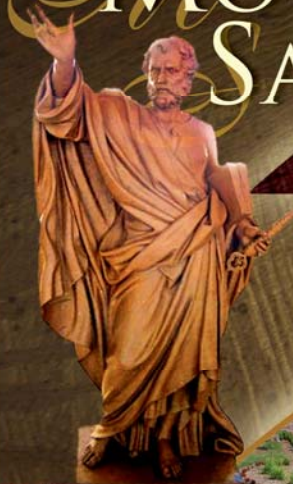


I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven

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 9, 2010 - Mother's Day

In the United States, Mother's Day was first observed in the Boston area as a Mother's Day for Peace, as many women gathered to mourn those who had died during the Civil War and to devise strategies for peace.

This observance did not gain widespread popularity until some 35 years later, when Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia asked her church to hold a service in memory of all mothers on the anniversary of her own mother's death. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, Miss Jarvis gave a carnation (her mother's favorite flower) to each person who attended.

Within the next few years, the idea of a day to honor mothers gained popularity, and Mother's Day was observed in a number of large cities in the U.S. On May 9, 1914, by an act of Congress, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. He established the day as a time for "public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country." By then it had become customary to wear white carnations to honor departed mothers and red to honor the living.

At the end of all Masses this weekend, we will pray a special *Blessing for Mothers*, as we ask God to strengthen them in their important vocation.

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Ronald Valasek	



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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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SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER + MAY 9 - 15, 2010
LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 8

5:30 PM Alberto Pujol (Wife & Family)
Celebration of First Holy Communion

Sunday, May 9 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:45 AM *Rosary*
8:30 AM Regis Jannello (Mother, Sister & Family)
10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners
Sacrament of Baptism

Monday, May 10

8:30 AM Margaret Alexander (Sr. Susan Jenny)
9:05 AM *Rosary*

Tuesday, May 11

8:30 AM Don, Amy & David Graziano (Family)
9:05 AM *Rosary*

Wednesday, May 12 - Sts. Nereus/Achilleus/Pancras

No Morning Mass

Friday, May 14 - St. Matthias, Apostle



Ascension of the Lord

Wednesday, May 12

6:00 PM Kathleen Panza (Ross Bevevino)

Thursday, May 13

8:30 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners
9:05 AM *Rosary*
12:00 NN Antoinette Como (Dominic Mele)

8:30 AM Carl Arabia (M/M Tony Marsico)
9:05 AM *Rosary*

Saturday, May 15 - St. Isidore

12:00 NN *Sacrament of Reconciliation*
5:30 PM Atty. Len J. Paletta (Wife & Children)
Celebration of First Holy Communion

Sunday, May 16 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

7:45 AM *Rosary*
8:30 AM John Schlenner (Wife, Sophie Schlenner)
Celebration of First Holy Communion
10:30 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners
Celebration of First Holy Communion
12:00 NN *Sacrament of Baptism*

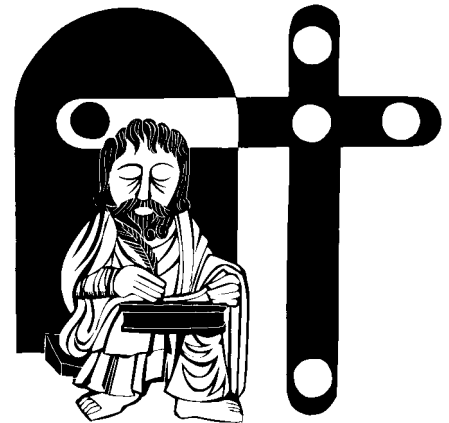
Sixth Sunday of Easter

At one time, words were laboriously and beautifully hand copied. Manuscripts and books were rare and treasured items. Now, think what the communication explosion has done to our world! On the one hand, it has shrunk the globe so that people are much better and more quickly in touch. This is good! At the same time, words are multiplied to such an extent that it is impossible to keep up with everything that is coming out.

Thousands upon thousands of books are printed yearly, with little care given to their beauty. Many books are quickly skimmed and just as quickly discarded. Today, words are cheap.

This Sunday's gospel makes an important correlation between loving and God's word. It is a simple connection: "Whoever loves will keep My word." What is Christ's word? It is the gospel he preached and to which he witnessed by his dying and rising. In practical terms, we cannot claim to love Christ and the Father unless we live the gospel.

Today, when words are so cheap, it is a real challenge to hear the gospel not just as more words, but as words of life that make demands on us. They can't be simply skimmed and then discarded. Jesus' words must be taken seriously. They invite a commitment of our very selves that is no less than our own dying and rising. These are costly words! Yet Jesus' words usher in a new life and a new way of being. The gospel describes how we are to live this new life - keep Jesus' words: love one another as He has loved us.



Love One Another

PARISH NOTES

Celebrating the Easter Sacraments:

Throughout the fifty days of the Easter Season, we celebrate 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.

This year, we celebrated with our children who shared the gift of God's Spirit in Confirmation on Tuesday, May 4 at St. Joseph Church.

Next weekend at the 5:30 PM, 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses, we will celebrate with our children who are coming to the Lord's table for the first time for Holy Communion.

Pray for our children, and be sure to greet them with a few words of congratulations after the Masses next weekend.

Saturday, May 15: 5:30 PM Mass

*Alexis Marie Veronica Ciferno
Ian Alexander Drake
Elena Concetta Lucia Moret*

Sunday, May 16: 8:30 AM Mass

Michael Edward Joseph Petronio

10:30 AM Mass

*Austin James Andrew Aikins
Rylie Preston Amelia Celso
Tyler John Paul Fontana
Matthew Edward Peter Focareta
Morgan Isabella Kastelic
Paige Elizabeth Anne Remich*

Congratulations

We extend warm wishes to *Daniel & Gwen (Wenskovitch) Jannello* who were married here on Saturday. May the Lord bless them as they begin their new life together and deepen their love for each other.



In Sympathy

We commend to your prayers ***Rena Beroni*** who died recently. Rena was the last living member of the Apostolate of Mary at Mount Saint Peter Parish, a spiritual organization formed for the personal sanctification of its members and to help the priests of the parish in their



Rest in Peace

care for the poor. May God welcome her to the joys of Paradise!

Diocesan Lenten Appeal

Many thanks to all who have responded so far to this year's DLA. To date, we have received \$66,802.33 from 386 donors toward our diocesan goal of \$89,386. Please return your pledge card as soon as possible, so that we might wrap up this year's appeal.



St. Anthony Novena

This annual devotion began on Tuesday, April 13 and continues each Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM until the Feast of St. Anthony of Padua. All are welcome.



A Heartfelt Thank You

The members of the St. Anthony Guild extend a most gracious *thank you* to Mazzotti's Bakery for their recent donation of Easter bread! Your kindness and generosity helped to create such a beautiful connection with Christ in this Paschal season among our elderly and infirmed parishioners.



All Bakers

After all Masses next weekend, **May 15/16**, the Addolorata Society will be having their annual Bake Sale. God has blessed our parish with many wonderful bakers so if you would like to donate bake goods for the sale, please call Diane Butts at 724-882-7891 or bring them anytime after noon on Saturday, May 15 to Marble Hall. All donations and/or offers to help after any of the Masses is greatly appreciated.

Holy Name Society Annual Golf Outing

The MSP Holy Name Society is sponsoring a golf outing on **Friday, May 28** at Oak Lake Golf Course. The price is \$65 per golfer and includes food at the turn, lunch, beverages, and many prizes. Call Scott Laney for more details at 724-339-0710.



Second Collection Next Weekend

The annual Catholic Communication Campaign collection is being taken in the Diocese of Greensburg next weekend, **May 15/16**, to support the Catholic Church's communication efforts locally

and nationally. Half of the funds collected will stay in the diocese, primarily to support The Catholic Accent and the diocesan Web site. The other half will go to the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Youth Ministry



Mother's Day Carnation Bouquets: Next Sunday, we will be celebrating our Mothers and Grandmothers and Godmothers. Youth group will once again be selling carnation corsages and bouquets after each of this weekend's masses.

Facebook: Mt. St. Peter Youth Group now has a Facebook page. Check us out!



Graduation Mass and Brunch: This year we will be honoring our high school graduates on **Sunday, June 6 at the 10:30 AM Mass.** Invitations were mailed to each of our graduates. We are proud of their accomplishments and pray that God's Holy Spirit continue to show them the way in and through this next phase of their journey in God's Kingdom, here on earth.

Service Opportunities: Habitat for Humanity is working on a building locally, at 126 West 10th Avenue, West Tarentum. Youth need to be at least 16 years of age in order to help work on these restorations. If you are interested and able to help on any of these following Saturdays (from 9:00 AM, on), please contact Sister Valerie: **May 29, June 5 and June 19.**

On **Saturday, May 22, 9:00 AM – Noon** (rain or shine) Great American Clean Up for New Kensington is sponsoring a day for cleaning up our neighborhood. Tarentum Bridge Road, leading into New Kensington throughout downtown business areas of New Kensington, parking lots and bus stops, and along the train tracks from the Viaduct to Freeport Street to Parnassus will be targeted. Gloves, safety vests and garbage bags will be provided. This is open to Junior and Senior Youth (and parents who wish to join us). Please contact Sister Valerie if you are interested in participating.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Great feast that Easter is, one day (not even three days) is insufficient to celebrate the fullness of the mystery of the resurrection. So, as Christians, we keep a fifty-day-long festival, punctuated by the Solemnity of the Ascension of our Lord - the fortieth day of Easter. The feast of the Ascension, like a prism, helps us focus the wondrous colors of the Easter spectrum.

These images from the Ascension liturgy give us a sense of the hope and joy that color this feast: "Christ's ascension is our glory and hope." "The joy of the resurrection and the ascension renews the whole world." "Where Christ has gone, we hope to follow." "Christ has passed beyond our sight, not to abandon us, but to be our hope." "Christ was taken up to heaven to claim for us a share in His divine life."

If we have been united with Christ through baptism in His death and resurrection, we are surely united with Him in the transformation and redemption of His humanity. What we celebrate, however, is not only a past or future event. We are given glimpses of our glorious destiny even now. So, feet firmly planted on earth, the community gathers to rejoice in the life we share with the risen Lord.

On this fortieth day of Easter, we are told to stop gazing at the clouds and start spreading the good news. The resurrection of Christ didn't end with the Lord Jesus. All creation is ascending into glory. All the universe is becoming divine.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION Regional Mass Schedule for the Holy Day

Wednesday Vigil - May 12

Mt. St. Peter	6:00 PM
St. Joseph	6:15 PM

Ascension Thursday - May 13

St. Margaret Mary	8:00 AM
Mt. St. Peter	8:30 AM
St. Joseph	9:00 AM
Mt. St. Peter	12 Noon
St. Mary of Czestochowa	7:00 PM
St. Margaret Mary	7:00 PM

Spring Cleaning ?
Mt. St. Peter Trash & Treasure Sale
June 17, 18, & 19
Bring your items to the church hall on
June 14 & 15 from 9 AM - 4 PM

Spaghetti Dinner: Mark your calendars for **Sunday, June 13**, 11:30 AM – 4:00 PM for our famous Spaghetti Dinner - eat-in or take-out. A number of “homemade” items will be on the menu. Look for details in the coming weeks.

Parking and Courtesy to our Neighbors

Last Sunday, several calls were received from our neighbors who live on the streets near the church. They expressed their concern that our parishioners were driving on their lawns or blocking their driveways when parking for Sunday Mass. Common courtesy and Christian charity demand respect for others and their property. May we strive to love others as Christ has loved us.

One Day Trip to Exceptional Erie

The Travel Committee is sponsoring a trip on **Wednesday, August 18**, to historic St. Patrick Church including the famous Life-Size Stations of the Cross. Celebrate Mass at St. Peter’s Cathedral

and have lunch on the beautiful paddlewheel boat, *Victorian Princess*, while cruising Presque Isle. The trip is \$89 and must be received by July 19. Bus will pick up at Wards Parking Lot at 6:30 AM. For more information, call Mary Calvanese at 724-337-1863.

“RX for a Healthy Lifestyle”

Westmoreland County Area Agency on Aging presents a free seminar for older adults at the VFW Post 92 in Lower Burrell, **Wednesday, June 16**, from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Free continental breakfast and lunch included. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis. Pick up a coupon to mail for your reservation in the parish office.

CDA Members/Court New Kensington #860:

Important Meeting **May 12, at 7 PM**, MQA Lodge Room. Winners of the Annual Poetry Contest from MQA School were:

THE JOYS OF GOD SURROUND US

- Division I, Grades 4 and 5:
 Alyssa Snyder, Grade 5 - 1st place;
 Matthew Perl, Grade 5 - 2nd place
- Division II, Grades 6, 7 and 8:
 Mallory Milberger, Grade 8 - 1st place;
 John Picking, Grade 6 - 3rd place

THE JOYS LIFE BRINGS THROUGH OTHERS

- Division I, Grades 4 and 5:

A Peek at the Week . . .

Monday	Ezekiel 37 Prayer Group Meeting	7:00 PM	Marble Hall
Tuesday	Faith Sharing Program St. Anthony Novena	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Upper Room Church
Wednesday	Addolorata Board Meeting Ascension Vigil Mass Choir Rehearsal	12:30 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Volunteer Room Church Church
Thursday	Ascension Thursday Masses Parish Office Closed	8:30 AM & 12 Noon	Church
Saturday	Sacramental Prep First Grade Parent Meeting Set-Up for Addolorata Bake Sale Addolorata Bake Sale <i>Celebration of First Holy Communion</i>	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM 12 Noon After 5:30 PM Mass 5:30 Mass	Marble Hall Marble Hall Marble Hall Church
Sunday	Addolorata Bake Sale <i>Celebration of First Holy Communion</i> <i>Celebration of First Holy Communion</i>	After all masses 8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass	Marble Hall Church Church

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May 15/16	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
5:30 PM Saturday	C Pujol, J Rayburg E Finn	F Rapp M Jacob	D & M Huet, M & C Collett
8:30 AM Sunday	A & L Capone G Latella	L. Henkel R Bruni	P Capo, L & M Matta, M Watson
10:30 AM Sunday	N Fazio, A Regoli K McNamee	J Palochik N Monaco	A Regoli, L Gatto, V Gilley, T Fazio, L Fiorina

COLLECTION REPORT

Mass Attendance	851
Sunday Envelopes Used	506
Sunday Collection	\$11,453.63
EFT (20)	\$ 412.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 7:55-60; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

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