

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, Pastor
Reverend John Nguyen Chaplain to the Vietnamese Community
Lauri Gildemeyer, Office Manager
James Stanley, Director of Music
D.J. Scarfino, Facilities Manager

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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.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday morning week of publication

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from the Pastor

Another Sunday, and another vineyard! The readings this Sunday follow our themes from last week too, and much like our inclination to potentially make judgments about the various groups of laborers or the landowner himself, we should consider a pause before we make any assessments of the chief priests, the "yes-but-no" son, or the tax collectors in today's Gospel. Overall, the readings reflect the divided heart that lives in each of us. Placing ourselves in Jesus' parable, one part of us likely answers the Father promptly and piously! Another part probably quietly refuses the call to work in the vineyard. Pope Benedict XVI saw in the parable Jesus' "predilection for sinners who convert" and the necessity of humility if we are to receive salvation at all, again showing the generous and merciful heart of the Lord. Lest we miss it, Pope Benedict points out for us not to miss that there's a *third* Son in the reading—the one who both says yes and does the Father's will—it is Christ himself, who emptied himself and became obedient unto death.

That 'emptying' is the pattern, not an optional extra. Philippians chapter 2 that we hear in our second reading is not a beautiful hymn we can simply admire from a distance. Rather, it is *the* mind we are commanded to have among ourselves. Whenever we face temptations to grasp at reputation, control, or having the last word, whenever we count ourselves more important than the person in front of us–we may find that we are living the opposite of Jesus' pouring-out of his life. Jesus' loving and complete emptying of self is what has saved us and even now shows us how we must live. At the heart of it, the spiritual life is not merely about performing what needs to be done or saying the prayers that need to be said. It is about consenting, again and again, to be emptied of the "self that will not go" into the vineyard, to have our lives to be made one with the life of the Lord.

Ezekiel's word cuts through an often favorite excuse: "The Lord's way is not fair." How often we feel this way! God answers the echoed frustration that the issue is not *His* fairness but rather our turning away, our choosing ourselves, our prideful tendencies. The point is that a just person can still die in iniquity; a 'wicked' person who turns seeking mercy and transformation of life shall live. It's a good and beautiful thing that the Lord is patient and generous with his mercy. The past does not have to have the last word. What matters is the direction of the heart today and the authenticity of our response now. That is both severe and astonishingly merciful. No one is locked into yesterday's refusal. Helpful applications follow from this.

First, consider examining the gap between word and deed within your own heart. Are there places where have I said "yes, Lord" in prayer, at Mass, or in conversation, and then not followed through? Where might I better allow for grace to transform me in striving to imitate joyfully Christ's self-emptying? Do I allow space and silence for the Lord to respond to me in prayer where I might be clutching to 'unfairness' or 'bitterness', and am I willing to allow the mercy of the Lord to heal something beyond measure that even I might have doubted still could be healed?

Questions for prayer this week: Which "son" from the parable am I today—the one who refuses and then goes, or the one who agrees and stays home? Where is Christ asking me to empty myself rather than grasp? What would it look like, concretely, to "turn" or be called anew to grow and live? The Father is still sending us into the vineyard. The third Son has already gone ahead of us and made the way. Humility is how we must trust and follow!

September 27, 2026



Wedding Banns
1. Gabriella Corasanti & Logan Persse

Liturgical Ministers
Weekend of October 3rd & 4th
4:00 pm Jackie Cimino
7:30 am Maryann Iannettone
11:30 am Mary Scarfino
Eucharistic Ministers:
4:00 pm Team I
7:30 am Joe Abt
11:30 am Team III

Our Address
We have had our P.O. Box address for over a year now and the mail will no longer get forwarded to us at the old address. So, please mail all correspondence to :
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
P.O.Box 11082
Syracuse, New York 13218

Coming Soon:
A member of our Finance Council will give an update on a number of things relevant to our parish life at the end of Mass. Updates on the various projects our parish is taking on, as well as the year-end financials from the past year. Thank you as always for your care and attention to these important matters.

The Annual Hope Appeal
We are in full swing for this years Hope Appeal The theme is "We Are The Body of Christ"! This year our goal is $20,982.00. Let us try to reach our goal as soon as we can, so please prayerfully consider making a donation or pledge. Our first report from the Foundation should be coming out soon.

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.

September, 2026-$TBA
Blue/Parking Lot-$TBA

As always,thank you for your support !!

No Tape Please
Our new Church envelopes have a new design and all the vital information on the back side of the envelope. So we ask that now more than ever you DO NOT use tape to hold the flap down. It is very difficult to remove the tape and keep all the important information intact. Thanks!

Online Giving
Want to use online giving for your Sunday Offering? You can set up your recurring donations by scanning the QR Code provided. Vanco is the company that processes your donations. They will provide you with a financial statement at the end of the fiscal year.

Early Closure on Wednesdays
The Parish Office will continue to close on Wednesday's at 11:30am.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week We Remember....

Monday: September 28
9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Pasquale Sisera / Wife, Gilda

Tuesday: September 29
9:00 am No Daily Mass -Priest Convocation

Wednesday: September 30
9:00 am No Daily Mass -Priest Convocation

Thursday: October 1
9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Melissa DelMonico Hart/Leo Massaro & Family

Friday: October 2
No Daily Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Saturday: October 3
4:00 pm Mass in the Church
Giovanna & Antonio Barbuto / Family
Frank DeMichele, Ann. / Wife & Family
Frank Yaizzo, W. Ann. / Rose & Family
Louis Destefano, Ann. / Wife, Connie & Family
Dan Laurenti, Ann. / Mom, Dan & Danny
Richard Sisto & Frank Giannantonio / Frank

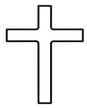
Sunday: October 4
7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Joseph Nguyen Thanh VII / Wife & Children

11:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St Peter
Anne Falvo 24yr. Ann /
Daughters, Marietta & Annie
Angeline DeMascoli (B) / Grandson, Anthony
Joseph Lostumbo (B) / Ginnie Lostumbo
Martin & Nancy Duffy / Alex & Pat
James Albanese / Ginnie Lostumbo



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During
The Week In
Loving Memory Of
Dan Laurenti, Ann.
Requested by Mom, Dan & Danny



Sanctuary Lamps

Burning In Loving Memory of
Sophie Cutrone
Requested by Daughter, Mary



Eucharistic Angels

Burning In Loving Memory of
Sophie Cutrone
Requested by Daughter, Mary

Let us pray as one family

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parishes. Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Arlene Bukowski, Dominick Brancato, Ashley Caiello, Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Hank Donohue, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Audrey Emmi, Marilyn Ferretti, Ruth Fabrizi, Ellen Gangemi,Gladys Graham, 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, Rita Nicoletti, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Emily Rosenthal, Francesca Santoro, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Fran Ward, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

Assumption and The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Preached Novena: Friday September 25 through Saturday October 3, 7:30-8:00pm in the Main Church. The 9th day will culminate in the Transitus Prayer Service with Reception to follow. Tour of Assumption Church on Sat 10/3 at 9:00am (gather in the Grotto) Feast day Mass, Sunday Oct 4, with BBQ to follow. Annual blessing of Animals at 1pm!



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Clergy Convocation

This week is the Annual Clergy Convocation, September 28-30. The priests of the diocese will be on retreat with Bishop Lucia from the afternoon of Monday the 28th to Wednesday the 30th. Masses (likely) as normal at Assumption/The Franciscan Place. No daily Mass Tuesday or Wednesday at Pompei/St. Peter this week (but Monday yes!)

Mary's Closet Updates

This week we welcomed a new volunteer to Mary's Closet. Would you like to join in? Please let us know.

Call for Singers!

The Sacred Music Society of Syracuse is seeking interested singers and students (16 and older) from Diocese to join a Festival Choir in its performance of the St. Cecilia Mass by Charles Gounod as a concert, with orchestra, under the direction of Peter Ciarelli, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 2pm on Sunday, November 23rd. Rehearsals will be at St. Daniel's Church from 3:00pm to 5:00pm Sundays from, October 4 through November 15th. The Concert is free and open to the public. No experience required. Music for the Mission will accept donations to help feed the homeless. For more info or to sign up, please call Megan Fallon at 315-727-6336 or email at syrdiofestshorus@gmail.com.

Word of the Lord

"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die… The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'"

Safe Environment Training

For **all** those who help at Mass, Ushers, Lectors, those assisting with Communion, Choir Members, anyone helping in the Sacristy--are to be Safe Environment trained. This is to ensure the safety of all our young people or vulnerable adults, and also to protect our volunteers, too.

Pre-Registration required online (https://syracusediocese.org/initial-safe-environment-training-for-adults) These are upcoming dates and locations: at Most Holy Rosary School, Tues 10/6 5:30pm at Holy Cross, DeWitt. Please take advantage of these local classes!

Mass Book Is Open

The 2027 Mass Book is open!! Cost for each Mass Intention is $15.00.

Please remember that we are only allowed to have one Mass Intention for Daily Masses and the 7:30am Mass on Sunday. At the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass as well as the 11:30am Mass we are allowed to have 5 Intentions.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Class Registration is now live! This is the first week of class, Sunday September 27th. Registration is newly available online, too! Visit our parish website to complete the digital form. Paper forms are still available in the gathering space for those who need. Saturday, October 3rd at the 4pm Mass will be a kick off Mass for Faith Formation/ Religious Ed. All families and youth in all grades, for a Bilingual-English/Vietnamese Mass. We will bless our students and families and their catechists! It will be a beautiful celebration for our parish family! You won't want to miss it!