



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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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.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from the Pastor

Let's check in with the Catechism this Sunday...“Where does prayer come from? Whether prayer is expressed in words or gestures, it is the whole man who prays. But in naming the source of prayer, Scripture speaks sometimes of the soul or the spirit, but most often of the heart (more than a thousand times). According to Scripture, it is the heart that prays. **If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain.** (CCC2562)

The heart is the dwelling-place where I am, where I live; according to the Semitic or Biblical expression, the heart is the place “to which I withdraw.” The heart is our hidden center, beyond the grasp of our reason and of others; only the Spirit of God can fathom the human heart and know it fully. The heart is the place of decision, deeper than our psychic drives. It is the place of truth, where we choose life or death. It is the place of encounter, because as image of God we live in relation: it is the place of covenant.” (CCC 2563)

After hearing today's Gospel (Mk. 9:45, 47-48), we might be able to identify Jesus speaking in hyperbole. And while certainly in effect, he is employing a specific rhetorical strategy, there is a literal sense to his words. It is indeed better to enter into eternal life, into heaven, than to go off into Gehenna. This part is literally true. However, the rest of his words have another meaning. We don't have evidence of the apostles or the earliest disciples cutting off their limbs or plucking out their eyes. Why is that? They of course would have fought sin the way we all do.

Realistically the reason the apostles never did this is because they know that sin is not caused by these particular members or parts of our bodies, but rather sin comes from *the heart*. The eye is not the cause of one objectifying the person, but rather it is at the level of the heart that one does this. The tongue or the mouth is not the ultimate source of gossip or harsh words, but rather they come forth from the heart. The second reading from St. James is again challenging us. He uses the image of corrosion which is helpful. If we think about the various forms of media we consume all throughout the week, are there places where what we consume is having a corrosive effect on our heart? If we take in too much slander or gossip, does that not also eventually form our hearts to do the same? If the eye takes in too many visuals of violence or manipulation of others, does that not also corrode our ability to see beauty or to see others as God created them? Corrosion is something that usually happens subtly over time, but you can also see it and recognize it. It's worth asking ourselves what is corroding our hearts.

What should our response be? Both our psalm and first reading today offers a path forward answer...“*The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.*” We should strive to meditate on the words and teachings of the Lord—there is true wisdom. And secondly, as Moses implores, “*Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on [us] all!*” Invoking the Holy Spirit more and more by simply praying quietly, “Come Holy Spirit” or “Fill me Holy Spirit,” we can trust that our minds and hearts will more and more be conformed to the heart of the Lord.

September 29, 2024

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of October 5 & 6

Lectors:

4:00 pm Jackie Cimino

7:30 am Maryann Iannettone

11:30 am Merino Merola

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team II

7:30 am Tino Porrino

11:30 am Team III

Rosary

"The Rosary is along chain that links Heaven and earth. One end of it is in our hands and the other end is in the hands of the Holy Virgin... The Rosary prayer rises like incense to the feet of the Almighty.

St. Therese

Remember in your prayers

The sick of our parishes and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and the home Bound. Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferri, Vic Coogan Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Marilyn Ferretti, Ruth Fabrizi, Ellen Gangemi, Katie Stamm Gordon, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Dory Jones, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Kay Ledermann, Joseph Leonard, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Diane Moro, Joe Nicoletti, The Pavia Children, Rebecca Roman, Emily Rosenthal, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Roseanne Scrimale, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, Julie Smith, John Sobon, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and Fred Wheeler.

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.

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter:
September 22, 2024 - \$11,493.00
Blue-\$318.00
Fuel-\$421.00

We thank you for your generous financial support of our parishes.

Centennial Corner

On September 10th, 1950, construction on the current church's new building began. The Aquinas Discussions Club was also founded this year by the Pompeian Players in order to stay together permanently, after shows. Men & women generally in their postgraduate years met monthly in the club. The club organized spiritual events like a summer trip or a Christmas pilgrimage. In addition to raising money for the parish & the school as well as promoting social skills among the parish's young people.



Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week We Remember

Monday: September 30

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Catherine Principato / Ralph & Tonia Blasi

Tuesday: October 1

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Pasquale Sisera / Wife, Gilda
Francine Magnarelli / Dan & Kathy Kelly

Wednesday: October 2

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Frances Fragola / Debra Wade

Thursday: October 3

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Louis Destefano Ann. / Family
Anne Falvo, Ann. / Daughter, Marietta & Annie
Debbie DiFino, 1yr. Ann. / Pocali Family

Friday: October 4

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

Saturday: October 5

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Benny & Terry Cimino / Son, Joseph
Dan Laurenti, Ann. / Mom, Dan & Danny
Richard Sisto & Frank Giannantonio /
Frank & Sue

Frank DeMichele, Ann. / Joanne Licitra
Henry & Esther Pagano / Rosa Pascarella
Giovanna & Antonio Barbuto / Family
Anthony & Joanne Merluzzi / Debra Wade
Vito Vesparer / Frank & Sue

Sunday: October 6

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Julia D. Magnarelli / Pat & Fran
11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Vito Toia / Betty & Family
Nick Muraca / Mom, Dad, Alex & Sophie
Josephine Indelicato / M/M Anthony Lamanna
Dominick Leonardo (B) / Sister, Jeannie
Peter & Mary Caruso / Jim & Patty Falank
Sadie Fabrizi / Festa Italiana
In Honor of the Blessed Mother /
Caterina & Joseph Lamacchia



Bread and Wine

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



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of
Genevieve Ilacqua (B)
Requested By Children



Eucharistic Angels

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



Sanctuary Lamps

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

Bereavement

Remember in your prayers, Tom Paglia,
Martin Duffy, Rosemarie Barilla &
Rosaria Fabrizi, whose Funeral Masses
we recently celebrated. Our deepest
sympathy to their families. ***Eternal rest
grant unto them o Lord and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May they rest in
peace.***

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Religious Education Reminders

The Day of the Son, the First Sacrament Programs and Faith Formation 1 have begun BUT it's not too late to join in. Class are on Sundays from 10:15am to 11:15am Sunday mornings.

September 29th(Orientation) for FFII Students will be in the Convent. Registrations will be accepted until October 20th. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please contact me at 315-422-7163.

Our Religious Education Program is also looking for teachers. You would be needed to teach on Sunday mornings from 10:15am to 11:15am in the parish offices(Convent). If you are available and interested, please contact me at 315-422-7163.

Mary Beth Mead
Director of Religious Education



RCIA Program

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process of prayer, study, discussion and celebration for:

Unbaptized adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic.

Baptized Christian from other denominations who would like to learn more about the Catholic Family and possibly join our Community,

Baptized Catholics who have not received their First Communion or have not been Confirmed. The sessions will begin soon and extend to the Easter Vigil when participants are invited into Full Communion. If you have any questions or would like to begin the process, call Father Foley at 315-422-7163.



As part of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Parish's 100th year Celebration...

The Parish Family of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter invites the Cast & Crew of the Pompeian Players to a Reunion Party!

It will be held on Sunday, October 6th from 2:00pm to 5:00pm in the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Cafeteria, 923 N. McBride Street. The cost is \$10.00 per person, payable at the door. A light fare and refreshments will be served.

Join us to remember those wonderful years, browse the memorabilia and share the memories.

Please RSVP to the Parish Office 315 422 7163 by September 30, 2024.

2025 MASS BOOK OPEN

The 2025 Mass Book is open for your Mass Intentions. For your convenience here is the list of donations:

\$15 donation for Masses

\$25 for Bread and Wine

\$10 each for Sanctuary Lamps
(there are 2)

\$10 each for Eucharistic Angels
(there are 2) and

\$10 for the Padre Pio candle

Your requests may be made during our office hours M-F from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

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Hope Appeal

Firm in Faith,
Active in Charity,
Together in Hope.

We are pleased to share that together, we have had donations equaling \$2,960.00. We can reach and surpass our goal of \$20,175.00. **Our goal this year has been lowered by \$20,000.00!!** Fr. Foley is asking every family in our parish to participate to help us reach our goal. Please give what you can. Every gift makes a difference!!

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 on line at www.syrdio.org.

Fuel Collection

There is still time to turn in your Fuel Collection Envelopes. Please be generous with your donations in the 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.

Feast of St. Francis

Join the Friars at Assumption Church to celebrate the feast of St. Francis

Transitus of St. Francis Thursday 10/3 7:00pm
(Traditional Franciscan service utilizing St. Francis' words preparing for his passing from death to eternal life)

Feast Day Mass Friday 10/4 at 8:30am

Blessing of Animals Saturday 10/5 at 11:30am

100th Year Happenings

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

***We have invited selections from Bl. Carlo Acutis' Eucharistic Miracle Exhibit to be present in the gathering space this weekend, September 28/29.** This intended to deepen our devotion and gratitude for Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist! You will definitely want to budget some additional time to explore these both weekends. More information to come!

***Once a Pompeian always a Pompeian. Come to the school cafeteria at 2:00 pm on October 6th for an Open House with light fare. Featuring a Pompeian Player Slide Show! RSVP will be needed.** We are looking for volunteers to help set up on Saturday Oct. 5 from 2-5pm. Please call the Parish office 315-422-7163 if you are available.

***Calling all Our Lady of Pompei School/CAP Alumni.** We will honor you at the 4:00 pm Mass on November 23rd followed by a celebratory reception, location to be announced. All are welcome! Mike Vavonese, 315-395-0324 and Gerry Neri 315-436-3800 will be the Co-Chairmen of this event. They are looking for volunteers from every class to be on the Alumni Committee. Please call them to let them know you are interested! RSVP will be needed.

***The 75th Annual Spaghetti Supper will be November 5th, Election Day 2024!!** Volunteer to help out, eat in or take out, make a donation or just spread the word!!

***Start the Christmas Season off right with the Parish Christmas Party on December 1st at Traditions' at the Links from 2pm-6pm.** RSVP's will be needed.



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Calendars Marked? Spaghetti Supper November 5th!!!!

We hope you have your calendars marked and you are planning on celebrating our 75th Election Day Spaghetti Supper with a hearty portion of our famous and delicious pasta, meatballs and all the incredible sides. Whether you are coming in house to break bread together or taking it home or to the office (we deliver too) we hope you will treat yourself and support our Parish all in one!!!

We will be serving from 11:30am to 7:00 pm in the same place as always, (school cafeteria). We are already taking orders for take-out, delivery and curbside pick-up, by calling the Parish Office at 315 422 7163. Prices remain the same and of course the food promises to be the same incredible deliciousness!!! (Our chefs are the best!!!) And the comradery and entertainment is always fantastic...we hope you will be part of it!!! (All single adult meals are \$12.00...Children 5 to 10..\$7.00 and under 5 Free. Take Out Half Trays feed 6..\$60.00 and Full Trays that feed 15 are \$120.00)!!!!

Up to volunteering? For an hour or several always welcomed and always appreciated!!!!

On meatball Saturday...Nov 2nd...starting at 9:00am...We will be rolling, baking, counting and packing 6,000 meatballs, sauce will be cooking, non perishable take outs will be packaged and the room will be prepared for the big day!! If you can help we would be so appreciative..

Monday, November 4th (the night before) 5:00 PM on.

We will be preparing for the hundreds of take out/curbside and delivery, preparing the 250 loaves of garlic bread, packaging desserts and finishing last minute room set up and decorations. The men will be in the kitchen prepping the 700 pounds of pasta starting to be cooked in the morning.

The Day Of _Tues. Nov.5th ..SERVING 11:30 AM TO 7:00 PM

Many jobs..Many shifts!!!!.....Starting at 8:00 am through clean up starting at 7:00pm. We will need help preparing salads, working on take outs, curbsides, deliveries, kitchen help, serving on the line in and out of kitchen, keeping up with pots and pans, raffles, selling merchandise, bussing tables...truly endless duties that produce infinite gratitude!!!

We are always in need (and very grateful for) support by means of sponsoring, donations in services, product, supplies or financial.

Call the Parish Offices 315 422 7163 or Lucy's cell 315 345 0562 for more information, to volunteer, to donate/sponsor, or to order take out, curbside and delivery! Thanks so much!

