

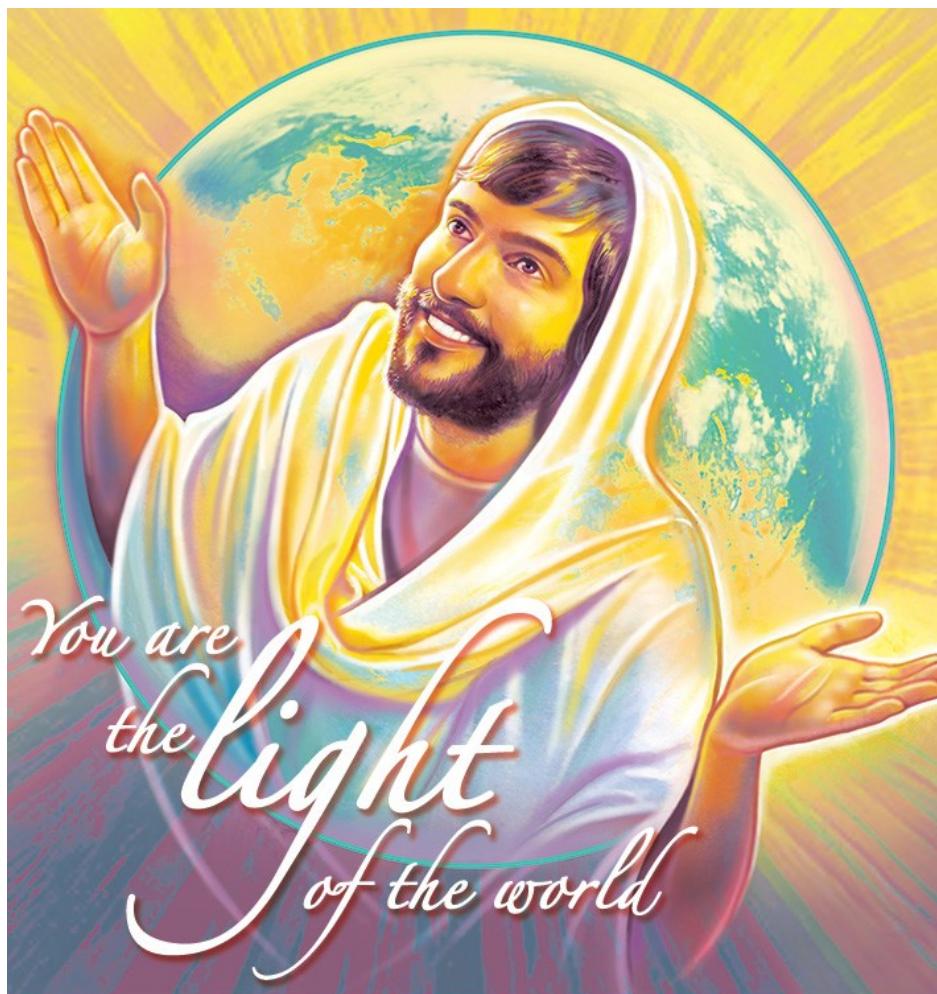


Saint Peter

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 8, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



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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

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. We do not need any food donations at this time.



Holy Hour

If you knew that an hour could change your life and help solve your problems, would you make that sacrifice? Consider spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament this Monday, February 9 at 7:00pm. The hour consists of a short prayer service followed by a time of private reflection and adoration.



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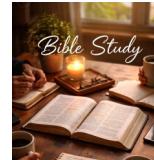
Do you have questions about our Faith, or would you just like to grow deeper in your understanding? Join Fr. Jim for an informal small group discussion this Tuesday, February 10 @ 10:00am in the meeting room at church. Bring any questions you may have.

Bible Study with Fr. Jim

Book of Judges: God's Struggle for Israel's Heart

Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9 AM in the meeting room as we journey through the Book of Judges. Judges recounts the earliest years of Israel's life in the promised land and the ongoing struggle to remain faithful to God in the midst of a polytheistic culture. It highlights the consequences of turning to idol worship, as well as God's merciful response to human disobedience. Together, we'll get to know the strange and imperfect figures God used to reveal His glory. No prior study is needed, and all are welcome.

- ◆ February 17: Introduction (Judges 1-3:6)
- ◆ March 17: Othniel, Ehud, Barak (Judges 3:7-5:31)
- ◆ April 21: Gideon & Jephthah (Judges 6:1-12:15)
- ◆ May 19: Samson (Judges 13:1-16:31)



Lenten Program

Coming this Lent, we will have Soup Suppers that will look a little different than in the past. Each will begin with our usual sharing of a meal. After dinner, we will participate in broadcasts from St. Stephen and St. Edward, and during the second week host a presentation live at St. Peter. The topic for these first three weeks of Lent will be on "Understanding the Mass". Plan now to set aside your Tuesday evenings this Lent.



THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

As children we sang the lively song This Little Light of Mine. The words, of course, are based on today's Gospel, in which we are called as disciples to be salt and light for the world. Children are uninhibited about sharing their faith. It's only when we grow older that we prefer to hide our light under a bushel basket because our culture tends not to emphasize discipleship. The message in this week's readings is clear: in order to give glory to God through our discipleship, we must show the light of Christ in our words and deeds. Not an easy thing for inhibited adults. Often we may think of salt and light in terms of what we do for others, but it can be just as important not to do something, such as getting angry with the stranger on the road, or telling an offensive joke.

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Day	Date	Feast/Holiday			Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	Feb 7	Vigil	5:00 pm	✚	Deceased of the Kaylor & Strouse Families	Chuck & Rita Henley
Sunday	Feb 8	5th Sunday in Ordinary	9:00 am	✚	Tom Brewer	Julia Brewer
Tuesday	Feb 10	Weekday	8:00 am	✚	Edgar & Lawrence Henley	Chuck Henley Sr. Family
Friday	Feb 13	Weekday	Noon	✚	Deceased of the Raymond & Eva Gardner Family	Jenny & Patrick Snyder
Saturday	Feb 14	Vigil	5:00 pm	✚	Robert Bruce & Yvonne Baumgartner	Roxanne Baumgartner
Sunday	Feb 15	6th Sunday in Ordinary	9:00 am	✚	Betty & Tony Ginnetti	Toni Dunmire

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

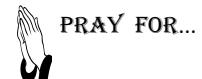
upcoming events

Mon. Feb. 9 @ 7:00pm – Holy Hour
 Tues. Feb. 10 @ 10:00pm – Beta
 Sun. Feb. 15 @ 10:10am – Jr. High PSR
 Mon. Feb. 16 @ 9:00am – Mission President's Day (OFFICE CLOSED)
 Wed. Feb. 18 @ 6:00pm – Mass & Distribution of Ashes
 Fri. Feb. 20 @ 5:30pm – Stations of the Cross
 Mon. Feb. 23 @ 5:30pm – Finance Council
 Tues. Feb. 24 @ 10:00am – Beta @ 6:00pm – Soup Supper
 Fri. Feb. 27 @ 5:30pm – Stations of the Cross

Are you looking for a way to deepen your Lenten season? Here are a few suggestions of podcasts to assist you on your journey.

- Word on Fire Podcasts — daily Lenten themes and reflections.
- Ascension Presents: The Liturgy of the Hours Podcast — pray the hours with guidance.
- Busted Halo Lenten Episodes — practical talks on faith and repentance.

Feb 15 Mission Society
 Feb 22 Parish Families
 Mar 1 Finance & Parish Councils
 Mar 8 Men's Group



Lisa Newcomer,
 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,
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 Fr. Elmer Marquard,
 and for peace throughout the world.



Does our light shine brightly among others? Do we season those we come in contact with in a good way? Others can influence us and we can influence others. The company of friends and those we spend time with can affect our lives, and we can affect them as well. How does what I say or do make things better in my home, in my parish, in my community? Or do I from time to time bring others down or lead them in a way that I am not proud of? Jesus encountered a variety of these situations in his travels and ministry. As he was able to help those he rubbed elbows with back in his time, he can still do for us today. Have I asked Jesus where I need to shine my light more brightly, or where I need to spread my salt? We think of salt as giving flavor to foods. What about the salt that we use to melt the ice in winter? Can my salt melt away some of the ice in certain relationships? Hmm, something to reflect on!

Stewardship Report



	1/27/26-2/2/26	Fiscal YTD
Offertory	\$3,438.00	\$127,697.05
General Fund Envelope	1,365.00	21,539.00
Unrestricted Donations and Bequests	0.00	17,463.82

Black & Indian Mission \$295.00

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.

Mass Time	Greeter	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Counting Team
February 14 5:00 pm	Mary Davis	Patrick Snyder	Linda O'Brien	
February 15 9:00 am	Jerry & Judy Dudte	Justin Esselburn	Tom Esselburn	1

Attention all Men!



You are cordially invited to attend the Diocese of Cleveland Annual Men's Conference on March 7th, at the Holiday Inn located at I-77 & Rockside Road in Independence. Join other men from around the Diocese and Northeast Ohio for a day of Faith, Food and Brotherhood. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. This year's speakers are Pete Burak, columnist & podcaster; Fr. Damian Ference, Vicar for Evangelization; and Bishop Edward C. Malesic, who will also celebrate a Vigil Mass at the end of the day. For more information & to register please visit www.cmfneo.com

Men's Retreat

The Damascus Men's Retreat takes place March 27-29 in Centerburg, Ohio and includes Mass, worship, prayer, adoration, keynote presentations, community and adventure. More information is available at registration@damascus.net

Behold—Woman's Retreat

The Behold Retreat is a mother-daughter retreat (any mother-daughter-like relationship) designed specifically for adult and teen women in the spirit of Mary's fiat. The retreat will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Saturday, March 21 from 10am to 4pm. The theme for 2026 is "Behold Friendship" with keynote speaker, Maggie Craig, author of Friendship Reset. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Damian Ference. Registration is now open. Only 150 tickets will be sold. More information can be found at tobcle.org/behold The retreat is a collaboration between the Diocese of Cleveland's Office of Marriage and Family Ministry and TOB CLE. Scholarships available. Please reach out to Maria Wancata at mwancata@tobcle.org with any questions.



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