

Church of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

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*Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord,
and
Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.
May They Rest In Peace.*

November 9, 2025

A Message from the Pastor

Another (unusual) blessed Sunday celebration! Every November 9, the universal Church pauses to honor the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, which is the Pope's own cathedral in Rome and the mother church of the world, serving as a bold sign of our unity. Built stone by stone, it was consecrated in 324 AD. The celebration today is intended to remind us that God does not dwell in a house made by human hands alone, but in a living sanctuary. The tremendous beauty of the structures of our physical church buildings are intended to draw us into the unsurpassed beauty of God and heavenly life beyond anything we could ever imagine. We hear St. Paul remind us today, *"Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?"* (1 Cor 3:16), meaning that our bodies, having been redeemed and sanctified, become temples--"living stones"--where the Lord seeks to intimately dwell, and by his presence, he strengthens his mystical Body on earth. The intended beauty of our physical churches directs us to what our interior temples should also strive to reflect, namely, the purity of divine grace and holiness.

Our bodies, enlivened by grace (in the flowing waters of Baptism) become consecrated and holy, echoing the prophet Ezekiel's vision of life-giving waters streaming from the temple threshold in our first reading. The veiled emphasis here is the power of this water streaming forth from the very sides of the temple, capable of transforming barren deserts into flourishing gardens. This vivid imagery resonates deeply with Jesus' words during the Feast of Tabernacles in John 7: **"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them"** (Jn 7:37-38). Here, Christ unveils himself as the true Temple, its perfect fulfillment, the source from which the Holy Spirit now gushes forth like an inexhaustible river. St. John relates that this water *is* the Holy Spirit, literally poured out from Christ's pierced side on the Cross and unleashed at Pentecost. From Jesus' side, the blood and water poured forth *the very life source* pulsing through the "sacrament" that is the Church. The Church is born from our Lord's pierced side open wide. How tremendously beautiful that quite literally from Jesus' heart pierced for us, comes forth divine life cleansing the earth and is now ceaselessly offered to us freely in the Sacraments to continue to pour forth his very life into you and me for our transformation and sanctification.

In our Gospel today, we have the familiar account of Jesus' cleansing of the temple. Jesus had already promised: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (Jn 2:19). The *new* temple is His Body; and again, by His grace we are invited to be incorporated into his mystical Body, grafted on to his life, which is sustained as He intended through the Sacramental life of the Church on earth. Jesus' reaction in the Gospel today to the state and wellbeing of the temple should strike us. We, too, must take time to evaluate the wellbeing of our own participation in his Body. What kind of "living stone" is my life? So often we tarnish and wound the beauty of our earthly temples/bodies with sin, and that the image of the Lord in us is disfigured time and again by our words and actions. So for the disciple, this beautiful feast today is a summons to renew interior intimacy and interior purification that the Lord may take up residence within us in purity of heart. The Sacrament of Mercy heals and restores what sin destroys and disfigures. We remember that prayer is much more than a duty, but rather a thirst--honest, urgent, personal--that only the Lord can satisfy. We come to Christ as He really is: the source, the spring, the river from whom true life flows. In silent adoration, in the slow savoring of Scripture, in the Eucharist received with awe, we drink from His life. And having drunk, the Spirit who wells up within us is to become a flowing current of mercy, virtue, and courage that irrigates families, workplaces, and to our world.

In an age of endless distractions and spiritual aridity, we are summoned to seek sincere intimacy with Jesus, approaching him daily with the raw thirst of the soul. Like the woman at the well (John 4) or the crowds at Tabernacles (John 7), we must drink deeply from his pierced side, allowing the Holy Spirit to well up life within us. It is there, in prayer, that we will discover the truth that Jesus himself is actually thirsting for you and your response to his call, for whom he gave his life and loved with unfathomable love. Consider once again the hope offered from our first reading, *"Wherever the river flows, every sort of living creature that can multiply shall live..."* May the grace that flows to us from the Holy Spirit today restore us and fill us with new life

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We Are So Close.. . .

The sound system in the church is going to be upgraded!! To date we have received a total of **\$37,914.00** in donations. You too, can make a donation through the use of your "Blue Envelope" marked Sound System. Any overage in contributions once we've reached our goal will immediately contribute to the next improvements to our building and are restricted for that use.

We know the pride we take in our parish church and our stewardship to provide for her future. Please know that the contribution you offer, no matter the size, brings us closer to our goal.

Mail Delays

Please use our new mailing address when sending correspondence to the church. If you are sending the mail to 301 Ash Street or 920 N. McBride Street it is taking at least a week to receive it. The proper address is:
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church
P.O. Box 11082
Syracuse, New York 13218
Also, please note the zip code, 13218.

Thanksgiving Bags

The brown bags for the Thanksgiving Baskets are at all entrances of the church. The donations are due back to church no later than November 15th @ 16th. This will give time for packaging and distribution so that they are received in time for the holiday. Each bag has a list attached with some food suggestions. Thank you for your generosity and making Thanksgiving happy for everyone.

Honoring our Altar Servers

The weekend of November 15th @ 16th we will honor our dedicated Altar Servers at all Masses. Please take a moment before or after Mass and let them know how appreciated they are!



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.

November 2, 2025-\$5,643.00

Blue-\$317.00

All Saints-\$926.00

All Souls-\$780.00

Seminary-\$189.00

Once again, many of you have increased your offering. Please know that this does not go unnoticed! Everyone's generosity is what makes our Church so wonderful!! Please remember Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter in your Will.

Hope Appeal

We have collected **\$9,775.00** from 74 families. If you haven't had an opportunity to make your donation yet, please prayerfully do so as soon as possible. It is very important for all of us to participate. For it is together we strengthen our church and serve others. Our goal is \$20,175.00.

Vocations

Christ's love for His Father drove Him to act on His behalf in the temple, so others may see their wrong actions and turn back to God. How is God calling you to act on the Father's behalf? Is it as a deacon, a priest, or a religious? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrдио.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.

Parish Office Closed

The Parish office will be closed on Tuesday, November 11th in Observance of Veteran Day. We will reopen on Wednesday morning at 8:30am.

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This Week We Remember

Monday: November 10

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Vittorio Perrotta / Wife & Family

Tuesday: November 11

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

Wednesday: November 12

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Deceased members of the Anthony Adornato
Family / Family

Thursday: November 13

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Joseph Farone Jr., Ann. / The Farone Family

Friday: November 14

9:00 am No Daily Mass at OLP / St. P

Saturday: November 15

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Henry & Esther Pagano / Family
Sandra Colantone / Family
Benny, Terry, Joseph Cimino / Family
Al Petragnani / Peter & Niki Penizotto
Benny Campolo / Joanne

Sunday: November 16

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Joseph & Mina Burns /
Henry & Veronica Pagano

11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Anthony James Cannizzaro / John & Margherita
Cosmo & Grace Medico / Daughter, Frances
Deceased of the Progresso Lodge / OSDIA
Marlene Gioia / Carmen & Josephine Federico
Joanna Federico Cox / Mom & Dad
Deceased of the Mule` & Cannizzaro Families /
John & Margherita

Your Invited to the All Souls Mass

The All Souls Mass for the Holy Name Society
and the Society of St. Therese will take place in
Church on November 12th at 6:00pm. At this
Mass all deceased members names of both
societies will be announced. Hope you can
attend this tribute for those who have gone
before us!



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week In
Loving Memory Of

Ben & Celia Pisano

Requested by Anita & Family



Eucharistic Angels

Burning In Loving Memory of

Alberto Fabrizi

Requested by Ginnie Lostumbo

Let us pray as one family

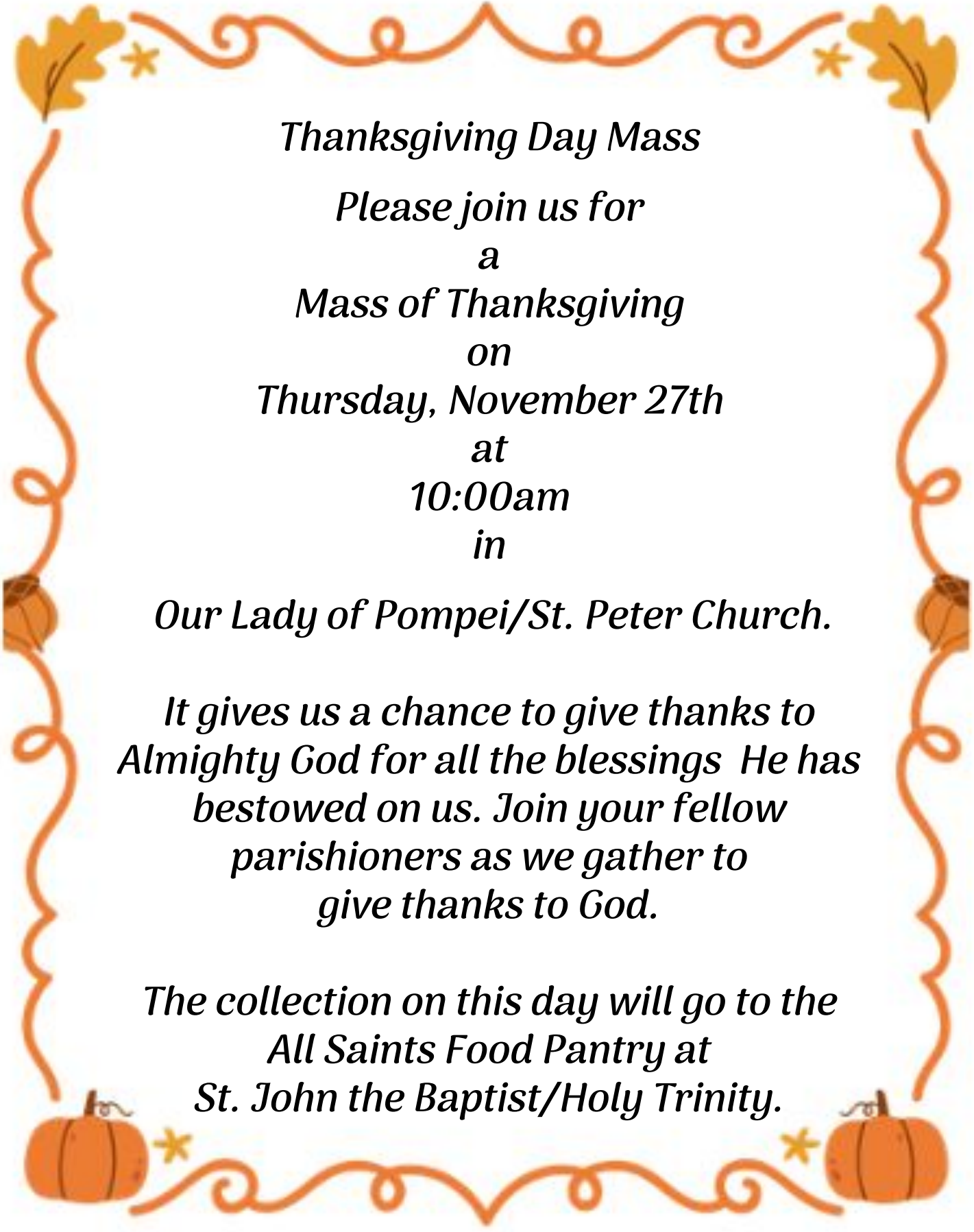
Please remember in your prayers the
sick of our parishes.

Jim Albanese, Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock,
Nancy Bailey, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello,
Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Vic
Coogan, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo,
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, Janna Lavoie, Kay Ledermann, Jackie
Limeri, Luciano & Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip
Marioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane
Moro, Joe Nicoletti, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia
Children, Emily Rosenthal, Faith Setzer, Marion
Sherwood, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick
St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro,
Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

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.

Respect Life

"In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and
policies, the transformation of our culture also
requires continual conversion of our own
hearts, so that we can recognize in every
person the face of Christ and place their needs
before our own."



Thanksgiving Day Mass
Please join us for
a
Mass of Thanksgiving
on
Thursday, November 27th
at
10:00am
in

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church.

*It gives us a chance to give thanks to
Almighty God for all the blessings He has
bestowed on us. Join your fellow
parishioners as we gather to
give thanks to God.*

*The collection on this day will go to the
All Saints Food Pantry at
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity.*

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Holy Name Raffle

Tickets for the Holy Name Raffle are now available! The drawing will be at their May meeting on May 13th. This year 300 tickets will be sold at \$50.00 each. The prizes are as follows: 1st-\$5,000.00, 2nd-\$1,000.00, 3rd-\$1,000.00 and 4th-\$500.00.

If you want a special numbered ticket, it is on a first come- first served! Call Larry Cimino at 315 430 5645 to reserve your tickets or for any questions. Holy Name thanks you for your support!

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of November 15 & 16

Lectors, your new Lector Workbooks are available for pick up in the Sacristy.

Lectors:

4:00 pm Jackie Cimino

7:30 am Jim Magnarelli

11:30 am Mary Scarfino

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team I

7:30 am Maurice Etheredge

11:30 am Team III

Religious Education Classes

The weekend of November 16

Day of the Son (DOS) Class at 10:15am

First Penance at 10:15am

FFI Class at 10:15am

FFII Class at 10:15am

Giving Tree

Next week, The Annual Giving Tree will be set up in the Gathering Space, November 15th & 16th. We ask you to take a tag or two. The tag will indicate the item needed to be purchased. It is important that all gifts be returned by December 13th & 14th at the very latest. Please only use gift bags, no boxes or wrapped gifts. Please attach the tag to the bag. Thank you in advance for making this a truly special time for those less fortunate.

The Month of November

The month of November is dedicated to the holy souls in Purgatory. This month, let us offer a work of mercy by praying for those who are deceased, particularly those in our families.

Society of St. Therese Bake Sale

All parishioners are invited to bake for the Fall Bake Sale sponsored by the Society of St. Therese. The bake sale is on November 22nd & 23rd after all Masses. The choice is yours...cakes, pies, cookies and or breads. All proceeds will benefit our parish. Thank you in advance for your support.

Meeting Dates

The Next Holy Name Meeting is November 12th after the Deceased Members Mass at 7:00pm in the cafeteria.

St. Therese Society Meeting is November 20th at 1:00pm in the Convent. Please note that because of Thanksgiving the meeting is one week earlier than normal.

Up to Baking?????



In our usual Pompei/St Peter hospitality we will be baking and sharing cookies for the Vienna Boys Choir Concert.

As we did 3 years ago when we hosted the Choir, we are planning on making 5 different kinds of Italian Cookies, (500 of each). Each of the 500 concert goers will receive a box of 5 (one of each kind). So we will need 2500 total cookies. It was an absolute dream to so many of the attendees that many have mentioned it when purchasing this year!!! So if you are interested in helping with one batch or many...all are appreciated!

- 1) Almond Paste
- 2) Chocolate Balls
- 3) Butter Balls
- 4) Pistachio cookies (we will provide the recipe)
- 5) Tadals (white cookie, yellow cookies, lemon balls)

We have adorable boxes to put them in and each concert goer will be handed a box of the deliciousness at the end of the concert. They are invited to have them there with coffee or bring them home (or a combination of both).

If you are interested in helping bake please let us know by calling the Parish Offices at 315 422 7163. Thank you so much!!



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ALL EYES ON THE VIENNA BOYS CHOIR

With the Spaghetti Supper behind us (this writing is Monday before so no report yet, a lot of gratitude tho!).

We are now looking to all the exciting happenings and planning of the Vienna Boys Choir concert that the last month is presenting. Dec.10 th is right around the corner and we are so excited that our beautiful church will again be hosting this incredible concert from Vienna, Austria. We received the Holiday Program of music/songs they will be performing and we are so happy to see so many familiar and beautiful songs. To mention a few ...The Prayer, Hail Holy Queen, Joyful, Joyful (Ode to Joy), Wiegenlied, O Tannenbaum (Oh Christmas Tree, I heard the Bells on Christmas Day, The Little Drummer Boy (The Carol of the Drum), Gesu Bambino, Hark the Herald Angels Sing...and so many more incredible and special songs. If you haven't gotten tickets yet, we hope you will soon as this is going to be an evening to remember and treasure forever. The \$100.00 seats are sold out but we still have some great \$75.00 seats. So give us a call or stop in the back after all masses to purchase tickets.

If you are interested in joining the wonderful sponsors that are supporting this great event we would be so grateful!! We also have ad opportunities available for the wonderful program book/playbill the night of the concert. It's a great way for promoting your business, remembering or honoring loved ones, expressing gratitude, sharing special messages, or wishing holiday blessings. In turn it is supporting this fantastic event and our wonderful Parish.

We will be in the back of church after all masses for seating, sponsorship, volunteer sign ups, ad opportunities or for more information. You can also call or visit the Parish Offices (315 422 7163) or call Lucy's cell at 315 345 0562. As always, Cash, Checks and Credit Cards are accepted.

We can't say it enough... that whether you are joining us for the concert, sponsoring, placing ads, part of our wonderful committee, volunteering to help, baking, spreading the word, or simply saying a prayer for the the concerts success. . . we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

