



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
James Stanley, Director of Music
D.J. Scarfino, Facilities Manager

Parish Office

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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-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from the Pastor

It's hard to believe that last Sunday's remarkable confession of faith from St. Peter about the identity of Jesus and today's episode of Peter's equally remarkable *misunderstanding* of Jesus' identity are in the same chapter of Matthew's Gospel. Actually, there are no verses between these two events! In one moment, Peter is experiencing incredible divine understanding, and in the next he has reattached himself to merely human understanding. It is quite intentional on the part of the evangelist who wants us to observe simultaneously the divine promises given to Peter and Peter's human weakness.

Today Jesus gives us a helpful mirror... how often we are immersed in the situations of our lives and we become consumed with resolving all the issues according to what we would assume as logical, or responsible! This of course is not bad, and likely that is what we should do. However, in these situations do we also pray and ask for the wisdom of the Lord to see things with the eyes of faith, rather than only what we perceive?

Jesus offers the command today that might be one of the most succinct and familiar expressions of the Gospel: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."

If we were only to approach Jesus' words from our human perspective, there would be nothing attractive or rational about this command. But rather, it is in the designs of the Divine that this apparent contradiction is, in reality, the path that leads to life. Jesus is not trying to deceive us in this, but truly it is a matter of being invited or led, that continually asks our trust.

What in your life would benefit from you pausing to ask for divine wisdom or the ability to see from a greater, divine perspective? Is the Lord inviting you to a deeper level of trust or patience that might be his helping you to carry a particular cross offering you freedom of life even here and now? Are the prayers of your heart echoing the sentiment of Jeremiah today? Are you feeling discouraged or "duped" by the Lord?

Jesus reveals today that his suffering is not only unavoidable, but that it is also **not** an end in itself. He himself says that his cross will end in him "being raised." It takes the wisdom of the Lord for us to be able to have confidence that this is true even for you and me. May we find consolation and intimacy knowing we share a deep communion with the Lord when we find in our own sufferings, as St. Paul says today, the mercy of God. With the help of God's love and grace, let's offer our bodies as living sacrifices, as worship to the Lord, confident that he is always guiding us toward eternal life.

Faith Formation

Registration for our Faith Formation & Religious Education Program for the upcoming school year will be available starting the first week of September! We also hope to offer online registration this year, too. Please stay tuned for details to come! If you have previously served in our program as a Catechist or have interest in serving our youth in this important way this year, please let Fr. Foley know by email (bfoley@syrdio.org) or by calling and leaving a message at the office. We are excited for the year ahead!

OCIA

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Do you know someone who is desiring to respond to the presence of God in life, who has an openness and curiosity of heart to know Jesus and his Church? If you or someone you know is interested in Baptism as an adult, please reach out to Fr. Foley (easiest way is via email bfoley@syrdio.org) or call the office. He would love to meet with you and simply converse with you to accompany you along this journey of faith. Entering the Catholic Church as an adult involves one's free response to relationship with the Lord, and while this certainly involves formation and learning and engaging questions, it's not class, nor is one 'locked' into a timeline of how that happens and when. If you were baptized Catholic and have sacraments of initiation still to receive (Like Confirmation or First Eucharist), please reach out! **If you are married civilly but not married in the Church, please reach out!** If you were baptized outside of the Catholic Church and would like to become Catholic, please reach out! Remember that the Sacraments of the Church were initiated by Christ to offer us the **ordinary** means of grace that we need for our lives and our journey to heaven. If the Lord is nudging your heart to any of these things, or if you have questions, Fr. Foley wants to connect.

August 30, 2026



Wedding Banns

2. Gabrielle Parsons / Matthew Lorenzo

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of September 5th & 6th

4:00 pm Ro Scalzo

7:30 am Maryann Iannettone

11:30 am Cindee Musumeci

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team III

7:30 am Maryann Iannettone

11:30 am Team II

Begin using your Blue Envelope

Our parking lots are in major need of repair. It is a great concern of ours to ensure the safety of all. This, of course, will be a costly undertaking but it's one that must be addressed. As new details of this project unfold, please know that the use of the Blue Envelopes will begin now to fund this critical project. Thank you for helping us to protect, care for our parish family and to be responsible stewards.

Please Pray

As our seminarians return to seminary and begin another year of formation, we invite you to join us in keeping them in prayer.

All-powerful Father,

Protect your sons who are

Preparing for the priesthood.

Help them remain faithful to prayer,
Diligent in their studies, and docile to
spiritual direction.

Protect them from temptation,

Keep them from all evil,

And inflame their hearts with love

So they may one day become

Ardent and gentle shepherds

For Your Church,

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.

August 23, 2026-\$4,197.00

Add'l Assumption-\$270.00

Blue/Parking Lot-\$580.00

Thank you for your generosity !!

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.



September 3rd deadline

If you would like to attend the House of Providence Dinner, honoring Fr. Foley, please call the Parish Office soon. Reservation need to be submitted by September 3rd. Tickets to this event are \$100.00. Hope you will be joining us for dinner and to celebrate Fr. Foley as he receives the Bishop's Award.

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week We Remember....

Monday: August 31

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel

Melissa Delmonico Hart / Louis Bottega

Tuesday: September 1

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel

Louis DeStefano (B) / Wife, Connie & Family

Wednesday: September 2

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel

Joanne Bruse / Sal & Janet Poca

Thursday: September 3

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel

Robert Kalska / Son, Paul

Friday: September 4

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

Saturday: September 5

4:00 pm Mass in the Church

Eleanor Larca / Frank

Vito Toia / Betty & Family

Galvin Stuart / Joanne Licitra

Frank & Carmine Carapella / Frank

Joseph DeLorio / Frank

Carmen, Mary & Maria D'Agostino /

Colantone Family

Anthony "Midnite" Silvaggio W. Ann. /

Wife, Sally, Sons, Jeff, Tony Jr. & Grandson,

Nicola

Sunday: September 6

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

Esther Patello (A) / Antimo Vigliotti & Family

Patsy J. Falvo, 28yr Ann. /

Daughters, Marietta & Annie

Michael Patello (B) / Antimo Vigliotti & Family

Armond Magnarelli / Jim, Lou Ann & Joe

Melanie Surace (B) / Brothers & Sisters

John Corona Ann. / Saya Family



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of

Jean Gildemeyer (B)

Requested by The Canestrare Family

Bereavement



Remember in your prayers,

Natale Russo and Nicoletta Penizotto, whose Funeral Masses we celebrated this week. 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.

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, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Fran Ward, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

Word of the Lord

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.

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Sandwiches

The next Sandwich making day is tomorrow! Last month we made about 100 sandwiches and cookies to distribute as the CNY Food Bank served the needs of our community from our parking lot. Monday August 30 is the next time this is happening. If you are free and able to make some sandwiches, come to the office/convent at 1pm! (It takes about an hour or less). Thank you

Mary's Closet

This is the last weekend to grab a tag or two off the Blessing Trees in the Gathering Space. Items may be for either summer or fall.. You may drop off your donations at the parish office during the week or bring them with you to Mass on the weekend. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for supporting this ministry.

Update on Tags Returned

This week we received, a total of 19 pairs of pajamas, 9 outfits all sizes, 10 bibs, 2 burp cloths, 0 receiving blankets and 32 pairs of socks. Your generosity is still going strong!

Available on Thursday's?

We need volunteers to help at Mary's Closet on Thursday's from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you have two hours to spare, please consider joining us.

Meeting Dates

Father Foley would like to hold the next Finance Meeting on Tuesday, September 15th at 6pm in the parish office, and the next Parish Council on Tuesday, September 22nd at 6pm.



Safe Environment Training

A reminder at this time, the expectation is that **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. re-Registration required online

(<https://syracusediocese.org/initial-safe-environment-training-for-adults>)

This is to ensure the safety of all our young people or vulnerable adults, and also to protect our volunteers, too. Thank you for helping us to continue our deep and sincere commitment to the safety and wellbeing of our community. Your training certification lasts for a period of 5 years, and the process to renew training is simple and straightforward.

Pre-Registration required online

(<https://syracusediocese.org/initial-safe-environment-training-for-adults>) These are

upcoming dates and locations: Tues 9/1 6-8pm at Bishop Ludden-Grimes HS, Tues 9/8 9-11am at St. Daniel's, Sun 9/13 12-2pm at St. Augustine's Bville, Thurs 9/24 10am at Catholic Charities (HOP), Thurs 9/24 5:30pm at Most Holy Rosary School, Tues 10/6 5:30pm at Holy Cross, DeWitt. Please take advantage of these local classes!

Syracuse Mets Game?!

Fr. Foley is planning to attend the Syracuse Mets game on Thursday September 17, at 6:30pm. Parishioners from St. Anthony's will be present, but Fr. Foley would like to bring friends and families from both OLP/SP and St. John's/HT! If there is sufficient interest we will obtain the group pricing for a fun little late summer outing! For those interested, please leave a message at the office and how many tickets you would need. Likely price for a ticket is \$15.