



# 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

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### 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.

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

## *A Message from the Pastor*

As we celebrate the Feast of the **Holy** Family, we may be very aware of how far we and our families have yet to go in living daily holiness. Some very beautiful (albeit, difficult!) practical advice for our families in our options for readings today. In Wisdom literature from Sirach: *“He who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother...Take care of your father when he is old; if his mind fail, be considerate of him; Even St. Paul, has a fantastic mission statement for our homes: Put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, above all put on love*

But, to be sure, these words say nothing specific about **holiness**...anyone can do these things, you don't need to be a person of faith to take care of your parents, or to be compassionate, to forgive someone. All these are very good things and in fact we too as people of faith are supposed to do them...but is it what makes us **holy**? Again, today we have before us the *family* of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. What is it about them as a *whole* that makes them holy?

Observing the early parts of the narratives in the gospel accounts it seems it is their collective **faithful**, and **loving obedience** to the will of the Father is what makes their new little family **holy**. They recognize the priority of God in their life. They recognize God's purposes are more important than their own. Even when they have their plans changed, like their flight to Egypt, or the presentation of Jesus in the temple.

Mary received the message from the Angel, and her “yes” was her faith and trust that God would not leave her alone. We see the same with Joseph, obedience and trust to the messages of the Angel. He protected Mary, his wife, he brought her and the child Jesus safely away from the threat of Herod. By their actions Joseph and Mary reveal to us their willingness to be obedient and to trust God no matter what daunting or difficult situation lies before them. They come to see that it is possible for the Lord to bless them, even when it seems impossible. This posture is what holiness looks like, and the more we adopt this posture in our hearts the more we will see ourselves aware of God's constantly abiding presence.

We often hear obedience and think powerlessness, unable to do what we want to do. Or we hear obedience and think slavery. But it's quite the opposite. The root of the word obedience, *Obedire* in Latin means *TO LISTEN*. What makes the Holy Family **Holy**? Their existence is entirely one of openness to *listen* to God. So what about us? Wrapping up 2024 as a family gathered in worship. We know well that ‘love’--especially within the family--is intimately tied to sacrifice. In this digital age when we are glued to phones and to the internet, we also are growing in our appreciation for what *real presence* is in relationships, and what it is not. Almost painfully made aware of this. And that's a good thing.

Faith in our family doesn't make life *perfect* but rather it mysteriously makes life beautifully possible. This feast offers an answer to our stressed out chaotic homes and lives: the School of Nazareth. Jesus, Mary and Joseph: they teach us that priority belongs to loving God—family is strongest, family is unbreakable **when trusting in God is our foundation**. And here, in a very unique way, the Church is always our family, especially when we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. LOVE, PRESENCE, SACRIFICE—*this is the recipe for a holy family*. And it is also happens to be what constitutes the Eucharist.

# December 29, 2024

## *This Week We Remember*

### **Monday: December 30**

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

### **Tuesday: December 31**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Pasquale Sisera / Wife, Gilda  
Bernice Calabria / Julie Monteleone

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

For the People of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

### **Wednesday: January 1**

9:00 am Vietnamese Mass at Our Lady of  
Pompei/St. Peter  
9:00am Mass at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity  
11:30am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
For the People of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

### **Thursday: January 2**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Joseph, Maria & Ignatius / Andy Tran & Family  
In Honor of Antoinette Lambert (B) / Patty

### **Friday: January 3**

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

### **Saturday: January 4**

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Henry & Esther Pagano / Family  
Benny & Terry Cimino / Son, Joseph  
Sadie Fabrizi / Kay Procopio  
Maria Laura Pallotta & Antoinette Carapella /  
Frank & Sue

### **Sunday: January 5**

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Lucy Marco (B) / Daughter, Patty  
In Honor of Antoinette Lambert / Patty

11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Vito Toia / Betty & Family  
Angelantonia Colavita, Ann. / Family  
Angelarosa Vigliotti (B) /  
Antimo Vigliotti & Family



## ***Eucharistic Angels***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
*The Deceased Members of the  
Holy Name Society*  
Requested by Members



## ***Padre Pio Devotional***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
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Holy Name Society*  
Requested By Members



## ***Bread and Wine***

For Masses Celebrated During The Week In  
Loving Memory Of  
*The Deceased Members of the  
Holy Name Society*  
Requested By Members



## ***Sanctuary Lamps***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
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Requested by Members

## ***Bereavement***

Remember in your prayers,  
Esther Sindoni, whose Funeral Mass we  
celebrated this week. Our deepest sympathy  
to her family.  
*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let  
perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest  
in peace.*



# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

## ***Liturgical Ministers***

Weekend of January 4 & 5

### **Lectors:**

4:00 pm Ro Scalzo  
7:30 am Nick Lore  
11:30 am Ginnie Lostumbo

### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 pm Team III  
7:30 am Bill Brown  
11:30 am Team I

## ***Office Hours***

On Tuesday, December 31st, the office will close at Noon and reopen on January 2nd at 8:30am.

## ***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.

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, Jon English, 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, Esther Sindoni, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler and Maureen White

*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.*

## ***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.

Due to the early bulletin deadlines, our financials will be announced after the first of the year. *Your support of our parish is appreciated!*

## ***Raffle Tickets***

Tickets for the Holy Name Raffle are now available. This year only 200 tickets will be sold at \$50.00 each. If you want a special numbered ticket, it is first come- first served! Call Larry Cimino at 315 430 5645 or Joey Cimino at 315 430 0338 to reserve your tickets or for any questions. The drawing will be May 14th.

Holy Name thanks you for your support with the raffle and to support our Church!

## ***Centennial Corner***

Despite the Pompeian Players having to start paying for the sets, the productions were sold out shows. The revenue from the two or three weekend runs would take care of not only their expenses but they were able to donate profits back to the church & parish.



# December 29, 2024

## ***Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope***

### ***What is a Jubilee?***

A Jubilee is a special year of prayer. Jubilees are times for forgiveness, reconciliation, and pilgrimage and are a part of the Catholic tradition. Jubilees ordinarily take place every 25 years.

### ***When does this Jubilee begin?***

Pope Francis will formally open the Holy Doors at St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024. Locally, our observance of the Jubilee will begin on December 29, 2024.

### ***What is the theme of Jubilee 2025?***

The theme of Jubilee 2025 is Pilgrims of Hope. "Everyone knows what it is to hope. In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring...For all of us, may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope." -Pope Francis

### ***What are ways to observe the Jubilee?***

During the Jubilee, millions of people are expected to make a pilgrimage to Rome to walk through the Holy Doors at one of the four major basilicas. For those unable to travel to Rome, there are many other ways to participate in the Jubilee, through pilgrimage, prayer, and service.

### ***What is the Jubilee indulgence?***

The Jubilee indulgence is a traditional part of a Jubilee year. It is a plenary indulgence which can be applied either to yourself or your deceased loved ones. The ordinary conditions for obtaining the Jubilee indulgence are to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, to pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and to make a pilgrimage locally or to Rome. You can also obtain the Jubilee indulgence by participating in one of the spiritual or corporal works of mercy. Learn more on the USCCB website.

### ***How can I celebrate the Jubilee locally?***

The special events will mark our diocesan participation in the Jubilee Year: An opening Mass for the Jubilee Year on December 29th at 9:45 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

## ***Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible!***

This program is something so transformative and something everyone can participate in and benefit from. We've always wanted to read the bible but never know where to start or even how to begin. You will love this opportunity!

It will be Tuesday nights for 8 weeks that will start Tuesday, February 4. Adoration in the Chapel from 5:30-6:00, Video starts at 6, dismissal by 7pm! (If there is enough interest to do a second group during the day or at a different time, I am open to it, but just simply need to let me know.) We understand people aren't comfortable driving at night in the winter!

There is a workbook companion to this program, which is \$20 which includes a workbook, helpful bible timeline chart, bookmark, and access to videos online. \*\*You can participate in this group even without paying for the materials if you just simply want to enjoy the group, the content and the prayer time\*\* But it would be helpful for planning purposes if you would still let us know your interest! Thank you!

## ***Hope Appeal***

Firm in Faith,  
Active in Charity,  
Together in Hope

Each week we are getting closer and closer to reaching our GOAL!!! **Please participate.** Please give what you can. Every gift makes a difference as you can see. We are currently at \$16,436.00, that is just \$3,739.00 away from our goal.

If you haven't had an opportunity to donate to the Annual Hope Appeal, won't you prayerfully consider doing so soon. 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 online at [www.syrdio.org](http://www.syrdio.org).