

# 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 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**

Parish Office: 315.422.7163

Religious Education Office: 315.422.7163

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Website: 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.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday morning week of publication

# July 27, 2025

## A Message from the Pastor

"Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me." (cf. Psalm 138)

We pray this response together during our Mass today, after receiving the model of Abraham who persists in his interceding with God asking for an outpouring of mercy on the people of Sodom and Gomorrah. A simple line, but it expresses a deep reality that is always true: In the moments we call out for help, the Lord answers, but even more than that, the Lord sustains us in life whether we realize it or not. God is always patient with us, and his transformative grace is always sufficient.

In our lives, some of the most powerful encounters with God, or of experiencing the magnitude of His love for us, come from calling to mind our many challenges, fears, and wounds of the past or present and seeing them from the perspective of how God not only carries us through them, but how in His generosity also provided *unexpected* graces. Finding the Lord and recognizing that he has continually prevented us from being crushed or left lifeless after enduring intense pain and grief leads us to an indescribable strength. In these kinds of profound encounters, the love of God is revealed to have endless depth, and with these moments come peace—a peace that doesn't necessarily fix or immediately heal, but one that assures us we are loved, and that we are not forgotten. These encounters free us and free our hearts for receiving the graces of trust and perseverance.

In our Gospel today, Jesus teaches us to turn to God as a generous Father, because that's who he is. God—who is in need of nothing from us—gives himself entirely to us. We might even recall here the story of the father and his two sons where we hear the Father express and reassure his older son who comes to him saddened and frustrated: "everything I have is yours" (cf. Luke 15). If this is the case, consider the confidence you and I are invited to receive when we consider this is how the Lord approaches relationship with you and me. This point of reflection forever changed St. Francis' life: "Lord, who are you? Lord, who am I?"--we should sit with this, too.

Jesus leading us to the Father brings us back to the reality of our most important identity, what matters most about each of us, namely, that we are beloved *daughters and sons* of so generous a Father. Our lives then are to be lived out as a response to this love. Rather than see Jesus' familiar words today of *asking, seeking and knocking* as simply being about persevering in prayer, receive them as an invitation to imitate in your life the radical generosity of God the Father. When others **come to us** asking, seeking, and knocking, may we have the grace to extend just as radically the mercy and care of our heavenly Father to others that we have first received. You might just be the answer to someone else's prayer.

# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# The Religious Education Program

A new year of Religious Education for the Children and Youth of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Parish will begin in September.

The Day of the Son (DOS) Grade K-8 and First Sacrament Programs will begin on September 21st.

The two year Confirmation program begins with a Parent-Candidate Orientation. Faith Formation 1 will have their orientation on September 28th at 10:30am in their classroom in the Parish Office (Convent). Their first class will be on October 5th from 10:15-11:15am in the Parish Office.

Faith Formation II will have their own Orientation on Sunday, October 5th at 10:30am in their Classroom in the Parish Office (Convent). Their first class will be on October 19th from 10:15-11:15am in the Parish Office.

Registration for all classes will begin on August 18th and this year we will be offering multiple ways to register.

- There will be registration in Church after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, September 6th & 7th and September 13th & 14th.
- Registration forms can be found on the Church Website:
   ourladyofpompei-stpeters.org, at the parish Office in folders, in the Gathering Space or upon request 315-422-7163.
- Family Registration Form is required for enrollment in the Religious Education Program.
- Sacrament Registration Forms as required for 1st Sacraments and Confirmation FFI & FFII for program enrollment.
- Registration forms and fees may be returned to the Parish Office or to the teachers on the first day of class.

If anyone has any questions concerning the program and /or registration you can reach me thru the Parish Office at 315-422-7163.

Mary Beth Meade, DRE

## 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.

July 21, 2025-\$12,831.00

Thank you to everyone for their generosity! This collection will help us greatly! Please remember Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter in your Will. Call the parish office for more information.

# 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, 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, 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, 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,

# July 27, 2025

#### This Week We Remember

Monday: July 28

 $9:00~\mathrm{am}$  Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

William M. Merriett / Paul

Tuesday: July 29

 $9{:}00\ \text{am}\ \text{Mass}$  at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Rocky Barbato / John & Barbara Triano

Wednesday: July 30

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Pasquale Sisera / Wife, Gilda

Thursday: July 31

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Angeline C. DeMascoli / Son, Anthony

Friday: August 1

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

Saturday: August 2

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Henry & Esther Pagano / Family

Benny, Terry & Joseph Cimino/Family

Sadie Fabrizi / John & Angela Berardi

Anthony & Joanne Merluzzi / Debra Wade

Ron Pierce (B) / Wife, Henrietta & Sons, Jim & Ron

Frank Procopio / Kay & Family

Sunday: August 3

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Michael & Edda lacampo / Daughter, Caterina

Joe Cimino / The Pitch Team

11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Vito Toia / Betty & Family

Lenny Selitato / Frances

Francesco Vigliotti / Antimo & Family

James Clemens / Mom

Angelantonia Colavita (B) / Anthony



# Month of July

July is dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus! This month, let us reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross and the blood he shed for our salvation.



For Masses Celebrated During The Week In Loving Memory Of *Gloria Albino* Requested By The Scarfino & DiBello Families



# Eucharistic Angels

Burning In Loving Memory of *Richard A. Tortora Sr.* Requested by Rita & Family

# Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of August 2 & 3

#### Lectors:

4:00 pm Ro Scalzo 7:30 am Jim Magnarelli 11:30 am Frank Brice

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 pm Team IV 7:30 am Bob battaglia 11:30 am Team III

you inquire the better!

### SEEK 26

Life-changing Catholic Conference particularly for College-aged and/or young adult professionals presented by FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) happens
January 1-5 every year. Over the past few years Fr. Foley has led a group from our diocese to attend, and he plans to do so again! If you are interested, please inquire with him (bfoley@syrdio.org)! Visit <a href="https://seek.focus.org/">https://seek.focus.org/</a> for more information. This particular group will be attending the main conference in Columbus OH. Plans and

fundraising are currently ongoing, so the sooner

# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### VIENNA BOY CHOIR TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR PARISHIONERS ONLY

We are now 2 weeks into ticket sales for the Vienna Boys Choir Concert performing at our church on Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. For the next two weeks, The Our Lady of Pompei/St Peters and St John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Parishes still have the first opportunity to purchase seats before we open sales to the General Public on August 4<sup>th</sup>. The seating chart is filling in, as we have over 100 tickets sold already. So if there are particular seats you want to secure, be sure to visit us after masses or call the office (315 422 7163) soon.

We will be sending out sponsorship and ad opportunity forms in the next couple weeks for those interested in helping out with sponsorships for the concert and/or ads for the program book. We will also have a section in the program book for loving remembrance, in honor of and friends of Pompei/St Peter. We hope you will take a look at these opportunities and consider supporting them.

Visit us after masses or call or visit the Parish Offices for tickets, sponsor and ad opportunities or for more information!!! 315 422 7163.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 in the Parish Offices.

We hope you will be part of this exciting time for our Parish in whatever ways you are able.



## Msgr. William Walsh Golf Tournament

We are so grateful to God for blessing us with an amazing day for the annual Msgr. Walsh Memorial Golf Tournament. Like most of our events here, it was an incredible undertaking and impossible to have been done without the generosity of so many. Special thank you to our dedicated office team and our volunteers, our sponsors and participants, and to the hospitality of Tuscarora Golf Club! It really was a blessed day, and if the other teams were like my team, there were many more surprises and fewer bogeys than expected! Certainly a lot of grace at work!:) Thank you to all who made our day so great. We are already looking forward to next year!

## Tenth Hour" Vocations Picnic

Fr. Foley will be attending the Bishop's "Tenth Hour" Vocations Picnic on Monday, August 4th, at Immaculate Conception Church in Fayetteville. This is an annual event with an invitation that is extended "For All Young People Open to God ~ For Potential Future Church Leaders Especially for young people involved in youth ministry and campus ministry! The Tenth Hour is an evening of dinner, conversation, discernment, and prayer with our bishop, priests, deacons, seminarians, and religious sisters & brothers from the Diocese of Syracuse and beyond." This year, the evening will conclude with a Mass open to the public where Bishop Lucia will preside over the Rite of Candidacy for our Seminarians--(Bishop receives a formal declaration of the seminarian's intent to follow the call to priesthood) It's a beautiful Mass and witness of faith! The picnic begins at 4pm (Registration required/RSVP by July 28), and Mass begins at 6:30pm (No pre-registration required!)!