



Church of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter

Weekly Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Mon -Thurs 9:00 am in the Chapel
Daily Vietnamese Mass: Mon-Fri 5:00 pm in the
Chapel, Sat 8:00 am in the Chapel
Mass Schedule for Holy Days TBA

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Vigil
Sunday Masses: 7:30 am - 11:30 am
Sunday Vietnamese Mass: 9:00 am

Parish Staff

Father Brendan Foley, Parish Administrator
Reverend John Nguyen Chaplain to the Vietnamese Community
Lauri Gildemeyer, Office Manager
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Parish Office

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Joining the Parish

New parishioners always welcome.
Please call the office to become a member.

Sacrament of Penance

Wednesday: 4:00-5:00 at OLP/St. Peter
Thursday: 4:00-5:00 at SJB/HT

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the parish office to schedule with
Fr. Foley.

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the parish office for arrangements. By
Diocesan Law, must be scheduled at least 6
months before wedding.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from the Pastor

Today we are invited to reflect on the beautiful moment of the Wedding Feast at Cana! From a quick glance it reveals a very interesting first miracle for Jesus in John's Gospel—making sure the wine doesn't run out at the party!—yet, below the surface of this event, there is great richness to discover about the heart of God for his people. Last Sunday in the Baptism of the Lord, we saw revealed the presence of the Holy Spirit, the intimacy between Jesus the Son and the Heavenly Father and the communion that unites them. Because of this oneness, in all of Jesus's words and actions he reveals to us the heart or the essence of the Father. Having just concluded our Christmas season, we can say with boldness that the heart of the Father was to enter into space and time and into intimate relationship with his people; to keep us in communion with Him.

The intentionality is fitting, then, that the Gospel of John reports Jesus' first miracle at a wedding, pointing us again to the deeper marriage in the Incarnation: that of the human and divine. But in this first moment of being able to see Jesus' divinity at work, it's not an incredible healing, not a calming of a storm, but rather entering a beautiful celebration, a joyous occasion that he desires to bless. Hold in sight at the same time, the first reading from the prophet Isaiah: *For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.* The Lord approaches us with the desire to be so intimately united to us, in a fruitful and life-giving relationship, like that of a marriage, with permanence and fidelity.

This miracle is more than a moment saving this newly joined family from awkwardness or embarrassment, but also the end of the wine signified the end or dying of the celebration. In biblical times, weddings were not just a one night celebration but they continued for days, and going through the Old Testament, poetic images of wine (especially in abundance) were images of divine life. The flowing of wine described how lavishly the Lord desired to pour out his grace and mercy on his people. It intoxicates, lifts the spirit. To run out of wine, metaphorically invites us to consider the sadness of being separated from God's endless life flowing in us. This was an experience all too familiar to the people of Israel, when they chose to turn away or to fill themselves with what could not ultimately satisfy.

Do we not also do the same? Do we not also fear that God's grace won't satisfy? We turn to the other sources to try to quell or satisfy our desires, but still come up restless, unsatisfied, laden with anxiety...when we are honest with ourselves these other things that we cling to don't have the same capacity to connect us to the heart and life of God. We know this, and yet we still choose in our weakness to try to provide for ourselves instead. The more we confront this reality though, the more we become aware that we need Grace to support and sustain us. How beautiful then, that Mary, full of grace, intercedes with her son in this moment, teaching us by example how we are to live. Mary, who is inundated with the life of grace, shows us what our posture should be when we are faced with a crushing loss—*no more wine, lacking in the divine life?*—what is her instruction? **“Do whatever he tells you.”** This is the key to 'the wine', to engaging divine life: being attentive to whatever it is that Jesus asks of us. In seeking to follow after his ways, Jesus not only shows us the path to life, but he also offers us to be touched and transformed by his divinity in the process so that he can truly follow and accomplish in us the fullness of life both now and in eternal life. May we follow Mary's example and may we drink from the riches of God's divine life anew this day!

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This Week We Remember

Monday: January 20

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
NO Daily Mass - Martin Luther King Day

Tuesday: January 21

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
William M. Merriett / Paul

Wednesday: January 22

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Ron Arena / Joe Falcone

Thursday: January 23

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Phuong Dao Bui / Mark Steigerwald

Friday: January 24

No Daily Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Saturday: January 25

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Benny & Terry Cimino/ Son, Joseph
Antonio Mellace, Ann. / Family
Henry & Esther Pagano / Family
Concetta Piraino / Husband, John

Sunday: January 26

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Antoinette Magnarelli / Jim, Lou Ann & Joe

11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Maryann Vigliotti / Fran & Giovanni Valentino
Leonardo Colavita, Ann. / Family
Rose Caracci / Daughter
Sam Barbato, Ann. / Wife, Rose
Teresa Lagalante & Maria Musone / Cousin, Gilda

Vocations

“Do whatever He tells you.” Mary said this to the servers at the wedding where Jesus turned water into wine for them to enjoy the celebration. Mary cares the same for us and for our joy, so she tells us the same. What is Jesus telling you to do? Is it to become a priest, deacon or religious? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrдио.org.

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.

Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Vic Coogan, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Audrey Emmi, Jon English, 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, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler and Maureen White.

Due to HIPAA laws, hospitals are not allowed to give names of patients. Please notify the parish office, 315-422-7163 if you have a loved one in a hospital, nursing home or is homebound and would like a visit.

A Family Perspective

At Cana we get a good insight into Mary's parenting style. She did not plead, argue, demand or manipulate. She merely pointed out the situation and trusted her son would make the best decision.

St. Therese Meeting

The first St. Therese Meeting of the new year is Thursday, January 23rd at 1:00pm in the Convent. All are welcome to attend! Hope to see you there!!

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of January 25 & 26

Lectors:

4:00 pm Jackie Cimino

7:30 am Maurice Etheredge

11:30 am Ginnie Lostumbo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team II

7:30 am Patty Marco

11:30 am Team I

Take A Chance

Tickets for the Holy Name Raffle are available. This year only 200 tickets will be sold at \$50.00 each. If you want a special numbered ticket, it is first come- first served! Call Larry Cimino at 315 430 5645 or Joey Cimino at 315 430 0338 to reserve your tickets or for any questions. The drawing will be May 14th.

Holy Name thanks you for your support with the raffle and to support our Church!

Hope Appeal

Firm in Faith,

Active in Charity,

Together in Hope

Be a part of history!!! We are so close to reaching our GOAL!!! **The closest in 25 years!!**
Please participate. Please give what you can. Every gift makes a difference as you can see. We are currently at \$18,306.67, that is just \$1,868.67 away from our goal.

If you haven't had an opportunity to donate to the Annual Hope Appeal, won't you prayerfully consider doing so soon. You may bring your completed pledge card to Mass next weekend and drop it in the collection basket or drop it by the parish office or use the return envelope with your letter. You can also make a gift online at

www.surdio.org.

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.

January 12, 2025- \$5,144.00

Your support of our parish is appreciated!

Fuel Collection Time!!!

Please be generous with your donations in the upcoming Fuel Collection Envelope. We only collect for fuel twice a year in anticipation of high heating and electrical costs this winter. We could really use your help! Thank you.

Centennial Corner

Through the 1980's a lot of the testimonies & history documented thus far was able to continue through to the next generation. Many of the organizations still existed & continued many traditions that were established. In 1986 Father Charles Borgognoni announced that the Pompeian Players were ending their run. This news was read into the congressional record, by George C. Wortley to the New York State House of Representatives on Wednesday, April 23, 1986. Their last production was Annie before their run concluded. That May, the Players held an alumni party at the War Memorial.



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Please
join us



2025

Taste of Pompei

Saturday, February 8th

5:00 pm

*Our Lady of Pompeii/
St. Peter Cafeteria*

\$20.00 per person

We are looking for chefs and bakers!
If you are interested please let us know!

Calling all Chefs & Bakers

Taste of Pompeii will be February 8th at 5:00pm, we are looking for chefs and bakers - if you would like to volunteer to cook, bake or volunteer at the event

If you are willing to volunteer your culinary services, please contact the parish office or Colleen & Eric Rosenthal 315.427.6474 or croenthal@syrdiocese.org. (Please note: Colleen works in Catholic Schools and will not be able to answer calls during the day, feel free or leave a message or text).

We've got some great dishes on board already including tortellini alfredo, utica greens, smoked pork loin, chicken riggies, eggplant, colcannon and more!

We will be selling tickets after all masses in the gathering space. We are looking forward to seeing everyone for this fun annual event that brings our parish together.

Call Now and Sign Up For : The Mystery of the Bible!

This program is something so transformative and something everyone can participate in and benefit from. We've always wanted to read the bible but never know where to start or even how to begin. You will love this opportunity!

It will be Tuesday nights for 8 weeks that will start Tuesday, February 4. Adoration in the Chapel from 5:30-6:00, Video starts at 6, dismissal by 7pm! (If there is enough interest to do a second group during the day or at a different time, I am open to it, but just simply need to let me know, 315-422-7163). We understand people aren't comfortable driving at night in the winter!

There is a workbook companion to this program, which is \$20 which includes a workbook, helpful bible timeline chart, bookmark, and access to videos online. **You can participate in this group even without paying for the materials if you just simply want to enjoy the group, the content and the prayer time** But it would be helpful for planning purposes if you would still let us know your interest! Thank you!

IGNITE 2025

Catholic Men's Conference: Saturday, March 29th

We are excited to announce that the IGNITE Catholic Men's Conference is back with a great lineup of speakers: Bear Woznick, Fr Chase Hilgenbrinck and Ben Steele. As always Bishop Lucia will start the day with Holy Mass. IGNITE will return to Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School this year. Mark your calendar NOW and register early to save \$20. We are challenging everyone to not only register yourself but bring a family member or friend to share the day.

Please go to the event website for the bio's of the speakers, schedule for the day and to register. Register online at www.ignitecatholicmen.org

Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

100th Year Happenings

As Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter Church celebrates its 100th Anniversary, mark your calendars and attend our monthly events!

***The Lunar New Year** will be held in the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Gym on Saturday, February 1st. Let us all support the Vietnamese Community on one of their biggest celebrations!

***Taste of Pompei** will be February 8th at 5:00pm at Our Lady of Pompei Cafeteria.

***Basket Bonanza** will take place in March. The date is TBA.

*Our Centennial Celebration will wrap up with the “**Centennial Gala**” on April 26th after the Centennial Mass at 4:00PM. The Gala will take place at Barbagallo’s Restaurant.



Why is Ordinary Time called “ordinary?”

Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar does not mean it is unimportant or not special. The word “ordinary” is in reference to “ordinal” or numbered. The weeks in Ordinary Time are numbered emphasizing a progression of time as we journey with Christ and deepen our relationship through the Scripture readings. During Ordinary Time, the Church provides a structured cycle of readings from the Scriptures. Each Sunday, we hear a specific Gospel passage that builds on the previous weeks. Each numbered Sunday serves as a reminder that our faith is not static; it is meant to grow and evolve.

Parish Office Closed

The offices will be closed on Monday, January 20th to celebrate Martin Luther King Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 21st at 8:30am.

Mixing of the Water & Wine

Putting water into wine is first and foremost a very practical gesture originating in Jewish liturgy. On feast days, the wine — often very strong in those arid, sun-drenched lands — is diluted before drinking. The origin of this practice is a reminder that the institution of the Eucharist is rooted in the festive meals of the people of Israel. Just as Jesus transforms water into wine at the Wedding at Cana, the addition of water to the wine symbolizes the transformation that occurs during the Liturgy of the Eucharist as part of the Preparation of the Gifts. The water represents humanity, while the wine represents divinity. When they are mixed, it reflects the union of Christ’s divine and human natures, which is a central belief in Catholic theology.

During this action in the Mass, the priest says quietly:

“By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.”

Envelope Etiquette

When using your weekly envelopes:

- **ALWAYS** mark the outside of your envelope with the correct dollar amount that is inside. This will ensure that you receive proper credit for your end of the year tax report.
- **NEVER** use TAPE or STAPLES when sealing your envelope. (Our contribution envelopes are fed through a machine to post to your account. If they are torn from removing tape or staples, we pay extra to have them processed.)
- If you want to write a check once a month for your envelopes, just place your check in one envelope and mark it accordingly.
- If you miss a weekend Mass and want to make it up, it is not necessary to write two checks and use two envelopes. Just write **ONE** check for both weeks and place it in just **ONE** envelope.

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The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of
the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from
within both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Franciscus

Lunar New Year

As we continue our Centennial
Celebration, let us all support the
Vietnamese Community on one of
their biggest celebrations!

*The Vietnamese Celebration of the
Lunar New Year Is February 1st from
6pm-11pm in Our Lady of Pompei/St.
Peter Gym.* There will be Traditional
Vietnamese Food & Drinks, Live
Music, 50/50 & lottery boards and
so much more. Come for an hour or
stay the whole night! *All are welcome!*

Chương Trình Ca Nhạc
Mừng Xuân Ất Tỵ
Saturday February 1st, 2025 * 6:00 pm - Midnight
The CAP - 923 N. McBride St * Syracuse, NY 13208

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