

# St. Peter's Church



**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 2, 2018**

47 Central Avenue, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901

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## Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00–2:00pm

## Parish Staff

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Maintenance Staff: Connie Spang, Francis Kennedy

## Schedule of Weekend Masses

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

## Reconciliation

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

Saturday 4:15 – 4:45pm; By appointment by calling the Rectory.

## **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.

## **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.

## **Pregnancy Support**

Catholic Social Services (800) 982-4310

Crisis Pregnancy Help line (888) 4-OPTIONS

Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center (570) 673-4476

## **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. To register, please contact the Religious Education Office at 570-724-9789 or the Rectory at 570-724-3371. Children's Liturgy (grades K-4<sup>th</sup>) is held during the 8:30am Mass when Religious Education classes are in session.

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

If you are visiting Tioga County this weekend, welcome and thank you for worshiping with us! If you are searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## **A Prayer for Labor Day**

**Lord on this Labor Day, we thank You for the blessing of work. We ask for strength to complete each day. We ask for rest when we are weary. We ask for Your guidance and hope for everyone seeking employment. We ask that you be with those who faces we might never see, but who work tirelessly each day for the good of all of us. Amen**

## **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

Pat Gorda 570-724-3035

Church Linens & Decorations – Sue Singer 570-724-2360

Buildings & Grounds – Rick Joachim 570-439-2591

Cemetery Committee – Howard Rutledge 570-724-4529

Fundraising Dinners – Paul Urner 570-723-9970

Music Ministry – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085,

Marilyn deGuzman 570-376-5427

Samaritan House – Linda Sampson 570-404-2180

Youth Group – Maureen Poirier/ Melissa Mann 570-724-9789

Eucharistic Adoration – Rhonda Gooch 570-724-3092

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

ChristLife – Norb Josten 570-724-9095

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Jan Bernethy 307-267-0677

Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention
Monday 9/3	No Mass	
Tuesday 9/4	7:30am	In Memory of Barbara DiSipio (Charles Brennan)
Wednesday 9/5	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Beth Patt (Frank Patt Family)
Thursday 9/6	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Katie Brennan (Tom & Linda Sampson)
Friday 9/7	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Doris Sampson (Kerestes Family)
Saturday 9/8	4:00-4:45pm 5:00pm	Confessions In Memory of Joseph Grab, Sr. (Grab Family)
Sunday 9/9	8:30am	All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of  
Katie Brennan (Tom & Linda Sampson)

### The Week Ahead

#### MONDAY, September 3, 2018

Rectory Closed

#### TUESDAY, September 4, 2018

Adoration – 8:00am-6:30pm; Benediction 6:30pm

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

AA/Al-Anon – 8:00pm, Parish Center

#### WEDNESDAY, September 5, 2018

Finance Council Meeting – 8:00am, Rectory

#### THURSDAY, September 6, 2018

Cards & Games – 12:00noon, Parish Center

#### FRIDAY, September 7, 2018

Rectory Closed

#### SUNDAY, September 9, 2018

Altar Server Training – 9:30am, Church

Secular Carmelites – 11:30am, Parish Center

### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

This month's food pantry items are: *chicken noodle and tomato soup*. A donation box can be found at the entrance of the church.

### GOODIES FOR OUR TROOPS

This month's Goodies for our Troops items are: *popcorn, eye drops, "to go" powdered drink mix, travel size wet ones, beef jerky, & personal notes (cards, letters, drawings from children.)* Note: No chocolate items during the summer. A donation box can be found at the entrance of the church.

### ST. THOMAS/ST. CATHERINE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening – 7:00pm, St. Catherine, Westfield

Sunday Morning – 11:30am, St. Thomas, Elkland

### Ministers of the Altar Schedule

#### September 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>

#### **5:00pm**

Servers: M.Mann, A.Osborn, W.Feil

Lectors: P.Walrath, C.Evert

E. Min.: I.Dziengowski, K.Wilcox, M.Osborn,  
B.Chiamonte

#### **8:30am**

Servers: J.Grab, K.Swendrowski, A.Swendrowski

Lectors: C.Waclawik, T.Reindl

E. Min.: D.Stager, L.Stager, N.Josten, M.Stirnaman

### Sacramental Information

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

**Confirmation** - Confirmation is administered every year to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in our Parish Religious Education program. Children wishing to receive Confirmation must be enrolled and participating in the 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.

**Anointing of the Sick** - Please contact the Rectory if a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized.

**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.



## Liturgical Reflection

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8**

God speaks through Moses in preparation for entering into covenant and giving them the Law. Since the Law comes from God, the people are cautioned not to alter it in any way. As Moses presents God's Law, he insists that obedience will assure a good life. Most of all, he underlines the fact that they are uniquely privileged in the way God is present to them and has taught them. This reading, coming at the end of the summer season, invites us to look at our religious experience and tradition and appreciate our faith heritage in the same way that Moses encouraged his people to do.

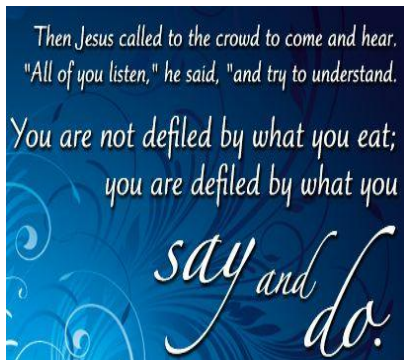
**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 15**

In the words of Psalm 15, we attest that those who do justice will live in the Lord's presence. We follow the Lord's law of truth, of kindness toward our neighbors, of honor to all who fear the Lord.

**SECOND READING: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27**

Today's liturgy begins a series of readings from the brief, but important, Letter of James. We might say that the Epistle of James is the epistle of transparency. James insists that our faith must be expressed in action for the good of others. Those who truly hear this word must put it into practice. Care for one another calls for self-sacrifice like that of Jesus.

**GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**



Disputes between Jesus and various religious leader of Judaism appear with some frequency in the Gospel accounts. In today's reading Mark describes a conversation that Jesus and his disciples have with some scribes and Pharisees who

question their faithfulness to Jewish Law. The Law that the religious leaders were quoting to Jesus was actually scholarly commentary on God's law developed over the centuries. Certainly, it was good and healthful practice to eat with clean hands, but scrupulous attention to detail was not part of Jesus' vision of God's reign. Jesus teaches the principle underlying his actions: those who truly obey God's Law must hear and act; but even action, by itself, avails for nothing unless it comes from a heart truly attentive to God and the good of others. In Jewish thought, the heart represents the core of a human person; one thinks and decides with the heart. Thus Jesus insists that good or evil springs from the heart, and it is the heart that must be attuned to God's Law and its true purposes.

## Parish News and Activities

### REGISTER NOW FOR RELIGIOUS ED



Registration information has been mailed to all returning students. Please fill out the registration form and return by September 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have a new student or did not receive the mailed information, please call or email the Religious Education office and information will be mailed to you.

### RELIGIOUS ED KICK-OFF SUNDAY

Mark your calendars. Catechetical Sunday is September 16<sup>th</sup> and will be the first class for students in grades Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Following the 8:30am Mass, students will report to their classrooms and a short parent meeting will be held in the church. At the conclusion of the parent meeting, we will be joined by the students to kick off the year with donuts and coffee/juice on the lawn for everyone.



### INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults are welcomed into the Catholic Church. It begins with a period of inquiry in which you may ask questions before you make a commitment to become Catholic.



**An informational meeting** will take place on Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am following the 8:30am Mass, in the Church. Please call the Rectory to register or for more information.

### PARISH CENTER RENOVATIONS UPDATE

**Renovation update!** Renovations on the parish center (bathrooms and doors) are just about completed. The bathrooms need a few minor things done, but are open for use! There is still more work to be done on the doors and finishing work to be done in the Rectory, but should all be done in the next week or so. The parish center is open once again to groups and outside organizations.

### MUSIC MINISTRY SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

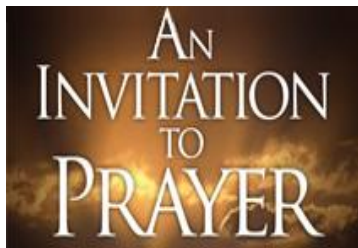


Do you sing or play the piano or guitar? The Music Ministry is reaching out to those who have an interest in singing or playing at Mass. Please call Christina Simonis at 570-724-2085, or the Rectory for more information.

*"To pray is the first missionary task of every Christian. It is also the most effective." Pope Francis*



## PRAYER VIGIL OF REPARATION AND PETITION



On September 14<sup>th</sup> all are invited to an evening of prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to ask for His mercy upon His Church in this moment of profound crisis. We come to make reparation for our own sins and those of our bishops and priests. We come also in confident hope that from Christ's super abounding mercy will come the purification, healing and restoration of holiness for which we long. The evening will begin with **Mass at 7:00pm**, followed by recitation of the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**. **Adoration and personal prayer time** will continue until **Benediction** at 9:00pm. There will be no 12:10pm Mass on this day.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR FALL SALE



St. Peter's annual fall rummage sale will be held October 2 – October 4<sup>th</sup>. When you are fall cleaning, please consider donating household items, books and clothing. **Donations can be dropped off** on September 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am -3:00pm and on October 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00am to 5:00 pm. If you have any questions regarding donations, please call Mary Lasko 570-439-7706 or Pat Gorda 570-724-3035 . We are also looking for volunteers to help set up and tear down the sale. If you are willing to donate ANY time; please call Mary or Pat.

### The schedule for the sale is as follows:

September 30<sup>th</sup> – Donations accepted 11:00am – 3:00pm  
October 1<sup>st</sup> – Set up & Donations accepted 8:00am – 5:00pm  
October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sale Hours 8:00am – 7:00pm  
October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sale Hours 8:00am – 3:00pm  
October 4<sup>th</sup> – Sale Hours 8:00am – 3:00pm

**Take what you want for a donation on October 4<sup>th</sup>!**

No Early Sales! **Please, no donations of televisions.**

**Bake Sale** – We will be selling homemade baked goods during the sale. *Donations of baked goods would be greatly appreciated* and can be dropped off at the Parish Center on Sunday and Monday during the hours above.

**Volunteers Needed** – We are also looking for volunteers to help set up and tear down the sale. If you are willing to donate ANY time; please call Mary or Pat.

## TV NEEDED

St. Peter's Prison Ministry is in need of a flat screen TV, 36" or so, for use in screening Christian teaching videos and Christian-themed films at the Tioga County Prison. If you have one in good working order that you would consider donating to benefit our incarcerated brethren, please call Sue at 570-724-2360 to arrange for pick-up.

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



Altar Server Training for all students who are interested in serving and are in 5<sup>th</sup> grade or older, will take place on September 9<sup>th</sup> following the 8:30am Mass. Please meet in the church. Training will last approximately 1 hour.

## 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY MEMORIES

As we approach the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Church on Central Avenue, we are asking those who have memories or stories to tell, pictures, keepsakes, etc. to please share them with the Rectory. We would like to compile a remembrance book of the time leading up to building the current church, and memories of the last 50 years. Submissions can be made in hard copy, through email, or in person. Copies can be made and original items returned to you. Please stop in or call the Rectory if you have any questions.



## SCHEDULING 2018 MASS INTENTIONS

Scheduling Mass intentions for 2019 will begin on September 4<sup>th</sup>, through the parish office, during regular business hours. **The following are the established guidelines for scheduling intentions:**

1. One weekend Mass on each weekend must be celebrated for the intentions of the parish. This is required by Canon Law (c. 534). Because of this we only have one weekend Mass for which we can accept an intention. Due to this limited availability of weekend Masses, no family may schedule more than **ONE WEEKEND MASS PER QUARTER**, or four weekend Masses per year.
2. There is no limit to the number of **DAILY MASS INTENTIONS**, including those Masses said at the nursing homes each month, which may be scheduled by each family.
3. Canon 948 states, "Separate Masses are to be applied for the intentions of those for whom a single offering, although small, has been given and accepted." Therefore, only one intention may be scheduled for any given Mass. However, for pastoral concerns to better accommodate the needs of the parishioners, we will adhere to the following: Up to three first names with the same last name (i.e. John, Paul and Mary Smith) or two last names only (i.e. Scott and Smith Families) will be allowed per intention.
4. The stipend given for a Mass intention is \$10. While we are willing to take requests over the phone, your Mass Intention will be not be scheduled until we are in receipt of your donation.
5. Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and All Souls Day Masses are always for the individual intentions listed by parishioners on their envelope.
6. The Sanctuary Candle, burning in memory or honor of someone, is available on a weekly basis with no limit to the number each family may reserve.

## SAMARITAN HOUSE NEEDS



Volunteers bring their gifts to the ministry of Samaritan House. Some provide physical care for guests, others, clean, paint and do organizational tasks. If you would like to share your gifts, here are some of current needs for this ministry:

- Check and clean gutters twice a year (spring and fall)
- Inspect roof/chimney flashing annually
- Care of shrubbery and mulching around the house
- Snow removal from porch and sidewalks
- Keep debris and sticks off the lawn on a regular basis, especially after a storm.
- Handyman/woman for minor repairs/answering questions

Currently Samaritan House is in need of 8 good quality white bath towels, face towels and wash clothes (must be white so they can be bleached.)

Samaritan House would also appreciate ongoing financial support of TV services for the guest. We need to add a second “box” as well (annual cost for all, \$500/yr at present.)

If you wish to help or contribute in any way, please contact: Linda Sampson 570 404 2180. Thank you to all for your generosity and support of this mission of caring.

## Pro Life News

### PRIESTS FOR LIFE

*Reflection on Today's Readings* - The Culture of Life will come about when we practice the “true religion” of which James speaks in the second reading. “Looking after orphans and widows in their distress” is what the pro-life movement does. The unborn child is the most orphaned of all when he or she is scheduled for an abortion. “Though father and mother forsake me, the Lord will receive me” – and the Lord receives them precisely through his people practicing “true religion.” The mothers of these children may not be widowed in the sense that their husbands died, but they experience very often the absence of the father of the child, who may in fact be the one pressuring them to abort.

The Gospel passage makes it clear that the building of the Culture of Life comes “from within,” just as do the death-producing ways of thinking that lead to the Culture of Death. The culture must be shaped by external factors, including law, and these factors can powerfully shape the heart. Yet from within the depth of the heart will spring our readiness to give life, welcome life, and defend life. [www.priestsforlife.org](http://www.priestsforlife.org)

## Diocese of Scranton News

The Diocese of Scranton offers compassionate counseling in a safe, comfortable, environment where your privacy is always respected. Counseling is about self-discovery and can be used for personal growth or when distressing conditions exist and you need a bit of extra support. Help is available. Anyone who struggles with anxiety, depression, grief and loss, life transitions or a variety of emotional or psychological conditions is welcome. Catholic Social Services accepts Medicaid plans and some insurance plans. Counseling is made affordable for everyone. For more information or to make an appointment, call (570) 207-2283.



“We Christians are not selling a product. We are communicating a lifestyle.” Pope Francis

***“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” James 1:22***



## That's The Way It Is!



There is a saying and it goes like this: "When it rains, it pours." Right now in the Church to say that it is pouring is an understatement. It seems as if the release of the PA grand jury report sent things into a tail spin. You may have heard on the news that Pope Francis is now being accused of covering for

Theodore McCarrick, formerly "Cardinal" McCarrick.

Mr. McCarrick was accused of abusing a 16 year old altar boy when he was a priest for the Archdiocese of New York. He is also accused of abuse of seminarians, and general sexual misconduct. All of this was reported on the news prior to the release of the PA grand jury report. Pope Francis took action. Mr. McCarrick is no longer considered to be in good standing with the Church. The rights, privileges, etc, that go along with being a bishop and Cardinal in the Church have been taken away from Mr. McCarrick. He is been ordered into seclusion to a life of prayer and penance. From all appearances, Pope Francis took decisive and appropriate action.

There is just one problem. The former Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Carlo Maria Vigano, made a bombshell accusation against Pope Francis. He claims Pope Francis knew about the accusations against McCarrick shortly after becoming pope. In an 11 page letter he alleges that Pope Benedict and Pope Francis both knew about the accusations against McCarrick. He alleges that Pope Benedict took action against McCarrick by sanctioning him and issuing restrictions. When Pope Francis was elected, he alleges that the pope removed those sanctions and restrictions. He alleges that Pope Francis only recently moved to take action against McCarrick because he had no choice; the media reporting essentially forced his hand.

If the accusations are true, obviously Pope Francis needs to resign. Please note the operative word "if" in "If the accusations are true..." Just because Pope Francis is being accused of being part of a cover-up regarding Mr. McCarrick, does not entail that Pope Francis is guilty. Even the New York Times is expressing a note of Caution. An article called "Pope Francis Long Knew of Cardinal's Abuse and Must Resign" had this to say "Its [the letter] unsubstantiated allegations and personal attacks amounted to an extraordinary public declaration of war against Francis' papacy at perhaps its most vulnerable moment, intended to unseat a pope whose predecessor, Benedict XVI, was the first pontiff to resign in nearly 600 years." The New

York Times is no friend of the Catholic Church. If they are expressing a note of caution, I think it is a good idea for us to exercise the same caution.

I am suspicious of the claim that Pope Benedict sanctioned McCarrick or otherwise took action against him in some way. First, the New York Times admits there is no record of this. Second, I am a priest. While I am not a high ranking church official, I do have some knowledge of the clerical culture. A pope taking any action against a bishop or Cardinal is a big deal; and I mean a big deal. A pope taking action against a bishop or cardinal is not analogous to a bishop taking action against a priest. It is extremely rare for a pope to rebuke a bishop or otherwise take action against a bishop.

The relationship between the bishops and pope is not analogous to the relationship between a bishop and his priests. The pope is head of the Church. At the same time he is not the boss of bishops the same way a bishop is the boss of a priest. In fact, the precise nature of the relationship between the bishops and pope has yet to be worked out. Vatican II did some work on this question, but the question has yet to be answered completely. My point is this: had Pope Benedict taken action against McCarrick that would have been big news. Even if Pope Benedict or Cardinal Wurl wanted to keep something like that quiet, they would not have been able to do so. Something like that cannot be kept under wraps. Yet this is the first I am hearing that Pope Benedict took action against Mr. McCarrick.

As an aside, because the nature of the relationship between the pope and bishops has yet to be fully answered or defined, that could be why Pope Francis is slow to try and create a formal mechanism of accountability for the bishops. Before such a mechanism can be created, certain difficult theological questions need to be worked out. Perhaps this sex abuse crisis will force the Church to answer these questions more precisely. Either way, all I ask is that we wait and see where the evidence takes us before we draw conclusions.

The Reverend David W. Bechtel, Pastor

### Stewardship

Sunday Collection for August 27<sup>th</sup>: \$4,216.00

Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$5,800.00

Difference: (\$1,584.00)

Year-to-Date Budget Variance: (\$6,907.25)

Collection for Church in Eastern Europe: \$656.14

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

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Why does *Jesus* matter?

How can I begin a better life?

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Join us for this exciting new 7-session series where we gather to share a delicious dinner, listen to a dynamic teaching, and explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God and finding ultimate purpose in life.

**Wednesday evenings, October 10<sup>th</sup> – November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**With a special retreat on Sat, Nov 10<sup>th</sup> & concluding session on Monday, Nov 19<sup>th</sup>**

**All sessions from 6:00-8:30 PM**

**St. Peter's Parish Center, Wellsboro, PA**

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For more information on this course visit the *ChristLife* website [christlife.org](http://christlife.org), or call Norb at 570-724-9095

To register, fill out and email form below to: [christlife.wellsboro@gmail.com](mailto:christlife.wellsboro@gmail.com) or call Norb (# above)

### Registration Form

## Discovering Christ

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s): \_\_\_\_\_


Ph #: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (other) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Rosemary Stutz

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.