

What's Happening: September 29, 2023

We hold in our prayers this week:

Parishioners in need of Prayer: Michael Miller, Leslie Price, Lois Smith, Carl Tabar, Molly Simon, Keira Gardner, Jim & Linda Good, Bob Lewis, John Bitter, Jo Oldenburg, Peggy Zimmer, Harold Babbit

Homebound Parishioners: Anida Balmer, Kay McKelvey, Sheena James, Doug Bradfield, Ed & Marlene Wilkinson, Margo Tennant

Parishioners' Friends and Family: Vitalia Ononye (Carolyn Beredo), Laura Faulkner (Dennis McCready), Lee Keller (John Keller), Dan Pernod (Deb Vandrasik), John Bradley (David Nash), Marilou Durkin (Sara Ferry), Ann Rudeen (Jan McDonough), Samantha Hall (Sam Morgan), Sharlene Page (Bob & Christine Schauer), John & Mary Degnan (Julie Steigerwald), Christopher Taylor (Sarah Taylor), Ginger Hill (Marci Rich), Brynn Purdy, Ellie McMahon (Linda Purdy), Virginia Wepfer (Brenda Pongracz), Ryan Swanson (Ed & Julie Stenger), Christian Kneubel (Ann Wright), Grace Brockett (Cheshier Family), Tristan (Jessica Philpott, Luke & Mark Sferra), Bonnie Jones, Gary Novak (Emily Malquest), Dennis Harp, Alyssa Cowling, Gerry Ross, Nacine Bryson, Paul Guinn (Joanne Hull), David Spencer (Beth O'Rourke), Dan Erwine (Cindy Lemmerman), Lee Mehnert (Tom & Sue Andrews), Tim Sweeney, Jim Miller, Frank, Carley Buhl (Liz Crosby), Weston (John Neumann), Elaine Glendening (Patti Dobro), Sue Nickel-Schindewolf, Michael Yancey (Amanda Chambers)

Join us for Sunday Worship...
in person at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. ONLINE
The Rev. Mike Lager, Rector

The Service will be live streamed beginning at 9:50 a.m.,
and the recording will subsequently remain available by going to:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5r-XEvAg8xKiEl2jnl_s7g?

Welcome to St. Peter's! If you are attending services, please use the back glass door off the parking lot (where the elevator is located) or the front door to enter the church. If you need any assistance, please see one of the ushers or Tom Newman, St. Peter's Sexton. Masks are required for all unvaccinated persons in building at all times. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parents, if you wish to bring little ones to church, the care room is open every week. Children are also encouraged to sit in their special area in the front of the church on the carpet. Older children who would like to come to church are always welcome. We have activity bags at the back of the church with things to do based on the message of the day.

October Outreach Focus of the Month: *St. Peter's Community Meal*



The Community Meal team is grateful that our ministry has been selected as Outreach Partner of the month of October, not only because your loose plate offerings provide funds to pay for the meals but also because we have an opportunity to reach out to you to re-introduce the program and invite you to join us.

St. Peter's is one of many Lakewood churches and other organizations that share the responsibility of providing a free hot meal to members of our community nearly every day of the month. Our day is the second Tuesday of the month. Up until the pandemic in the spring of 2020 we proudly served a nutritious homemade three course sit down dinner complete with floral arrangements on the tables, seasonal decorations and gifts, and piano accompaniment. It was always a festive occasion, and pulling it off every month took the energy and talents of many volunteers: shoppers, cooks, bakers, servers, dishwashers, set up and tear down folk to name a few.

The pandemic forced us to change to a takeout service, eliminating many of the extras and scaling down the number of volunteers involved. The majority of the churches offering a community meal in Lakewood are still providing take out service only and for the immediate future we will do the same. The health and safety of our volunteers is of paramount concern.

Even though the operation is scaled back, the number of diners increases monthly and we would love to invite new volunteers to join us. We need cooks to come in the early afternoon and pitch in to prepare and package the entree, desserts and sides, and clean up the dishes we use. We need bakers to provide home baked goods according to the theme of the month, and deliver them to the church on Community Meal Day. And we need distributors to arrive at Church at 5 pm to finish the packaging and hand out the meals to our diners.

No one needs to commit for every month. We send a monthly email letting our group of volunteers know what we need and ask you to respond if you can help. If you would like to join the email notification list, please contact Jan Babbit at 440-668-6289 or jrbabbit@gmail.com. If you have any questions about how the meal operates and what you would need to do, contact Jan for what cooks and bakers do, or Lesley Demagall (740-368-7677, lesleydemagall@gmail.com) for what is required of the distribution team. Thank you for whatever contribution you can make to the Community Meal ministry. We are usually finish by 6 p.m.

If cooking and distributing aren't of interest to you there is another way for you to help us get back to normal: Traditionally we've given our guests a small gift at Christmas time (less than three months away!) This year we would like to include a pair of warm socks or gloves and perhaps some toiletries with the Christmas meal. If you would like to contribute a pair of unisex one size fits all socks or gloves, toothpaste, deodorant, etc., you can drop the items in the plastic bin by the back door anytime until December 5. If you'd like someone to pick up your donation, please give Jan Babbit a call.

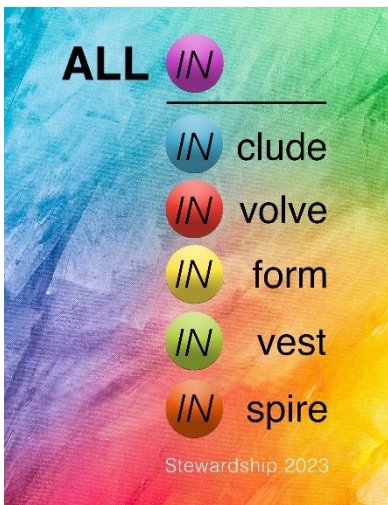
Thanks for any and every way you can join in this ministry.

~ Jan Babbit and Lesley Demagall

LEGOS NEEDED!!! Do you have any unwanted LEGO's at home? This year's Advent intergenerational project is a LEGO model of St. Peter's Church building. We could really use some LEGO's if you have some to donate. Just bring them to church and leave them in the back hall, the office, or the back of the church on Sunday. For further information contact Tom Newman (440) 387 – 2012.



St. Francis Day: Blessing of the Animals! St. Francis Day – Blessing of the Animals (even the stuffed ones) will take place on Wednesday, October 4th at 6pm. No animal is too big nor too small, and if you don't have a living pet, please bring your favorite stuffed animals. Everyone is welcome to join us!



Stewardship Packets were mailed; if you did not receive a packet, please contact the office. You may return your 2024 pledge to the office through the mail, the alms basket, or via email. Thank you very much for your continued support and generosity.



Outdoor Fall Festival

Saturday, October 7th
2-4pm (Alternate weather date is Sunday the 8th; 1-3pm)
St. Peter's back parking lot. Please park on the street.
All ages and stages of families. We'll have food, fun, games, bonfire and stories.

Outdoor Activities in October require us to be flexible and embrace cancellations. Michelle will do her very best to get information to you. If you have any questions, please call her at 440-781-4161

St Cecilia Guild will meet on Wednesday, October 11 at 12:15 in the chapel.

Diocesan Archivist Rev. Brian Wilbert will make a multi-media presentation about the history of the Diocese of Ohio. All parishioners are invited.

Bring your own lunch or order from Lorna. Either way, please text or email Lorna your RSVP so there will be enough seating. Please, please don't just tell her in passing an expect her to remember it. ljcookie1@gmail.com or 216-647-3774.

A simple buffet lunch will be offered for a cost of \$12 or \$13 if you wish a bottle of water. It will consist of mini meat and cheese sandwiches from Giant Eagle along with a Caesar salad from Costco, chips and cookies. Please send a check for the lunch made out to Lorna Jordan 1507 Westford Circle #105 Westlake OH 44145. **Deadline October 6.**

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Cecilia*



Fall Work Day: On Saturday, October 22nd from 8:30 am to noon, the Buildings and Grounds Ministry will host an indoor/outdoor parish work day. There are many things around the church that need fixing and sprucing up. Please mark your calendars, and plan to attend. Many hands are needed to get the job done, so join us for fun, fellowship and a little “hands-on business”. A light breakfast will be provided.



Do you have a gift to share? As mentioned, the youth mission trip next year will be in Montana. This will be a more expensive trip due to flying there and back.

We will be holding a Holiday Bazaar later this year and sharing some of our crafts. We hope that if you make something, crochet, cross-stitch, soap maker, and more you will donate your items to our sale.

As we have been thinking more about this, we would also like to include some other ideas like donating a weekend at your vacation home, an evening trip out on your boat, a day learning to fly fish, a free rental at your business, the list is literally endless because we have so many gifts within our parish.

Please be thinking about what you could donate to a wonderful cause. Thank you for thinking and working through this together. Contact Michelle for more information or if you can donate to this wonderful trip. Thank you!

For pastoral emergencies, please contact The Rev. Mike Lager at 479-221-4030 or via email at rector@stpeterslakewood.org

Also, if you would like to put someone on the prayer list, please contact the office at office@stpeterslakewood.org
