



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
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Parish Office

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Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm

Contact Information

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Website: ourladyofpompei-stpeters.org

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 19, 2025

A Message from the Pastor

Hope's Gentle Embrace: Lifting Our Hearts to God. Most of us have probably felt at one time or another a time when we were so fatigued that our bodies had nearly zero energy to move a muscle, a different kind of exhaustion that we are powerless against, that it would literally take the generosity of a selfless friend to keep you upright. It's not a comfortable experience, I suppose it could be discouraging or maybe even humiliating to be that dependent on another. But in these spaces of trust and surrender, what an uplifting movement of the heart to experience when we receive that loving rescue from outside of ourselves. Amazing to envision the story of our first reading from the book of Exodus. It's a powerful story of hope and deliverance. We see Moses atop a hill, his arms raised intently in prayer as the people of Israel battles Amalek below. When weariness weighs on him, Aaron and Hur gently support his hands, ensuring victory through their quiet solidarity. This image communicates to us: hope is not a solitary endeavor but a shared journey, sustained by God's unfailing presence and the love of those around us, especially through the Church.

Psalms 121 lifts our gaze even further, singing, "I lift up my eyes to the mountains; from where shall come my help? My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (Ps 121:1-2). Our God, who "neither slumbers nor sleeps" (Ps 121:4), watches over us with a love that never falters. In moments of struggle—whether personal doubts, family challenges, or the world's unrest—this psalm offers a gentle promise: the Lord guards our every step, now and always. It is his deep desire not to shy away from us in the struggle of life, but rather to carry us through, and to sustain us beyond our ability to see. How does our confidence to face the difficulties of life grow when we remember we are backed by the confidence and this assurance of the Lord's fidelity?

Pope Benedict XVI, in *Spe Salvi*, speaks to this hope with luminous clarity: "The one who has hope lives differently" (*Spe Salvi*, 2). He reminds us that Christian hope is "a trusting expectation of God's help" (*Spe Salvi*, 34), rooted in Christ's victory over death. This hope transforms our hearts, inviting us to live with joy and courage, even in trial. "In hope we were saved... it is the expectation of things to come from the perspective of a present that **is already given**" (*Spe Salvi*, 7, emphasis added). Through prayer, like Moses, we can touch eternity now, trusting God's nearness. It's not a question of whether salvation has been won or whether the life of heaven exists, but rather it is something so firm that should indeed build our life now, as our souls and our very beings are transformed by the life of heaven hidden in the sacraments.

This is the special fruit of living deeply rooted in the Sacramental life of the Church. The Lord offers us something so extraordinary through the humble means of the life of grace. When have you felt God's quiet strength in weariness? Have you considered that your participation at Mass each Sunday is the vehicle by which the Lord is making you like himself? Or that the Lord is making the generosity and strength of your heart as coming each day to match his own? Who has been your Aaron or Hur, lifting you through prayer or kindness? How can you, in turn, hold up another's heart? Begin simply: Consider reclaiming psalm 121 as you begin each day. Traditionally this was the very first psalm prayed with a newborn baby, recognizing that as new life begins in the Lord, one receives the unfathomable gift of knowing the assurance of God's assistance all life long. As Benedict writes, "Hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts" (*Spe Salvi*, 1). In the Eucharist today, let the power of God's divine love renew and strengthen you for continuing to engage the struggle that you may especially come to know Christ's own victory. With Mary, our Mother of Hope, we ask for the grace to lift our eyes to the mountains with confidence and gratitude.. The Lord, who in his goodness chooses to walk with you, turn your every step into a song of trust and joy.

The Twenty-ninth 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 **\$37,007.00** 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.

Please Use This Mailing Address

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church
P.O. Box 11082
Syracuse, New York 13218

We ask that you send all correspondence to our new mailing address ***Also, please note the zip code, 13218.***

Northside Neighborhood Meetings

The Northside Neighbor Meeting is on Monday, October 20th at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Pompei /St. Peter Cafeteria, North McBride Street. Marty Nave will be in attendance.

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.

Hope Appeal

The 2025 Hope Appeal is underway. We have collected **\$5,110.00** from 51 families. We are off to a great start! 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. It is important that we all participate for this great cause! Our goal is the same as last year, \$20,175.00.

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 tithe to our faith community.

Sacrificial Giving

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

October 12, 2025-\$4,918.00

Sound System-\$120.00

Blue-\$120.00

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.

Meeting Date

The Society of St. Therese will be meeting on Thursday, October 23rd at 1:00pm in the Parish Office.

International Food Festival

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Parish invites you to attend their 15th Annual International Food Festival on Saturday, October 25th from Noon to 4:30pm. It will be held in the parish center of the old school. Please join us!!

Vocations

"When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" As members of the human family, we are called to share the faith with others. Are you called to share it as a religious brother or sister, a deacon, or a priest? 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 20

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
The Deceased of the Anthony Adornato Family /
Family

Tuesday: October 21

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Kevin D. Cole / The Cole Family

Wednesday: October 22

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

Thursday: October 23

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Carol Camponovo (B) / Hope & Dick Mancini

Friday: October 24

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

Saturday: October 25

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Henry & Esther Pagano / Family
Anne, Ann. & Larry DeSantis, Ann. /
Sandy, Dan & Danny
Joanne & Frank Giannantonio Jr. / Anna
Mary Galvagno, 1yr. Ann. / Kathy & Laurie
Ed Campagna, 1 yr. Ann. /
Jim & Angela Albanese

Sunday: October 26

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Fran Sacco / Julia DiBello

11:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Nick Muraca / Sophie & Alex
Sister Elizabeth Lennon / Society of St. Therese
Leon Saya (B) / Mom, Cathy
Nina Spuches Russo / Progresso Lodge
Stephen Anderson / Daniella Gullotto



Padre Pio Devotional

Burning In Loving Memory of
Henry & Esther Pagano
Requested by Liz & Anthony



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week In
Loving Memory Of

Anne & Larry DeSantis

Requested by Sandy, Dan & Danny



Eucharistic Angels

Burning In Loving Memory of

Henry & Esther Pagano

Requested by Liz & Anthony



Bereavement

Remember in your prayers, Jean Cerio &
William Salomone, 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.***

Family Perspective

The widow in today's gospel is praised for her
PERSEVERANCE. In our homes perseverance is
a critical ingredient to resolving differences
and teaching lessons and skills to children.
Perseverance is always an act of faith in the
goodness of the other person.

Respect Life

October is Respect Life Month. The Catholic
Church recognizes the dignity and value of all
human life, created in the image and likeness
of God, from conception to natural death. In
the words of Pope Leo XIV, "How important it is
that each and every baptized person feel
himself or herself called by God to be a sign of
hope in the world today." Each of us is called to
be a witness to the Gospel of Life, proclaiming
in word and deed the innate goodness and
dignity of every human person.

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THE 76TH ANNUAL ELECTION DAY SPAGHETTI SUPPER



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 at least 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!

MEATBALL ROLLING IS 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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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 Marioritti, 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.

Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of October 25 & 26

Lectors:

4:00 pm Ro Scalzo

7:30 am Maryann Iannettone

11:30 am Ralph Torrillo

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm Team I

7:30 am Anne Marie Abt

11:30 am Team III

Religious Education Classes

The weekend of October 26th

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

Next weekend, we will be distributing Thanksgiving Bags for those less fortunate. The bags will be at all entrances.

Wedding Banns



1. Emma Madonna & Cameron Halby

All Souls Day--November 2, 2025!

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 Sunday. When this feast falls on a Sunday it is observed as our primary Sunday celebration. To do this with greater solemnity this year, we will have our usual remembrance of those who have gone home to the Lord since November 2nd, 2024, but we would also like to invite you to remember the other deceased members of your families and friends as well.

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.

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 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!

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!

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THE VIENNA BOYS CHOIR CONCERT DECEMBER 10th at 7:00PM

In our beautiful Our Lady of Pompei/St Peter Church. The Vienna Boys Choir concert is now less than 2 months away!!! If you haven't purchased seats for this incredible concert we hope you will soon and join us for what is sure to be an enchanted evening of spectacular music, voice and warmth. 'These angelic-voiced musicians will be celebrating the magic of the holiday season with Christmas in Vienna...a delightful program of Austrian folk songs, classical masterpieces, Christmas hymns, and holiday carols. For six centuries, these young cultural ambassadors have been adored the world over for their wide range of repertoire, purity of tone, and generosity of musical spirit. We just can't think of a more beautiful and meaningful way to usher in the season of Christ's birth than with this wonderful event. We are so blessed to be hosting them. People are still in awe when calling to inquire "the REAL Vienna Boys Choir"? From Vienna, Austria?". It's a very exciting time for our Parish Family; we hope you will be part of it!

There are great \$75.00 seats available. (\$100.00 seats are sold out). We will be in the back of church after all Masses this weekend October 18th and 19th, the weekend of October 26th and of 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.

