



# Church of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter

## Weekly Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Mon -Thurs 9:00 am in the Chapel  
Daily Vietnamese Mass: Tues-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  
Mary Beth Meade, Director of Religious Education  
James Stanley, Director of Music  
D.J. Scarfino, Facilities Manager

### Parish Office

P.O.Box 11082, Syracuse, NY 13218  
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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

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.

# April 12, 2026

## A Message from the Pastor

Blessed Easter once again to you all! Very grateful for your prayerful accompaniment through the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Many thanks to all who have helped prepare our worship spaces and our beautiful liturgies--may our hearts now and always be 'overcome with Easter joy' as the Mass prays for the next 50 or so days...

The Second Sunday of Easter is fondly known as Sunday of Divine Mercy. Certainly we can recall the devotion to and chaplet of Divine Mercy that Jesus gave us through St. Faustina, but we also see before our eyes today that Divine Mercy--or God being deeply merciful-- is not just an *attribute* that belongs to God, but really is the very nature of God, the essence of God. Consider the moment that Jesus first appears to the apostles...the last interaction prior that Jesus would have had was a moment where the apostles scattered in fear. They abandoned Jesus in his greatest moment of need. While easily we could expect that when once he returns victorious, vengeance would be sought. Not so with Jesus. His very first words to them are "Peace."

Peace, however, in this context is not simply an absence of conflict, but rather it stems from the breath of Jesus' life. If we desire to be transformed by true peace that isn't fleeting, it must come to us through Jesus, through the gift of the Holy Spirit.. Jesus is not competing with us, nor is he trying to hide or withhold the gift of his life, his peace, his mercy--he makes these readily available to whoever sincerely seeks them in the Sacraments. As we see with Thomas today, transformative encounters with mercy produce faith and trust. There actually is no scriptural detail that says Thomas *did* touch the wounds of Christ...it could very well be that just by Jesus' patience with him could be enough evidence of mercy to heal, and Jesus' willingness to invite Thomas to touch his wounds was **enough**. He might not have needed anything more than that.

Remember, too, from the vivid passion narrative...the side of Jesus being pierced, and pouring forth 'blood and water' from his heart. This image of blood and water flowing would have immediately evoked the image of what regularly would happen in the Jerusalem temple. With all the animal sacrifices, the side of the temple would pour forth blood and water as it was cleaned after the offerings. It was seen as a river of mercy flowing down through the street into the larger body of water. We know that Jesus himself was the embodiment of the Temple, that with the destruction of his body, in three days it would be raised up. If from Jesus' side blood and water poured forth in mercy like the fulfillment of the temple, how amazing is it to think that where Jesus calls forward the touch of faith for Thomas to come to believe is in the *very place and source* where the river of mercy now sacramentally pours forth--Jesus' pierced and now resurrected side!

Now we should consider our call to live as instruments of this divine mercy, and as members of His body, the Church, are reminded that the Church is born from Jesus' side on the cross--not unlike how Eve was created from the rib or side of Adam. We are created for a deep intimacy and oneness with the Lord, and this comes to fulfillment and to be embodied in us the more and more that we choose to respond to the Lord's mercy and live in the refuge of his most sacred heart. Consider his words to St. Faustina, and ask, what would happen in my life if I became an instrument of Jesus' mercy? What would change? How might my presence among my friends and family take on a new level of love?

# Second Sunday of Easter-Divine Mercy

## **40 Tickets Left**

The Holy Name Raffle Tickets are still on sale and only 40 tickets left! Tickets are \$50.00 each and only 300 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be here before you know it, May 13th. The prizes are as follows: 1st- \$5,000.00, 2nd- \$1,000.00, 3rd- \$1,000.00 and 4th-\$500.00. Call Larry Cimino at 315 430 5645 to purchase your tickets or for any questions.

## **Liturgical Ministers**

Weekend of April 18th @ 19th

4:00 pm Ro Scalzo

7:30 am Maryann Iannettone

11:30 am Cindee Musumeci

## **Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 pm Team I

7:30 am Tino Porrino

11:30 am Team III

## **Religious Education Classes**

The weekend of April 19

All classes are in session this weekend

**Confirmation** date is May 16th at 5:15pm at Blessed Sacrament Church.

**First Communion** will be Saturday, May 2nd at the 4:00pm Mass.

The **May Crowning** is Sunday, May 3rd at the 11:30am Mass.

## **Sacrificial Giving**

Please contact Fr. Foley if you have any questions about our parish finances.

March 29, 2026-\$6,708.00

Easter-\$11,742.00

Holy Land-\$1,047.00

Holy Thursday-\$822.00

Lenten Sacrifice-\$2,848.00

(will go towards Mary's Closet)

Blue-\$753.00



## **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 tithes to our faith community.

## **A sampling of Jesus' words to Faustina**

(below)...how amazing his mercy! Let's not take it for granted, but entrust ourselves humbly to it!

- "Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy."

- "My daughter [Faustina], write that the greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; [urge] all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all...The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy. My mercy is confirmed in every work of My hands. He who trusts in My mercy will not perish, for all his affairs are Mine, and his enemies will be shattered at the base of My footstool."

- "I desire trust from My creatures. Encourage souls to place great trust in My fathomless mercy. Let the weak, sinful soul have no fear to approach Me, for even if it had more sins than there are grains of sand in the world, all would be drowned in the unmeasurable depths of My mercy."

- "Tell [all people], My daughter, that I am Love and Mercy itself. When a soul approaches Me with trust, I fill it with such an abundance of graces that it cannot contain them within itself, but radiates them to other souls."

- "I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You.'"

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***This Week We Remember***

**Monday: April 13**

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Joseph, Luke & Rose Oscuro

**Tuesday: April 14**

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

**Wednesday: April 15**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Pasqualina Pallotta / Anthony

**Thursday: April 16**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Luke DiBello / Sister, Julia

**Friday: April 17**

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

**Saturday: April 18**

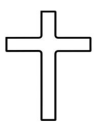
4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Salvatore Calabrese / Carlos & Connie  
Marilyn Cox / Frank  
Bob Antonacci / Joanne Licitra  
Barbara Spoto / The Lynch Family  
Anthony "Midnite" Silvaggio/ wife, Sally & Sons,  
Jeff & Tony Jr. & Grandson, Nicola  
Palma Rose Trinca /  
Chris & Grace Courtwright & Family

**Sunday: April 19**

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Joanna Simone / Lucille Leonard

**Sunday: April 19**

11:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St Peter  
Anthony DeMascole, Ann. / Grandson, Anthony  
Angelo Borreggine / Frances  
Joseph & Jane Lostumbo / Ginnie Lostumbo  
Sharon Wade Merluzzi / Debra Wade  
Anthony & Joanne Merluzzi / Debra Wade  
Susie DeLorio / Husband, Frank & Family



***Padre Pio Devotional***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
***Sharon Wade Merluzzi***  
Requested by Debra



***Eucharistic Angels***

Burning In Loving Memory of  
***James Albanese***

Requested by Family

***Let us pray as one family***

Please remember in your prayers the  
sick of our parishes.

Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey,  
Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, Robert Capria,  
John & Leona Ciferri, Vic Coogan, 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.

***Mary's Closet Update***

Thank you to those who continue to donate  
new baby items to Mary's closet! This week we  
received 6 new 2 piece outfits and boxes of  
toothbrushes, toothpaste, and floss for the  
varies age group! Please remember this is an  
ongoing ministry for our parish. As the season  
begins to change we will be looking for Spring  
and Summer clothing, size Newborn through  
5T. Our hours of operation are Tuesdays and  
Thursday from 10:00am to Noon. So spread  
the word!

***Northside Meeting***

The next Northside Neighborhod Group  
Meeting will be held on April 20th at 7:00pm in  
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Cafeteria. Marty  
Nave will be present.

# Second Sunday of Easter-Divine Mercy



## **BASKETS AND BITES 2 WEEKS AWAY!!!! Saturday, April 25 th ...5:00 in the School Cafeteria**

We hope you have already gotten your tickets for Baskets and Bites which is just 2 weeks from this weekend.

It's going to be a great night and we really hope you will be part of it.

The Baskets and Raffle items that have already come in are fantastic...we know they are going to be the source of a great deal of excitement. The chefs and bakers are signing up and are sure to be planning on preparing delicious dishes, many of which we have so enjoyed through the years.

Tickets are only \$10.00 each and include 2 free raffle tickets for you to use to take chances on the items of your choice. Get a fun table together or come solo and join in on one...we know you will be so happy that you did.

If you want to join the list of Parishioners cooking and or baking, if you want to donate a basket or raffle item or if you want to reserve a seat or table...let us know!!! We will be in the back of church after all masses this weekend (April 11 and 12 th ) and next weekend (April 18 and 19 th ), call Lucy (315 345 0562), or Colleen (315 427 6474) or stop in or call the Parish Office 315 422 7163.

Many thanks to everyone that have already signed up to cook and bake, donated baskets and items and reserved seats. Your support is so appreciated!!!  
Can't wait to share the evening with you!!!

