



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
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.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from the Pastor

Bit of a challenge for us this Sunday! In the first reading, God makes Ezekiel a watchman. The charge is spare and severe: *if you see the danger and say nothing, the other's ruin becomes, in some way, yours*. As if to say, silence can be a kind of complicity. Yet held together with the Gospel that follows today—this is not a license to scold, either. Jesus teaches a watchfulness that is rooted always in humility and mercy. Go first to your brother alone. Speak so as to win him and his heart, not to display him. Only if that fails do others enter the circle. The aim is communion restored, not a case won, and it's easy for us to lose sight of this at times.

This is the spiritual labor hidden inside every other labor. Most of us will not stand on city walls. We will stand at desks, sinks, job sites, hospital corridors, and kitchen tables, wherever. There we see fatigue, injustice, challenges with coworkers, a family member growing hard or experiencing great hardships possibly due to their own making. The temptation is either to harden our own hearts or to broadcast what should have been whispered. The Gospel asks for something rarer and something not easy: courage without cruelty, truth without an audience.

This weekend we also have Labor Day! Maybe this could invite a second look at that observance with our faith. Work is a gift. In Nazareth it was the ordinary form of love: wood shaped, bread earned, days spent close to Jesus and Mary. Honest work still dignifies the person who gives it. It is one way we become, in a small way, co-workers with the Creator. But work is for the person, not the person for work. A culture that never stops producing will eventually stop seeing.

That is why Sabbath and our reverence for our Sunday worship belongs in any Christian reflection on labor. God *rested*—not because he was weary, but so that rest would be written into the rhythm of the world and the pattern of our lives. Sunday is not leftover time after the real week. It is the day that tells the week what it is for. Without rest, watchfulness turns into anxiety. Without prayer, correction turns into control. Without a table shared and a Mass offered, even good work begins to own us. Our participation in the Eucharist each Sunday does far more for us than we could ever perceive or imagine, and needs to stay as the priority for our homes.

So the invitation this weekend is simple. Listen with a discerning heart before we speak. Speak, when we must, as one who hopes to gain a brother or a sister back in communion or harmony of relationship with us and the Lord. Rest—not just an absence of work, but again time in the embrace of the Lord, our work must always take a back seat to that. Jesus has promised to be present where two or three gather in his name. That gathering may be here together as a parish family, it may be in the quiet conversation with a loved one that heals a wound. The watchman who never rests will miss the Voice he was appointed to hear. Let us heed the invitation from the word of the Lord this day and harden not our hearts. Work and serve as ones who love. Rest with the Lord who loves you best.

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Wedding Banns

1. Gabrielle Parsons / Matthew Lorenzo

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of September 12th & 13th

4:00 pm Sandy Laurenti

7:30 am Nick Lore

11:30 am Ralph Torrillo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team I

7:30 am Bob Battaglia

11:30 am Team III

Parking Lot Update

Our parking lots are in major need of repair. It is a great concern of ours to ensure the safety of all. This, of course, will be a costly undertaking but it's one that must be addressed. All bids are in and are being reviewed. Please use your Blue Envelope for the Parking Lot Project. For the month of August we have collected \$2,076.00 Thank you for helping us to protect, care for our parish family and to be responsible stewards.

Faith Formation

Registration for our Faith Formation & Religious Education Program for the upcoming school year will be available starting the first week of September! We also hope to offer online registration this year, too. Please stay tuned for details to come! If you have previously served in our program as a Catechist or have interest in serving our youth in this important way this year, please let Fr. Foley know by email (bfoley@syrديو.орг) or by calling and leaving a message at the office. We are excited for the year ahead!

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.

August 30, 2026-\$4,206.00

Blue/Parking Lot-\$320.00

Thank you for your generosity !!

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.



Religious Education &

Faith Formation

Saturday, October 3rd at the 4pm Mass will be a kick off Mass for Faith Formation/Religious Ed. All families and youth in all grades, for a Bilingual-English/Vietnamese Mass. We will bless our students and families and their catechists! It will be a beautiful celebration for our parish family! You won't want to miss it!

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week We Remember....

Monday: September 7

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
No Daily Mass

Tuesday: September 8

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Lynn Rosenblatt / Joe

Wednesday: September 9

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Mary Kalska / Son, Paul

Thursday: September 10

9:00 am Mass in the Chapel
Nicolina Colavita, Ann. / Anthony

Friday: September 11

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

Saturday: September 12

4:00 pm Mass in the Church
Ann DiLauro / Joanne Licitra
Sandra Colantone / Family
Joanne & Frank Giannantonio Jr. / Anna
Sister Mary Praxadis / Mary Linda Raccuia
Henry & Esther Pagano / Mary, Ann &
Elizabeth
Maria Laura Pallotta / Frank
Antoinette Carapella / Frank

Sunday: September 13

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Carl Sunser Ann. / Family
Louis N. Sacco / Patti

11:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St Peter
Rocco Cannata / Neil E. Schenfelder
Giuseppe Mondo / Wife & Family
Martin & Nancy Duffy, Ann. / Friend
Nicola Mastrogiovanni / Family
Anthony James Cannizzaro /

John & Margherita
Deceased of the Mule & Cannizzaro Families /
John & Margherita



Padre Pio Devotional

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

Bereavement



Remember in your prayers,
Frank Pallotta, whose Funeral Masses 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.***

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.

Word of the Lord

“Mother Teresa, in all aspects of her life, was a
generous dispenser of divine mercy, making
herself available for everyone through her
welcome and defense of human life, those
unborn and those abandoned and discarded.
She was committed to defending life,
ceaselessly proclaiming that “the unborn are
the weakest, the smallest, the most
vulnerable”.

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Mary's Closet Updates

For the month of August we have helped 75 children with all the essential that they need. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for supporting this ministry.

Tag updates

As we tally up all the donations received by you , the parishioner, to totals are overwhelming!! A total of 102 pairs of pajamas, 47 outfits all sizes, 47 bibs, 5 burp cloths, 6 receiving blankets and 151 pairs of socks. If we had to purchase these items it would have been well over \$2500.00. Your generosity is unmatched!!

Available on Thursday's?

We need volunteers to help at Mary's Closet on Thursday's from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you have two hours to spare, please consider joining us.

Meeting Dates

Father Foley would like to hold the next Finance Meeting on Tuesday, September 15th at 6pm in the parish office, and the next Parish Council on Tuesday, September 22nd at 6pm.

Syracuse Mets Game?!

Fr. Foley is planning to attend the Syracuse Mets game on Thursday September 17, at 6:30pm. Parishioners from St. Anthony's will be present, but Fr. Foley would like to bring friends and families from both OLP/SP and St. John's/HT! If there is sufficient interest we will obtain the group pricing for a fun little late summer outing! For those interested, please leave a message at the office and how many tickets you would need. Likely price for a ticket is \$15. RSVP by September 10th.

Safe Environment Training

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.

This is to ensure the safety of all our young people or vulnerable adults, and also to protect our volunteers, too. Thank you for helping us to continue our deep and sincere commitment to the safety and wellbeing of our community. Your training certification lasts for a period of 5 years, and the process to renew training is simple and straightforward.

Pre-Registration required online (<https://syracusediocese.org/initial-safe-environment-training-for-adults>) These are upcoming dates and locations: Tues 9/8 9-11am at St. Daniel's, Sun 9/13 12-2pm at St. Augustine's Bville, Thurs 9/24 10am at Catholic Charities (HOP), Thurs 9/24 5:30pm at Most Holy Rosary School, Tues 10/6 5:30pm at Holy Cross, DeWitt. Please take advantage of these local classes!

Parish Offices Closed

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, September 7th in Observance of Labor Day. We will reopen again on Tuesday, September 8th at 8:30am. We are also continuing to close on Wednesday's at 11:30am.

St. Therese Society

The next meeting for the Society of St. Therese will be Thursday, September 24th at 1:00pm in the Parish Office.

A guest speaker from the Sheriff's Department will present information about the "Yellow Dot Program". They will also review information about how to protect yourself from scams and financial crimes. All are welcome to join us, member or not!!

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Annual Hope Appeal

This year's Hope Appeal will kick off on the weekend of September 12th & 13th. The theme is "We Are The Body of Christ"!

OCIA

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Do you know someone who is desiring to respond to the presence of God in life, who has an openness and curiosity of heart to know Jesus and his Church? If you or someone you know is interested in Baptism as an adult, please reach out to Fr. Foley (easiest way is via email bfoley@syrдио.org) or call the office. He would love to meet with you and simply converse with you to accompany you along this journey of faith.

Entering the Catholic Church as an adult involves one's free response to relationship with the Lord, and while this certainly involves formation and learning and engaging questions, it's not class, nor is one 'locked' into a timeline of how that happens and when.

If you were baptized Catholic and have sacraments of initiation still to receive (Like Confirmation or First Eucharist), **please reach out!** If you are married civilly but not married in the Church, **please reach out!** If you were baptized outside of the Catholic Church and would like to become Catholic, **please reach out!**

Remember that the Sacraments of the Church were initiated by Christ to offer us the *ordinary* means of grace that we need for our lives and our journey to heaven. If the Lord is nudging your heart to any of these things, or if you have questions, Fr. Foley wants to connect.

Call for Singers!

The Sacred Music Society of Syracuse is seeking interested singers and students (16 and older) from around the Diocese of Syracuse to join a Festival Choir in its performance of the St. Cecilia Mass by Charles Gounod as a concert, with orchestra, under the direction of Peter Ciarelli, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 2pm on Sunday, November 23rd. Rehearsals will be held at St. Daniel's Church from 3:00pm to 5:00pm Sundays from October 4 through November 15th. Rehearsals and Concert are free and open to the public. No experience required. If you would like to make a voluntary donation feed the homeless will be accepted by Music for the Mission. For more information or to sign up, please call Megan Fallon at 315-727-6336 or email at syrдиоfestshorus@gmail.com.

Mass Book Opening

The 2027 Mass Book will open on Wednesday, September 9th. Cost for each Mass Intention is \$15.00.

- *The Bread & Wine for the week is \$25.00.
- *Eucharistic Angels are \$10.00 each. There are two candles. You may purchase one or two.
- *The Sanctuary Lamps are also \$10.00 each with the option to purchase one or two.
- *The Padre Pio Candle is \$10.00 for the week.

Please remember that we are only allowed to have one Mass Intention for Daily Masses and the 7:30am Mass on Sunday. At the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass as well as the 11:30am Mass we are allowed to have 5 Intentions.

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THE FOUR PILLARS OF STEWARDSHIP

As a faith community we strive to be a community of hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. In sharing generously of our talent, time and treasure, we grow in the stewardship way of life, the discipleship way of life.

Our stewardship ministries are gathered under these four pillars:

HOSPITALITY: We strive to extend a warm, hospitable and loving welcome to all who join us in worship, service, study, social or in times of personal need. We assist our parish community in presenting a visible sign of Christ's loving kindness in all we do.

PRAYER: We grow as disciples who are committed to prayer—individual and communal prayer, public and private prayer. Through prayer we are invited to draw closer to Jesus and to imitate Him in our daily lives. While Eucharist is central to our spiritual life, other prayer opportunities are made available.

FORMATION: We strive to educate, form and sustain the stewardship way of life for all ages through faith formation opportunities in the parish and school. We strive to be disciple stewards and give good example as we participate in parish life in ministries and on parish leadership teams. We are open to the continuous conversion to a life of stewardship – to sharing what one has with a loving, generous and grateful heart.

SERVICE: We strive to be servant ministers to the need of our parish members, the wider community and Church. We strive to serve compassionately those who are hurting or in need, lost or alone, or suffering in any way. We give thanks to God for all the gifts we have received and we celebrate the special events in the lives of parishioners.

