



Saint Peter

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY

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.

Deadline for bulletin submissions is Tuesday at noon.



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

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. Specific food needs would be canned chicken (10 oz.), Kraft Mac & Cheese boxes, Rotel diced tomatoes with chilies, Red Kidney beans, and black beans. There is a designated drawer to drop off items near the choir stairs. Items can also be brought to the office during office hours.



Sacrament of Reconciliation

A final opportunity for Confessions before Easter will be on Monday, March 30, from 5:30 – 7:00pm. There will be no Confessions on Holy Saturday.

Chrism Mass



This year the Chrism Mass will take place at 5:00pm on Tuesday, March 31 at St. Sebastian in Akron rather than at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Cleveland (due to renovations in progress). It is at this Mass where the Holy Oils that we use in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick are consecrated. Doors will open at 4:00pm.

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Good Friday Ecumenical Service

In addition to our prayer service on Friday afternoon at 3pm, there will be an ecumenical Good Friday service held at the Perrysville United Methodist Church (139 E. 1st Street, Perrysville) at 7:00pm. All are welcome.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Now we have come to the center of the Christian year, beginning with today, Passion Sunday, Holy Week, and culminating in the Pasch, the Sacred Triduum. Some have called the culminating event in this week's journey of faith "The Three Days of Easter." The origins of many of our observances, including today's blessing of palms and solemn entry into the church, harken back to old Jerusalem. In the late fourth century, a woman living a consecrated life in southern France made a four-year pilgrimage to Jerusalem. There, she encountered the rich liturgies of the city, bursting with Christians. She was a keen observer, and fortunately for us wrote vivid letters of her experience to a circle of women friends she calls her sisters. By the time of her journey, it is clear that even some catechumens were undertaking the dangerous journey so that they could be formed at the very site of the events of Christ's passion and rising. At the heart of the pilgrim experience were processions, such as today's joyous procession to the Mount of Olives, and brilliant catechesis from the bishop every day, as well as intense fasting and prayer. When you resolve to keep this week holy in your own life, and especially when you commit to participate in the full Triduum with worship in church and fasting at home, a very ancient tradition is within your grasp. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Divine Mercy Celebration

On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left touching his garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that "Jesus, I trust in You" be inscribed under his image. Jesus asked that his image be painted and venerated throughout the world: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish" (Diary, no. 48) and "By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls" (Diary, no. 742). A celebration will be held on the Sunday after Easter, on Divine Mercy Sunday, at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Mt. Vernon from 2:00 – 3:30pm and will include Confessions.



Day	Date	Feast/Holiday	Time	Symbol	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	Mar 28	Vigil	5:00 pm		Fr. Samuel Leonard Family	Dan & Rosa Leonard
Sunday	Mar 29	Palm Sunday	9:00 am	✙	Roger Chapman	Eleanor Chapman
Tuesday	Mar 31	Tuesday of Holy Week	8:00 am	✙	John Bush Family	Georgeanna Turske
Thursday	April 2	Holy Thursday	7:00 pm		People of St. Peter	
Friday	April 3	Good Friday	3:00 pm		No Intention	
Saturday	April 4	Easter vigil	9:00 pm	✙	C.J. Wingart	Ken & Sharon Gosche
Sunday	April 5	Easter Sunday	9:00 am	✙	Allison Bucher	Jenny & Patrick Snyder

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

upcoming events

Mar 29 – Apr 4 Holy Week/Triduum (see schedule on back page)

- Wed. April 1 @ 6:45pm – Youth Group
- Sun. April 5 Easter Sunday – NO Breakfast
- Mon. April 6 Easter Monday – Office Closed
- Wed. April 8 @ 6:30pm – Men’s Group
- Mon. April 13 @ 7:00pm – Holy Hour
- Tues. April 14 @ 10:00am – Beta
- Wed. April 15 @ 6:45pm – Youth Group
- Sun. April 19 @ 10:15am – Jr. High PSR
- Mon. April 20 @ 9:00am – Mission
- Tues. April 21 @ 9:00am – Bible Study

- April 4 No Breakfast
- April 11 Mission Society
- April 18 Parish Families
- April 25 Finance & Parish Councils



The **Ambrey** located in our church on the east wall of the sanctuary is where our sacramental oils that we will receive at the Chrism Mass will be stored when not in use. These oils get changed once a year, every year at the Chrism Mass celebrated by the Bishop during Holy Week.



PRAY FOR...

- Rhonda Ramos,
- Ray McGann,
- Rosa Leonard,
- Barb Davis,
- Sam Solon,
- Lisa Newcomer,
- Dave Snyder,
- Joe & Deb Allarding,
- 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,
- Carol Roberts,
- John Wagner,
- Conner Butler,
- Janet Van Kuren,
- Stella Joel,
- Jeanne Peterson,
- Josephine Grega,
- Everett Flottrud,
- Midge McKinley,
- Marg Leffler,
- Sr. Joan Rader,
- Fr. Elmer Marquard,
- and for peace throughout the world.

Lent's

As we approach the holiest week of the liturgical year, it is good to reflect on what we are celebrating and the meaning that the events we celebrate have for us as Catholics, and for all of our Christian brothers and sisters. Without the Passion, without Christ's suffering and death, and without His resurrection, we would still be a people searching for our God while being stuck in our sinful ways. We may forget that through the events of this coming week, Jesus once and for all reconciled each one of us back to the Father, providing each of us hope in our own resurrection at the end of our lives. Yes, the birth of Jesus was crucial in His mission, but it is through the last days of His life that He brought His earthly mission to fulfillment. There is a lot to think about this week, a lot to reflect on. Whatever you have been working on this Lent, now is the time to bring it to the Lord and allow Him to transform you. Be ready to be surprised.

Stewardship Report



	3/17/26-3/23/26	Fiscal YTD
Offertory	\$3,138.38	\$155,427.89
General Fund Envelope	1,105.00	25,609.00
Unrestricted Donations and Bequests	0.00	20,063.82

Cemetery	\$20.00	Easter	\$300.00
Easter Flowers	\$155.00	Blessing Box	\$100.00

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
Holy Thursday (4/2)		Maureen Rygielski	Lee Fromme	
Good Friday (4/3)		Pat Lipps Michele Crider	Ken Kuruc	
April 4 9:00 pm Easter vigil		Leslie Kamenik Pat Lipps Rita Henley	Amanda Lipps	
April 5 9:00 am Easter Sunday		Patrick Rall	Kelly Esselburn	1*

HOLY



WEEK

Confession Monday 5:30-7:00 PM

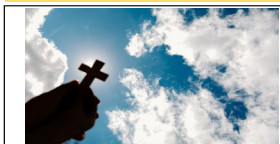
Chrism Mass Tuesday 5:00 PM St. Sebastian—Akron

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM

Good Friday: Passion of the Lord 3:00 PM

Easter Vigil 9:00 PM

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord 9:00 AM



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