



# 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  
Mary Beth Meade, Director of Religious Education  
James Stanley, Director of Music  
D.J. Scarfino, Facilities Manager

### Parish Office

920 North McBride Street, Syracuse, NY 13208  
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm

### Contact Information

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Website: [ourladyofpompei-stpeters.org](http://ourladyofpompei-stpeters.org)

### 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

Held Sunday's after the 11:30 am mass. Call  
the parish office to schedule.

### Sacrament of Marriage

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

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

## A Message from the Pastor

The challenge of our readings this Sunday is one that invites us to contemplate the transformative power of God's peace and the necessity to live with docility to the guidance of the Spirit. Acts 15, the first reading, is a critical moment in the life of the first disciples. We encounter the Church grappling with division over whether the new gentile converts must also follow Jewish customs, specifically circumcision. The apostles and elders, guided by the Holy Spirit, convene to address this conflict. We can learn from how they address this issue, how they handle the solution, and we can even take great comfort in realizing the fact that there has never been a time in the history of the Church where there weren't challenges and difficult subjects needing to be addressed.

The result reflects a biblical truth that is still relevant today. While their ancestors were called to live the covenant as God's chosen people with the law of Moses, time and again they found themselves observing merely the external components of this relationship without continuity in the interior disposition of their hearts. In other words, often the discord within the heart impacted the genuineness of their practice of the faith. And so, rightly the apostles discern that the matter of living the faith must move beyond simply observing practices and laws. It is also deeply concerned with the conversion of the heart that should naturally inform the actions or expression of one's faith. Our lives as disciples should reflect an integrated, holistic life that gives and receives from our communion with the heart of God and the truth of the Gospel. The faith is intended to be something that we live and breathe, not just something we do here and there, and it's because the Lord desires for us to live in his peace and abundance.

The gospel again today presents Jesus offering us a tender promise: those who love Him will keep His word, and the Father and Son will come to dwell within. This intimate indwelling is paired with the gift of the Holy Spirit, who will teach and remind the disciples of Jesus' words. The peace Jesus offers is not worldly but a deep, abiding assurance that transcends fear. Peace in the spiritual life is not merely a sense of comfort or an absence of conflict or finding answers to our questions, but rather it is the upward movement of our soul to love God more. It is true that you can abide in this kind of peace, and have access to the abundance of divine life, while simultaneously facing great hardships and difficulties in life. "Peace" that Jesus offers is quite sincerely the gift of himself, which teaches us that we can't just create or force this to come, but through the help of the Holy Spirit we come to receive this more and more as we turn and ask for it with humble and trusting hearts. The disciples experienced the truth while discerning with the Holy Spirit and followed after even though there were differing opinions of what the answer to their question should be.

Together, these readings weave a tapestry of love, unity, and divine guidance. They call us to live as a community that reflects our ongoing commitment to conversion of interiority of heart, to trust in the Spirit's ability to give divine wisdom, and the call for us to anchor our lives in the peace of Christ. As we navigate our own challenges, may we embody this vision, becoming beacons of God's light in a world longing for hope.

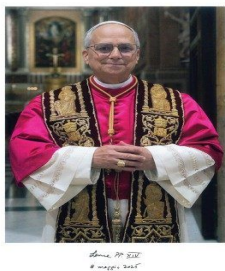
# May 25, 2025

## ***Pope Leo XIV - Coat of Arms***

In a Pope's Coat of Arms there is always:

1. Crossed keys of gold and silver symbolizing the Keys of St. Peter, with spiritual and temporal power.
2. A Mitre or "triple tiara" with 3 bands of gold representing the three powers of the Supreme Pontiff: Sacred Orders, Jurisdiction, and Magisterium.
3. The Shield carries symbols connected to the person.

The ribbon with a motto is customary of heraldry, but it is not a required element of the Coat of Arms. Pope Leo's motto translated is: "In the One, we are one" which reflects echoes of St. Augustine's sermon on Psalm 127, where he explains that "although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one." The symbols on the shield include a lily symbol for his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Augustinian symbol of the pieced heart transformed by the Word of God.



## ***Pilgrims of Hope - The Church celebrates Family!***

A mom of 4 little ones years ago, remembers the challenges of bringing her crew to Mass... talk about a pilgrimage! It took planning, collaboration with her husband, timing, packing necessities. But the pilgrimage was always worth the joy it brought.

Let us all remember the joy of having the gift of these beautiful children in our midst. Rejoice when you hear the fidgety, crying, babbling babies and toddlers. Offer a prayer of gratitude for the gift of life. Together, we are one family, pilgrims of hope, leading each other to Christ.

## ***Msgr. William L. Walsh Golf Tournament***

The 27th Annual Msgr. William L. Walsh Golf Tournament will be held on July 21st at Tuscarora Golf Club. Lunch will be served at 11:30am followed by a Shot Gun start at 12:30pm. There will be the Captain & Crew Format, Steak Dinner & Awards and Prizes Cost-Just \$150.00 per golfer! Gather your foursomes now! Only 20 teams will play. Registration forms will be out soon.

Would you or your company like to become a hole sponsor for \$100.00 or would you like to donate something for a door prize?

We thank you for your consideration and are grateful for any support you can offer. All proceeds go directly to the Church. Contact Joe Penizotto at 315-415-7468 of Lauri at the Parish Office, 315-422-7163.

## ***Parish Office & Mass Update***

There will be no daily Mass on Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day and the Parish Office will be closed. Thursday, May 29th for the Ascension of the Lord the Parish Offices will also be closed. The Ascension Mass Schedule will be as follows:

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter in Church 9:00am  
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity 12:15pm  
St. Anthony of Padua (Spanish) 6:00pm

## ***It's not too late to join us in "The Wild Goose Series" with Fr. Foley"***

The series is intended to run each Tuesday. There will be Adoration of the Eucharist available at 5:30pm, with the video beginning at 6pm, episodes are roughly 25 minutes. Need not be present each week. Please RSVP to either parish office if interested, there is no cost to participate. All are welcome!

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

## ***Pope Leo XIV*** - An Augustinian Priest

Our new pope was first ordained as an Augustinian priest. What does this mean? Pope Leo XIV, was an Augustinian priest, which means he belonged to the Order of Saint Augustine. This religious order is a group of men and women who follow the teachings of Saint Augustine, a famous early Christian bishop and theologian. Augustinians focus on living in community, prayer, and serving others, especially those in need. They strive to grow closer to God through their actions and by sharing their faith with others. Pope Leo XIV was ordained as a priest on June 19, 1982.

The prayer to the Holy Spirit, below, by St. Augustine, connects beautifully with the Gospel for the 6th Sunday of Easter Year C, John 14:23-29. In this Gospel, Jesus promises the Holy Spirit, who will teach and remind us of His teachings.

St. Augustine's prayer asks the Holy Spirit to guide our thoughts, actions, and hearts towards holiness. It reflects the role of the Holy Spirit as our helper and teacher, as mentioned in the Gospel. This prayer helps us seek the Holy Spirit's guidance in living a holy life.

### **Prayer to the Holy Spirit by St. Augustine:**

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my  
thoughts may all be holy.  
Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too,  
may be holy.  
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but  
what is holy.  
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all  
that is holy.  
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always  
may be holy.  
Amen.

## ***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.

**May 18, 2025-\$4,309.00  
Blue-\$188.00**

**You may have noticed that our weekly collections have taken a dip in the last few months. We thank those who have seen the shortfall and have increased their weekly contributions. With that being said, our fiscal year ends on June 30th. Let's do what we can to end the year on a strong note!**

**Thank you for your commitment to our parish!**

## ***Coffee Hour Celebration***

Mark your calendars for the weekend of June 7th & 8th for a Coffee Hour to **celebrate Fr. Foley as he celebrates his 4th Anniversary of his Ordination.** Also, that weekend is Pentecost Weekend. **Wear Red!!!**

## ***50th Anniversary of Ordination***

At 9am on June 1st Father Lester Smith will celebrate Mass at St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity. Father's 50th anniversary of ordination was May 10th. He will preside and there will be a reception after Mass. **All are welcome!**

# May 25, 2025

## ***This Week We Remember***

### **Monday: May 26**

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

### **Tuesday: May 27**

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

### **Wednesday: May 28**

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Rocky Barbato / Louis Fratangelo

### **Thursday: May 29**

#### **The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
For the People of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
12:15pm St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity  
6:00pm St. Anthony's Church (Spanish)

### **Friday: May 30**

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

### **Saturday: May 31**

4:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Benny & Terry Cimino / Son, Joseph  
Anne DeSantis (B) / Sandy, Dan & Danny  
Erik Heisler (B) / Sandy, Dan & Danny  
Henry & Esther Pagano / Family  
Rosemary Nastri, Ann. / Mary Linda Raccaia

### **Sunday: June 1**

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Sandra Colantone / Susan DeLapp

11:30am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Vito Toia / Betty & Family  
Matteo & Antonietta Paduano / Daughter, Cnora  
Nick Muraca / Mom & Dad  
Angelarose Vigliotti / Antimo & Family  
Vincent Caracci Jr. / Sister  
Pasquale Sisera / Wife Gilda



## ***Bread and Wine***

For Masses Celebrated During The Week  
In Loving Memory Of

***Rose Neri***

Requested by Maria Scarfino & Lenny DiBello



## ***Padre Pio Devotional***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
***John Dippold Sr.***

***60th Wedding Anniversary***

Requested by Wife, Carol



## ***Sanctuary Lamps***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
***Anne DeSantis (B)***

Requested by Sandy, Dan & Danny

## ***A Family Perspective***

Today Jesus gives this advice: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Worry and anxiety can consume our lives preventing us from seeing the love which surrounds us and binds us to one another. Don't miss the forest for the trees. We are living today what we worried about yesterday.

## ***Vocations***

"Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." Jesus spoke these words to encourage His disciples in their mission He gave them. He speaks these same words to us. What is calling and encouraging you to do? If you feel it is to be a priest, deacon, or religious, reach out to the Vocation Office via email:  
[vocations@syrdio.org](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org).



# Sixth Sunday of Easter

## *A Prayer for Our New Pope, Leo XIV*

God of all people, in trust and gratitude, we turn to your Holy Spirit. We know your Spirit has been active during this time of conclave, guiding the prayerful discernment that has brought your Church to this important moment. Now, as Pope Leo XIV assumes the Petrine Ministry, we pray that your Spirit draw ever closer to our new Holy Father, illuminating his path so that he may faithfully see and respond to the needs of your people.

We pray that Pope Leo XIV be strengthened in his ministry. May he continue building bridges that connect us to one another. May he be an example of faith, hope and love. We pray that you give him joy in his work and a renewed fervor for your Gospel message. May he never lose sight of Christ who walks before us and among us -particularly in the most vulnerable, the forgotten and the outcast.

Christ Jesus, bless Pope Leo XIV-and bless us, your holy people, as together we strive to be your Body in our wounded world.  
Amen.

## *Liturgical Ministers*

Weekend of May 31 & June 1

### **Lectors:**

4:00 pm Jackie Cimino

7:30 am Maurice Etheredge

11:30 am Frank Brice

### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 pm Team III

7:30 am Bob Battaglia

11:30 am Team III

**Lectors and Eucharistic:** Please let us know when you will be away this Summer. We will be working on a new schedule soon.

## *Dear Parishioners,*

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the faithful members of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's Parish, our Holy Name Society, and everyone that participated in this year's Holy Name Raffle. All 250 tickets were sold and it was a tremendous success!!

The profit from this year's raffle will assist our Holy Name Society with its member's obligation to the Society and General Church Fund. A special thanks to Mike Wallace, who donates his time and service of printing the tickets for us every year.

Thank you to all the individuals who purchased tickets! Looking forward to your continued support!

All the best,  
Larry & Joey Cimino

The Holy Name Raffle winners are listed below:

1st Prize-\$4000.00-Frank Mento

2nd Prize-\$1,000.00-Tom Cerio

3rd Prize-\$500.00-Joe Nicoletti

4th Prize- \$500.00-Frank Scarfino

5th Prize-\$500.00-Marie Pullano

## *Have You Heard After 48 years...*

Father Paul Angelicchio will be retiring as Pastor of his Parish in Rome this June. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be June 22nd at 10:30am at St. John the Baptist Church in Rome. His celebratory dinner will be at 2:00pm at the Turning Stone Resort, Oneida Room. Tickets for the dinner are \$65.00 per person and all are invited!

Call Lucy Paris at 315-345-0562 for reservations or email her at [lucycp2004@yahoo.com](mailto:lucycp2004@yahoo.com) or stop by the Gathering Space the weekends of June 7/8th and June 14/15th.

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

## ***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.

***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.***

## ***Ordination to the Priesthood Saturday June 7th***

The Diocese of Syracuse Ordination to the Priesthood--Saturday June 7, 10am at Cathedral. Bishop Lucia will ordain deacons John Brusa III and Joseph Ryan to the priesthood. Please come and be a part of this incredible sacrament and joyful day for our local church of Syracuse!

## ***Final Presentation***

The Parish Memorabilia and Photos that were displayed at the Gala will be on display May 31st to June 1st in the Gathering Space!

## ***Father's Day Envelopes***

The Father's Day Remembrance Envelope are in your new envelope packet. If you could turn these envelopes in by June 1st, so that there is time to prepare the Remembrance Booklet for Father's Day Weekend. Thank You.

## ***Milestones***

We encourage you to call the Parish Office, 315-422-7163 or email, [olopsyracuse@syrdio.org](mailto:olopsyracuse@syrdio.org) any recent milestones you would like to share with your fellow parishioners. For example: students graduating; celebrating a wedding anniversary or a special birthday; when you are receiving an award. We would like to hear more GOOD news from you! Thank you in advance for your sharing.

## ***Word of Life***

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

## ***Please Keep Us Up To Date***

Help us keep your contact information up to date. If you have moved or have a new phone or cell phone number, please give the parish office a call with your new information, 315-422-7163. We appreciate your assistance.

## ***Mission Appeal***

We will have a Mission Appeal at our church the weekend of June 14th & 15th. More information will follow next week in the bulletin.

