

Responsorial Psalm for this weekend's Masses:

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Ps. 104: 1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30

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O bless the Lord, my soul.

LOTS OF CHRISTMAS THANK-YOU'S!

The Christian Service Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in the Christmas gift giving project. Our parish generously provided 240 gifts for people who may not have otherwise experienced the joy of Christmas! If you contributed your time to sort, shop, wrap or deliver – THANK YOU. If you contributed financially, THANK YOU! If you took time out of your busy holiday schedule to make home visits, or deliver gifts at a care facility – THANK YOU. You made someone happy!!!!

We thank those who helped make the Christmas Eve and Midnight Masses Music extra special. Children's Choir members: Dominic Barron, Dane Barron, Amelia Barron, Jordyn Lyons, Gabby Maranzana, Brian Maranzana, Aleya Miller, Simon Brown, Emma Powers, Anne Maimone, Angelina Warner, Kaitlynn Mickey, Kachina McKnight, Kenan McKnight, and Jaxon Newsome. Midnight Mass instrumentalists: Sarah Ellis (trumpet), Ann Feltis (violin), Derek Smith (trumpet) and Kevin Weisenberger (timpani). We also thank Aaron Brown and Chillicothe Middle School for use of the timpani as well as Pete Pennington for the transporting of the timpani. A special thank-you goes out to Laura Stanton, who spends hours and hours practicing the music and rehearsing with the various singers and instrumentalists.

Thank you to the following people who helped decorate the church and make it so beautiful for the celebration of Our Lord's birth:

Bob Kight	Bob French	Douglas French
Nicholas French	Carol Seachrist	Jeff Hammond
Lisa Diehl	Kathy Dalton	Barbara Harsha
Bill Seidensticker	Lynn Anderson	

Also, an additional name for the Flower Donations came in later. Rosalie Bouillion is also remembered in the Christmas Flowers donations.



Secular Franciscan Order beginning at St. Peter Parish. Please mark your calendars for Thursday, January 28, at 6:30 p.m. for a "Come & See" Session to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. It will be held in the St. Peter Parish Hall. The session will be presented by Mr. Dave Orsborn, who works for St. Gabriel Catholic Radio and is a member of the St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscan Group in Columbus. The Secular Franciscan Order is a worldwide community committed to live their lives after Christ in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi. Sr. Leonard Mary will be the Spiritual Director for our parish chapter of the Secular Franciscans. If you have any questions or want any additional information, please contact Sr. Leonard or Fr. Dooley at 740-774-1407.

March for Life 2016 is just around the corner! We are very excited about the March for Life this month. We have two buses and over 70 people going to publicly express our defense of LIFE! Can you help a teen get to the March? Sponsorship forms are available from Jenny French. You may also send a donation to the office, Attention: Jenny French/ March for Life. For any questions, please feel free to contact Jenny French at 740-774-1407. The Youth Group appreciates your past support of this pilgrimage.

First Communion 2016: There will be a mandatory meeting for parents of children planning to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion this Sunday, January 10th, following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Light snacks will be provided. If you are unable to attend, please contact Judy Harness at 774-1407.

50+ Group January Meeting: What do you know about your family history? Can you share the stories with your children and grandchildren? Don't miss our special program – "Ask Granny." Sue Schwartz, a Ross County Genealogical Society volunteer, can help you start writing your family history. Join us Monday, January 18, at 6:00 p.m., in the St. Francis Room on the 2nd floor of the Parish Center. Feel free to bring a friend or family member. And follow us on Facebook – 55+ Group of St. Peter Chillicothe.



Highlights from St. Peter's, St. Vincent de Paul Society for period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 (Fiscal Year 2015) is as follows:

Your generosity from our 5th Sunday collections, your use of the Sunday Donation Envelopes designating St. Vincent de Paul, Memorials, along with other monetary donations, have helped us respond to 1,012 individual contacts resulting in service to 3,281 people. 391 person-to-person visits resulting in helping 1,319 people including home visits, prison visits, hospital visits and eldercare visits. Other works of service include referrals, travel aid, and spiritual aid/sacraments assisting 1,705 people. We distributed over \$30,600.00 for food, clothing, prescription medications, utilities and other needs.

This year our conference has grown to 30 active (full) members. The Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (FIH), Sister Leonard Mary, Sister Amelia Mary, Sister Shani Mary provide readings, meditations, and reflections at our meetings and are available to offer prayer with those clients when requested.

The Food Pantry has been in full operation since February 2015 and the demand for food staples continues to grow. Due to the generous food donations of our parishioners and others we have been able to maintain an adequate inventory. The dollar value of donated food to our pantry thus far is estimated at \$24,589.00. This information is required to be kept for annual reporting purposes.

Our local conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank you for your continued generous support of our efforts to care for the poor.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 9

5:00 p.m. Walter J. Ott – Dave & Sue Ott

Sunday, January 10

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:47; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

8:00 a.m. Barb Manegold – Bob & Kathy Dye

11:30 a.m. Tina Chia – Deacon & Mrs. Reed Hauser

Monday, January 11

1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20

5:30 p.m. Henry Winkelmes, Jr. – Mary Jo Dooley

Tuesday, January 12

1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28

8:30 a.m. Tim Mayer – Rick & Carol Rooney

Wednesday, January 13

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

8:30 a.m. Robert Corwin – Bob & Kathy Dye

Thursday, January 14

1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

5:30 p.m. Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life – Anonymous

Friday, January 15

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12

8:30 a.m. Evelyn Dye – Bob & Kathy Dye

Saturday, January 16

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17

5:00 p.m. Sharon Ginther – Nellie Ginther

Sunday, January 17

Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

8:00 a.m. For the People

11:30 a.m. (living) 71st Wedding Anniversary of Charlie & Lib Fisher – Their Daughters

Offertory Envelopes were mailed for January/February 2016. If you did not receive them and wish to have envelopes, please call the Parish Office and ask for Donna or email bookkeeper@stpeterchillicothe.com. You will receive periodic mailings in 2016. If you have questions regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Mass for the Year of Consecrated Life: On Monday, February 1, our 5:30 p.m. Mass will commemorate the closing of the Year of Consecrated Life. Pope Francis opened this year as a time of reflection and thanksgiving for all the work that religious orders do for the Church. We thank God for the gift of the religious life in our Church. Our local Catholic community of Chillicothe has a rich history of religious orders that served here, which include: the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and the Sisters of Charity. This Mass will especially honor the Sisters of St. Francis from Oldenburg, Indiana, and our Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Heart. We also thank God for those from our parish who have entered the consecrated life. Please join us for this special Mass and for a reception, sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 15793, to follow afterward in the St. Peter Parish Hall.

Calendar for the Week

Saturday, January 9

4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions – Church

4:25 p.m. Rosary Recitation – Church

Sunday, January 10

9:15 a.m. PSR – Parish Center

9:30 a.m. Bible Study – Holy Family Library

12:30 p.m. First Holy Communion Meeting – Holy Family Library

Monday, January 11

5:00-5:15 p.m. Confessions – Church

6:30 p.m. Flame of Hope Prayer Group – Blessed Virgin Mary Room

6:45 p.m. Knights of Columbus – St. John Bosco Room

Tuesday, January 12

9:30-10:30 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Open

7:00 p.m. RCIA – Holy Family Library

Wednesday, January 13

10:00 a.m. Sisterhood of the Frogged Stitches – Blessed Virgin Mary Rom

7:00 p.m. MOMS Bible Study – Holy Family Library

7:00 p.m. Sisterhood of the Frogged Stitches – Blessed Virgin Mary Room

Thursday, January 14

9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. – Adoration

5:00-5:15 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Great Adventure Bible Study – Holy Family Library

(Young Adult Group to attend this.)

7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group – St. John Bosco Room

Friday, January 15

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Peter's

1:30-2:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Open

Saturday, January 16

7:00 a.m. Men's Ministry – Holy Family Library

4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions – Church

4:25 p.m. Rosary Recitation – Church

Sunday, January 17

8:45 a.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast – Parish Hall

9:15 a.m. PSR – Parish Center

9:30 a.m. Bible Study – Holy Family Library

12:30 p.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast – Parish Hall

12:30 p.m. Faith & Light – Parish Hall



MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SAVE THE DATE! Back by popular demand...Dinner Theatre 2016! Watch for more information to come regarding this fun and enjoyable evening. This year, it will be even better in our newly-renovated Parish Hall! Save Saturday, February 6 and Sunday, February 7 for the theatre. This year's entertainment will be performed by the Renaissance Singers.



BIBLE STUDIES FOR THE WINTER AND SPRING!
There is still time to join them!

The Sunday Morning Bible Study begins a study on Mary starting January 10. The study, *The Bible and the Virgin Mary – Journey through Scriptures*, is by the St. Paul's Center. If you are interested, please contact Thecla Hauser at 740-775-1835. What a great way to start the New Year.

The Great Adventure Bible Study – Bible Timeline will be offered once again. This Bible Study began Thursday, January 7, at 6:30 p.m., in the Holy Family Library. Join Chris Hiles as he facilitates this popular class, along with the Young Adult Group. To register for this or seek additional information, contact Chris at chris.getin@gmail.com or 740-804-2080.

The MOMS group began meeting on Wednesday, January 6, at 7:00 p.m., in the Holy Family Library. This semester's session will be "Faith-filled Catholic Women's Bible Study," by Fireside. For more information or to register, contact Carrie at 740-656-3926 or email careshawk@gmail.com.

That Man is You! began it's next session on Saturday, January 9, 2016, at 7:00 a.m., in the Holy Family Library. To sign up, contact Joe Shuman at 740-600-8651.

We welcome those who have been baptized in to Christ's family at St. Peter's during the months of October-December 2015.

John Crowe Owen David Fishel
Aiden Hart Montalvo Sophia Lily Montalvo

We also welcome those families who have registered with the parish during the same time.

Tracy Betterndorf Daniel & Trudy Brahosky
Cynthia Carrico Robert Jackson
Kelly & John Lintz Jennifer Passerini



Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima Schedule

(Sign-up sheets through the calendar year have been added.)

January 3-January 9 – Jim & Laura Lewis
January 10-January 16 – Vicky & Elmer Palisbo
January 17-January 23 – Cindy Strausbaugh

Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading.

We, who are baptized in Christ, must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.

See Luke 3:22.

<i>Thank you for your generous support.</i>	Weekly Offertory	Year to Date Offertory
Budgeted – December 20, 2015-January 3, 2016	\$25,215.63	\$218,636.49
Actual Offertory – December 20, 2015-January 3, 2016	\$38,828.31*	\$232,303.54
Difference	\$13,612.68	\$ 13,667.05
Improvement Fund	\$ 285.00	\$ 2,151.00

***Amount includes one-time parishioner gift of \$7,000.00, as well as Christmas and Mary, Mother of God Mass Collections.**

Special Collections during the Month of December:

- Catholic Charities – \$947.00**
- Catholic Relief – \$40.00**
- Holy Father – \$1.50**
- Religious Retirement – \$919.00**
- Habitat for Humanity – \$104.00**
- Miryante Orphanage – \$20.00**
- Hope Clinic – \$95.00**
- Bishop Flaget – \$175.00**
- St. Margaret's Cemetery – \$142.00**
- St. Vincent de Paul Society – \$692.00**

Online Giving is the easiest way to give your first fruits to our Lord! Visit the Parish website at www.stpeterchillicothe.com to sign up by clicking the "online giving" tab. Now there is an "Online Giving Mobile App" to donate through your phone! See website for details.

Are you new to the parish and need to register? Having trouble getting into the office to fill out a registration form or remembering to pick one up in the vestibule of church? We now have another option for you! Online Registration is now available on the parish website! Go to www.stpeterchillicothe.com and under the Parish Information tab, you will find "Parish Registration" at the bottom of the pull down. Click on this and fill out the information. Once submitted, it will go directly to the Church Office. It's as easy as that!

January Birthday Wishes

(If you have a special birthday and wish to be on the list, please contact Leigh Ann Meeker at 773-6115.)

St. Peter Parish family extends congratulations and many blessings to the following on her "special" birthday:

January 15, Rose Shoemaker,
2729 DeBord Road

Prayer List

(Please check this prayer list for people who are no longer in need of prayer. We strive to keep this list current for those in their hour of need. If someone needs to be removed, please call the office. If someone is in need of prayer, please let us know that, too!)

Richard Stadtfeld, Donald Hayburn, Ed Moyer, Elaina Neff, Joyce Neff, Nancy Kight, Pat Manion, Marjorie Prince, Joe Schumann, Mike Obert, Faye Keefer, Elinor Jworski, Veronica Geimer, Albert Geimer, Carol Seachrist, Gloria Jones, Mary Margaret Rhoads, Wyatt Schumacher, Nancy Gatten, Jean Hosier, Rick Rinehart, Kathy Dye, Rosemary Cox, Floyd Wofford, Olivia Jones, Kim Dempsey, Brenda Estep, David Conley, Barbara Conley, Brookie Heightsman, Karen & Raymond Gibson, Mike Bigler, John Lisle, Keith Lovensheimer, Evelyn Silva, Michael Dixon, Bernice Heron, Michael Quinn, Peggy Lisle, Donna Stevens, Jo Burchett, Steve Dennis, Pam Thomas, Nancy Leasure, Melissa Falhgren, Mandy Hatmacher, Tracy Jalbueno, Rosemary McHarg, Kelly Chandler, Kathryn Hunt, Angie Currier, Herman Swisher, Rose Montavon, Patsy Cutler, Deb Zimpher, Evelyn Weinman, Tim Ott, Dave Neal, John P. Hess, Mary Ellen Diesher, Joshua Hicks, Rosalina Prog, Rose Shoemaker, Ray Janko, Roger Wilburn, Mary Wachter, Paula Romans, Douglas Griffith, Sister Martha Sebesta, Tony Azcona, Lynn Smith, Ruth Neal, Bill Neal, Eva & Melvin States, Julie Carey, Kathy McNight, Lucille Maimone, Norma Whitley, Nicholas Smith, Lib Fisher, Joseph Lynch, Jody Morrison, Dan & Jane Harness.

A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: ANYTHING BUT A HOLIDAY!

A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend is far more than just a "weekend off." Spend 44 hours away from work and home with your spouse to recover the joy and holiness of the Sacrament of Matrimony. The next two weekends are February 19-21 and April 22-24, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880, or visit our website at www.wwmecolumbus.org.

2016 Annual Catholic Men's Conference February 27, 2016: Join 3,000 Catholic men for the 2016 annual Men's Conference. This year will feature speakers David Karam, Father Larry Richards, Hector Molina and Bishop Frederick Campbell. Doug Lessells will once again emcee our conference. Register at ColumbusCatholicMen.com or call Scott Williamson at (614) 798-1792 for information.

2016 Annual Catholic Women's Conference February 20, 2016 – The 2016 conference will be held on February 20, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Ohio Expo Center Voinovich Building – 717 E. 17th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211. Register at www.columbuscatholicwomen.com. Scholarships are available. Call 614-398-CCWC (2292) for questions. This year's speakers are Jennifer Fulwiller, Fr. Nathan Cromly, Sonja Corbitt and Sarah Kroger.

What is your Spiritual Charism? To follow up with the Spiritual Gifts Workshop in October 2015, we will look at each of the Charisms presented. The next Charism is EVANGELISM. *The Charism of Evangelism* empowers a Christian to be an effective channel of God's love by sharing the faith with others in a way that draws them to become disciples of Jesus and responsible members of His Church. Examples of using this charism would be studying apologetics, using your life as an example, and strengthening your own faith.

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

	January 16, 5:00 p.m. Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	January 17, 8:00 a.m. Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	January 17, 11:30 a.m. Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Eucharist	Sr. Shani Mary – B, Jim Anzelmo – C1, Marlene Berling – C2	Cathy Seifert – B, Doug Corcoran – C1, John Seifert – C2	John Gabis – B, Mary McCord – C1, Tess Hatmacher – C2
Lector	Pauline Spriggs – 1, Joe Zupi – 2	Richard Rooney – 1, Mark Preston – 2	Anthony Lisi – 1, Frank Nunziato – 2
Server	Joey Mihelich, Jack Sulzer, Nate Roy	Thomas Noel, Justin Wood, Macy Corcoran, Jason Shuman	Dominic Nunziato, Nathaniel Hawk, James Shuman
Greeter	Christine Renison, Pete Simmons	Preston Family, Mark Preston, Maggie Preston	Bret Reisinger, Cynthia Strausbaugh
Offertory	Rusk Family	Huggins Family	Julie Rusnak, Ben Rusnak
Usher	Monti Perry, Dave Purpero, Paul Reed, Bill Seidensticker	Pam Givens, Bob Kight, Jim Maimone, Tim Scheeler	Henry Barlage Jr., Nanette Stanton, Tom Stanton, Sericia Tinsley
Church Cleaning	Team #1: Shuman Family		Linens for the Month of January: Donna Weisenberger