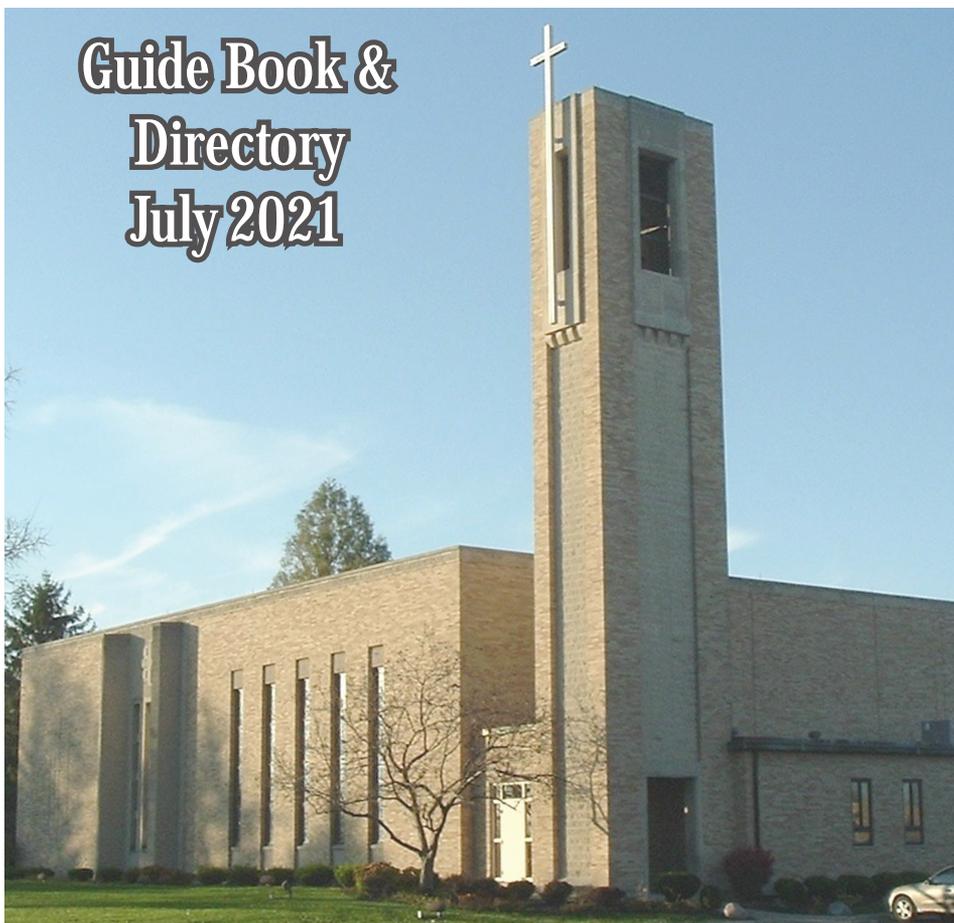

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St. Peter Parish History

Up until 1956, the area now known as Huber Heights was mostly open farmland with approximately twenty Catholic families. Then in 1957, Mr. Huber built his first home. In 1960, St. Peter Parish was established as a result of the hard-working efforts of the members of the Catholic Community Club. In the ensuing years, the famous all-brick homes and the Catholic community have grown together by leaps and bounds.

Through the guidance of our first two Pastors, Father Leander Schweitzer and Father Victor Ries, St. Peter worked through an ambitious building program. After Father Schweitzer was appointed Pastor in 1960, the parish began with a Rectory and Parish Office, which were located in a house on Rosalie Road. Two years later the auditorium/church was built on the 20 acres of farmland acquired by the Parish. The school/convent was built in 1963 and an eight-room addition was added in 1965.

When Father Victor Ries arrived in 1968, the second addition to the school was built. One of his first tasks was the building of the Rectory and Administration offices. In 1976 after much discussion and research, a fund-raising program for a new church began. In December 1979, our new St. Peter Church was dedicated. All of the above were accomplished through the volunteer and financial sacrifice of the growing St. Peter Parish.

In 1982 Father Lawrence Krusling was appointed our third Pastor. During his tenure some building projects continued. The former convent was remodeled to include kindergartens, labs and offices and the basement of the school was remodeled to include a Music and Art Room and two additional classrooms.

Of equal importance was Father Krusling's emphasis on education and increasing participation of the lay members of the parish in the areas of liturgy, worship and spiritual life. With the guidance of Principal Rita Brinkman, St. Peter School earned the National School of Excellence Award. The offices of Coordinator of Religious Education, Youth Ministry and Adult Education Coordinator were established to address these growing needs. The "Christ Renews His Parish" program was begun, and Parish Council was re-established.

In 1992 Father Earl F. Simone became St. Peter's fourth pastor. As the city of Huber Heights grew to over 11,000 residences and St. Peter Parish to more than 2,100 families, Father Simone helped improve and accommodate our ever-growing family. Commissions were formed to help organize the many new ministries being formed. In 1993, we added more classrooms, computer labs and remodeled the library and art room in the school.

The parish also decided to initiate the fund drive to build a much needed Family Life Center to accommodate all our groups and activities. The year of 1994 brought construction of the new building to include a Senior Citizen Center and the Early Childhood Center which houses preschool and daycare programs. In July 1995, Father Victor Ries retired and returned to St. Peter Parish. Father Ries died in his office on January 30, 2003, shortly after celebrating morning Mass.

On September 26, 1998, three new deacons were ordained from St. Peter Parish: Deacon Robert Correale, Deacon John Gould and Deacon Timothy Harris. They were assigned to St. Peter Parish on September 28, 1998 and joined Deacon Al Miller and Deacon Robert Borgerding in their duties as deacon. On September 29, 2001, Deacon Charles Wright was ordained as a deacon and assigned to St. Peter Parish.

In July 2003, Father Stephen Mondiek, newly ordained, was appointed as Parochial Vicar. His duties included working with the R.C.I.A. Program, vocation preparation, marriage preparation, spiritual direction, and visiting area hospitals and nursing homes. In July 2007, Father Steve completed his term at St. Peter Parish and was moved to another parish.

On April 24, 2004, Deacon Norbert Nagy was ordained as a deacon and assigned to St. Peter Parish. Deacon Bert continues his interest and work in adult education and faith formation; and Father Steve directed the R.C.I.A. program for the parish. In September 2004, Deacon Robert Borgerding died after a long illness. Long-time parishioners fondly remembered Bob's service and dedication to the parish, and gave thanks.

On April 28, 2007, Deacon Russell Baldwin was ordained as a deacon and assigned to St. Peter Parish. Deacon was assigned in July 2007, Father Reynaldo Taylor, newly ordained, was appointed as Parochial Vicar. Father Taylor headed the R.C.I.A. Program, worked on marriage preparation, and was present throughout the parish and school. The following year Father Taylor was transferred to Immaculate Heart of Mary in Cincinnati.

The parish welcomed Father Patrick McMullen in July 2008. Father Patrick came from Holy Angels Church in Sidney. His duties included heading the R.C.I.A. Program, marriage preparation, spiritual direction, visiting area hospitals and nursing homes, and being present in both St. Peter Day School and the School of Religion. In January 2009, Deacon Robert Correale died after a long illness. Parishioners remember Bob's service and dedication to the parish.

On April 24, 2010, three new deacons were ordained from St. Peter Parish: Deacon Robert Basye, Deacon Leo Cordonnier, and Deacon Daniel Wade. They were assigned to St. Peter Parish and joined our other Deacons in service to the parish in the R.C.I.A. program and baptismal preparation. Deacon Cordonnier works with the Outreach and Ministry Commission, Deacon Basye visited new members of the parish. In December 2010, Deacon Jack Gould suddenly died. Jack will be remembered for his dedication to the parish and his attendance at the weekly school Masses and wonderful homilies to the school children. And in March 2011, Deacon Al Miller died. Al had been a Deacon at St. Peter Parish for over 25 years. His many years of service to the parish will never be forgotten.

In July 2011, the parish said goodbye to Father McMullen who moved to Our Lady of the Visitation Church in Cincinnati; and welcomed Father Robert Hadden and Father Ken Hummel. In addition to their regular parish and school duties, Father Robert led the RCIA Program.

In the spring of 2012, Deacon Bob Basye moved to Florida where he is still performing his Deacon duties. In July 2012, Father Hummel left the parish to become pastor of Sacred Heart Church in New Carlisle. In residence at St. Peter is Father Joseph Kindel who is the hospital chaplain at Miami Valley Hospital. Roben was in residence and worked in the Office of Ministry and Service at Chaminade-Julienne School and will serve as chaplain. Father Matt is now a pastor in Cincinnati. In October of 2012, Deacon Robert Kozlowski transferred to St. Peter.

On April 27, 2013, two new deacons were ordained from St. Peter Parish: Deacon Robert Gutendorf and Deacon David McCray. They were assigned to St. Peter Parish and joined our other Deacons in service to the parish in the R.C.I.A. program and baptismal preparation. In spring of 2013, Deacon Russell Baldwin transferred to Emmanuel Church in Dayton.

In July 2014, Father Simone became Pastor of the four North Dayton churches: Holy Cross Parish, Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St. Adalbert Parish, St. Stephens Parish; while still maintaining his position of Pastor at St. Peter Parish.

In June 2015, Father Simone retired as Pastor. The parish said goodbye to Father Hadden.

Father Anthony Cutcher, Pastor, and Father Ethan Moore, Parochial Vicar, were assigned to St. Peter Parish in July 2015. Father Cutcher had previously been the Parochial Vicar at St. Peter Parish from 1999 to 2002. Father Ethan was ordained in May 2015 and St. Peter was his first assignment. In 2018, the parish said goodbye to Father Ethan, who became Chaplain at Wright State University. In July 2018, Father Deepak D'Souza, Parochial Vicar, was welcomed to the parish. We welcomed newly ordained priest, Father Ambrose Dobrozsi, to St. Peter Church in 2019.

In April 2021, Father Cutcher resigned from our parish. In July 2021, Father Kyle Schnippel was assigned to St. Peter Parish.

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Parish Staff

Pastor.....	Reverend Kyle Schnippel
Parochial Vicar	Reverend Ambrose Dobrozsi
In Residence.....	Reverend Joseph Kindel
Deacons	Deacon Leo Cordonnier Deacon Robert Gutendorf Deacon Timothy Harris Deacon Robert Kozlowski Deacon David McCray Deacon Norbert Nagy Deacon Daniel Wade
Pastoral Associate.....	Ms. Joy Blaul
School Principal	Mrs. Kelly Kadel
Early Childhood Director	
Music Director.....	Mr. Andrew Larochelle

Phone Numbers

Rectory/Parish Administration Office.....	937.233.1503
Fax.....	937.237.3523
Office Hours	Monday-Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm
E-Mail	ljoliat@saintpeterparish.org
Website	daytonxii.org
Fehrenbach Hall/Bingo	937.237.3518
School Office.....	937.233.8710
Fax.....	937.237.3974
Office Hours	Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm
School of Religion	937.237.3516
Fax.....	937.233.0977
Office Hours	Monday to Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Sunday 8:45 am to 10:45 am
Early Childhood Center.....	937.237.3526

Schedule of Services Masses

Weekdays

6:30 am (Monday to Friday) and 8:30 am (no School Days)
9:00 am (Wednesday School days only)
7:30 pm (First Friday)

Sunday
(Sat.) 4:30 pm
7:30 am
9:00 am

11:00 am
6:00 pm

Holy days
(Vigil) 7:00 pm
6:30 am
8:30 am Unless School Mass
days, then only 9:00 am
7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm
And anytime upon request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The baptismal preparation class is on the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 to 10:30 am in the St. Peter Classroom 118. Please call 937.237.3516 to RSVP for the baptism class and to schedule the baptism. Baptisms are held after the 11:00 am Sunday Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Administration Office should be contacted at least six months prior to the desired date so appropriate arrangements can be made.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Priests and Deacons bring Communion to the sick and shut-in each week on Friday. If a family member is in the hospital or confined at home, please call the Parish Administration Office at 937.233.1503. Priests are available to administer the Sacrament of the Sick as needed.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION CLASSES

Early Childhood, Preschool 3 and 4, Kindergarten to Grade 1
Sunday, 8:45 am to 10:15 am

Grades 2 to 8
Wednesday, 6:30 to 8:00 pm

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to St. Peter Parish! Please register in the Parish Administration Office, the registration form in the bulletin, on the parish website, or after any Mass on weekends in the Sacristy.

Contact Persons

ADULT CHOIR	Andrew Larochelle....	937.233.1503
ADULT FAITH FORMATION	Joy Blaul....	937.237.3516
ADULT SERVERS.....	Jerry Rigot....	937.233.2525
ATHLETIC COMMISSION.....	Nick Clune....	937.233.1503
BEREAVEMENT.....	Nancy Skuya....	937.236.4778
BINGO.....	Joy Blaul....	937.237.3516
CURSILLO	Sue Coyle....	937.602.6022
EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER.....		937.237.3526
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION	Jean Schons....	937.506.7713
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Curt Niebrugge....	937.235.9039
FAMILIA	Heather Baldwin....	937.667.5675
FED COMMISSION	Nancy Calvelage....	937.672.7354
FINANCE COMMISSION.....	Jim Ballweg....	937.361.4038
FOOD PANTRY.....	Donna Weed....	937.235.3295
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #4424... Tim Craven....		937.233.3538
LECTORS	Annette Hanf....	937.235.6398
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Andrew Larochelle....	937.233.1503
OUTREACH MINISTRY	Parish Administration Office....	937.233.1503
PARISH LIBRARY and GIFT SHOP	Janet Lewis....	937.233.0594
PASTORAL COUNCIL	Jack Rivetti....	937.233.3172
PRAYER CHAIN.....	Parish Administration Office....	937.233.1503
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY	Laura Packer....	937.236.7211
PTO.....	Emily Stephens....	937.699.2156
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	Joy Blaul....	937.237.3516
RESPECT LIFE GROUP.....	Heather Baldwin....	937.667.5675
SACRISTANS.....	Nick Clune....	937.233.1503
.....	Bill Weber....	937.233.3168
.....	Donna Weed....	937.235.3295
SCHOOL	Kelly Kadel....	937.233.8710
SCHOOL OF RELIGION.....	Joy Blaul....	937.237.3516
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BOY SCOUTS.....	Jeff Gallagher....	937.233.5049
CUB SCOUTS.....	Ryan Henry....	937.260.9694
GIRL SCOUTS.....	Kris Wagner....	937.536.6218
SERVERS.....	Nick Clune....	937.233.1503
SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST	Eileen Romie....	937.235.1251
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.....	Carolyn Yankel....	937.890.2419
ULTREYA.....	Sue Coyle....	937.602.6022
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Parish Organizations

Dayton Region XII Pastoral Council

As the elected representatives of the region, the Pastoral Council represents the parishioners of St. Peter, Our Lady of the Rosary, and Holy Cross Churches. The council evaluates needed and existing programs, and makes recommendations to the Pastor about policy and programs. The Pastoral Council meets the first Tuesday of the month. Meetings are open to all parishioners. Any parishioner who desires to submit an item for the agenda should contact any council member at least two weeks before the next scheduled meeting.

Kathy Collin	937.620.3394
Jim Geiger.....	937.836.7996
Josh Kinder	937.684.5473
Jack Rivetti	937.657.7937
Suzanne Schmil	937.461.6503
Roy Young	937.236.4707

Athletic Commission

The Athletic Commission offers a variety of sports activities to the youth within our St. Peter community. A small fee is charged for participation in each sport. Fundraisers are used to subsidize the cost of the sport. Sports offered through the Athletic Commission include boys' and girls' soccer, basketball, volleyball, track; boys' baseball; and cheerleading. Contact Nick Clune at 937.233.1503.

Formation, Education, and Discipleship Commission

The functions of Formation, Education, and Discipleship (FED) Commission include: establishing goals, formulating policies, monitoring policy implementation and assisting in the evaluation of the educational programs offered in the parish. For the future, the Commission plans to focus on providing educational opportunities to all parishioners through the St. Peter Educational System, which includes: St. Peter School, St. Peter School of Religion, Youth Ministry, Adult Education and Early Childhood Center. The commission consists of the Pastor, four staff members and nine elected members. Meetings are held at 5:00 pm on the fourth Monday of the month. Any parishioner who desires to submit an issue to be on the meeting agenda should contact Nancy Calvelage at 937.672.7354.

Adult Faith Formation

This program encompasses many areas of adult faith development and orient adult Christian learning toward adult Christian living. Evening and weekend programs are offered in areas such as spirituality, scripture, faith sharing, doctrine, and prayer along with retreat opportunities. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.

Early Childhood Center

This program offers a learning experience in a Catholic environment for the younger child. We have preschool programs for three year olds on Tuesday and Thursday, both am and pm; and four year olds on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, both am and pm There is also a Full Day Preschool for three and four year olds, Monday through Friday. The children enrolled in this program may utilize the extended care services that operate from 6:30 am to 6:00 pm with breakfast, lunch, and snacks available. We also offer Transitional Kindergarten, for kindergarten age children that are not quite ready for kindergarten, that operates five mornings a week with extended day options. We are rated 5 stars through Step up to Quality. Contact at 937.237.3526.

Familia (Family Life in America)

Family Life in America, FAMILIA, offers separate programs for husbands/fathers and mothers of young children to discover the personal messages in the teachings of the Church as they pertain to marriage and family. By providing focused information and practical tools that can be implemented in daily life, FAMILIA programs can strengthen the family and draw them closer to Christ. Contact Heather Baldwin at 937.667.5675.

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

The St. Peter Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) was organized in order to enhance communication between parents of St. Peter's children and the faculty and staff. The goal of the PTO is to enrich the learning and social environment of the students, to provide teacher and staff with necessary tools, and to help parents to become an integral part of the learning process. The PTO also supports the school by donating items funded through major fund raising events. We encourage parent participation in all of our events and projects. Contact Emily Stephens at 937.699.2156.

Parish Library

The Parish Library, under the guidance of the FED Commission, offers informational and inspirational material for the use of all parishioners. Books and videos on Catholic doctrine and tradition; prayer and worship; Bible studies and commentaries; stories about Jesus, Mary and the Saints; are available to be checked out each Sunday after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. On the second Sunday of each month, children can gather for story time. A book about the theme for the month or a story of Jesus is read. Throughout the year, there are planned events for the children to help encourage them to read about Jesus and their faith. The library is staffed by volunteers and is located in the basement of the church across from Fehrenbach Hall. Contact Janet Lewis at 937.233.0594.

Parish Gift Shop

The Parish Library also operates a Religious Gift Shop. Parishioners may purchase rosaries, medals, religious jewelry, and gifts for all sacramental and seasonal occasions. Proceeds from the gift shop are used for new books and videos for the library. The Religious Gift Shop is open most Sundays after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. The Gift Shop is located in Fehrenbach Hall. Contact Janet Lewis at 937.233.0594.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults are fully initiated into the Church through prayer, discussion and training. At St. Peter this process takes nearly a year to complete beginning in September and ending before Easter. The non-baptized person, the “catechumenate” and the “candidates,” those baptized in another community, become the “elect” during the Season of Lent. They are invited to proceed to the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil Mass. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.

School of Religion

St. Peter School of Religion provides religious education and sacramental preparation to the young people of the parish who attend public schools. An Early Childhood program is offered to the children. Registrations for Religious Education and Early Childhood are held in April and May of each year. The Religious Education Program offers parishioners an opportunity to become involved in parish work as volunteer teachers, aides, office assistants and special project helpers. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.

Early Childhood Religious Education Program

Children from the age of three through first grade may register for the Early Childhood Program, which meets on Sunday mornings. A religion readiness program is taught which leads these young children to a discovery of the goodness of God’s creation and helps them develop a loving relationship with God and others. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.



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Children in first and second grade who attend public schools attend religion classes on Wednesday evenings. Following guidelines from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, each grade is taught specific Catholic teachings. The students also experience community prayer through special services for All Saints' Day, Advent, Lent, Reconciliation services, and Masses. The sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion are received in the second grade. A Sacramental Preparation class is available for students in third grade and up who have not received these sacraments.

Basic Doctrine courses are offered for students in third grade and up who have had no previous religious education. Seventh and eighth grade students focus on the areas of prayer, Bible study, and participate in service projects in the program, the parish, and the community. Eighth grade students also prepare for and receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.

St. Peter School

The philosophy of St. Peter School states: "We at St. Peter School are a community of believers firmly bound by the teachings of the Catholic Church. Through this support and guidance, we believe that growth in faith is nourished and brought to maturity. We believe that educating and guiding young people is the shared responsibility of the parents, school, church and the community. This is the foundation upon which we build our school."

St. Peter School exists in a well-established parish that continues to grow. Catholic doctrine and Christian values are emphasized throughout the curriculum as the teachers provide a caring, structured, disciplined environment. Students attend Mass once a week. The other days begin with Morning Prayer. In addition, students receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation twice a year and participate in May devotion, Forty Hours, and Stations of the Cross.

The academic curriculum, consisting of religion, language arts, math, social studies, science, music, art, and physical education, for Kindergarten through 8th grade follows both State and Archdiocesan guidelines. A certified professional staff provide a wide range of educational activities to address the needs of all children. Resources in the school library, in addition to current media and technology, enhance the education of all students.

The State of Ohio provides additional funds to St. Peter School through Auxiliary Services Program. Because of this funding, St. Peter School is able to provide extensive classroom materials and equipment, bus service, and professional personnel. St. Peter School, A National School of Excellence, strives to continue the tradition of providing the best possible education for students thus giving them the "keys to success" – AD MAIOREM DEI GLORIAM, For the Greater Glory of God. Contact Kelly Kadel, School Principal, at 937.233.8710.

Youth Ministry The Upper Room

The St. Peter Youth Ministry Office offers a variety of programming for junior high and high school teens, as well as young adults and parents. Contact Nick Clune at 937.233.1503.

High School Youth Ministry

The parish High School Ministry, 9th to 12th grades, offers meetings, social events, retreats, and service projects are just a few parts of this ministry. Most youth ministry programs take place in the Youth Ministry Center. High School Ministry is open to all 9th to 12th graders in the parish and their friends. Contact Nick Clune at 937.233.1503.

Cub Scouts

At St. Peter Parish, scouting remains an important part of youth religious and citizenship training. Cub Scout Pack #169, which is for all boys in first through fifth grade, provides young men with an outstanding opportunity to make new friends and learn more about themselves. Den meetings are held twice a month. The entire pack meets on the third Friday of each month. Contact Ashley Alsdorf at 937.203.5476.

Boy Scouts

The parish sponsors Boy Scout Troop #169. It accepts boys from eleven to eighteen years of age. The program is recognized as a youth ministry teaching the boys about their duty to God, citizenship, values, and equips them with skills to prepare them to enter the adult world. Aside from outdoor activities such as canoeing, camping and backpacking, the boys are involved in many service projects throughout the community. The scouts provide service to other parish activities including the Giving Tree, Christmas Bazaar, and Oktoberfest. Contact Jeff Gallagher at 937.233.5049.

Girl Scouts

Girl Scouts from St. Peter Parish belong to the Huber Heights Neighborhood Girl Scout Troop, which is a member of the Buckeye Trails Council. The troops include Daisy Troops for girls in kindergarten, Brownie Troops for grades 1st to 3rd, Junior Troops for grades 4th to 6th, and Cadette Troops for grades 7th to 8th. Contact Kris Wagner at 937.536.6218.

Finance Commission

The Finance and Development Commission was established to investigate the financial needs of the parish and to examine the financial resources that are available. The commission serves as the coordinator and pivotal point for the budget planning and review. They serve as consultants to the Pastor in financial matters. The Pastor, from a cross section of the Parish membership, appoints the ten members of the Commission, including the Chairperson. Contact Jim Ballweg at 937.890.4168.

Bingo

Games are held in Fehrenbach Hall every Thursday evening. Doors open at 5:00 pm and Bingo begins at 6:30 pm. Team captains organize their own workers and rotate on a monthly basis. A variety of refreshments are available during Bingo. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.

Offering Counters

The St. Peter Church Offering Counters consist of six teams of people who open contribution envelopes and tally the money given by parishioners at each weekend Mass. Each team of five or six people is scheduled to work two months out of a year, counting regular and special collections. The results of the count are published in the next Sunday Bulletin. Contact Kelly Collier at 937.233.1503.

Outreach and Justice Commission

The Outreach and Justice Commission was formed in 2005 and commissioned by Father Simone. The goals include bringing an awareness of the Church's social mission to parishioners, which includes a bulletin newsletter, provide opportunities for parishioners to exercise the ministry of charity, and to support the existing charity and justice organizations. The Commission consists of eight to twelve members appointed by the Pastor. They meet on the second Wednesday of each month. Contact Janet Lewis at 937.233.0594.

Food Pantry

The St. Peter Food Pantry is a non-denominational program that provides non-perishable foods to people during a time of need. The pantry is open every Saturday from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon serving the residents in the 45424 zip code area. Minimum eligibility requirements must be met to receive this assistance, which is available to the client once a month. Food drives and cash donations are the main source for the food supply. The food pantry volunteers are scheduled two months in advance through the coordinator. Contact Donna Weed at 937.235.3295.



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Giving Tree

Each Advent, the parishioners at St. Peter have an opportunity to reach out to the poor, the lonely and the sick with special Christmas presents. For two weekends, heart tags are put on the bare branch tree in the sanctuary of the church. These tags contain requests for a specific gift for someone at the following locations: Laurels Nursing Home, Stillwater Health Center, a retirement community, Day Care Centers, St. Vincent Hotel, the Battered Women and Children's Center, and area families in need. The gifts are returned to the church, then sorted and delivered by volunteers. Contact Rita Yarwick at 937.356.9360.

Knights of Columbus Council #4424

The Knights of Columbus Council #4424 includes members of St. Peter Parish, Holy Cross, and Our Lady of the Rosary. The Knights meet at St. Peter Church on the second Wednesday of the month. These men sponsor programs for youth athletic teams and the mentally handicapped and espouse the concepts of pro-life and total family involvement. Contact Tim Craven at 937.233.3538.

Outreach Ministry to the Older Adult, Homebound, Sick and Dying

This ministry is a service ministry that reaches out to the sick, homebound and older adults in our parish community. We offer a friendly visitation and telephone reassurance program, transportation services, respite care, minor household chore services, and a support program to family care-givers. Volunteers are always needed. Contact the Parish Administration Office at 937.233.1503.

Prayer Chain

People interested in becoming a member of our St. Peter Prayer Chain and all who are in need of prayers should contact the Parish Administration Office at 937.233.1503.

Prayer Shawl

The Prayer Shawl group meets once a month to makes shawls for individuals or families who request them. Contact Laura Packer at 937.236.7211.

Respect Life Group

The objectives of the St. Peter Respect Life Group are to become better informed of the respect life activities in the Dayton Area, to share this information with our parish family, and to educate them on the subject. Contact Heather Baldwin at 937.667.5675.

St. Vincent DePaul Society

Conference of St. Vincent DePaul Society depends on the generosity of parishioners to respond to emergency needs of people residing in the 45424 zip code area, and to parishioners who live outside this area. The assistance provided is mainly help for utility bills, rent, transportation, appliances, furniture and medications. The majority of our funds come from the St. Peter Parish collection on the third Sunday of each month. The number of needy in the Huber Heights area has been steadily increasing over the past few years. If you or someone you know living in 45424 needs emergency assistance, please call St. Peter St. Vincent DePaul at 937.237.2111. People requesting help will normally need to leave a message; a St. Vincent DePaul volunteer will return the call within the next day or two. Contact Carolyn Yankel at 937.890.2419.

Worship Commission

The Worship Commission plans and provides for the spiritual development of each member of the parish through liturgical celebrations, renewal experiences, education, and spiritual growth programs. The commission coordinates activities of the various ministries including Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Music Ministers, and the Sacristans. The commission promotes a balanced system of integrated ministries whose focus is to enhance the liturgical life of the parish community. Contact Joy Blaul at 937.237.3516.

Adult Servers

Adult servers are scheduled for the 6:30 am weekday Mass. Contact Jerry Rigot at 937.233.2525.

Bereavement Committee

The Bereavement Committee includes three phases of ministry-liturgical, practical, and supportive. In the liturgical phase, parishioners meet with the bereaved family and assist in planning the readings and music for the funeral. Volunteers sing at funeral Masses, and members of the parish provide and serve meals to the families on the day of the funeral. A week or two after the funeral, we will again call on the family and offer the continued support of the parish. Contact Nancy Skuya at 937.236.4778.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is an invitation to all parishioners to stop in and spend time in the presence of Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist on Thursday and Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Contact Jean Schons at 937.506.7713.

Eucharistic Ministers

The Eucharistic Ministers assist the priests and deacons in distributing Holy Communion at Mass and at Communion Services. Contact Curt Niebrugge at 937.235.9039.

Lectors

Lectors assist by proclaiming the Scriptures at Mass and other special liturgical services such as Reconciliation and Evensong. Contact Annette Hanf at 937.235.6398.

Music Ministry

Traditional Choir

This choir is comprised of men and women who lead worship in a traditional SATB fashion and is open to adults and high school students. This highly dedicated group leads the congregation in a variety of compositions from the 3rd Edition Gather Hymnal of both classic hymnody and modern compositions. The choir also sings a repertoire of choral music. The Adult Choir also puts together a robust repertoire for all large liturgical celebrations including Christmas Midnight Mass, Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil), and Pentecost Sunday. The Adult Choir season runs from the Sunday following Labor Day through Pentecost Sunday and they sing at the 9:00 am Mass. Rehearsals are held in the church at 7:00 pm on Thursday nights. Contact Andrew Larochelle at 937.233.1503.

Family Choir

This choir leads the assembly in worship and is open to vocalists and instrumentalists of all ages (children must be able to read and be attentive during the Mass). This is a very low pressure way to get involved in the music ministry with no experience required. We welcome parents to bring their children, children to bring their parents, grandparents to come with grandchildren, or individuals to sing with us! Vocalists and instrumentalist are welcome. There are no weekday rehearsals though we meet an hour before Mass to review the music selections. Contact Andrew Larochelle at 937.233.1503.

Contemporary Music Ensemble

This ensemble consist of brass, woodwinds, strings, guitars, keyboards, drums, and vocalists. Music selections typically come from the modern compositions in the 3rd Edition Gather Hymnal but the group also cycles through a repertoire of Contemporary Christian worship music from composer like Matt Maher, David Crowder, Hillsong Worship and more. New members are always welcome to join and while experience is encouraged, no experience is required. Contact Andrew Larochelle at 937.233.1503.

Funeral Choir

The Funeral Choir supports our parish community by providing vocalists for all funerals at the parish. This is a vital ministry that provides a welcoming and prayerful environment for grieving families. Most funerals take place on weekdays in the morning. As such, choir members attend funerals as they are able. Contact Andrew Larochelle at 937.233.1503.



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Cantors

Cantors are a vital part of any parish community. Cantors help lead congregational singing with special attention to the psalm and acclamations. Our cantors typically sing once a month at a Sunday Mass and for other Solemnities and Holidays as they are able. Contact Andrew Larochelle to at 937.233.1503.

Ringers

New to St. Peter Parish is our tone chime choir. This group of musicians provides wonderful music through tone chimes to add to the festivities of different seasons such as Christmas and Easter. This group is particularly suited to adults and children who want to be involved in a way that doesn't require singing. Contact Andrew Larochelle at 937.233.1503.

Sacristans

The sacristans work with the pastor and the associates by taking care of the Sacristy and its contents and performing other duties the pastor requests. Contact Nick Clune at 937.233.1503.

Servers

Servers must be at least in the sixth grade to volunteer for this ministry and have completed the training course to serve at Mass. Contact Nick Clune at 937.233.1503.

Shepherds of Christ Ministry

The primary focus of this group is the circulation of a spiritual newsletter mainly to priests. The second focus is to pray for the needs of priests, the Church, and the world. Other programs include promoting the act of consecration to the hearts of Jesus and Mary; praying the rosary, which includes a special program regarding the rosary and the act of Consecration for school children; encouraging residents of prisons and nursing homes to pray for priests, the Church, and the world; and publishing books, and other materials to help ongoing work of spiritual renewal. The mission is closely connected to Our Lady of Fatima's mission. They hope to lay a major role in helping to bring fulfillment of the Peace Plan of Our Lady of Fatima. There are levels of commitment, which range from "Associates" who meet and pray once a month, to "Handmaids of the Good Shepherd" (women) and "Servants of the Good Shepherd" (men) who live in community. Contact Eileen Romie at 937.235.1251.

Ultreya

The Ultreya is a support group for the people who have made a Cursillo Weekend. The group meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. The members share with one another ways in which Christ is present in their lives. The members encourage each other in the perseverance of Christian life, in spiritual improvement and in ministry. Contact Sue Coyle at 937.602.6022.

Ushers

The ministry of usher involves a variety of duties including seating worshippers, collecting money, guiding Communion processions, and distributing bulletins after Mass. Contact Josh Mihelcic at 937.236.4707.

World Apostolate of Fatima

World Apostolate of Fatima is an international association of the Roman Catholic Church with Vatican recognition. We promote the message of prayer, penance, and Eucharistic reparation that our Blessed Mother gave to the three children at Fatima for the whole world. We promote Holy Hours, the Rosary and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We make rosaries, brown scapulars, and maintain a pamphlet rack in the vestibule of the church that offers free literature on Fatima, as well as blessed rosaries and scapulars. Contact Jean Schons at 937.506.7713.



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