-K through 12th grade, our students live their faith, challenge their minds, serve their communities, and build lifelong friendships. For more information about our Diocesan Catholic Schools, visit www.DiocesefScranton.org/CatholicSchools.

Ministers of the Altar Schedule

Weekend of February 5th

5:00pm

Servers: E.Poirier, J.Poirier, J.Grab

Lectors: T.Sampson, L.Sampson

E. Min.: D.Sherman, B.Butler, G.Poirier

8:30am

Servers: L.Singer, Z.Singer, L.Germino

Lectors: T.Reindl, M.Ostapowicz

E. Min.: N.Ostapowicz, D.deGuzman, A.Singer

11:00am

Servers: K.Kramer, A.Osborn, A.Osborn

Lectors: D.Bleggi, L.Nonnenmacher

E. Min.: C.Lannak, B.Brown, M.Osborn

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.



We welcome **Emmelyn Rae Rice** into the One Holy Catholic Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Emmelyn's parents are Marc & Sarah Rice.

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

The reading has two sections coming from separate chapters of Zephaniah. The first verses are strong exhortations to the people to do three things: seek the Lord, seek justice, and seek humility. The presumption is that the people have been unfaithful, sinful, and arrogant. In the second section it is the voice of the Lord that addresses the people. The tone is quite different than the first part. The Lord promises that a remnant of Israel will know salvation. This remnant will be a transformed people; they will be faithful, honest, and live with integrity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 146

The psalmist can hardly contain his exuberance in proclaiming the praise of the Lord. In the twelve lines of the psalm, he lists ten actions performed by the Lord on behalf of the people. Although the Lord is solicitous of the whole people, those most vulnerable are afforded special mention and care. The oppressed, the hungry, the captives, the blind, the strangers, the orphans, and the widows all receive divine help in their situations. Each of these actions will be marks of Jesus' ministry generations later.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Those whom the psalmist identifies as recipients of the Lord's care share a similar identity with those that Paul addresses in Corinth. Paul reminds these early believers that on their own, they have very little status or power or influence. Yet they are precisely the ones that God has chosen to spread the Gospel. Paul states that God's choice is deliberate; the circumstances of their lives will be instruments of the Gospel. Their lowliness will bring down the haughty; their foolishness will confound the wise. Such is the intention of God; for God's ways are not the way of human.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

The eight Beatitudes are perhaps one of the best known teachings of Jesus. The beatitude is a genre of teaching from wisdom literature. A blessing is bestowed on a person or persons because of their status, that is, the poor, the meek, and that blessing is followed by a subsequent action that benefits them. Jesus hints at what will later become explicit in his teaching; he retains what is of value in the Law of Moses, but expands it with his own depth of meaning. Not only will outward situations of hunger, thirst, and persecution be altered in God's reign, as Isaiah envisioned, those who suffer these things with proper intention, pursuing the righteousness proposed by God and revealed through Jesus, will enjoy the fullness of divine blessing. The virtues and actions that are espoused are at odds with the current ideology; they embody the vision of the Kingdom of God that Jesus has come to establish.



Parish Activities and Information

VALENTINE'S DINNER

The Social Concerns committee will again be delivering a Valentine's dinner to any parishioner (homebound, living alone, recovering from an illness, a "sweetheart" who contributes in a special way to the Parish) who would like one. Delivery, weather permitting, will take place on Saturday, February 11th. If you would like to receive a meal or know a parishioner who would like to receive one **OR CAN HELP WITH DELIVERY**, please contact Karen Plumley at 570-439-0175. Also, to assist with needed supplies, please look for our sign- up sheets near the main entrance of the church. Monetary donations to offset some of our costs, would be greatly appreciated.

BRING IN YOUR OLD PALMS

Please bring your old palms to church and place in the basket found near the front entrance. The palms will be burned and used on Ash Wednesday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDER

Please note that religious education classes **begin at 9:30am**. Students who are not attending the 8:30am Mass should arrive at the church no later than 9:25am, as classes will start on time. Classes end at 10:40am.

BLESSING OF THROATS NEXT WEEKEND



In the United States the annual blessing of throats is a traditional sign of the struggle against illness in the life of the Christian. This blessing is ordinarily given during Mass on February 3rd, the memorial of St. Blaise. Saint Blaise was a bishop during the 4th century. Very little is known about his life. According to various accounts he was a physician before becoming a bishop. His cult spread throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. **Throats will be blessed after all Masses NEXT weekend.**

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord celebrates the presentation of Christ in the temple at Jerusalem on the 40th day after His birth. When Christ was presented in the temple, Simeon embraced the Child and prayed the Cantic of Simeon: "Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word in peace; because my eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples: a light to the revelation of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32). Inspired by the words of the cantic, the custom had developed in the West of blessing candles on the Feast of the Presentation. Because of this, the feast also became known as *Candlemas*. **Parishioners are invited to bring any candles they would like blessed the 12:10pm Mass on February 2nd and Fr. Bechtel will bless them.**

That's The Way It Is!



On Friday January 26, 2017, the annual March For Life was held. Thousands of people descended on Washington D.C. to bear witness to the sanctity of unborn human life and the rights of the unborn. President Trump issued an executive order banning federal funds from paying for abortions in foreign lands. I have to commend him on that. Whatever anyone thinks of President Trump it is nice to see our president take action that defends innocent life, especially the unborn.

On January 21, thousands of women marched on Washington D.C. to make their voices heard about issues important to them. That event was heavily covered by the media. One of the sponsors of the march (New Wave Feminists based in Texas) was pro-life. The organizers of the march faced a lot of backlash from that. The organizers of the march apologized and put out a statement: "The Women's March's platform is pro-choice and that has been our stance from day one.....The anti-choice organization in question is not a partner of the Women's March on Washington. We apologize for this error." First, being pro-life does not mean being "anti-choice," being pro-life means being anti-abortion. I have said it before and I will say it again: choice isn't the issue. The issue is abortion. Second, it is difficult to understand why the organizers of the march who are pro-"choice" and want to celebrate "choice" and "freedom" would not celebrate "choice" and "freedom" when women "freely" "choose" to be pro-life.

It is difficult to understand—if one accepts the way in which feminists frame the debate about abortion. If the issue really is choice, it follows those who are pro-choice would celebrate, well, choice! It should not matter to someone who calls themselves pro-choice whether one is pro-life. If choice is what really matters, why would someone calling themselves pro-choice get so offended when someone chooses life and chooses to advocate for the rights of the unborn? Why? Because the issue isn't choice and those who are pro-choice know this. The issue is abortion. Those who support abortion aren't stupid. If there is one thing I wish people would understand: pro-choice equals pro-abortion. The terms are interchangeable; the terms are synonymous. No amount of semantics and word games can change this.

This is why I refuse to accept the terms of the debate as framed by feminists. I refuse to use the term "Pro-choice" when discussing abortion. I use the terms "Pro-Life" and "Pro-abortion." As I used to teach my students: once you accept the terms of the debate as framed and defined by feminists, namely choice vs. anti-choice, you have already lost the debate. Further discussion is futile. We cannot allow feminists to redefine and mask the evil of abortion as "choice."

In closing I want to talk on a related but distinct issue. Those who pressure or even force a woman to get an

abortion will have far more to answer for on judgment day than the woman. We cannot lay the responsibility for an unborn human life solely at the feet of a pregnant woman. A husband, boyfriend, family, doctor, etc, who scare or pressure a women to get an abortion when she does not want one—those are the ones who will bear the burden of guilt for that child's life far more than the woman. If I have not made this clear in the past, I apologize. It is not just a pregnant mother who bears responsibility for the life inside of her.

I also want to make it clear that there is NO sin that God cannot forgive. I rail against abortion and will do so as long as life is in my body. However, the Sacrament of Confession is infinitely more powerful than the sin of abortion. God rejoices when someone repents and seeks His love and healing in the Confessional. God does not will that anyone who has had an abortion should suffer or be lost. God wants them to come to Him—so He can show them His love, mercy, forgiveness, compassion and healing. It is in love, mercy, forgiveness, and compassion where God reveals His true greatness and His power over sin and death. No person who has had an abortion or been part of an abortion should ever fear God if they want His forgiveness.

That's the way it is!

The Reverend David W. Bechtel

Pro Life News

PRIESTS FOR LIFE

"Make no mistake, abortion-on-demand is not a right granted by the Constitution. No serious scholar, including one disposed to agree with the Court's result, has argued that the framers of the Constitution intended to create such a right. Shortly after the *Roe v. Wade* decision, Professor John Hart Ely, now Dean of Stanford Law School, wrote that the opinion "is not constitutional law and gives almost no sense of an obligation to try to be." Nowhere do the plain words of the Constitution even hint at a "right" so sweeping as to permit abortion up to the time the child is ready to be born. Yet that is what the Court ruled. As an act of "raw judicial power" (to use Justice White's biting phrase), the decision by the seven-man majority in *Roe v. Wade* has so far been made to stick. But the Court's decision has by no means settled the debate. Instead, *Roe v. Wade* has become a continuing prod to the conscience of the nation." — President Ronald Reagan, in his book *Abortion and the Conscience of the Nation* (1983).

Stewardship

Sunday Collection for January 22nd: \$ 5,129.00

Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$ 5,990.00

Difference: (\$ 861.00)

Year-to-Date Budget Variance: \$ 605.46

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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A Gift in Your Will

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."



PRAYERS Needed For...

Parish Prayer List

Nettie Mays, Nan Bowser, Rebecca Kreider, Bill Jacobson, Trish Knowlton, Sheldon Moon, Helene Carpenter, Angela Shirley, Joe Heminhaus, Jr., Jasmine Williams, Judy Nagel, Sue Evert, Valerie Tobin, Michael Farrington, Debbie Adleman, Darlene Brennan, Shirley Mekos Broughton, Michelle Lawrence, Ann Porter, Tucker Gromosiak, Meghan Henneman, Joyce Bowe, Donna Brennan, Peggy Zona, Natasha Rymarczuk, Bob Erway, Mary Mekos, Mary Cramner, Bob Black, Maci Lynn Perry, Martha Desch, Pam Robbins, Leon Herb, Deb Finestone, Nick Cavagnaro, Antoinette Davis, Kay Evans, Anna Marie Mimplitsch, Sean Rice, Jonathan Hardman, Sylvia Darrow, Lola Moore, Edwin Rosa, Carol Johns, Joan Kilmer, Stephen Hurd, Stephanie Hemighauf, Suzie Alexander, Larry Sasani, Kathy Barnes, Wendy Doan-Newcomb, Michele Bush, Ashley Johns, Syler Sullivan, Adrienne Gilbert, Rita Grinnan, Bob Murphy, Richard Wheeler, Sylvia Smith, Robbie Butler, Susan Cleveland, Lynn Bower, Dominic Bianco, Tom Mohr, Carol Weatherby, Carol Shine, Teresa Pavlock, Jerry Pierce, Joann Black, Gabriel, Melissa & Daniel Espinoza, Lori Lopaz, Patricia Quattrone, Larry Jackson, Katie Seip, Lisa Jones, Grace Bickham, Floyd Williammee, Renee Kennedy, Gay Furlong, Elsa DiBernardo, Fran Rose, Christine Palmer, June Sherman, Kathy Smith, Beverly Heck, Tim Bogaczyk, Beth Valdez, Virginia Shaefer, Charles Barrett, Joe Engel, Tony Dooley, Darleen Kohler, Victoria Salerno, Wanda Trynovich, Tim Cunningham, Tony Pranses, Bob Snyder, Don Brooks, Kathy Macensky, Paul Beuter, Jerry Eckert, Michael Liebner, Cole Salerno, Mark Kilmer, Richard Kramer, Margaret Barnett, Bob Brostrom, Richard Nowak, Nolan Frederick, Tess Dooley, Frank Dziengowski, Jr., Stephen Horvatch, and Callie Cavanaugh.



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.