



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
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Parish Office

P.O.Box 11082, Syracuse, NY 13218
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm

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.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday morning week of publication

October 26, 2025

A Message from the Pastor

Continuing with a similar theme from last Sunday regarding the Lord's ongoing response to our prayers, today the readings remind us of the disposition from which we must always pray: the heart of God is perpetually attentive to the humble. Boldly present throughout the whole of Scripture is the reality that the Lord "hears the cry of the oppressed" and that "the prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds" (Sirach 35:21). This is how the Lord desires to respond to our prayers, always with the gift of his presence that draws close: "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit," "When the just cry out, the LORD hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them". So a consideration for us in our own prayers might be whether or not I see myself before the Lord in my own vulnerability, in my own poverty whatever it may be, with humility and trust that the Lord cares and is actively accompanying me. If my attention is there and if this is my disposition, I can grow in confidence that I am not alone in my weakness.

In our Gospel today, Jesus contrasts the Pharisee's "prayer" with the tax collector's humble plea for mercy, teaching that "whoever exalts himself will be humbled, but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." If we notice the text, we see that the Pharisee's prayer is said "to himself"—we could receive this as reflective of selfishness or pride, and that his words aren't directed to God, nor do they reflect the disposition that God has shown he is attentive to. The point of this rather cringeworthy story told by Jesus is that pride is a sin that actually blinds us to our other sins and to the needs of others. Here, the Pharisee is completely inattentive to mercy and to what kind of heart the Lord draws close.

St. Paul in our second reading provides a beautiful case study (if you will), for the disposition of humility and trust in prayer to which we are all called. Recall that Paul finds himself poor and humiliated but simultaneously not discouraged, confidently sustained by radical faith and trust in the Lord. We might be able to place his words on his lips while he is in prison nearing the end of his life and trial before Nero where he will ultimately give his life. Paul reflects on being "poured out as a libation," abandoned by all at his defense: "everyone deserted me." In this moment of profound lowliness—imprisoned, isolated, facing death—he feels the sting of humiliation. Yet, he declares, "the Lord stood by me and gave me strength," rescuing him from "the lion's mouth" and every evil threat. Paul's trust transforms his poverty into a testament of hope, as he affirms, "I have fought the good fight... I have kept the faith." Pope Benedict XVI describes this moment of Paul's experience as "a model for every Christian": "The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed... Communion with Jesus crucified and risen, a bold witness of his love." "The cry of the poor and oppressed," Benedict notes, "finds an immediate echo in God, who desires to intervene to open up a way out, to restore a future of freedom, a horizon of hope."

Like Paul, when we face humiliation—through betrayal, failure, or hardship—let's ask for the grace to resist discouragement by anchoring ourselves in radical trust. Begin prayers not like the Pharisee with self-justification but rather with honest vulnerability, echoing the tax collector: "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." True prayer, if we are honest with ourselves, must emanate from a poor, humble heart, that leads our lives to foster unity and mission. In our weaknesses, the Lord draws close, not to leave us crushed, but to lift us as beloved children. May St. Paul's unwavering faith inspire us today, even if we find ourselves living in humiliation, may our trust in the Lord open the heavens, turning our trials into triumphs of grace.

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Are So Close.. . .

The sound system in the church is going to be upgraded!! Our attention to the audio needs will have an immediate impact on everyone coming through our doors, which is why this is where we are beginning.

To date we have received a total of **\$37,242.00** in donations. You too, can make a donation through the use of your "Blue Envelope" marked Sound System. Any overage in contributions once we've reached our goal will immediately contribute to the next improvements to our building and are restricted for that use.

We know the pride we take in our parish church and our stewardship to provide for her future. Please know that the contribution you offer, no matter the size, brings us closer to our goal.

Mail Delays

Please use our new mailing address when sending correspondence to the church. If you are sending the mail to 301 Ash Street or 920 N. McBride Street it is taking at least a week to receive it. The proper address is:

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church
P.O. Box 11082

Syracuse, New York 13218

Also, please note the zip code, 13218.

Northside Neighborhood Meeting

Marty Nave will be hosting a Neighborhood Watch Meeting on Thursday, November 6th Gethsemane Church, 1700 Butternut Street at 7:00pm. All Northside residents are invited to attend.

New Bulletin Look

This is the second week of our new bulletin company printed our bulletin. With that being said, we also have new deadlines. If you would like to place something in the bulletin it must be received by Monday morning, 10:00am for that week's publication. Please give us your feedback on what you like or would like to see changed. Check out the bulletin ads on the back cover. Please support our ad providers!!

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 19, 2025-\$4,758.00

Sound System-\$235.00

Add'l Respect Life-\$125.00

Catholic University- \$286.00

We will continue to take Fuel envelopes throughout the month of October.

Thank you to everyone for their generosity! Please remember Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter in your Will. You may call the parish office for more information.

Hope Appeal

We have collected **\$7,830.00** from 59 families. We are off to a great start! If you haven't had an opportunity to make your donation yet, please prayerfully do so as soon as possible. It is very important for you to participate. We look forward to sharing this year's message "Rooted in Faith, Growing in Hope". For it is together we strengthen our church and serve others. Our goal is \$20,175.00.

Vocations

Paul writes that the Lord strengthened him to proclaim the good news of Christ. Though God calls men and women to serve Him, He always provides for their needs. Is God calling you to trust Him to help you be a priest, a deacon, or a consecrated religious? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.

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This Week We Remember

Monday: October 27

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Antonio Colavita, Ann. / The Colavita Family

Tuesday: October 28

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
David Petragani (B) / Aunt, Marietta

Wednesday: October 29

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Mary Galvagno, Ann. / Pete & Nikki Penizotto

Thursday: October 30

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

Friday: October 31

9:00 am No Daily Mass at OLP / St. P

Saturday: November 1

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
For the People of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Sunday: November 2

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
For the People of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

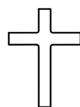
11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
For the People of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter



Bereavement

Remember in your prayers, Sam Princi &
Josephine Ndikumana, 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.*



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of
Alberto & Sadie Fabrizi
Requested by Thomas & Corrine Ferrante



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week In
Loving Memory Of
Alberto & Sadie Fabrizi
Requested by Adel & Joe



Eucharistic Angels

Burning In Loving Memory of
Richard A. Tortora Sr.
Requested by Wife, Rita & Family

Family Perspective

Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "who humbles
himself will be exalted." It is not the occasional
big events, but the daily humble routine of
family life which creates bonds and
relationships which last a lifetime.

Let us pray as one family

Please remember in your prayers the
sick of our parishes.

Jim Albanese, Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock,
Nancy Bailey, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello,
Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Vic
Coogan, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo,
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
Mioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane
Moro, Joe Nicoletti, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia
Children, Emily Rosenthal, Faith Setzer, Marion
Sherwood, 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.

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE 76TH ANNUAL ELECTION DAY SPAGHETTI SUPPER

A week from Tuesday. . . Get your take out & Delivery Orders in Soon

We hope you will join us Tuesday Nov. 4th from 11:30 to 7:00pm

Eat in, take-out, curbside, and delivery available!!!

In House. . .

Come and enjoy all the excitement, delicious food, live entertainment and wonderful comradery!! We would love to break bread with you and share in all the traditions of this great event!!!

All single adult meals are \$12.00...Children 5 to 10..\$7.00 and under 5 Free

All orders consist of a very hearty portion of pasta, 2 meatballs, salad, Italian/Garlic bread, awesome dessert and in house beverages.

TAKE OUT OR DELIVERY. . .

We are taking orders for takeout and delivery after all the masses in the back of church, or by calling the Parish (315 422 7163). (Curbside orders must be prepaid please).

- Individual Orders are \$12.00
- Office? Lunch or Dinner at home? Treat Family and Friends? Shut In's?
- Take Out Half trays.\$60.00...Serves 6 ..12 meatballs, salad, Italian Bread and Dessert for 6
- Take Out Full trays.\$120.00..Serves 15, 30 meatballs, salad, Italian Bread and Dessert for 15

Of course this wonderful event could never happen or be possible without the help and generosity of many wonderful and kind people. Whether it's donating financially, being a sponsor, volunteering, ordering for yourself, your workplace , family or friends, spreading the word, or simply offering prayers for its success. We absolutely welcome you with open arms. Give us a call at the Parish Office ...315 422 7163 or Lucy's cell 315 345 0562... To sign up to volunteer, for sponsorships, to place to go orders or for more information!!! Thanks for your support

Want to Help? Volunteers are always welcome and very Appreciated It's fun too!!

MEATBALL ROLLING IS Next SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 ST

Hopefully you have marked your calendars and if you are able will help with this all important task. We will begin rolling, baking, counting and packing 6,000 meatballs in the cafeteria starting at 8:00am on Saturday, November 1st ! We will be there for a number of hours so jump in whenever you can... for a few minutes or a few hours. It will also be the first day of sauce making so it will be a very busy day in and out of the kitchen!!. Whether you can offer an hour, or a few ...all is appreciated!!!

Other ways to help in the days leading up to "THE BIG DAY" Thank you in advance!

- **Monday Nov 3th ..starting at 5:00pm.** We need help preparing the cafeteria, packaging desserts, prepping the garlic bread and tying up loose ends.
- **THE BIG DAY!!!! Tuesday...Nov. 4th Election Day!!!!...**Many jobs, many shifts. Starting at 8:00 am, right through to clean up (starting at 7:00pm). We are in need of delivery drivers too!!!Let us know if you are available and whatever might fit your schedule!!

Remember...no time is too short ...a few minutes or a few hours...whatever fits!! Many hands make light work and we can use as many as possible! Call Lucy at the Parish Offices with any questions or desired shifts/duties for Election Day! The night before no need to call just show up...!!! We will be so happy to see you!



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Holy Name Raffle

Tickets for the Holy Name Raffle are now available! The drawing will be at their May meeting on May 13th.

This year 300 tickets will be sold at \$50.00 each. The prizes are as follows: 1st-\$5,000.00, 2nd-\$1,000.00, 3rd-\$1,000.00 and 4th-\$500.00.

If you want a special numbered ticket, it is on a first come- first served! Call Larry Cimino at 315 430 5645 to reserve your tickets or for any questions.

Holy Name thanks you for your support!

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of November 1 & 2

Lectors:

4:00 pm Sandy Laurenti

7:30 am Nick Lore

11:30 am Ginnie Lostumbo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team II

7:30 am Joe Abt

11:30 am Team I

Religious Education Classes

The weekend of November 2

Day of the Son (DOS) Class at 10:15am

First Penance at 10:15am

FFI Class at 10:15am

FFII Class at 10:15am

Thanksgiving Bags

This weekend the brown bags for the Thanksgiving Baskets will be distributed at all Masses. The donations were due back no later than November 15th & 16th. This will give time for packaging and distribution so that they are received in time for the holiday. Each bag has a list attached with some food suggestions. Thank you for your generosity and making Thanksgiving happy for everyone.



Your Invited to the All Souls Mass

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, All Souls' Day falls on a Sunday, which means we observe it at each of our weekend Masses. **On Saturday, November 1 at 4:00pm and November 2 at 7:30am and 11:30am, we will celebrate the Mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church.** All are invited to participate in any of the Masses, and we are especially extending this invitation to you—to our families and friends who are grieving the loss of someone who died during the past year.

We plan to offer you the opportunity 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. Forms are in the pews. Candles will be \$5 each and when submitting this, 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 October 28th. You can place your requests in a plain envelope marked deceased members. We will do the rest!

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.

The All Souls Mass for the Holy Name Society and the Society of St. Therese will take place in Church on November 12th at 6:00pm. At this Mass all deceased members names of both societies will be announced. Hope you can attend this tribute!

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Vienna Boys Choir coming soon...give yourself or others this spectacular gift!

The famous Vienna Boy Choir from Vienna Austria will be at our church on December 10th for what is sure to be a most spectacular and memorable evening. They will be highlighting the beautiful Christmas season with Christmas in Vienna...a delightful program of Austrian folk songs, classical masterpieces, Christmas hymns, and traditional holiday carols. We hope you will be there and enjoy this incredible evening with us. If you haven't purchased seats yet and are contemplating it...do yourself a favor and join us to share an evening you will never forget. Tickets are a fantastic gift idea too. We have had a number of people purchase seats as gifts. We often search for that special gift for special people. This is certainly a gift they will forever remember and treasure! Whether you accompany them or present them with the tickets to come on their own, we know they will be so grateful. The \$100.00 seats are sold out but there are great \$75.00 seats still available. If you are interested in joining the wonderful sponsors that are supporting this great event we would be so grateful!! We also have ad opportunities available for the wonderful program book/playbill the night of the concert. It's a great way for promoting your business, remembering or honoring loved ones, expressing gratitude, sharing special messages, or wishing holiday blessings. In turn it is supporting this fantastic event and our wonderful Parish.

We will be in the back of church after all masses this weekend, October 25 and 26th, and the weekend of November 1st for seating, sponsorship and ad opportunities or for more information. You can also call or visit the Parish Offices (315 422 7163) or call Lucy's cell at 315 345 0562. As always, Cash, Checks and Credit Cards are accepted. If you have purchased tickets and have not yet received your tickets for the concert you can pick them up after these masses as well. We can't say it enough... that whether you are joining us for the concert, sponsoring, placing ads, spreading the word, volunteering to help, or simply saying a prayer for the concerts success...we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. With much gratitude to our Presenting co-sponsors... The Thomas J Pirro Jr. Funeral Home and The Santaro Companies.

