

St. Peter's Church



***Third Sunday of Lent
March 24, 2019***

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 – 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. To register, please contact the Religious Education Office at 570-724-9789 or the Rectory at 570-724-3371. Children's Liturgy (grades K-4th) 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 _____

47 Central Avenue, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901

Rectory Phone: 570-724-3371 ~ Fax: 570-724-6322

Religious Education Office: 570-724-9789

Website: www.stpeterswellsboro.org ~ Email: stpch@ptd.net

Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 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

Directors of Religious Ed.: Maureen Poirier & Melissa Mann
stpored@ptd.net

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.

Prayer for Lent

Lord Jesus, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. During this Lent, lead us by your Holy Spirit to live more faithfully in Christian freedom. Through prayer, increased charity, and the disciplines of this sacred season, draw us closer to you. Purify the intentions of our hearts so all our Lenten observances give you praise and glory. Grant that through our words and actions, we may be faithful messengers of the gospel message to a world in need of the hope of your mercy. Amen.

Parish Contact Listing

Women's Bible Study – Sue Singer 570-724-2360

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

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Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention
Monday 3/25	No Mass	
Tuesday 3/26	7:30am	For Atonement & Healing (Wayne & Sue Singer)
Wednesday 3/27	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Lillian Pickle (Dale & Rose Marie Aulthouse)
Thursday 3/28	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions Living and Deceased Members of the Schaut Family (Wayne & Sue Singer)
Friday 3/29	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of James Hopp (Sister, Valerie)
Saturday 3/30	4:15-4:45pm 5:00pm	Confessions All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish
Sunday 3/31	8:30am	In Memory of Mary Cleveland (Rummage Sale Workers)

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of
Scott Waclawik (Waclawik Family)

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, March 24, 2019

Religious Ed-Pre-School: 8:30-9:30am; K-12th: 9:30-10:40am
RCIA - 9:30am, Parish Center

MONDAY, March 24, 2019

Knights of Columbus - 7:00pm, Parish Center

TUESDAY, March 25, 2019

Adoration - 8:00am-6:30pm; Benediction 6:30pm
Women's Bible Study - 9:00am, Parish Center
AA/Al-Anon - 8:00pm, Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, March 26, 2019

ChristLife - 6:30pm, Parish Center

THURSDAY, March 27, 2019

Cards & Games - 12:00pm, Parish Center
Virtus Training - 6:00pm, Parish Center

SUNDAY, March 31, 2019

Religious Ed-Pre-School: 8:30-9:30am; K-12th: 9:30-10:40am
RCIA - 9:30am, Parish Center
Spring Sale - Set Up & Donations Accepted - 12:00-3:00pm

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS - This month's food pantry items are: Creamy Peanut Butter & Grape Jelly. 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: *foot aids, eye drops, lip balms, 1# coffee, coffee singles, candy bars, M&M's & Reece's, microwave popcorn & personal notes.* A donation box can be found at the entrance of the church.

ST. THOMAS/ST. CATHERINE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 7:00pm, St. Catherine, Westfield

Sunday 11:30am, St. Thomas, Elkland

Ministers of the Altar Schedule

March 30th/31st

5:00pm

Altar Servers: M.Mann, E.Hazelton, I.Hazelton

Lectors: P.Walrath, C.Evert

E. Min.: I.Dziengowski, B.Butler, D.Sherman, T.Straniere

8:30am

Altar Servers: J.Grab, B.Levindoski, W.Feil

Lectors: T.Delmott, M.Ostapowicz

E. Min.: T.Gamble, N.Ostapowicz, D.deGuzman, N.Josten

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 8th 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.

Rite of Christian Initiation in Adults - R.C.I.A. prepares those who are unbaptized for full initiations into the Catholic Church. The program is adapted to the needs of each person. Contact the Rectory for more information.



Liturgical Reflection

Third Sunday of Lent

FIRST READING: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

This Sunday's First Reading continues the presentation of important moments in salvation history. Today we hear the story of Moses and the burning bush. Moses has a typical reaction when he encounters the presence of God. He is attracted to the burning bush. When we experience the Holy, we want to draw near. As Moses arrives, he realizes the Holy also creates a sense of fear, awe, to be in the presence of God. Moses asks God what his name is, to which God answers, Yahweh, "I AM."



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 103

The Responsorial Psalm is filled with words that describe the caring and compassionate attitude that God demonstrates to the people of Israel and to us. This fills us with a sense of awe, for God's kindness and generosity are truly beyond our comprehension. God has put aside our guilt and surrounded us with mercy and love.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Saint Paul reminds the people of Corinth that every gift from God carries responsibility. If God has revealed his love and goodness to us, then we must respond appropriately. Paul speaks of how the people of the Old Testament received God's revelation. They experienced a prefiguring of the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist. Yet they rejected God and sinned, and for this they were punished. How much more is the Christian community responsible, since what they received was not a prefiguring of the sacraments, but the actual sacraments themselves.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9



The Gospel recalls the theme found in the Second Reading today, that those who have received God's grace are responsible for what they have received. Lent is a season when we are invited to honestly

examine our lives and to remove anything that keeps us from loving God and neighbor from our hearts. It is not to be squandered, for we do not know how much time we have to turn to the Lord's ways. The parable found at the end of the reading also reminds us that Lent is a time to dig around our roots and fertilize them (with the word of God, prayer, penitential practices, reception of the Sacraments, etc.) so that, even if we have not really borne fruit yet, we might still have a chance to do so. We cannot let our past failures paralyze us; we must courageously use every opportunity for growth that God provides us.

Parish News and Activities

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm in the church. Children's Stations of the Cross will be held at 3:30pm. Students are invited to the parish center after school for a light snack before stations begin. The students will be chaperoned following the conclusion of stations (4:00pm), until parents are able to arrive. All parishioners are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross during the Lenten season.

SPRING SALE

Annual Spring Sale

This year's annual spring clothing, books and house wares sale will be held from March 31st – April 4th in the Parish Center. When you are spring cleaning, please consider donating household items, books and clothing. The schedule is as follows:

March 31st – Donations accepted 12:00 – 3:00pm
 April 1st – Donations accepted & set up 8:00am – 5:00pm
 April 2nd – Sale Hours 8:00am – 6:00pm **No TV's**
 April 3rd – Sale Hours 8:00am – 3:00pm **No Early Sales**
 April 4th – Sale Hours 8:00am – 3:00pm – Take what you want for a donation.

Bake Sale – We will again 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 April 1st or April 2nd. The bake sale is very popular, so extra bake goods would be appreciated.

If you have any questions regarding donations or are willing to volunteer to help set up and tear down the sale., please call Mary Lasko 570-439-7706 or Pat Gorda 570-724-3035.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL



Each Easter, the flowers in the church during the season memorialize deceased loved ones. If you would like to contribute to this year's Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please use the envelope found in your monthly packet and place in the collection basket. A list of those we remember will be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

EASTER MASS INTENTIONS

Parishioners are reminded that there are special Easter Mass Intentions envelopes in your monthly packets to remember both living and deceased family members and friends. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during all of the Easter Masses to remember the donor's intentions.

LENDING LIBRARY

A lending library can be found at the carport entrance of the church and available to all parishioners.

TENEBRAE SERVICE



What is a Tenebrae service? The Latin word "tenebrae" means darkness." The Tenebrae is an ancient Christian Good Friday service that makes use of gradually diminishing light through the extinguishing of candles to symbolize the events of that week from the triumphant Palm Sunday entry through Jesus' burial. This increasing darkness symbolizes the approaching darkness of Jesus' death and of hopelessness in the world without God. The service concludes in darkness, sometimes with a final candle, the Christ candle, carried out of the sanctuary, symbolizing the death of Jesus. A loud noise may also sound symbolizing the closing of Jesus' tomb. The worshipers then leave in silence to ponder the impact of Christ's death and await the coming Resurrection. Join us on Good Friday at 7:00pm for this moving service.

Youth Group News

YOUTH GROUP FAMILY EVENT

All Youth Group members and their families are invited to attend the Enforcer's hockey game on Friday, March 29th. Information was sent home with students and emailed last week. Please let the Religious Ed. office know if you plan to attend no later than today.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

As part of our ongoing safety and security procedures, we would like to make sure that we have current information for all parishioners. Please take a minute to fill out the form below and return it to the rectory as soon as possible. You can place your form in the collection basket, email it to stpadm@ptd.net, mail it to the rectory, or drop off during open hours. Thank you for your cooperation.

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Family Members Living At This Address:

Home Phone #: _____

Cell #: _____

Email Address: _____

If we were to send out a group email, would you want to be included? (Events at St. Peter's, changes to Mass schedules, emergency information, etc. Email address would be kept private) ____ **yes** ____ **no**

If we were to send out a group text message, would you want to be included? (Events at St. Peter's, changes to Mass schedules, emergency information, etc. Cell numbers would be kept private) ____ **yes** ____ **no**

Diocese of Scranton News

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30th. The event includes a 2:30 pm mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through your pastor before April 2nd.

ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to those who have already made a pledge to the Diocesan Annual Appeal.

Our Parish is at 77% of our Parish Goal of \$ 46,500

Current Pledged Amount: \$ 35,938

If you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503, or
- Give online at www.DioceseofScranton.org.

Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts made to the Appeal in excess of our Appeal goal.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

St. Peter's will provide transportation for any women who want to attend this conference. Please let the Rectory know if you are planning attending the conference.

5th ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



The 5th Annual Catholic Men's Conference for the Diocese of Scranton will be held on Saturday, April 27th at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes

Barre, featuring keynote presentations by Fr. Philip B. Bochanski, the executive director of Courage International, who speaks on the good news of living chaste lives, along with well-known psychologist, speaker, and EWTN TV host, Dr. Ray Guarendi. Our third speaker will be motivational speaker, apologist, and TV host of "Battle Ready," Doug Barry. You will hear Doug explain the Battle Ready effort to be more aware of, prepared for, and engaged in the battles that we all face, body, mind, and soul. There will be opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration, the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as well as praying the Rosary. Additionally, exhibitors will be present with a full array of Catholic books and publications as well as CD's and ministry opportunities.

St. Peter's will provide transportation, through Benedict's Bus Service, to the conference. Register on line at www.beamanconference.com, call 570-207-2213, or mail the completed application with your check to: Men's Conference, Office of Parish Life, 330 Wyoming Ave, Scranton, PA 18503. *Please let the Rectory know if you are planning attending the conference.*

CHRISM MASS

All the faithful of the Diocese are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton, on Tuesday, April 16th at 4:00pm. At this Mass priests from throughout the Diocese will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support the priests of the Diocese. For reserved seating, contact Diane Franklin, Office for Parish Life, 570-207-2231 ext. 1103, Diane-Franklin@dioceseofscranton.org.

Happening at St. Thomas

SPRING FLING

You are invited to the First Annual Spring Fling Celebration! The celebration will include crafts, door prizes, delicious home cooked food, baked goods, and money & basket raffles. The event will take place on Saturday, April 13th from 10:00am-2:00pm at the Knoxville Community Center. Admission is \$1.00. Vendors wanted



News from the Vatican



GOD SEEKS EACH ONE OF US PERSONALLY

Pope Francis continued his catechesis on the Our Father, focusing on the third invocation, "Thy will be done."

"God is not ambiguous, He is not hidden behind riddles, He has not planned the future of the world in an indecipherable manner." Pope Francis said that we can see the will of the Father expressed in the words of Jesus: God wills "to seek and to save that which was lost." This, the Pope said, "without any shadow of doubt, is the will of God: the salvation of all human beings," of each one of us individually.

Because of His love for us, God "knocks on the door of our heart" in order "to draw us to Himself, to lead us forward along the path of salvation." God "is close to each one of us with His love, in order to lead us by the hand to salvation." "And we, in prayer, ask that God's seeking might come to a good end, that His universal plan of salvation should be accomplished," Pope Francis continued, "first, in each one of us, and then in the whole world."

God's desire for the salvation of human beings, and of the whole world, means that our prayer that His will be done does not mean "bowing our heads," like slaves, to an unalterable fate. On the contrary, "God wants us to be free," and "it is His love that frees us." "Thy will be done," is "a courageous, even combative prayer" precisely because there is so much evil in the world, which is not according to God's will.

The Our Father, he continued, "is a prayer that kindles in us the same love Jesus has for the will of the Father, a flame that impels one to transform the world with love." There is nothing of random chance in the faith of Christians, the Pope explained: "Rather, there is a salvation that waits to manifest itself in the life of each man and woman, and to be fully accomplished in eternity." If we pray, he said, "it is because we believe that God is able and desires to transform reality, overcoming evil with good."

Pope Francis pointed to the example of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, when the Lord prayed, "Father, if you are willing, remove this chalice from me; but not my will, but yours, be done!" Although He is "crushed" by the weight of evil in the world, Jesus "confidently abandons Himself to the ocean of love of the will of the Father." In His love, God will never abandon us, the Pope insisted: "He will always be with us, beside us, within us. For a believer, more than a hope, this is a certainty."

That's The Way It Is



Someone asked me a question about Stations of the Cross. The question was a good question. Being that the question was a good question, I thought it would be the basis of an article.

As a prelude to the question: during Lent we pray the Stations of the Cross.

There are variations of the devotion that we use. One of the variations of the devotion is called the Saint Alphonsus Stations. The Saint Alphonsus Stations will tend to resonate with people who like the emotional, sentimental, devotional piety of the words. While this is a beautiful way to pray, for people like me, the emotional language and sentimentality is a bit over the top. I love Jesus, but it should not be a surprise that I am not an emotional sentimental type. Hence, the reason we do variations of the Stations: to give variety and appeal to more than one devotional taste.

At the end of the prayers in the Saint Alphonsus Stations, before singing the Stabat Mater, the option is given to do one Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory Be. When we pray the stations as a public devotion I do not pray those three prayers at the end of the station. They are optional. Those prayers are worthy prayers, it is just that doing them after each station becomes tedious after a while. You are welcome and encouraged to pray the stations as you wish when you pray them privately. You are welcome to take the booklets with you. You may pray the stations at any time, regardless of the liturgical season.

So what was the question? The question was "Father, do we still receive the indulgence granted to those who pray the stations if we do not do the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be at the end of the stations prayer?" The answer to the question is "Yes." But why is the answer "Yes?" Prayer isn't about saying the "right words" as if the prayer won't be heard because the exact words were not used. Prayer is raising our mind to the things of God communicating with God. There is no right or wrong way to do this when it comes to personal prayer or public devotions.

When it comes to the Mass, things are different. The Mass involves the celebration of a Sacrament. As such, the Mass is not our personal property or the property of the local community. The Mass belongs to the universal Church. The Mass is also a mechanism of Tradition; that is, the Mass is a means by which God's Revelation is passed on through the Church together with Scripture. For this reason we cannot alter the prayers of the Mass, we cannot take it upon ourselves to omit certain things in the Mass, etc. The Mass reflects the

universal Faith of the Church; it is not a reflection of the personal tastes of the local community.

Devotions are different. Devotions are not sacraments. Therefore there is more freedom to improvise and personalize the devotion. When it comes to praying devotions, we can alter them; omit things, change things, etc, to suit the context, personal tastes, etc, of the community. There are many different devotions, many different ways to pray them.

The Rosary is a devotion that is essentially a meditation on the Gospels. The Rosary is not about the Our Father's and Hail Mary's. One can pray an entire Rosary without uttering one Our Father or Hail Mary. The Our Father's and Hail Mary's are not the end, they are a means to an end. They are there to assist us to focus on the mystery. Those who make the Rosary about the Our Father's and Hail Mary's are well intentioned, but they are missing the point of the devotion. The point is to meditate on the mystery, not worry about how many Hail Mary's or Our Father's have been said.

The Stations of the Cross are like the Rosary. The Stations of the Cross focus on and highlight the Passion of Christ and the events surrounding the Passion. The prayers in the different variations of the stations are like the Hail Mary's and Our Father's on the Rosary: they are a means to an end, not the end. The point of the stations is to put us into closer touch and reflection on the Passion of Christ, not worry about Hail Mary's and Our Father's. The Hail Mary's and Our Father's are just there to help focus our meditation and prevent the mind from wondering; as are the prayers of the stations themselves.

For this reason we can omit the Our Father's, Hail Mary's and Glory Be's at the end of each station; praying the stations aren't about those specific prayers anymore than the Rosary is about those specific prayers. The Stations of the Cross are just another tool that the Church offers to assist us in our prayers. For this reason, the indulgence granted to those who pray the stations can still be received. Getting the indulgence isn't about the Hail Mary's, Our Father's and Glory Be's. It is about meditating on and praying on the Passion of the Christ.

That's the way it is, The Rev. David W. Bechtel, Pastor

Stewardship

Sunday Collection March 17, 2019: \$5,048.00

Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$5,800.00

Difference:(\$ 752.00)

Year-to-Date Budget Variance:(\$11,334.74)

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



The Light is On For You!

The schedule for Monday Night Confessions will be as follows:

St. Peter's – March 11th, April 1st

St. Catherine – March 18th, April 8th

St. Thomas – March 25th, April 15th

5:30-7:00pm

Lenten Penance Service



Holy Child Church
March 31st – 3:00pm

St. Peter's Church
April 4th – 6:30pm

"Word on Fire" by Bishop Barron

A daily Lenten meditation will be sent directly to your computer by going to
<https://www.lentreflections.com/>

EWTN offers you daily readings, news, live streams and much more to deepen your faith.
Got to <http://ewtn.mobi/>

LENTEN MATERIAL AVAILABLE



Lenten materials, for your spiritual enrichment, have been placed on the handout table at the back of the church.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES

The Wellsboro Ministerium will be offering Wednesday Lenten Services. All services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church from 12:00-12:30pm, with a light lunch to follow.

This year's theme is *Love – 1 Corinthians 4-8*. The remaining schedule below lists the church who will host the luncheon, and the verse being preached on for that day.

March 27th – Seventh Day Adventist – Verse 6

April 3rd – St. Peter's Church – Verse 7

April 10th – First Baptist Church – Verse 8

All our welcome and encouraged to attend!

Holy Week, & Easter Sunday Schedules

~ Palm Sunday – April 14th ~

8:30am – Mass begins in Parish Center
(5:00pm Mass begins in Church)

~ Chrism Mass – April 16th ~

4:00pm – St. Peter's Cathedral,
Scranton

~ Holy Thursday – April 18th ~

6:00pm – Altar Server Practice
7:00pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper
8:30-11:00pm – Adoration

~ Good Friday – April 19th ~

11:00am – Altar Server Practice
12:10pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion
1:30pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation
7:00pm – Tenebrae

~ Holy Saturday – April 20th ~

11:00am – Altar Server Practice
12:00pm – Blessing of Baskets (Parish Center)
8:00pm – Easter Vigil

~ Easter Sunday – April 21st ~

8:00am & 10:00am – Easter Sunday Masses
(Please note change in Mass times)

Rediscovering the Faith

Welcome. Have you been away from the Church? Are you thinking about coming back? Do you know someone who wants to come home to the Catholic Church, but is struggling with their faith? Maybe you or someone you know has experienced one of these thoughts:

I grew up Catholic, but for some reason I just sort of stopped going to Church...











I just moved to a new city, I tried going to a couple different parishes, but I never really felt welcomed...

After my marriage ended, I felt uncomfortable around my family, friends and parish...

I just don't understand why the Church teaches what it does! Some teachings seem so outdated...

If you have experienced one of these situations or thoughts you are not alone. The Church also wants you to know that you are missed. When one member of the Body of Christ suffers, the entire Body of the Church suffers. Resources to help you rediscover the faith and answer questions about the Church and Church teachings can be found at these websites, www.usscb.org and catholicscomehome.org. We invite you to explore these sites or contact the rectory to talk and learn more about coming home.

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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.