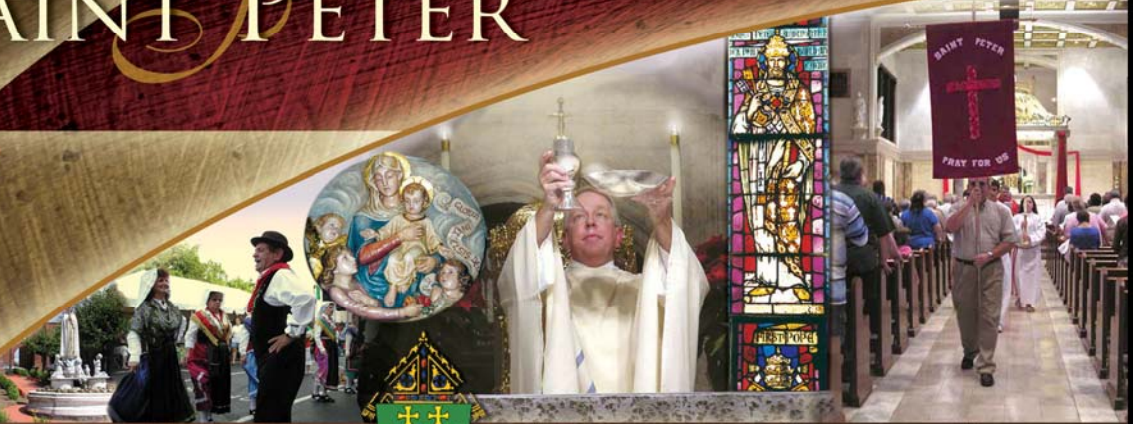
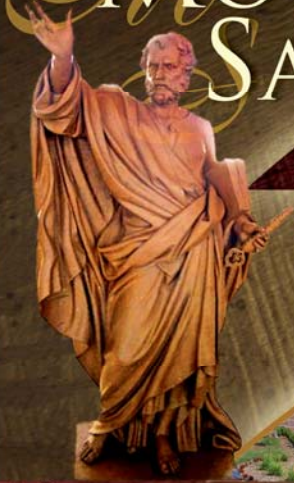


I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven

MOUNT SAINT PETER



A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG



A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:30 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**SATURDAY
AT NOON**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 AM - NOON

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

May 24, 2009

**Memorial Day Mass
9:00 AM**

St. Joseph Church

The parishes of Region 1 (Mount Saint Peter, St. Joseph, St. Mary of Czestochowa, and St. Margaret Mary) will join together to celebrate the Summer holidays

(Memorial Day and Labor Day in 2009) with a single Mass, rather than four separate Masses.

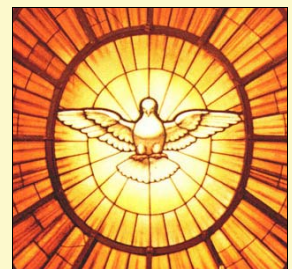
On Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph Parish at 9:00 AM, as we gather to remember those who died in service to their country.



**Wearing Red
on Pentecost**

One of the images of the Pentecost feast is the tongues of fire that came to rest on the heads of the apostles as they gathered in the Upper Room.

A recent tradition that has become part of Pentecost in many places is the wearing of red to symbolize that we too are on fire with the Spirit's gifts. All are invited to wear something red next weekend as we celebrate the gift of the Spirit alive in our community of faith.



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Finance Council

Daniel Casper	Thomas Roberts
Gregory Farrell	Ronald Valasek



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 Catherine M. Collett, Principal
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 724-339-4411

Sacramental and Pastoral Life

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
 Contact Sister Valerie for more information
 about becoming a member of the Catholic Church.

Sacrament of Infant Baptism
 Contact Sister Valerie 4 months before the
 child's birth to begin the baptismal preparation process.

Sacrament of Marriage
 Contact Monsignor Begolly at least one year in
 advance of the anticipated date to begin the
 marriage preparation process.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Saturday at noon at Mount Saint Peter Parish.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
 Contact Monsignor Begolly to request the sacrament.

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| Disciples of Vincent DePaul | Karl Strittmatter
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| Faith First Coordinator | Linda Banas
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| Festa Committee | Frank Robertson
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| Food Bank | Rena Beroni
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| Gardeners of Eden | Ann Grogno
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| Holy Name Society | Scott Laney
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| Soup Tuesdays | Patt LaRussa
724-335-1860 |
| St. Anthony Guild | Monica Bolcato
724-339-3176 |
| Ushers | Anthony Bellavia
724-339-8847 |
| Young Adult Ministry | Nancy & Vincent Bruni
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SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER + MAY 24 - MAY 30, 2009
LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 23

5:30 PM Carmelina & Pete Less (Family)

Sunday, May 24 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

7:45 AM *Rosary*

8:30 AM Ken & Marie Johnson (Family)

50th Wedding Anniversary

10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sacraments of Confirmation/Communion

Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day

9:00 AM *Regional Mass at St. Joseph Church*

Tuesday, May 26

8:30 AM Josephine Spinosa
(Cathy, Lauretta & Louise)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

7:00 PM St. Anthony Novena - Week 6

Wednesday, May 27

8:30 AM Dolores Ansani (Virginia Fisher & Family)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

Thursday, May 28

8:30 AM John Costanza (M/M Remo Ficca Jr.)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

Friday, May 29

8:30 AM Virginia Prazenica (Chris Cortese Family)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

Saturday, May 30

12:00 NN *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

5:30 PM John & Wilma Dzanaj
(Bob & Lois Giuliani & Family)

Sunday, May 31

7:45 AM *Rosary*

8:30 AM Rose Marie DeMao (Darcy & Jan Caliguri)

10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sacraments of Confirmation/Communion

Regional Confession Schedule

Wednesday	5:30 PM	St. Joseph
Saturday	9:00 AM	St. Mary
	12:00 NN	Mt. St. Peter
	1:00 PM	St. Margaret Mary

Regional Schedule of Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday	5:00 - 6:15 PM	St. Mary
Friday	11:00 - 12:00 NN	St. Mary
Wednesday	5:00 - 6:15 PM	St. Joseph

Seventh Sunday of Easter

A dying person doesn't waste words on nonessentials. As the story goes, in the end no one wishes he or she had spent more time at the office or laundering clothes or making money. Life gets narrowed in its focus to the crucial things: love, hope, forgiveness, making or finding peace. So what was Jesus doing on the night before he died?

On the night before his death, Jesus prayed for unity. Jesus made an extraordinary prayer asking God to bless the community of faith with the kind of unity that Jesus knew with his Father. Imagine the outcome of such a prayer! Imagine the close union that Jesus shares with God, how the Two are more properly Three and yet entirely One, according to what our faith teaches. Jesus and the Father and the Spirit share one essence, one presence, one being. Jesus hoped, on the eve of his death, that the church would have that kind of inseparable quality. All are one, as Jesus and his Father are one.

Do we sense this unity? Moreover, do we believe in it? Do we even want it? Such unity challenges the often impervious wall of our rugged individualism, which assumes no responsibility for anyone else. We've all got bootstraps; let's use them! Let's look out for Number One! But if Jesus said that all are one, then one becomes a very, very large number.



PARISH NOTES

Preparing for Pentecost

Next week we celebrate the great festival of Pentecost. Not just a single day, this festival is part of the Great Fifty days of Easter. In a week of weeks (7 x 7) plus a festival day, the Jewish people celebrated the harvest, which came to be associated with Moses' ascent to Mount Sinai to receive the Law, and later with the covenant of Abraham and Noah as well. Thus, various images came to be part of our Pentecost celebration:



The harvest of the nations marks the beginning of the messianic community, as the gift of tongues reverses the confusion of Babel. The coming of the Spirit of Christ, like the ascent of Moses to receive the Law, bestows the new covenant of love, written on the hearts of all believers. The gifts of the Spirit strengthen the hearts of the disciples to proclaim the Good News to all creation.

Let us ask God to renew in our hearts the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, right judgment, courage, reverence, and wonder and awe.

Celebrating the Easter Sacraments: Confirmation and First Communion

We complete the fifty days of Easter as we began it: celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation. Through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, we forge our identity as disciples of Jesus, the Risen Lord, in water and the Holy Spirit, and we share his mission of spreading the Good News.

Next weekend at the 10:30 AM Mass, we will celebrate the gift of God's love with our children who will celebrate Confirmation and then come to the Lord's table for the first time for Holy Communion.

Alexa Paige Mary Bitar
Logan Ray Joseph Bitar
Alexandria Noel Clare Lutes

Baptism

We recently welcomed **Sophia Rose Barnes** and **Andrew James Monaco** into the Church through the saving waters of Baptism. We rejoice with their parents and with all who celebrate the gift of life in the family of God.



Best Wishes

Congratulations to **Zachary & Natalie (Ross) Pollino**, who were married on May 23. May the Lord bless them as they begin their new life together!



Homebound Ministry

To visit the sick is a corporal work of mercy. In our desire to visit our parishioners in the hospital, care facility or at home, we are asking that family members call to let us know where the patient may be. When a person is transferred from the hospital to a nursing care facility, even if it is temporary, we ask that we be contacted so we may continue to see them. We wish to provide opportunities for the reception of the sacraments, Anointing of the Sick, Eucharist and Reconciliation.

It is also important to keep our senior members connected to the parish they love when they are homebound and no longer able to come to church. The comfort of pastoral care and the presence of the church are important in the lives of our people as they encounter the challenges of the aging process.

Please call the office to inform us of hospital and nursing care facility admissions. To arrange to have the Eucharist brought to someone at home, or if you would like to learn more about this ministry and the possibility of serving our homebound parishioners, call Pat Policastro at the parish office, ext. 117.

... and then there was one.

Last summer, six large urns were purchased and planted with flowers to beautify the parish grounds outside the Parish Office. During the last 11 months, five were destroyed by drivers who parked in the **No Parking Lane** in front of the office.

The No Parking Lane was designated as such for safety purposes. This is especially important at weekend Masses, in case an emergency vehicle needs to get through.

We ask your cooperation in observing the No Parking Lane. Trusting in your cooperation, new planters have been purchased to enhance the beauty of the parish grounds.

Easter Wreaths and Palm Trees for Sale

As the Easter Season comes to a close next Sunday with the Festival of Pentecost, we will be selling the floral wreaths on the exterior doors of the church and the palm trees inside the church. If you are interested, please contact Virginia Mrvan at 724-335-3181.

Youth Ministry

Lottery Calendar Raffle Tickets

You can still purchase lottery calendars, (\$5) based on the evening PA 3-digit lottery number from Sister Valerie in the parish youth ministry office. As you support our youth participating in the 2009 NCYC, you are also purchasing a chance on being one of the lucky winning numbers for an entire month.



Calendar Peek

- Today, Memorial Day Weekend: No youth group Have fun with your families!
 - **Tuesday, May 26 @ 6:30 PM** in St. Margaret Mary Sullivan Room: Important meeting for parents and youth participating in *NCYC, 2009*.
 - **Sunday, May 31:** Junior Youth Group following the 10:30 AM Mass in the Upper Room. *Bring a Friend Day. Win a chance for 2 movie passes with each friend that you bring!*
- Friday, June 5:** Junior and Senior Youth *Movie Night*, 7:00 PM in the Upper Room

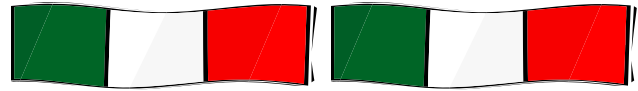
Trash & Treasure Sale

The Trash & Treasure Sale is coming on **June 18, 19, & 20**. Bring your items to Marble Hall on **June 15 & 16**. No large appliances, large furniture, computers or clothing. For more information, call the parish office.

Thanks to the MSP Travel Committee

The Travel Committee recently made a donation of \$1,000 to the Parish Emergency Fund. We are grateful to all who have travelled with us locally and internationally. Your participation on the trips sponsored by the Travel Committee makes it possible for the committee to assist those in need. Be sure to check out our future excursions.

- 2010 Oberammergau Passion Play beginning **June 24, 2010**. Highlights of the trip will include visits to the cities of Prague, Vienna, Budapest and a Danube River Cruise. For more information, please contact: Dolly Regoli at 724-337-8605 or dregoli@verizon.net. See the parish website for a detailed itinerary or stop and pick one up at the parish office.
- **Meadows Trip** is planned for the **new Meadows Casino** on **June 4**. It will depart at 9:00 AM from Wards Parking Lot in Lower Burrell, PA and leave the casino at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$25 per person (\$15 Return). Call for reservations ASAP Sandy at 724-339-0710 or Jennie 724-351-3575.



Festa Italiana Volunteer Sign-Up

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

ACTIVITY	July 30	July 31	August 1
Adult Games (Must be over 21)	_____	_____	_____
Bingo	_____	_____	_____
Children's Games	_____	_____	_____
Evening Clean-Up	_____	_____	_____
Food Serving Line	_____	_____	_____
Grand Raffle	_____	_____	_____
Instant Bingo	_____	_____	_____
Shaved Ice (Youth ages 12-18)	_____	_____	_____
Week of	July 6	July 13	July 20
Food Prep	_____	_____	_____
Daily Clean Up	_____	_____	_____
		July 27	
Marble Hall Set-Up		_____	
		July 29	
Grounds Set-Up		_____	
Electrical Set-Up		_____	
		August 1	
Festa Tear Down (11 PM)		_____	
		August 3	
Post Festa Clean Up (Extra Help Needed !)		_____	

Please return the Sign-Up Sheet in collection basket or return it to the Parish Office. You may also sign up on line at www.mountstaintpeter.org.

Questions? Call 724-335-6591.

Diocesan Lenten Appeal

We have almost reached our diocesan goal in this year's DLA! Many thanks to the 482 donors who have contributed \$80,916. As the appeal draws to a close, we are still \$8,084 from reaching our diocesan goal.



Please help us reach this goal, so that we will not have to use our parish savings to meet this obligation. Please return your pledge card and gift as soon as possible.

Serra Club Essay Winners

Two students from MQA are winners in the Serra Club's essay contest. This year's topic was "Lord, If You Are Calling Me-Make Me A Good Priest/Sister."

- Rebecca Polinski, grade 8, received first place and a \$100 savings bond. She is the daughter of Raymond and Darlene Polinski of Allegheny Township.
- Megan Christ, grade 7, received second place and a \$50.00 savings bond. She is the daughter of Edward and Laura Christ of Plum.

The students and their parents will be honored at a dinner at the Clarion Hotel on June 8 where the students will read their essays.

These students were directed by teachers Evelyn Quade and Janet Casper.

Student of the Month

Katie Gablick, an eighth grade student at MQA, was named Lion Club Student of the Month. Katie strives for academic excellence at school where she has maintained an A average. She is a member of the research team for the Future City Competition, a member of the Girls Basketball Team and Chieftain Archers.

She performed in a production of *Godspell* at MSP Church, and volunteers as an Altar Server, member of the Youth Group, where she serves on the Youth Advisory Board, and is a member of the Environment & Art Committee. Katie is the daughter of Amy and Joe Gablick of Lower Burrell and a student of Evelyn Quade at MQA School.

MQA SCHOOL NEWS

Diocesan Spelling Bee Winner

Sabrina Helbig, a fifth grade student at MQA, received third place at the Greensburg Diocesan Spelling Bee held on May 11, 2009 at St. Paul Church, Greensburg. She received a \$50.00 Savings Bond. Mrs. Jackie Dube was the sponsor.

Scrap the Day at MQA

Please join us on Saturday, **June 13** from 8 AM - 3 PM at the Leishman Avenue cafeteria to work on your scrapbook or card making projects. Free giveaways! The cost is \$10 and lunch/drink will be provided. Snacks for our "share table" are welcome. Space is limited - please contact Jody Kleckner at 724-334-7879 ASAP to reserve a space for you and your friends. Proceeds will be used to purchase Cricut machines for MQA School.

A Peek at the Week . . .

Sunday	Sacraments of Confirmation/Communion	10:30 AM Mass	Church
Monday	Memorial Day - Parish Office Closed No Ezekiel 37 Prayer Group		
Tuesday	St. Anthony Novena	7:00 PM	Church
	Homebound Ministers Meeting	7:30 PM	Marble Hall
	Festa Steering Committee Meeting	7:30 PM	Library
Wednesday	MQA 4-Year Pre-School Graduation	10:00 AM	Marble Hall
Thursday	MQA 8th Grade Graduation	5:30 PM	St. Joseph
Friday	MQA Kindergarten Graduation	6:00 PM	Marble Hall
Saturday	Disciples of Vincent DePaul Meeting	9:00 AM	Library

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May 30/31

Altar Servers

Readers

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 PM
Saturday

C & R Pujol
J DeLuca

F Rapp
L Henkel

M Kuhns, C & M Collett, E Kronenwetter,
K Oddis, M Atkinson, M Christopher

8:30 AM
Sunday

C & H Lauff
K McNamee

V. Bruni
Sr. Valerie

J Rapsinski, M Watson, R Bruni, P Smith,
E Solomon, J Hont

10:30 AM
Sunday

A, M & N Cecchetti

M Kulik

K Cecchetti, J Kleckner, C Greco,
A Meledandri, K Kowalski, J & S Simoni

COLLECTION REPORT

Mass Attendance	1003
Sunday Envelopes Used	526
Sunday Collection	\$ 9,082
EFT (18)	\$ 382

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	<u>Vigil:</u> Gn 11:1-9 Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Sunday:	Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23