

*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**

**August 2, 2009**

## **Festa Italiana 2009**

We warmly welcome all who gather with us on this **Festa** weekend. Your presence is a blessing to us as we give thanks to God and celebrate God's goodness during these festival days!

With gratitude we also acknowledge the hard work, great energy, and deep commitment of the **Festa Committee** and all who worked in preparation for and during the three nights' festivities.

Many thanks to all of our **Festa** patrons, sponsors, and to all who helped to support our parish during the grand event!

## **HELP WANTED for Festa Clean-Up!**

Help is needed on Monday morning to clean up after the **Festa** and to make sure that everything that was used to make the **Festa** such a success will be properly put away for next year.

If you can spare some time on **Monday, August 3 at 9:00 AM**, please come to Marble Hall and help.

Many hands make light work!

# Directory for Mount Saint Peter Parish

## Staff

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Jerry Garvey, Maintenance ext. 124

## Pastoral Council

Karen Frederick	Ted Opalka
Linda Henkel	Jim Palochik
Bill Kennedy	Frank Rapp
Jennifer Lombardo	Maria Tallarico
Jim Matta	Suzette Venturini

## Finance Council

Mary Calvanese	Gregory Farrell
Daniel Casper	Thomas Roberts

Ronald Valasek



## 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.

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

<b>Addolorata Society</b>	Georganne Stearman 724-339-1235
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Mark Focareta 724-594-3176
<b>Disciples of Vincent DePaul</b>	Karl Strittmatter CALL PARISH OFFICE
<b>Environment &amp; Art</b>	Virginia Mrvan 724-335-3181
<b>Faith First Coordinator</b>	Linda Banas 724-337-7555
<b>Festa Committee</b>	Frank Robertson 724-335-1378
<b>Food Bank</b>	Rena Beroni 724-335-9877
<b>Gardeners of Eden</b>	Ann Grogno 724-335-0789
<b>Holy Name Society</b>	Scott Laney 724-339-0710
<b>Homebound Ministry</b>	Pat Policastro 724-335-9877 x 117
<b>Lenten Fish Fry</b>	Sandy Laney 724-339-0710
<b>Liturgical Ministry Schedules</b>	Amy Gablick 724-337-0437
<b>Men's Bowling League</b>	Robert Susini 724-337-8464
<b>Mercy Meals</b>	Sue Lascola CALL PARISH OFFICE
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<b>Soup Tuesdays</b>	Patt LaRussa 724-335-1860
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<b>Ushers</b>	Anthony Bellavia 724-339-8847
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<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Sr. Valerie Zottola 724-335-9877 x 115

**EIGHTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME + AUGUST 2 - 8, 2009**  
**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, August 1**

4:00 PM Festa Italiana Volunteers & Patrons

**Sunday, August 2 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:45 AM *Rosary*

8:30 AM Gino Marotta  
(Serra Club of Allegheny County)

10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

**Monday, August 3**

8:30 AM William Abati  
(Christopher & Jen Zampogna)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

**Tuesday, August 4 - St. John Vianney**

8:30 AM Elda Ross (Husband & Family)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

**Wednesday, August 5**

8:30 AM Grace Costantino  
(Husband, Art and Family)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

**Thursday, August 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord**

8:30 AM Rose & Al Panza (Son, Al)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

**Friday, August 7 - St. Sixtus II**

8:30 AM Marie Murtha (Dr. & Mrs. Robert Bengel)

9:05 AM *Rosary*

**Saturday, August 8 - St. Dominic**

12:00 NN *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

2:00 PM *Emily Acita & Ben Croft Wedding*

5:30 PM Anthony Migliorisi, Oreste & Gesuina Corsi  
(Family)

**Sunday, August 9 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:45 AM *Rosary*

8:30 AM Derna Buono (M/M John Abate)

10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

**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

**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Throughout this month, we read from the "Bread of Life" discourse in the Gospel according to St. John. For four weeks we are invited, again and again, to enter the mystery of how an incarnate God becomes real food for those who hunger. As Christians we are called to be Christ's Body; Jesus assures us that by eating the bread that is transformed into his Body, we too will be transformed into the living members of his Body, the Church, so that we in turn can transform the world - from death to life, despair to hope, exclusion to welcome, and judgment to mercy.

Like all great mysteries, the teaching is meant to be entered into and lived rather than intellectualized. We can never grasp a mystery; we can only allow ourselves to be grasped by it. That kind of surrender is needed as we receive the gift of Jesus' presence in the Eucharist. It is a sign of God's love and providential care for us. Through the most humble and basic of foods, God has yet again found a way to be presence and present to us and to the world.

Finally, it is no coincidence that Jesus welcomed sinners and was welcomed by them at the table. Sharing food was always a joyous occasion for Jesus, through which he rejected oppressive social and religious laws and extended God's boundless mercy and love. Sunday after Sunday as we come to Eucharist, we catch a glimpse of what it will be like to dine in the Kingdom of God. May we who experience God's saving grace in the Eucharist, reflect the goodness of God in all we say and do. May we seek to share God's grace with all who enter our lives.



## PARISH NOTES

### In Sympathy

We commend to your prayers **Joseph Salvatore**, who died recently. May God welcome him to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to his family.



### Baptism

We recently welcomed **Lena Toni Fabian** into the Church through the saving waters of Baptism. We rejoice with her parents and with all who celebrate the gift of life in the family of God.



### Infant Baptism Preparation

The next session for parents planning to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with their infants will be on **August 13**. Please contact Sr. Valerie to register prior to the session.

### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Has someone recently questioned you about your faith? Don't be shy about inviting individuals to learn more about what may be the urgings of God's Holy Spirit. Spend time with them sharing your faith. If they wish to pursue their interests further, share with them the RCIA program and invite them to contact either Msgr. Begolly or Sister Valerie.



### Pastoral & Finance Councils

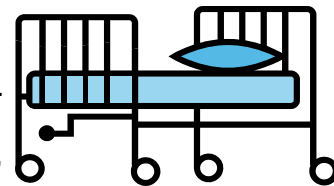
Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will meet on **Monday, August 3** at 7:00 PM in the Library.

Members of the Finance Council are invited to join the meeting at 8:00 PM to discuss the upcoming capital campaign.



### Nursing Homes & Homes

Ministry to 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, please call Pat Policastro at the Parish Office at ext.117.

### Faith Sharing Group

Mt. St. Peter's Small Faith Sharing Group will be starting their fall session in September. Weekly meetings will be on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Upper Room. A start-up fee of \$8.50 per person for books and supplies is needed. Registration deadline is July 29. Contact Sue or Jeff Simoni for details at 724-339-7865. All are welcome!

### Help Wanted - Faith First Program

Children of Eden! Children of Nazareth and Bethlehem and Jerusalem! Children of New Kensington, Lower Burrell and Arnold! We know the stories of the children of the Old Testament and the New Testament. But the children of our parish are the characters in the NOW Testament – and they need some generous helpers to tell them the stories precious to us as Catholics.

The Faith First Program meets on Monday evenings from 6:00 – 7:30 PM during the school year. We have a great team of catechists already, but we are in need of additional catechists, catechetical aides, caretakers of the doors, the hallways, and the parking lot. If you are drawn to serve in one of these capacities, please contact Sr. Susan, 724-335-9877, ext. 116 or [sienny@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:sienny@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

Thank you from the children!



**Youth Ministry**



**Children of Eden:** What a wonderful dramatic proclamation of God's faithful love! Last weekend, as most of you witnessed, over 50 parishioners, crossing generations, performed some stories about the beginnings of life in God's Garden of Eden. We cried, we laughed, we applauded . . . and our hearts were deeply moved. To each and every one of the cast, crew, pit, parents and others 'behind the scenes', under the graced leadership of Tom Octave, John Carosella and Louise Ziccarelli, we express our deep gratitude. Thank you for reminding us that *"Of all the gifts we have received, one is most precious and most terrible. The will of each of us is free. It's in our hands. Our hands can choose to drop the knife; our hearts can choose to stop the hating, for every moment of our life is the beginning."*

**United Mornings Hot Breakfast**

A number of youth and one family joined the folks at United Presbyterian Church, New Kensington, to help serve breakfast and meet new community neighbors on Sunday, July 19. The United Presbyterian Church staff were very grateful and invited us to join them again any Tuesday, Thursday or Sunday. If any youth are available and interested in joining the folks at United Presbyterian Church as they reach out to both support and build a stronger community, please let Sister Valerie know and she will make the necessary arrangements. We would need to be there by 8:30 AM and will be finished by 10:30 AM.

**Youth Lend a Hand for MSP Foodbank in August**

Any junior and senior youth who are available and interested in helping at our Foodbank on **August 5** need to let Sister Valerie know. We have a wonderful Foodbank that continues to support hundreds of our neighbors. Faithful parishioners have been working this Foodbank for sometime. They would appreciate any help the youth can give on **August 5**. Workers are needed from 9:00 AM-11:30 AM (lunch provided) and/or 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM or any part of those hours.

**Coming Soon:**

- Youth Ministry Orientation for New Members
  - Youth Ministry Fall Calendar
- NCYC, Kansas City, MO, November 19-22--Look for further fundraising: Donut Sales, Spaghetti Dinner

**Mt. St. Peter Church  
Electronic Fund Transfer Program (EFT)**

*I would like to donate through the Electronic Fund Transfer Program (EFT):*

**Personal Information**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Name (as it appears on bank statement)*

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*Home Address*

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*City State Zip*

**Debit Options**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Bank Name*

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*Bank Account Number (Checking/Savings)  
(Please attach a voided check if choosing a checking account debit.)*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*(a) Weekly withdrawal (every Friday)*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*(b) Monthly withdrawal (last working day of the month)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Begin Withdrawals on*

**Authorization**

*I authorize Mt. St. Peter Church  
to withdraw the amount indicated above  
until I notify the parish otherwise.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Account Holder*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

*Travel Committee*

**Meadows Trip** is planned for the new Meadows Casino on **Thursday, August 6**. 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 as soon as possible to Sandy at 724-339-0710 or Jennie at 724-351-3575.

**Ohio Amish Country Day Trip** is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 11**. Cost of \$79 includes motor coach, 2 meals, sightseeing, shopping and visits to local wineries. Reservation and payment must be made ASAP. Contact Karen Frederick at 724-337-0314 for details.

**Our Lady of the Alleghenies Amtrack Adventure** is **Thursday, October 15** featuring the Horseshoe Curve, Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel, Mt. Assisi Sunken Gardens and Marian Shrines. Cost is \$89 per person and a \$40 deposit is due now to secure your reservation with the balance due by August 14. First come, first served. Bus departure is at 6:00 AM from Wards parking lot in Lower Burrell and arrival back home is at 8:30 PM. Contact Mary Calvanese for more information at 724-337-1863.



**OUT & ABOUT**

**St. Mary of Czestochowa**

St. Mary's is having its annual Novena to Our Lady of Czestochowa starting on **Tuesday, August 18 at 7 PM** with Opening Mass & Novena Prayers and concludes on Wednesday, August 26 with a 12 Noon Closing Mass. All are welcome.

**Christ the King Parish Festival**

Christ the King Parish in Leechburg, is having their annual Festival on the Gilpin Township Church Grounds on Route 66, 2 miles north of Leechburg on **Saturday, August 8** from 2 PM to 9 PM and **Sunday, August 9** from 1 PM - 9 PM. They offer good food and fun activities for the children, Bingo and a Chinese Auction. The schedule of entertainment is Saturday 2 PM - 6 PM with DJ, SZ Entertainment and Eagle Mountain Express Country Band from 6 PM - 9 PM. Sunday is DJ, SZ Entertainment from 1 PM - 3 PM, Skippy & the Boys Polka Band from 3 PM - 6 PM and American Pie Oldies/Pop/Rock from 6 PM to 9 PM.

**Bereavement Group**

The Bereavement Support Group at St. Vincent Parish in Latrobe will meet on **Monday, August 17** at 7 PM at the parish center. Anyone mourning the loss of a loved one is invited to attend. Please call Teri Pomerleau at 724-539-8629 ext. 15.

*A Peek at the Week . . .*

Monday	Festa Clean-Up	9:00 AM	Marble Hall
	Pastoral Council Meeting	7:00 PM	Library
	Finance Council Meeting	8:00 PM	Library
	Ezekiel 37 Prayer Meeting	7:00 PM	Marble Hall
Tuesday	Set-Up for Foodbank	9:00 AM	Marble Hall
Wednesday	MSP Foodbank	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Marble Hall Church
	Altar Server Training	7:00 PM	
Friday	Wedding Rehearsal	6:00 PM	Church
Saturday	Altar Server Training	10:00 AM	Church
	Wedding: Emily Acita & Ben Croft	2:00 PM	Church

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**August 8/9**

**Altar Servers**

**Readers**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:30 PM  
Saturday

L, B & L Ludwiczak

L Martin  
F Rapp

P LaRussa, M Christopher, J McGorty,  
C Kestner, E Kronenwetter, M Atkinson,  
J Kleckner

8:30 AM  
Sunday

R & B Kennedy  
S Farr

R Bruni  
Sr. Valerie

S Laney, P Smith, L Chakan, P Capo,  
E Solomon, J Rapsinski

10:30 AM  
Sunday

G & I Schroeder  
N Fazio

D Orlowski  
P Lang

J & S Simoni, T Fazio, K Kowalski,  
D Orlowski, M Schroeder, D Acone

**COLLECTION REPORT**

Mass Attendance	884
Sunday Envelopes Used	472
Sunday Collection	\$ 9,533
EFT (19)	\$ 392

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21  
 Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or  
 Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
 Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a,  
 34-35; Mt 15:21-28  
 Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97;  
 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10  
 Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28  
 Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20  
 Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30 — 5:2;  
 Jn 6:41-51