



Saint Peter

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 4, 2026

THE EPIPHANY
OF THE LORD



PARISH CONTACTS

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Weekday Mass:
Tue 8:00am
Fri 12:00noon

Weekend Mass:
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am

Confession:
Saturday 4-4:30pm

Adoration:
2nd Monday of
Month 7-8:00pm

Morning Prayer:
Mon, Wed 8:00am
Prayer Group:
Fri 12:30pm

On behalf of the entire St. Peter Catholic Parish community, we welcome you! Whether you are a parishioner, vacationer, or seeking a parish to call home, we hope that we can provide you with any desired information and spiritual support while you are here.



St. Peter

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Organizations:

- *Parish Council * Finance Council * Choir
- * Servers * Lectors * Ushers * Greeters
- * Eucharistic Ministers * Mission Society
- * Grief Ministry * Art & Environment
- *St. Peter Prayer Group * Divine Mercy
- * Men's Group * Youth Group

To register with our parish or to schedule the Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage, or Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish office.

If you are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact Ken Kuruc at the parish office.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Peter Church are a community built on Jesus Christ, our foundation, rooted in the Gospel, and distinguished by a spirit of welcome and belonging. Therefore, we strive to worship joyfully, serve gladly, and be stewards of God's gifts. We nurture spiritual growth through faith formations and education. We support one another, reach out to all, spread the Gospel, and practice our faith in our daily lives.

Our Family of Ministry

St. Edward Ashland stedwardashland.org	St. Stephen West Salem ststephen.ws	Ashland University Newman Center ashlandcatholic.org
Weekday Mass: Mon, Tue, Thu, & Fri 8:00am Wed 1:15pm	Weekday Mass: Mon & Thu 8:00am Wed 4:00pm	** Located in the Lower Chapel on campus, only when college is in session.
Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil 4:30pm Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am	Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 10:30am	Weekend Mass: Sunday 4:30
Confession: Sat 3-4:00pm	Confession: Sat 3-3:45pm	Confession: Sun 4-4:30pm
Adoration: Thurs 8:30am- Sun 8:00am	Adoration: Wed 1-8:00pm	Newman Nights Adoration: Wed 8:30-9:30pm



. Our next meeting is this Wednesday, January 7 @ 6:30pm in the meeting room at church. The group meets monthly and is open to all men of the parish.

Glenmont Ss. Peter & Paul Potluck

On the second Saturday of each month, there is a potluck dinner after the 5:00pm Vigil Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul in Glenmont. The next potluck will be next Saturday, January 10, 2026. All are welcome.



Thanks to all who contributed in any way to make the "Blessing Box" possible. If you have a half-hour to spare during regular office hours, feel free to stop in to help make up meal bags. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please place in an envelope and mark with "Blessing Box". We will use the funds to buy items as needed. There is now a designated drawer to drop off items near the choir stairs.



2026 Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one (living or deceased) during 2026, please contact Linda to schedule a date.

Epiphany House Blessing

Epiphany House Blessing The Epiphany commemorates the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus, symbolizing Christ's manifestation to the world. This day is traditionally associated with blessings for homes, where families invite God's presence into their living spaces for the new year. The practice of chalking the door is a way to mark this blessing, inviting Christ's protection and grace into the home. To perform the blessing, families typically gather at their front door and use blessed chalk to inscribe the following on the doorframe:

· 20 + C + M + B + 26 (20: The first two digits of the year; C, M, B: The initials of the three Magi Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar which also stands for the Latin phrase "Christus Mansionem Benedicat," meaning "may Christ bless this house."); 26: The last two digits of the year)

Gather all family members at the front door, making the Sign of the Cross. Beginning with a short prayer, make the sign of the cross over the door. If available, sprinkle holy water on the door and frame as a sign of blessing. Chalk the door with blessed chalk (from last year) to inscribe the year and initials on the doorframe.

Finish by reciting prayers asking for God's blessing upon the home and all who enter it. You can use traditional prayers or create your own.



Join us for our Saturday evening parish pot luck on January 24th at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. Bring a dish to share if you are able and join us for some relaxing fellowship time. If this is something that you would like to help monthly with set up or clean up, please contact Linda.



Day	Date	Feast/Holiday			Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	Jan 3	Vigil	5:00 pm		Ronnie Homan & Fr. Samuel Leonard	Dan & Rose Leonard
Sunday	Jan 4	The Epiphany of the Lord	9:00 am	+	Tom & Carol Weber	Tom & Kelly Esselburn
Tuesday	Jan 6	Christmas Weekday	8:00 am	+	Paul & Mary Henley	Paula Bush Adam
Friday	Jan 9	Christmas Weekday	Noon	+	Betty & Tony Ginnetti	Toni Dunmire
Saturday	Jan 10	Vigil	5:00 pm	+	Jeannette & Susan Derr	Georgeanna Turske
Sunday	Jan 11	Baptism of the Lord	9:00 am	+	Deceased of the Ames & Durbin Families	Larry & Teresa Ames

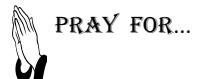
All Masses are live-streamed on our Facebook page and at www.loudonvillecatholic.org.

upcoming events

Sun. Jan. 4 @ 10:10am – Family of Faith PSR
 Wed. Jan. 7 @ 6:30pm – Men's Group
 @ 6:45pm – Youth Group
 Mon. Jan. 12 @ 5:30pm – Pastoral Council
 @ 7:00pm – Holy Hour
 Tues. Jan. 13 @ 10:00am – Beta
 Sun. Jan. 18 @ 10:10am – Jr. High PSR
 Mon. Jan. 19 @ 9:00am – Mission
 Martin Luther King Holiday (OFFICE CLOSED)
 Wed. Jan. 21 @ 6:45pm – Youth Group
 Fri. Jan. 23 @ 6:00pm – Youth Prayer & Worship
 Sat. Jan. 24 @ 6:00pm – Potluck Dinner

Receipt of Endowment
 We are happy to announce that St. Peter Parish has received funding from an endowment stewarded by The Catholic Foundation. We are grateful to the donor who has generously contributed to our mission through The Catholic Foundation. Their charitable love for our faith and others is helping us fulfill our ministry's purpose today, tomorrow, and forever. If you would like to learn more about how you can support our endowments and make a lasting impact on our Catholic faith, please visit www.catholic-foundation.org or call Scott Hartman at 614-443-8893. You may also contact the parish office to discuss options available for legacy giving.

Jan 11 Men's Group
 Jan 18 Mission Society
 Jan 25 Parish Families



Dave Snyder,
 Joe & Deb Allerding,
 David Hollinger,
 David Adam,
 John Kick,
 Dorothy Thompson,
 Larry Kline,
 Sam & Flora Taghiani
 Elizabeth Ferguson,
 Bruce Bible,
 Erin Smith,
 Bill Heichel,
 Kathy Miller,
 Lori Baker,
 Eleanor Chapman,
 Sharon Gosche,
 Barb Walls,
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 Midge McKinley,
 Marg Leffler,
 Sr. Joan Rader,
 Fr. Elmer Marquard,
 and for peace
 throughout the world.



For many, the Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas Season, but that isn't really the case. The 12 days of Christmas which many of us are familiar with actually begin on Christmas and end on January 5. Some celebrate the Epiphany as a "little Christmas" and for others it is their main celebration. In our Roman Catholic tradition, the Christmas Season continues through the Baptism of Jesus. As the Kings or Wise Men come to worship and bring gifts to our Lord, salvation becomes available to us all. We have much to rejoice in, and don't want to cut it short. There is still much to celebrate! Thank you to all who have sent cards or gifts of any kind this Christmas, your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Stewardship Report



Thank You!

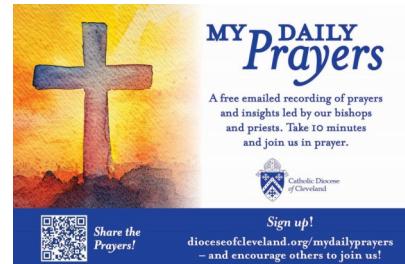
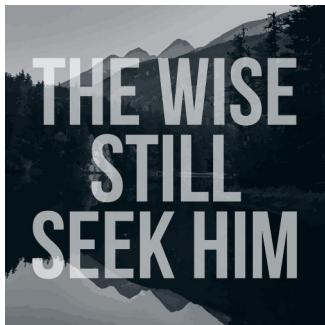
Saint Peter parishioners are remarkably generous. Sharing a portion of our income with the Church is a sign everything belongs to God and we dedicate our "first fruits" to the work of the kingdom of Christ. Thank you so much for your faith and generosity.

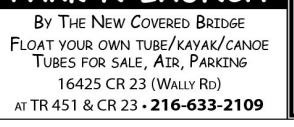
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Unrestricted Donations and Bequests		

Mass Time	Greeter	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Counting Team
January 10 5:00 pm	Bob Huy	Maureen Rygielski	Linda O'Brien	
January 11 9:00 am	Chuck Henley	Justin Esselburn	Lee Fromme	1



As we are off to an early start with winter weather, concerns have arisen regarding cancellations. Working together with Fr. Rod, Fr. Jim and the parishes of St Edward and St. Stephen, we have instituted a shared policy. Whenever the County of Ashland is placed under a Level 3 weather emergency (as listed on wmfd.com), during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, any scheduled Weekday, Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses during the time period of the Level 3 emergency status are canceled. Roman Catholics in the affected county, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday/Holy Day Mass for the duration of a Level 3 weather emergency. All parish meetings and events are canceled, and the parish office will be closed. For weekday weather emergencies or Level 2 weather emergencies, if the local school district is closed, we will try to have Masses at the scheduled parishes; please use discretion on attending Mass under a Level 2 weather emergency. Parish offices will be closed and events and meetings at the parish are cancelled for the day. If Masses are canceled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass online; please check the bulletin for details.



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