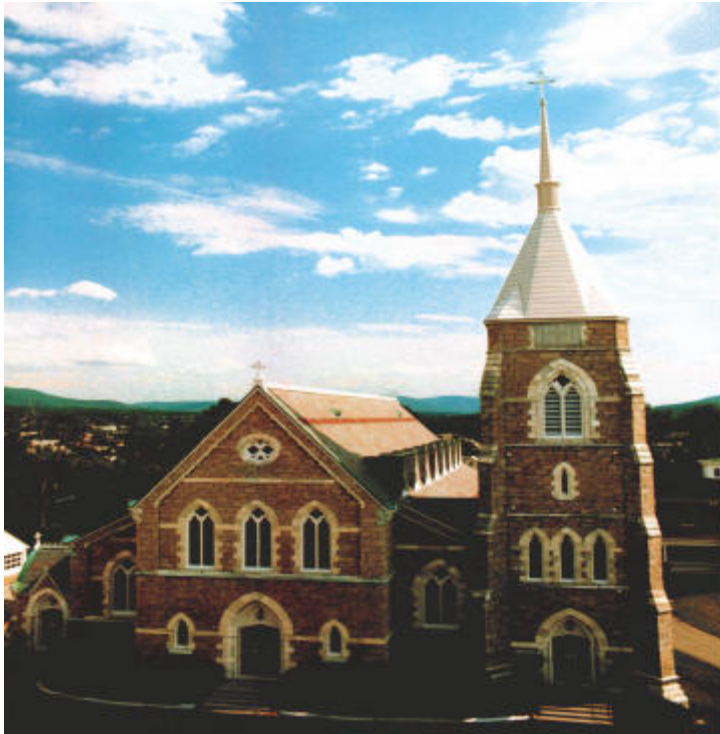


**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—June 28, 2020**

## **St. Peter Parish**

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In Residence at St. Alphonsus  
During the Corona Virus**

### **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday—4:15 PM  
Sunday—11:00 AM

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[StPeter.VermontCatholic.org](http://StPeter.VermontCatholic.org)

### **Weekday Masses**

Chapel of our Lady

**Monday—4:45 PM—Except Holidays**

**Suspended until further notice**

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday 3:00 PM—3:45 PM beginning June 27<sup>th</sup>**

### **New Parishioners**

Please call Parish Office to register.

### **Religious Education**

DRE, Michael Audette

Email: [maudette@msjvermont.org](mailto:maudette@msjvermont.org)

Please visit parish website or Facebook  
(Saint Peter Parish Religious Education)

### **Parish Council Members**

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## ST. PETER MASS SCHEDULE:

**Saturday, June 27**

- 4:15 Birthday Mem: Angeline Carrara Savery & Julie Ann Savery by Phillip  
**and** Birthday Mem: Clelia Marro by Sarah Valente, Josephine Flory and Luigi Mainolfi

**Sunday, June 28**

- 11:00 Birthday Mem: Maria Tedesco by Family

**Monday, June 29**

**No Monday Masses at this time**

**Saturday, July 4**

- 4:15 Mem: Giancola Family & Miele Family by Family

**Sunday, July 5**

- 11:00 Mem: Deceased Members of the Coladonato Family by Family  
**and** 14<sup>th</sup> Ann: John Mondella, Sr. by Family



**CANDLES FOR THE WEEKEND  
OF JUNE 27/28**

Mem: Louis Lefevre by Family



**The Rectory Office will be closed on  
Friday, July 3**

**MAY GOD GIVE YOU PEACE!**

It is a pleasure and a privilege to be here at this beautiful church and parish of St. Peter as your priest. I would like to thank you for your cordial and warm welcome. I would just like to share a little bit of my background with you as we begin to live and practice our Catholic Faith together and join you in thanking Fr. Tom for his nine years of priestly service.

I was born in Boston, Massachusetts in 1950. My parents, both public school teachers, moved to Walpole, Massachusetts in 1952. I attended public schools there graduating in 1968. Then I began to study for the priesthood in the archdiocese of Boston finishing with a BA in philosophy in 1972. At that time I left the diocese to join the Capuchins. I completed novitiate and went to Garrison, NY to begin a degree in divinity. It was then that I first met Fr. Tom. We both completed an internship year in Okinawa, Japan. We were ordained together, having completed our studies for the Master at Maryknoll School of Theology. We both returned to Japan in 1978 and I returned to the U.S.A. in 1982 because of illness. I was involved in our Capuchin Formation Program for our new friars from 1982-1985 at which time I obtained a Master of Theology from Harvard University in 1986 and went to Catholic University for doctoral studies in Church History. From 1989-1994 I was once again part of our Formation Program. From 1994-1997 I served in St. Pius X Parish, Middletown, CT while completing the doctoral dissertation. From 1997-2006 I served as college chaplain at St. Joseph College of Maine. From 2006-2014 I was a pastor in central New York state returning to our Formation Program in Boston in 2014. I now join you here in Vermont and promise to do my best to help you to enrich your faith and your love of God one day at a time. I am your priest and I am at your service. May God bless us all with health and peace.

Fr. John Tokaz

Dearest Parishioners and Friends,

The time has come for me to bid you all farewell, after 9 happy and glorious years in this beautiful parish of St. Peter; I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve in the parishes of St. Dominic and St. Alphonsus as well; for me, these have been 9 blessed years forming so many wonderful bonds and relationships with all of you. I was welcomed with warm hearts and always felt so loved and supported by everyone. I assure you that I leave here with many fond and happy memories and remembrances, all of which I can bring with me to cherish for years to come.

Thank you for the many ways that you put your trust in me from the moment of my arrival to this day of my departure, for your support and love and dedication to the parish. It is bittersweet for me since I am leaving behind the friendships that have been formed, but at the same time, it is a new chapter opening up for me as I continue my journey; I want to assure everyone that the health issues that lie ahead of me are not serious issues of illness; the main thing is what so many of you have also gone through, and that is attention to the knees; I have been told by doctors here that it is time to consider knee replacements; I have put that off, feeling that it was not something I wanted to do while still in active ministry. Otherwise, I am fine. I look forward to many more years of service to the Lord and His people in the capacity of what we call a "help-out priest" - assisting in parishes, or elsewhere, where help might be needed in covering Masses, confessions etc. But I am happily handing on the baton for here, with all of its responsibilities of administration, maintenance etc. that come as pastor, to Fr. John, with full confidence that he will serve you well and lovingly. With his many years of varied ministries, he will be the pastor that St. Peter needs at this time.

My new address will be at our Capuchin  
Senior Residence Friary:  
St. Clare Friary  
110 Shonnard Place  
Yonkers, NY 10703-2226

I would like to say, farewell until we meet again, by invoking the priestly blessing of Aaron from Numbers 6:24-26, where the Lord says to Moses, "*Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: This is how you shall bless the Israelites,*"

**May the Lord bless you and keep you!  
May the Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!  
May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!  
Amen.**

Sincerely and in prayer,

*Fr. Tom*

**ST. PETER COLLECTION REPORT  
WEEKEND OF JUNE 20/21**

42 Envelopes (242 sent out) plus \$307.00	2,096.00
Need	4,500.00
Difference	- 2,404.00
Last Year—Same Date	3,921.00
Fuel Collection	416.00

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

At this point and time, there are no meetings or events planned. The regularly scheduled Saturday 4:15 PM Vigil Mass, and the Sunday morning 11:00 AM Mass will continue. Please note that at any given Mass in order to follow the guidelines issued by the State, the CDC and the Diocese, we can only have a max attendance of **115** people. We would ask that you follow the directions of the Ushers and we ask for your continued patience, understanding and cooperation. **Additionally, we will resume confessions from 3:00 PM—3:45 PM beginning this Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.** It will be necessary that the penitent wear a mask and there will not be the opportunity for face to face confession. Confessions will be heard with the curtain between the priest and the penitent.

### CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE PARISH

On Saturday, June 27, 2020, Remington Poro, Colton Poro and Alaina Boudreau were baptized here at St. Peter's. Congratulations and welcome to the Poro and Boudreau families.

### CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass has been rescheduled for Tuesday, June 30 at 2:00 PM at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Burlington. At this special Mass celebrated by Bishop Coyne, the Oil of Chrism is consecrated, the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the priests within the Diocese of Burlington recommit themselves to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. Because of the Cathedral's capacity limits due to the pandemic and presence of the priests of the diocese, seating for the general public will be very limited, and all present are asked to wear a mask and practice the proper physical distancing and hand sanitizing protocols. Those wishing to attend **must** RSVP either online at [vermontcatholic.org/event/chrism-mass-3/](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/chrism-mass-3/) or by calling Josh Perry at 802-448-3515. The Mass will also be live-streamed on the diocesan website.

### IN NEED OF USHERS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS

For anyone who has attended the Masses recently, you saw the importance and kind of "new" role for ushers; we do need more parishioners who would be willing to assist in serving as ushers; those of you who have been serving as ushers, taking up the collection, your continued help would be most appreciated. Anyone interested in serving as ushers, or continuing to serve as ushers, and would be willing to be placed on a list, please call the friary at 775-1994, or simply pitch in when you are here.

We also need volunteers to help in sanitizing the church after each Mass. For this, the more volunteers we have, the easier it will be on everyone. "**Sanitizers**" are most needed after the Saturday afternoon Mass, and on Sundays when there is something else going on in the church in the course of that week. It takes 2 volunteers just 30 minutes, from beginning to end, to sanitize the whole church with the equipment that has been obtained for this purpose. Please call the Friary—775-1994—if you are willing to be placed on a list as "**Sanitizers**" to volunteer in this area, or simply stay after the Masses, and pitch in.

### NO KNEELING

We are asking that the kneelers in the church **NOT** be used; the reason for that is if they are used, it means more work and time to sanitize them; if they are left in their upright position than a simple spraying will take care of it and our volunteer "sanitizers" will be able to finish much more quickly. Thank you for your understanding and observance of this.

### TEMPORARY EMERGENCY FAMILY HOUSING PROJECT

The Executive Director of the Community Cupboard, Rebekah Stephens, visited the Parish Council as a guest speaker on February 11, 2020. She gave a talk about a project that the Community Cupboard is trying to get started. It is a plan to provide housing for homeless families. This new endeavor is called *Rutland's Promise*. Their mission statement is: to provide temporary, emergency safe housing for families in Rutland County while supporting opportunities for permanent sustainable housing, employment and community relationships. They are just getting started and are reaching out to all the area churches and businesses to see who may be interested in learning about volunteering at Rutland's Promise when it opens this November. Rebekah is looking to compile a list of all interested folks by July 15. An informational meeting will be scheduled in August that will conform to the Covid-19 rules. Location to be determined. The meeting will provide all the details around volunteering at Rutland's Promise. She mentioned that there are many ways one can help out both before and after it gets under way. Please contact Rebekah at: 802-747-6119 Office or 802-558-6487 Cell or [rutlandcommunitycupboard@yahoo.com](mailto:rutlandcommunitycupboard@yahoo.com).

### MSJ NEEDS HOST FAMILY

Mount Saint Joseph Academy is in need of a host family for one of our students for the 2020-21 school year. This student is from Haiti and needs a host family with no pets (Dogs or Cats) in the household, because of allergies. She is bright, kind and intelligent and will be returning to MSJ for her Senior year of high school. If you would like more information about becoming a host family please contact Bill Brusco at 802-775-0151 or [wbruso@msjvermont.org](mailto:wbruso@msjvermont.org).

### GOD KNOWS I'M HERE, BUT DOES YOUR NEW PASTOR?

When you need a Certificate of Eligibility (Letter) to serve as a godparent/sponsor for baptism, confirmation or marriage you must first be registered in the parish to obtain such a letter. Please be sure that you are registered so that the parish gets to know you and counts you as a member. To be an anonymous Christian is to deprive yourself of the benefits of the community of believers.

**Register in the Parish—Use Envelopes**

### DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN

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