



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
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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.

June 29, 2025

A Message from the Pastor

Today the Church observes the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul—a feast that is every June 29. We might look at these apostles and think we could never have anything in common with them, nor is it likely to be able to imitate their faith and perseverance. However, we are called to stand on their foundation! We honor them today not because of their own merits, but rather because in their humility and docility of heart, they allowed the grace of Jesus to be their all even above their own sinfulness and imperfections—the accomplishments we look to in their lives is rather the fruit of the Holy Spirit's mission, and reminds us of Jesus' own words at the last supper: "...apart from me, you can do nothing" (Jn 15:5).

Sometimes among our separated brothers and sisters in Protestant communities, there is an effort to separate St. Peter and St. Paul, that there was division or conflict between them and that there was a distinction in the Gospel they insisted on preaching to the world. This really has no merit, and scripturally we can see why the opposite is true and why it would be important for us to continue upholding these two apostles as being tremendous instruments for the Lord and his Church as two sides of the same coin. Ancient art will very often depict the two in an embrace, together. Together they gave witness by shedding their blood so that Jesus would come to be known and loved to the ends of the earth for all time. Their lives provide us the inseparable gifts of unity and evangelization.

St. Peter, always depicted with primacy and with the keys of the kingdom, reminds us of leadership, governance, law, authority, and direction. It also represents structure, unity, order, and complex decision-making (especially as we hear in the Gospel today about Jesus bestowing on him the power of "binding and loosing"). The symbol of a key provides some important insights, too. A flimsy, soft, and misshapen key can only partially function. It will not achieve its end: opening and closing a door. Like a strong key, the Church must be firm, solid, and properly structured. This type of key achieves its end when opening and closing a door.

Paul is most often depicted holding a sword. Of course, Paul was martyred in Rome by the sword, yes, but like a sword, Paul's words pierced the Roman Empire much more deeply than the Roman guards could ever pierce his skin. Paul's letters to various communities and his preaching changed the landscape of Western civilization. So with the sword Paul reminds us of evangelization, preaching, teaching, writing, catechesis, missionary work, transforming the culture, and dialoguing with various groups. Evangelization must pierce cultural perceptions, understandings, and opinions like the sword. The sword of evangelization must cut through the superficial and erroneous aspects of the culture.

With these features of their discipleship, we can see why it is crucial for us to celebrate them together. If we only ever emphasize the evangelization of St. Paul, we risk losing the integrity of the unity of the body, the structure that holds everything together. If we only ever prioritize the integrity of the structure and institution and the body, we neglect the mission to bear the gospel to the world. When we hold the invitation from St. Peter and St. Paul together, we realize the incredibly daunting, difficult, yet nonetheless vital task before us always: unity and evangelization, drawing others to Jesus Christ the Lord. And how encouraging for us that Jesus himself chose these imperfect, sinful men to be foundational instruments for his mission! St. Peter time and again failed Jesus, and would have lived the rest of his life with the memory of having denied Jesus in his hour of need. St. Paul had fought and had even consented to the murder of Christians and persecuted the early Church. If Jesus would mercifully break into their lives to offer them his healing, his light, his truth, his Gospel, and use their gifts and hearts for the building up of his body, what does it say about what Jesus can do and wants to do in our own lives as his disciples? None of us are beyond the hope of transformative grace, none of us are forgotten nor overlooked by God, if the Lord used Peter and Paul as instruments of unity and evangelization, what will he do with you?! May Sts. Peter and Paul pray for us this day that we too be rescued by the love of God and may we respond anew to the call to be disciples!

Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul

Msgr. William L. Walsh

Our 27th Annual Msgr. William L. Walsh Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for July 21st at Tuscarora Golf Club. What a tremendous blessing it is to be able to enjoy the **incredible course and its hospitality**. Why not gather your friends and treat yourself for a good cause with some summer golf?! It's probably the best way to spend a Monday in July.

Lunch will be served at 11:30am followed by a Shotgun start at 12:30pm on Monday, July 21st. There will be the Captain & Crew Format, Steak Dinner & Awards and Prizes. Cost-Just \$150.00 per golfer! Gather your foursomes now! Registration Forms are on all of the Bulletin Boards in Church.

Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home is our Presenting Sponsor again this year! Would you or your company like to become a hole sponsor for \$100.00 or would you like to donate something for a door prize?

Please call Lauri at the parish office for more information, 315-422-7163 or Joe Penizotto at 315-415-7468.

"The Wild Goose Series"

The series is intended to run each Tuesday. There will be Adoration of the Eucharist available at 5:30pm, with the video beginning at 6pm, episodes are roughly 25 minutes. Need not be present each week. There are six weeks to go! There is no cost to participate. All are welcome!

Vocations

Today, Peter professed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and then Jesus gave Peter his task and built the Church upon him. Profess your faith in Christ and discover His love and call for you in His Church, possibly as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious. Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrдио.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.

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.

June 22, 2025-\$3,962.00

Thank you to everyone for their generosity and to those who have increased their offering. Your generosity does not go unnoticed!

Peter Pence

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Leo. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Leo to be sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sister. Please be generous today.

Word of Life

"O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith."

Minister's Schedule

The new Ministers Schedule is available for pick up this weekend in the Sacristy.

June 29, 2025

This Week We Remember

Monday: June 30

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Pasquale Sisera / Wife, Gilda
Josie Torrillo, Ann. / Husband, Ralph

Tuesday: August 1

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Martin Duffy / Marietta Blasi

Wednesday: August 2

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Salvatore & Mariantonia Sisera /
Daughter in law, Gilda

Thursday: August 3

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
James A. Arena 5yr Ann. / Family

Friday: August 4

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

Saturday: August 5

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Henry & Esther Pagano / Family
Benny, Terry & Joseph Cimino/Family
Bruce Corbett, Ann. / Dan & Sandy
Carmine & Antonio Carapella / Anna
Al Petragnani / The Holy Name Society
Sandra Colantone / The Mastrogiovanni Family

Sunday: August 6

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Giovanna Barbuto / The Iacampo Family

11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Vito Toia / Betty & Family
Florence Ribas / Sister
Fran Sacco / Betty Toia
Angelo Cali / Theresa Fricano
Nicola DeTommaso / Frances Borreggine

Bereavement

Remember in your prayers, Anthony Buffa, whose
Funeral Mass we celebrated this week. Our deepest
sympathy to his family.

***Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual
light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.***



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week In
Loving Memory Of
James A. Arena
Requested By Family



Eucharistic Angels

Burning In Loving Memory of
Leonard Colella
Requested by Ginnie Lostumbo



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of
Ruby Wade Lashway
Requested by Debra Wade

June's Intention

That the world might grow in compassion. Let us
pray that each one of us might find consolation
in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from
his Heart, learn to have compassion on the
world.

Dale Street Watch

Councilor Marty Nave will host the Dale Street
Northside Neighborhood Watch Meeting on
Thursday, July 3rd at 7pm, Gethsemane Church
1700 Butternut Street. All are invited. Thank You

Let us Know. . .

With postage rates rising again, we would like to
cut back on our weekly mailing of bulletins. If
you would like it to continue, please call the
Parish Office and let us know otherwise you will
only receive the monthly mailed bulletin. **If you
would like the bulletin emailed to you, please
share your email address with us.** Thank you to
those that have responded thus far. We
appreciate you feedback!

Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul

Focus:

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

While preaching and spreading the Gospel after the Resurrection, Peter was arrested by King Herod. Meanwhile, prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God on his behalf. The early Church offers us an example of intercessory prayer that we should imitate by praying fervently for the successor of Peter, the pope.

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, 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, Nicholas Silvaggio, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

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.



Vienna Boy Choir Committee Meeting, Wednesday, July 2nd

There will be a Vienna Boy Choir meeting for anyone interested in serving on our exciting, fun, gratifying and productive committee this Wednesday, July 2nd at 5:00 in the Parish Office. If you are not able to attend but would like to serve on the committee please give Lucy a call at 315 345 0562.

Tickets will go on sale for this incredible world renown concert from Vienna Austria to the Our Lady of Pompei/St Peters and St John the Baptist Communities for 3 weeks starting July 12th before being offered to the general public. As in the past, we will have a diagram of the seats for people to choose their seats. Ticket prices will be the same as the last concert \$100.00 and \$75.00 depending on seat preference.

The concert will be held in our Church Wednesday, December 10th. It is sure to be a beautiful encore of the spiritual and seasonal magic we experienced 3 years ago.

We hope you will mark your calendars and share in the excitement of this wonderful event and will be a part of it in whatever ways you are able.



Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of July 5 & 6

Lectors:

4:00 pm Ro Scalzo

7:30 am Jim Magnarelli

11:30 am Ginnie Lostumbo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team IV

7:30 am Bill Brown

11:30 am Team II