

Basket Bonanza

1 week away
Saturday, May 10
the fun starts at
5:00pm



Our always fun, exciting and delicious Basket Bonanza is just 1 week away. Admission is \$10.00 and includes 2 free tickets to use for items you choose to take a chance on, the usual delicious food, great fun, door prizes and lots of opportunities to win awesome baskets and items!!!! Additional chances will be sold at the door.

Get a table together or come solo...you will be glad you did!!!
Visit us after all the masses this weekend for tickets or call the Parish Office 315 422 7163 for reservations/tickets, and to donate baskets and raffle items,

Thanks so much!!! Hope to see your next week



Third Sunday of Easter

A Message from the Pastor

Before the reflection on our readings I first would very much like to again extend my deep gratitude for all those who made our Centennial Year such an incredible tribute to the blessed history of our parish. I'm grateful to so many who made the celebrations so memorable, not just last Saturday but all through the past year. The generosity of so many to continually include members and traditions from all parts of our parish family here truly reveal the heart of our life here, and points to an important future of hope. And also, thank you for making my parents feel so welcomed here, too!

Pope Benedict XVI 's message at World Youth Day, 2007: *"I want to invite you to 'dare to love.' Do not desire anything less for your life than a love that is strong and beautiful and that is capable of making the whole of your existence **a joyful undertaking of giving yourselves as a gift to God and your brothers and sisters**, in imitation of the One who vanquished hatred and death forever through love."*

Have you received this invitation before in your vocation? Have you responded to it? To 'dare to love' or to not settle for any other kind of love that's not from the Lord? Love for us as disciples of Christ is far more bold than the rest of the world realizes. It's not just something that makes us feel good, it's not reducible to pleasure, but it pertains to authentic relationship, sacrifice that is life-giving and unites us to another. And beautifully paradoxical, in such a pouring out of ourselves freely for another we don't lose anything, but rather find our truest selves, we receive our real identity and purpose from a deeper source of life.

Today in the Gospel we are reminded that the love of Jesus is stronger than the wound of Peter's denial. Peter would have lived the rest of his life with the memory of knowing that he was capable of weakness, of denying his relationship with Jesus, and he either could have let this cripple him, or he could continually cling to the merciful love that Jesus offered him. We know that Peter chose the latter because it was precisely because of how Jesus loved him that he was strengthened for bearing the Gospel to the ends of the world. This same love is what somehow lives in the apostles who in our first reading rejoice to suffer for having been identified as being in connection with the Risen Christ. How could that be? Love always propels us outward from inside of ourselves, precisely because this is a reflection of God, and once we've encountered the love of God that is boldly more powerful than death, we have nothing to fear.

How could we possibly respond or even try to remain in this kind of love? Again by being transformed by the divine power of the resurrection, we are constantly becoming 'divinized' ourselves which happens as a result of God's grace, the life of the Holy Spirit, alive in us, most concretely offered to us in the Sacraments. The presence of God in us doesn't just leave us the same, but is constantly growing our hearts to be able to receive and give from God. Only by the Holy Spirit is one able to live according to God's Word or to be able to patiently endure suffering. So as we grow in amazement at what the Lord in his generous love invites us to, namely, to share in his life, let us now keep our hearts anticipating again the celebration anew of Pentecost, where we can confidently 'dare to love' and live in the freedom of the Holy Spirit, and have His life poured into us anew.

May 4, 2025

*Congratulations
to the Confirmation Candidates
that were Confirmed on
April 5, 2025 at
St. Daniel Church*

Gabriella Butera
Imani Martin
Sae Meh
Ana Nguyen
Johnny Nguyen
Leona Nguyen
Shaylin Nguyen
Solena Nguyen
Sydney Nguyen
Michael Pascarella
Annie Pham
Lily Pham
Su San
Andy Truong



*Congratulations
to the First Communion
Candidates who will receive
First Holy Communion
on May 3, 2025*

Kayden Le
Luca Mere
Bella Nguyen
Maximus Nguyen
Giuliana Pajack
DiMaggio Paris
Glenn Pham
Angelina Pham
Olivia Pham
Benjamin Royal
Daisy Tran
Elizabeth Mar
Elizabeth Meh
Franklin Meh
Francisco Reh



Third Sunday of Easter

Grace Before Meals

Saying grace is an act of thanks. This act of thanks reminds us we are not self-sufficient, that it is God who provides. Praying before meals is deeply rooted in Scripture. For example, God's people gave thanks for the manna that sustained them while wandering in the wilderness. When Jesus shared meals, he took bread and gave thanks. Grace before meals, any meal, is a time to slow down, be grateful for another day, another meal, and the loved ones we share our meals with.

Bless us, O Lord

We are asking God to bless us and our gathering, recognizing His presence among us.

and these Thy gifts

We recognize that the food before us is a special gift from God, and we are grateful for it.

which we are about to receive

We are preparing to enjoy the meal that God has been provided for us.

from Thy bounty,

We recognize that all good things come from God's generosity and abundance

Through Christ our Lord

We pray this in the name of Jesus, who helps us connect with God.

Amen.

We say "Amen" to show that we agree and believe in this prayer.

St. Therese Society

The next St. Therese Society Meeting is May 22nd at 1:00pm in the Parish Offices. If you haven't attended a meeting yet this year this is the perfect time! Hope To see you there.

May thanks to all those who made the Palm Sunday Bake Sale such a success! Thanks to the bakers and those who purchased the goodies!

The Month of May

For more than 300 years, Catholics have designated May to be the month of Mary, a special time to pay homage to the mother of Jesus for her gift to the world. The tradition developed out of customs dating back to medieval times, when May was a time of devotions honoring the cross and the new life it brings.

One of the best-known and most widely celebrated Marian traditions is the crowning of a statue or painting of Mary. Throughout the ages, Mary has often been linked to flowers, many of which have been named in her honor or associated with aspects of her life.

In the United States, the first known Mary Garden was established at St. Joseph Parish in Woods Hole, Mass., in 1932.

Create your own "Mary Garden!"

12 Popular Marian Flowers

Rose – a symbol of Mary herself "Mystical Rose" Marigolds – "Mary's God"
Morning Glories – Mary's Mantle
Daisy – Mary's Innocence & purity
Violet – Mary's Humility
Pansy – Our Lady's Delight
Petunias – Mary's Praises
Forget Me Nots – Mary's Eyes
Geraniums – Mary the Bride of the Holy Spirit
Sunflowers – Mary's Faith & Adoration of Christ
Irises – Mary's Sword of Sorrow

Save the Dates

May 10th is Basket Bonanza – Always a fun spring event - we hope to see you there! Tickets are on sale after all masses \$10 includes 2 free basket tickets at the door!

May 14th is the Holy Name Society Raffle!! So buy your tickets now.

May 4, 2025

This Week We Remember

Monday: May 5

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Robert Blasi (B) / Mom, Marietta

Tuesday: May 6

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Richard Ward, 5yr. Ann. / Wife & Family

Wednesday: May 7

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Joseph, Maria & Ignatius / Andy Tran & Family

Thursday: May 8

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Bob Bilotti (B) / Mercy Bilotti & Family

Friday: May 9

9:00am No Daily Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Saturday: May 10

4:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Vittoria Giannantonio & Marianna DeLorio / Anna
Virginia Lanza / Husband, Tony & Family
Santa Andaloro / Beth Welch
Henry & Easter Pagano / Family
Sandra Colantone / Family

Sunday: May 11

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
For all Mothers, Living & Deceased

11:30am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
For all Mothers, Living & Deceased

Bereavement

Remember in your prayers, Mary LeMura,
Edda Iacampo & Anita DeSantis, whose Funeral
Masses we celebrated this week. Our deepest
sympathy to their families.

***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.***



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week
In Loving Memory Of
Michael & Edda Iacampo
Requested by Daughter, Cathy



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of
Virginia Lanza
Requested by Husband Tony & Family

A Family Perspective

Jesus invited the disciples to "Come and have breakfast." At this beach breakfast and the Last Supper Jesus teaches us meals should be more than eating. Family meals are opportunities to share prayer, listen to each other's stories, understand and support one another.

Vocations

As Jesus asked the disciples to bring some of their catch of fish to fire, He asked them to bring souls to Him to be purified. Is He calling you to bring souls to Him through the diaconate, priesthood, or religious life? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org.

Word of Life

"The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new."

Third Sunday of Easter

Our Mission Statement

We, the members of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter, are called to acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus. As our parish affirms its heritage, we continue to reach out to those in need, bring the gospel to all who will receive it, and be formed in the image of Christ through worship and prayer. We value the talents of each of our members and feel it is the responsibility of all to contribute time, talent and tithe to our faith community.

Sacrificial Giving

Please contact Fr. Foley if you have any questions about our parish finances.

April 27, 2025-\$3,605.00

Catholic Home Mission-\$297.00

Lunar New Year Donation-\$4,000.00



Stewardship

Time Talent Treasure

“As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.”

~U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship

Last Call

The drawing for the Holy Name Raffle will be May 14th at 7:00pm in the cafeteria at their regular scheduled meeting. Call Larry Cimino at 315 430 5645 or Joey Cimino at 315 430 0338 to reserve your tickets or for any questions.

There were only 250 tickets available this year.

Each ticket is \$50.00!

1st Prize-\$4000.00

2nd Prize-\$1,000.00

3rd Prize-\$500.00

4th Prize- \$500.00

5th Prize-\$500.00

Let us pray as one family

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parishes and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and homebound.

Jim Albanese, Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Joe Cimino, Vic Coogan, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Audrey Emmi, Tenley Farrow, Marilyn Ferretti, Ruth Fabrizi, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Juanita, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Emma Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Luciano & Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip Marioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Joe Nicoletti, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Emily Rosenthal, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Roseanne Scrimale, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Nicholas Silvaggio, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

Basket Bonanza

Basket Bonanza is next week, **May 10th** at 5:00pm in the cafeteria and is sure to be all the fun and excitement it always is! The baskets and raffle items are always spectacular from themed baskets to every imaginable item from fun to exquisite!!!

Admission is \$10.00 and includes 2 free tickets to use on the basket raffles, the usual delicious food, great fun, door prizes and lots of opportunities to win awesome baskets and items! Get a table together or come solo!

Call at the Parish Office for more information, reservations/tickets, 315-422-7163, or visit us after all Masses this weekend. Call to donate baskets or raffle items.

THE WILD GOOSE

DISCOVERING A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

*YOU ARE INVITED TO THE WILD GOOSE SERIES WITH FR. FOLEY.
TUESDAYS, BEGINNING MAY 6, AT 6PM
AT THE OFFICE/CONVENT OF OUR LADY OF POMPEI/ST. PETER:*

The Wild Goose Series is fourteen independent video segments dealing with different experiences of the Holy Spirit. If you allow him, the Wild Goose will lead you on an adventure greater than you can imagine. The Spirit will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, peace, and presence. The Holy Spirit has been given to us not as a possession to be tamed or controlled, but rather as a Person that will lead us to the Heart of God.

The Wild Goose video series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom.

Like we did with the recent bible study, there will be Adoration of the Eucharist available at 5:30pm, with the video beginning at 6pm, episodes are roughly 25 minutes. The series is intended to run beginning Tuesday, May 6th.

Please RSVP to either parish office if interested, there is no cost to participate. All are welcome!