

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, Pastor
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

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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.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday morning week of publication

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from the Pastor

Over the last few Sundays we've had several parables to digest and apply to our lives and again today we continue this same pursuit! But like our probable distance from owning and operating a vineyard (last Sunday), our familiarity with the practices of weddings and wedding feasts in biblical times is also a bit removed from our present experience. As is the case with this wedding feast, there were stages of invitations to say when it would be, and another to proclaim when it was ready, and this celebration was welcome to not just family and friends, but entire towns and villages (imagine the costs!!). What is the intention for us today? All of Jesus' parables have an element of shock to wake us up and invite a response from us.

Biblical Commentators Curtis Mitch and Edward Sri, give us a few "I"s to consider that I think are quite helpful after hearing today's Gospel. Overall, the parable of the wedding feast pertains to our response to God's invitation and call to relationship. It cautions us first to the dangers of **indifference** or a lack of enthusiasm to answer. When God the Father invites us into relationship with his Son, Jesus, in *freedom* we either choose to respond or we decline and go about our own way or our own plan as though nothing has changed, no new demands on our lives, etc. Let's ask the Lord to strengthen our hearts against indifference to His voice.

Additionally, the parable highlights a danger of **indignation**. It's not difficult to find others around us who might fight or reject the idea that we are all sinners in need of a savior—or even to hear and receive the call for repentance leads us to think that our personal happiness in this life or our deepest desires are threatened somehow, we might not have a willingness to change or grow. Naturally we can feel defensive or hostile toward anyone who challenges us with the authentic claims of the Gospel. Let's ask the Lord to help us to live, not in a space of indignation, but rather docility and trust toward the Gospel.

The last important warning we receive is toward ***incomplete* conversion.** The man in the parable who enters the wedding without the wedding garment had neither ignored nor refused the invitation to come to the wedding feast, but yet, his 'yes' to respond has not carried all the way through his life. We might say he wanted the good things of the kingdom (or the wedding feast) but not enough to clean himself up or break from his old ways. Let's ask the Lord to help us to see that we are *all* ongoing in our conversions and that this is not something to be afraid of but will lead to our embracing the fullness of life and friendship with God.

While these "I"s might provoke some discomfort within us, we have the additional assurances in our other readings today that God is generous and chooses to lavish his grace upon us in abundances (cf. Isa 25). St. Paul doubles down for us and says, "My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus" (Phil 4:19). When we choose to live in communion with God and respond to his friendship rather than struggle for everything on our own strength, we receive the fullness of freedom, life, and love from a God who will never cease to provide for all our needs both now and in eternity.

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Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of October 17th & 18th
4:00 pm Sandy Laurenti
7:30 am Maurice Etheredge
11:30 am Ralph Torrillo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team III
7:30 am Maurice Etheredge
11:30 am Team II

Our Address

We have had our P.O. Box address for over a year now and the mail will no longer get forwarded to us at the old address. So, please mail all correspondence to :
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
P.O.Box 11082
Syracuse, New York 13218

The Annual Hope Appeal

Last year at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter, we received 158 total gifts to the Hope Appeal in the name of our Parish and this resulted in an *overage of $1,740.00* that was gifted back to our parish for continued help with our ministries and projects. That means that we exceeded our goal with a very generous amount for our average donation received. Together let's strive to alleviate our sacrifice as a parish family by encouraging one another to participate in this important cause each year. Every donation helps! If more individuals across our parish family contribute, that means the average size donation amount needed to help us reach our goal can go down! Our own ministry to the Vietnamese Community and the Asian Apostolate are directly provided for by the Hope Appeal each year. The presence of this ministry deeply enriches our parish life and would not be possible without this yearly effort. Thank you for you prayerful consideration and participation in this year's campaign.

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.

October 4, 2026-$6,095.00
Respect Life-$375.00
Blue/Parking Lot-$985.00
Additional Fuel-$390.00

Thank you for your generosity! We are truly blessed !!

Just a Few Still Using Tape

Our new Church envelopes have a new design and all the vital information on the back side of the envelope. So we ask that now more than ever you DO NOT use tape to hold the flap down. It is very difficult to remove the tape and keep all the important information intact. Thanks!

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.

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This Week We Remember....

Monday: October 12
9:00 am No Daily Mass -Columbus Day

Tuesday: October 13
9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Robert Kalska / Son, Paul
William D'Agostino, Ann. /
Nephews, Anthony & Dom

Wednesday: October 14
9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Vittorio Perrotta / Wife & Family

Thursday: October 15
9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Camilla DiBello / Daughter, Julia

Friday: October 16
No Daily Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Saturday: October 17
4:00 pm Mass in the Church
Henry & Esther Pagano/Mary, Ann & Elizabeth
Alex J. Cimino Sr. W.Ann / Michele
Susie DeLorio/ Husband, Frank & Family
Frank Giannantonio / Anna Giannantonio
Anthony & Joanne Merluzzi / Debra Wade
Maria Assunta Salvatore / Stanley & Roseann
The Deceased of the Society of St. Therese /
Members

Sunday: October 18
7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Mary Ellen Sunser, Ann. / Family

11:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St Peter
Nick Muraca / Family
Angelo Borreggine / Wife, Frances
Jean Cerio / Mark & Karen Ventrone
Rocco Cannata / William "Bill" Bronson
Jean Marie Branca / Noreen & Zeke Zakrezski



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of
Anthony & Joanne Merluzzi
Requested by Debra Wade



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During
The Week In Loving Memory Of
Angie Scarfino
Requested by Grandchildren

Bereavement



Remember in your prayers,
Isabella Greco and Marian Cimino, 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, Francesca Santoro, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Fran Ward, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

St. Therese Mass & Meeting

St. Therese will be hosting their Annual Corporate Communion Mass at 4:00pm, Saturday, October 17th.
The next St. Therese Meeting is October 22nd at 1:00pm in the Convent. This month there will be a speaker from the Health Department speaking about Breast Care Awareness. Hope you will join us!

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Word of the Lord

"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."

Attention Altar Servers

All altar servers in grades 3 - 12 throughout the Diocese of Syracuse are invited to be recognized by Bishop Douglas J. Lucia for their service.Clergy, parish staff, altar server coordinators, and families are also invited to attend.

Altar servers are asked to vest in their robes.

Advance registration is required for all altar servers who wish to participate in the celebration.

We are unable to accommodate unregistered participants on the day of the event. **Register by October 19, 2026. Visit** https://syracusediocese.org/altar-server-celebration **to register.**

Religious Education Classes Have Begun

Classes resume again on October 18th, so there is still time to enroll in Religious Education. Registration is newly available online! Visit our parish website to complete the digital form. Paper forms are still available in the Gathering Space for those who need. Need more info, please call Jackie at 315-410-1829.



Training In The Parish Office

For **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. There are NO exceptions! This is to ensure the safety of all our young people or vulnerable adults, and also to protect our volunteers, too.

Pre-Registration required online (https://syracusediocese.org/initial-safe-environment-training-for-adults)

We are having our own training on November 14th in the Parish Office at 10:00am, so mark your calendars.

Respect Life

October is Respect Life Month. We know well that the Church calls us forth to defend and uphold the dignity of every human life. Our Catholic Social Teaching reminds us that love of neighbor is not merely an idea. It takes flesh in concrete help. **Mary's Closet** is one bright light of that teaching right here in our parish. Each week families of all kinds are transformed by the generosity of this service we have committed ourselves to! St. John Paul II wrote in *Evangelium Vitae* that a culture of life is built wherever people refuse to leave one another alone in need. Consider volunteering or supporting this ministry in whatever way you can. Each week we have an opportunity to put our faith in action through genuine accompaniment of these families, caring not just for everyday needs, but also caring for hearts.

To give, to sort, to pray, or simply to tell a neighbor is to take part in the Church's mission. Christ still comes to us in the least of his brothers and sisters, and Mary's Closet is a place where our parish can meet him. **Thank you for your generosity to Mary's Closet!**

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Please Join Us. . .

A Special Evening of Recollection, Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday Oct 20. 5:45-7pm in the Convent Chapel at OLP/SP. Fr. Foley will provide a brief reflection and over scripture passages and points for meditation to begin the time, then Eucharitic Adoration will follow, with Fr. alternating periods of song and silence for the hour prior to Benediction. Please join! This will be the start to a (hopefully) monthly endeavor! All are welcome, even to drop in late or leave early if need be--just come for the additional time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament! More info to come.

International Food Festival

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity's Annual International Food Festival is Saturday, October 17th from 12-4:30pm in the cafeteria/parish center in the old school building.

Samples are $2.00 each. They will have their famous fried dough and a bake sale. There will be gift Certificates from local businesses for raffling. Drop in and support our neighbors for some delicious bites and raffles.

Parish Offices Closed

Monday, October 12th the Parish Offices will be closed in Observance of Columbus Day. There will be No Daily Mass

The Parish Office will continue to close on Wednesday's at 11:30am.

Thanksgiving Bags

Next weekend, we will be distributing Thanksgiving Bags for those who need are help and are less fortunate. The bags will be at all entrances.

Meatball Rolling Saturday, October 17th ... Hope You Can Help



Our Parish's 77th Annual Election Day Spaghetti Supper is right around the corner and with it comes lots of opportunities for volunteering, contributing and donating. We hope you will be able to be part of it in any way you are able.

The first opportunity is meatball rolling on Saturday, October 17th at 9:00am in the cafeteria! We will be rolling, baking, counting (over 5,000), packing and cleaning up!!!

So we ask if you are able to give us some time (nothing is too short)..1 hour or several, whatever you can spare. We would be soooo appreciative.

The guys will be in the kitchen making the first batches of sauce to freeze and we will also be packaging the non-perishable items for take-out packets at this time. Many hands make light work and the more hands certainly helps move things along in better time. Thank you in advance for whatever time you can give!

Reflections of Italy Trip
October 3 - 12, 2027

10 Days & 12 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners. Plus an Optional 2-Night Rome Pre-Tour Extension. This and much more await on this 'trip of a lifetime!

For more information, contact Cruise Brothers' Maria Belcastro at 315.729.8401 or E-mail: emailmaria@aol.com

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Fr. Foley

Fr. Foley will be away for his annual retreat which is part of the class he has been in over the past 3 years. He will be away and in silence(!) from Oct 5-13, he has promised to remember us in prayer each day and is grateful for your prayers for him, too. In the meantime, special thanks to Fr. Adelmo, Fr. Paul, and Fr. Kelly who are helping cover while he's away! Thank you for your understanding!

Sons of Italy Celebrate Italian Heritage & Culture Month

The Progresso Lodge #1047, Order Sons and daughters of Italy in America will celebrate its 63rd Annual Italian Heritage & Columbus Dinner Dance on Saturday, October 17th at Bella Domani Restaurant. In North Syracuse.

The evening's festivities will include cocktail and hors-d'oeuvres beginning at 6:30pm, followed by a full course sit down dinner(with choice of Beef Tenderloin Steak or Salmon with Balsamic Glaze). A Venetian Table will also be had, consisting of delicious homemade cookies and pastries. Music for dancing or listening pleasure will be provide by the Franco Gallelli Band from Rochester. There will also be basket raffles.

The dinner is open to the public and everyone is welcome. The cost is $60.00 per person. For more information and or reservations, you may call Carmine Federico at 315-457-5010 or email him at cfederic39@yahoo.com.

The All Souls Mass for Holy Name Society and the Society of St. Therese will take place in Church on November 11th at 6pm. At this Mass deceased members names of both societies will be announced. Hope you can attend this tribute!

November 2nd is All Souls Day

The day in the liturgical calendar when we pause with solemnity with the Catholic Church throughout the world for heightened remembrance of the faithful departed. This year, November 2nd is a Monday. However, similar to what we did last year, we would like to invite a remembrance and offer prayers for our loved ones **at the weekend Masses for November 14-15.**

At Masses for that weekend, we not only will give special attention to those who have passed within the last year, and we would also like to invite you to remember the other deceased members of your families and friends as well.

The opportunity again is here to obtain a candle, which we will label with the names of your deceased loved ones, and line our side altars (with our Saints), with these candles.

Our faith is founded on our confidence in the Resurrection, and while we grieve the loss of our loved ones, we are encouraged to remember them and intercede for them that they may now enjoy the fullness of life in heaven.

Candles/Intentions can be submitted in your All Souls Day Envelope which is in your envelope packet. Please enclose $5.00 for each candle/intention that you write on the All Souls Day Envelope. If you would like to have names listed specifically or simply read "Deceased Members of the 'Foley Family' you may. Names of deceased loved ones are due by Tuesday Nov 10th.

