



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
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Parish Office

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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

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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

A Message from the Pastor

Today in our first reading, there's a little quote from St. Paul in the Acts of the Apostles worth our reflection: "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). It's probably not the most exciting thing that we would like to hear about. We're probably not too eager to want to receive or embrace that. Early commentaries on this reflect that Paul says this not to discourage us, but rather to prepare us and make us more resolute in our commitment to the Gospel; it's an invitation to greater patience and steadfastness, a posture that can draw deeper trust forth from our hearts. We know that when the road of life gets tough, the interior struggle rages on. It can be difficult for us to cling to faith, difficult to trust that the Lord's goodness or that his love for us is real—but yet we can learn something from this simple detail from our first reading today. We are not about the business of diminishing our suffering, but rather we know that our suffering has taken on a redemptive quality, we have profound hope that God chose not to abandon us in our suffering, and the first disciples knew and experienced the same challenges of faith that we do—physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual obstacles—in the face of these they offer us hope by their examples. Not captured in the first reading today are the verses that come before this moment. If you were to open to this chapter of Acts, you would see that St. Paul was *just stoned* nearly leaving him dead, dragged out of the city: *"They stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. But when the disciples gathered around him, he got up and entered the city. On the following day he left with Barnabas for Derbe. After they had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples..."* (Acts 14:19-21). Now when we hear him speak to the reality of sufferings along the way, we receive this with a new tone. Paul likely would've been swollen in face, bloodied and bruised, fat-lipped, probably not able to speak clearly, hindered in his ability to walk—clearly laden with pain. How much more compelling, now, is his witness of perseverance when we imagine him half-alive and not at all thwarted by his physical injuries? It echoes St. Maximilian Kolbe's heart too who lived his own words: "For Jesus Christ, I am prepared to suffer still more." Meaning the transformative encounter that one has with Love incarnate can be so powerful, that the trials of earthly life are never enough to persuade someone from abandoning the life of the Gospel. Incredible!

Yet what about us, what about when we feel like we are too weak of heart to be as heroic as St. Paul or St. Maximilian? We can take courage and comfort that the same sacramental graces that were active in the lives of these two are offered freely still to us even to this day. The Eucharist that contains Jesus' body, blood, soul and divinity, his power over suffering, sin, and death, that animated Paul, Maximilian, those heroic faithful ahead of us, is the same Eucharist we are about to receive. Jesus offers us his life to accomplish in us that which otherwise we would find ourselves too weak on our own. It is not Jesus' desire to abandon us in our times of great need, and with the posture of faith and perseverance, he desires to accomplish in you and me lives that give glory to God and draw others into the goodness of the Gospel. Yes, while sufferings may now be necessary parts of our lives as disciples, the Lord is not indifferent to our pain, and in his goodness he draws close to us to strengthen us and show us the way to the fullness of life in him! He makes all things new and has created us for eternal communion with him, where there will be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain. May we have an increase of faith this day to trust that the Lord will provide us every grace to accompany us in our journey of life as we walk the road to heaven and eternal life.

May 18, 2025

Gloria

In this Sunday's Gospel (John 13:31-33a, 34-35), Jesus speaks about being glorified, which means showing the greatness of God's love through His actions, especially His sacrifice for us. Glory means the greatness, beauty, and light of God's love. It describes God's power, goodness, and presence—so immense and beautiful that we stop and say, "Wow, God is amazing!" We glorify the Lord!

We hear the word glory and glorify throughout the Mass:

...in the "Gloria"

... in the "Holy, Holy, Holy"

... during the ****Doxology**** ("Through Him, with Him, and in Him...")

As you attend Mass, see how most times you hear the words "glory" and "glorified."

Act of Love

Pray this everyday as a family!

O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.

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

The series is intended to run beginning Tuesday May 6th and every Tuesday thereafter. There will be adoration of the Eucharist available at 5:30pm, with the video beginning at 6pm, episodes are roughly 25 minutes. Please RSVP to either parish office if interested, there is no cost to participate. All are welcome!

Msgr. William L. Walsh

Golf Tournament

Please mark your calendars for the 27th Annual Golf Tournament on July 21, 2025 at Tuscarora Golf Course. Lunch, Shotgun Start and Dinner. More information will follow!

St. Therese Society

The next St. Therese Society Meeting is May 22nd at 1:00pm in the Parish Offices. If you haven't attended a meeting yet this year this is the perfect time! Hope To see you there.

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

Northside Neighbors

On Monday, May 19th at 7:00pm, the Northside Neighborhood Group Meeting will be in Our Lady of Pompei Cafeteria on North McBride Street. Marty Nave will be in attendance.

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of May 24 & 25

Lectors:

4:00 pm Pat Turkett

7:30 am Nick Lore

11:30 am Ginnie Lostumbo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team II

7:30 am Patty Marco

11:30 am Team II

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 in next week's bulletin.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Basket Bonanza..So Much Fun!! Many Thanks to All..

The 2025 Basket Bonanza was its usual fun, exciting and delicious event. Many thanks to all that volunteered, baked, donated and attended. Our parish family is so blessed with many kind, helpful and generous parishioners, and that's who make our Parish life so warm and wonderful.

We simply cannot thank all of our wonderful, generous donors enough for the time, effort, and financial resources to put together the absolutely beautiful baskets and raffle items that were donated. Congratulations to all of the lucky winners who we know were very happy and grateful! Congrats too to the Pappalardo's for winning the 50/50!!!

We are so grateful to all of our fantastic volunteers who helped set up, all that worked so hard in the kitchen preparing the delicious food, all our talented bakers, those helping that evening to see everything run smoothly, and of course those that helped break it all down. You know who you are..and please know our hearts are full of gratitude!!!!

Thank you to all that could not attend but gave us monetary donations toward the event. And last but not least thank you to all that attended!!! For your donations in taking chances, and for sharing the evening and breaking bread together with our beautiful Parish Family and with all those in the Community that joined us.

Our Hearts are Full...and from the bottom of them..THANK YOU



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 10, 2025-\$5,262.00
Catholic Sun-\$76.00**

Thank you for your commitment to our parish!

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.

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This Week We Remember

Monday: May 19

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

Tuesday: May 20

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Mary Kalska / Son, Paul

Wednesday: May 21

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

Thursday: May 22

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Louise Marches / The Spurchise Family

Friday: May 23

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

Saturday: May 24

4:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Benny & Terry Cimino / Son, Joseph
Laura Pallotta & Frank Caralepella / Anna
Jude Henry Andrews / Mommy, Daddy & Nicholas
Rosemary Natri (B) / John & Marie Ariola
Alex J. Cimino, Sr. / Michelle Cimino & Children

Sunday: May 25

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Fran Sacco / Jim Magnarelli

11:30am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Maryann Vigliotti / Fran & Giovanni Valentino
Ed Campagna / Margarite Fiorello
Concetta Piraino / Husband, John
Theresa & Nicholas Russo / The Russo Family
Esther Sindoni / Members of the Progresso Lodge

Bereavement

Remember in your prayers, Rosa Lisa, 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.



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week
In Loving Memory Of

Edda Iacampo

Requested by The Scarfino Family &
Lenny DiBello



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of

Henry & Esther Pagano

Requested by Liz & Tony

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Love one another." Love holds a family together. It is not what a family does which makes it outstanding, rather it is what it has, love for one another.

Word of Life

Without a foundational, practical formation, it is difficult for our consciences to guide us well in concrete situations. As Catholics, we have the immense gift of the teaching authority of the Catholic Church and can turn to it for help forming our consciences. For example, learning about Christian moral principles, reading the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, or researching what the Church says about a challenging teaching will help us grow in knowledge of the truth."

Vocations

"As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Christ laid down His life in love for His sheep. We are called to do the same. How is God calling you to love His people? Is it a religious brother or sister, a deacon or priest? Reach out to the Vocation office via email: vocations@syrдио.org

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