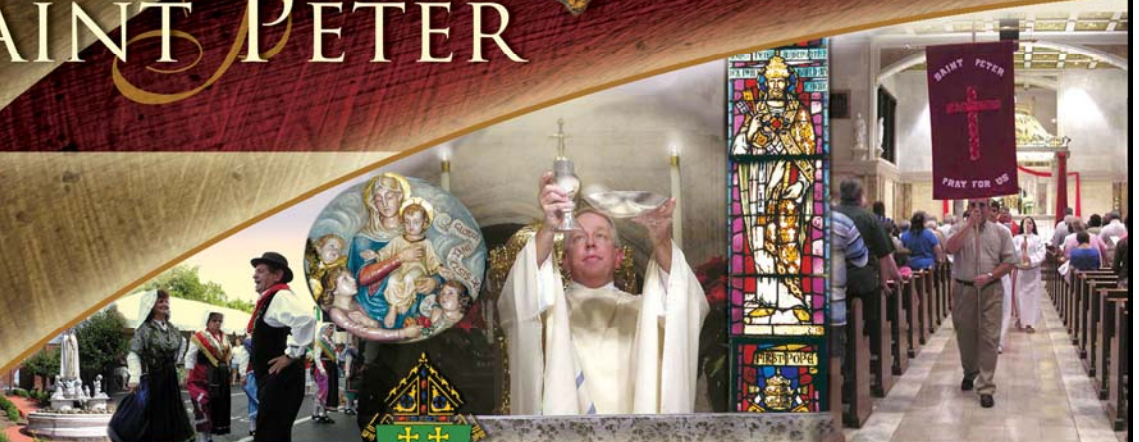
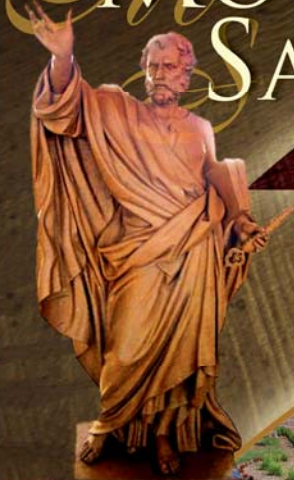


*I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven*

# MOUNT SAINT PETER



A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG



A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY**

**4:00 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**

**January 24, 2010**

**Prayer for the People of Haiti**

God of all creation,  
console us  
as we weep with our family in Haiti.  
In this time of crisis,  
open our eyes  
to look beyond the disaster  
to see Christ in our brothers and sisters.

Be with us  
as we stand in solidarity with those  
living and working in Haiti.  
Be with us in our mourning  
and guide our efforts  
to feed the hungry,  
shelter the homeless,  
comfort the grieving  
and stand for justice.  
With your mercy,  
sustain us at this time  
as we continue  
to work for peace and justice.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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## 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.

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# THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME + JANUARY 24 - 30, 2010

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Saturday, January 23

4:00 PM Deceased Petitta Family  
(Dolores Brewer & Family)

### Sunday, January 24— Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 AM *Rosary*  
8:30 AM Deceased of Abate & Nasser Families  
(Ted & Tricia Opalka)  
10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners

### Monday, January 25 - The Conversion of St. Paul

8:30 AM Erma Capoccioni (Mel & Jennie Serafine)  
9:05 AM *Rosary*

### Tuesday, January 26 - Sts. Timothy & Titus

8:30 AM Virginia Prazenica (M/M Patrick Nee)  
9:05 AM *Rosary*

### Wednesday, January 27— St. Angela Merici

8:30 AM Sigismondo Santucci  
(John Rucci & Elaine)  
9:05 AM *Rosary*

### Thursday, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

8:30 AM Yolanda Marra (M/M John Sensi)  
9:05 AM *Rosary*

### Friday, January 29

8:30 AM Peter Moret (M/M Leonard Chakan)  
9:05 AM *Rosary*

### Saturday, January 30

12:00 NN *Sacrament of Reconciliation*  
4:00 PM Joseph Falsetti (M/M Guy Grazioso)

### Sunday, January 31- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 AM *Rosary*  
8:30 AM Marilyn Solomon (Marie & Jim Thomas)  
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
Wednesday	5:00 - 6:15 PM	St. Joseph
Friday	11:00 - 12:00 NN	St. Mary

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The primary focus of today's liturgy is the Word of God. Just as the Christmas season was the time to celebrate the incarnation of the Word of God in human form, so today we reflect on the proclamation of the Word of God in the liturgical assembly.

In both the first reading from Nehemiah and the gospel passage from Luke, we see the dynamic power of God's Word as it is proclaimed. Paul's teaching originated as oral proclamation, and like the texts read by Ezra the priest and the one interpreted by Jesus himself, it was first proclaimed aloud. Only later were each of these proclamations regarded as the written Word of God, handed down from one community to another, from one generation to the next. This Word reminds the people of their identity as People of God. It situates them within the long and glorious stream of covenanted people. It calls them to the faithful living out of the implications of their identity.

There is something unique about hearing the Word of God, realizing that it is fulfilled in our hearing. Part of this certainty stems from the oral character of our earliest ancestors. However, there is more to it. In a very real sense, the ear is the threshold through which the Word of God penetrates the consciousness of the person. Thus the fundamental summons of the people of Israel was Hear, O Israel! "Hear" means "take into yourself," allow it to penetrate the deepest resources of your being. Hear the Word of God proclaimed and allow it to take root, like the seed that is sown by the sower.

Both Ezra and Jesus proclaimed the Word of God within the context of a liturgical celebration, a setting similar to the ones wherein most people today hear God's Word proclaimed. According to the teaching of Vatican II, the liturgy is described as the source and summit of our lives, and the Liturgy of the Word is an essential part of that celebration. Like the people of Ezra's time, we are invited to respond: Amen, amen! Thanks be to God!



## PARISH NOTES

### In Sympathy

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



### Sacramental Preparation

Parents who anticipate celebrating the Confirmation and First Holy Communion of their children this spring are reminded that the next parent session and children's retreat are coming up. Parents: check your calendars for either **Saturday, January 30** or **Tuesday, February 9**. You should plan to attend one of these two sessions.

The children and parent's retreat on the Eucharist is scheduled for either **Saturday, February 27** or **Sunday, February 28**.

If you haven't sent in your registration for both parent session and children's retreat, please do so soon.

### Catholic Schools Week Open House

MQA School will host an Open House next **Sunday, January 31**, from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM at both sites: Freeport Rd. (PK3 - Grade 3) & Leishman Ave. (Grades 4 - 8). All are invited to learn how your child can experience the joy of learning in a nurturing, faith-filled environment that will establish a solid foundation for their future.

### Catholic Relief Services

CRS has made an initial commitment of 5 million dollars for immediate use in the relief effort. CRS is mobilizing food and gearing up the emergency capacity, and deploying prepositioned emergency shelter and hygiene kits in Haiti, as well as bringing supplies in from the neighboring Dominican Republic.

Last Sunday, our parish donated \$3,557.00 to the relief effort. If you would still like to make a donation, please bring your check to the Parish Office. You can also donate online at <http://donate.crs.org>.

### Eagle Scout

We congratulate Samuel A. Lombardo on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, the Boy Scout's highest honor! We will honor Sam as the parish celebrates Boy Scout Sunday, on **Sunday, February 14**, at the 10:30 Am Mass.

## Winter Ordinary Time

It is not Advent or Christmastime any more. The ninety days of the great Lenten-Easter season have not yet begun. Instead, we find ourselves in between, in the regular sequence of ordinary time on the church calendar.

The word *ordinary* does not mean mundane or commonplace. It simply indicates that the Sundays throughout the year are designated by their ordinal numbers: Second, Third, Fifth, Twenty-sixth, and so on.

### Day by Day

It is probably not a bad thing, however, that the word *ordinary* calls to mind everyday concerns and accomplishments. Anyone who thinks that life is all peak experiences and drama has not been paying close attention. A great deal of God's grace is to be found in the day-to-day practice of the faith. During Ordinary Time, daily life sets the pace.

### Sunday by Sunday

Ordinary time reminds us that Sunday is the cornerstone of our lives. In the church, it is called "the original feast," because it is the oldest celebration of Jesus that we know. It is a day of joy, a day of resurrection, of rest. It reminds us of the whole of Jesus' life, beginning with the greatest mystery of our faith - Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

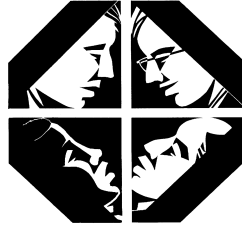
Every Sunday we celebrate the Lord's Day. We gather in faith, we listen to the stories of Jesus' life, we share the meal of the Eucharist, and we are sent forth to live our faith in the everyday parts of our lives. We are reminded how to be disciples, and nourished for the week ahead so that we might live out the Baptism that claimed us for Christ.

While we may still be putting away the remnants of our Christmas celebration, and already looking at our calendars to see when Easter falls this year, let us enter into this Winter Ordinary Time open to experiencing Jesus in the ordinary rhythms of life. For there is nothing ordinary in any encounter with God.



### Coffee House Faith

During Lent, we will be offering an opportunity for parishioners to set aside a little more time for their relationship with Jesus in **Coffee House Faith**. A book will be chosen for all participants to read.



Then, every other week, either some week day after the 8:30AM Mass or some evening we will gather to pray, discuss, and share our faith regarding what we read with one another over one of your favorite coffees (or teas or other beverage). We will meet either in the Upper Room or at Panera's in the Mills. If you are interested in becoming a part of this, please let Sister Valerie know no later than **February 8**.

### Parish Mission Coming Soon

For our parish mission - an opportunity for renewal and growth as we reflect upon God's Word and take some time to allow that Word to shape our lives. **Amazing Grace** with Fr. Scott Seethaler on March 20 - 24, 2010. Fr. Scott will preach at all masses on the weekend of March 20/21 and will be our mission presenter for morning and evening sessions on March 21, 22, 23 and 24. Plan to attend!

### Continually Called to Reverence Life!

This past week, men, women and children who support life marched in Washington DC. Each year on January 22, the anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade, people pause to recognize this sad day in our nation's history, when the highest court in our land legalized abortion.

We offer our thanks to those who marched for life. More than our thanks, we are urged to walk with them by our own efforts to end abortion and promote the dignity of every human person.

Our firm conviction as Catholics that *"life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception"* (Second Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, no. 51) has been part of the Church's constant witness since the Apostolic age and has inspired millions to defend human life at every stage.

We are continually called to reverence life, by opposing all legislation that threatens the dignity of the human person, by respecting all people, by protecting those most vulnerable in our world, by praying that leaders of nations will choose to protect and defend the lives of all persons from womb to tomb.

### Youth Ministry

**Junior Youth Group:** Our Junior Youth will be meeting today following the 10:30 AM Mass in the Upper Room. We will be continuing our theme of Discipleship (What is God's Dream for You?). Since we have just celebrated the birth of Jesus, youth are asked to consider, **Have You Met Jesus of Nazareth, Yet?** As always, friends are ALWAYS welcome.



### Youth Celebration

- Youth from all over the Diocese
- Mass with Bishop Brandt
- Inspirational Speaker
- Music, Prayer & Dance

Late registrations due to Sr. Valerie by the 27th.

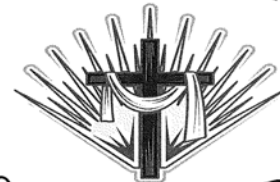
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February 6, 2010

12:30PM-9:00 PM

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*MSP Travel Committee*



**Meadows Trip** is planned for the Meadows Casino on **Thursday, February 4**. It will depart at 9:00 AM from Ward's Parking Lot in Lower Burrell and leave the Casino at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$25 per person (\$15 return). Call Sandy 724-339-0710 or Jennie 724-351-3575 for reservations.

Join the MSP Travel Team to tour the "**Shrines and Sights of Washington, DC**" on **April 16 & 17**. Take the Amtrak "Capitol Limited" to DC and return by deluxe motor coach the next day. Cost is \$329 per person for double occupancy, \$325 for triple occupancy. Single cost also available. Trip includes all motorcoach and Amtrak transportation, 1 night lodging, 2 meals, all sightseeing, entrance fees and more. See DC's monuments, as well as Arlington National Cemetery. We also visit the National Shrine where we will celebrate Mass for our group. Stop by the parish office for a brochure or contact Karen at [karon1121@yahoo.com](mailto:karon1121@yahoo.com) or call 724-337-0314. This trip will require extensive walking. Deposit (\$50) per person due by January 30. Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Patriot's Pen Regional Competition**

Gabe Schroeder, an 8th grade student at MQA School, has received 1st place in the state competition of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Patriot's Pen Competition. Gabe and his family will attend the Annual Winter Board Meeting of the Pennsylvania VFW in Gettysburg January 22-23. He will read his essay to the delegates at the meeting and his paper will then be sent on to the national competition. Gabe has received honors in this competition in previous years. He received the 2007 first place award on the local level. In 2008, he received honorable mention at the local level and third place at the district level. This year he has previously received honorable mention at the local level and first place at the district level before receiving first place at the state level. This nationwide competition gives students the opportunity to express their views on democracy in a 300-400 word essay. This year's theme was "When is the Right Time to Honor Our Military Heroes?" This contest is sponsored locally by VFW Post #92 in Lower Burrell. Gabe is the son of Edward and Maryellen Schroeder of Tarentum.

*A Peek at the Week . . .*

Monday	Faith First Ezekiel 37 Prayer Meeting Fish Fry Steering Committee	6:00 PM - 7:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	MQA School/Church Marble Hall Library
Tuesday	Presbyterian Sr. Care Service Faith Sharing Program	2:00 PM 6:30 PM	Presbyterian Sr. Care Upper Room
Wednesday	Daily Mass	8:30 AM	Church
Thursday	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM	Church
Friday	Daily Mass	8:30 AM	Church
Saturday	Parent Meeting on Eucharist MSP Bowling League Party	10:00 AM - 12 Noon 6:00 PM	Marble Hall Marble Hall

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S**January 30-31****Altar Servers****Readers****Eucharistic Ministers**4:00 PM  
SaturdayS & J Farr  
C PujolN Brock  
F Rapp

P LaRussa, J McGorty, N &amp; M Brock

8:30 AM  
SundayA & L Capone  
G LatellaR Bruni  
L Henkel

C &amp; MJ Scheler, V Gilley, D Butts

10:30 AM  
SundayN & J Hetu  
K GablickM Jacob  
J PalochikK Hetu, K Gablick, J & S Simoni,  
M Dorich**COLLECTION REPORT**

Mass Attendance	968
Sunday Envelopes Used	552
Sunday Collection	\$11,523
EFT (19)	\$ 397

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18  
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:31-35  
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20  
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25  
 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;  
 Mk 4:26-34  
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41  
 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31 —  
 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30