

Saint Peter's Catholic Church

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Msgr. Joseph G. Aubin
Msgr. Robert Aucoin

Office Hours are
Monday-Friday
8:30am - 4:00pm



May 17, 2009
First Holy Communion



Liturgical Celebrations

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm
Sunday at **8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am
** Mass is Signed for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Daily Mass Schedule

6:45am & 12:05pm, Monday - Friday
8:15am Saturday

Reconciliation

Saturday 2:45-3:30pm
Wednesday 12:30-1:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-8:00am 1st Sat. of the Month
7:30-8:00am Thursday
12:30-1:00pm Friday

Baptism and Marriage

Please call the Parish Office

The Most Holy Trinity

June 7, 2009

Our Credo



No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church;
 No matter what your current family or marital situation;
 No matter what your past or present religious affiliation;
 No matter what your own personal history, age,
 background, race or color;
 No matter what your own self-image or esteem;
 You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at
 St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Parish Mission Statement

Rooted in the Word of God...nourished and strengthened by the Sacraments...guided by the Holy Spirit... We, the people of St. Peter's are united in our desire to promote social justice, to live Christian values and to deepen our spiritual lives. We will compassionately serve those who are in need and make every effort to build strong, loving families and a solid faith community. Our 155 year old tradition is alive and open to new ways of being Church eager to give living witness to Jesus Christ.

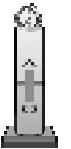
Readings for the Week of June 7, 2009

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/
 Mt 28:16-20
 Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26
 Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 5:27-32
 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
 Next Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

**Vigil Candles for this Week
 In Memory of Robert & Loretta Griffin**

by the family
Beatrice & Francis Gilmet
 by the family

Andrea Brault-Wallace
 by Andrew & Helen Brault



You may contact the Parish Office
 to secure a time for a seven day vigil candle
 -- \$10 is the offering.

Mass Intentions for the Week



Monday June 8

6:45am In thanksgiving for a favor received
 by Sandra Baker
 12:05pm June Gibbs by Lawrence & Marjorie Carpenter

Tuesday, June 9

6:45am Almeda Ensel by K of C Council #6067
 12:05pm Special Intention by a parishioner

Wednesday June 10

6:45 am Sharon Gibson by Mom & Dad
 12:05 pm Don & Edward LaPoint by Flora St. Louis

Thursday June 11 *Saint Barnabas*

6:45am Ted Stein by David & Madeline Pombrio
 12:05pm Andrea Brault Wallace by Clara McDaniel

Friday June 12

6:45am Spellman & Ryan families by Francis Ryan
 12:05pm Gilbert Langlois by His Family

Saturday June 13 *Saint Anthony of Padua*

8:15am Robert Nephew (8th Anniv.) by his wife & family
 1:00pm Marriage of Jocelyn Gagnier & Shawn Horton
 4:00pm Frank Defayette by Henrietta & family

Sunday June 14 *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

8:00am For all parishioners
 9:30am Jason Meier by Mary Remillard & Sheila Harrison
 11:00am Sophia Braga by her son Thomas

A \$10 offering is customary for each Mass.
 Please contact the Parish office for available times.



Please remember in your prayers
 all of our parish family and
 friends who suffer physically,
 emotionally or spiritually.

God's Plan for Giving ... Tithing

May 25, 2008.....\$10,328.50
 May 24, 2009\$13,659.50

 June 1, 2008.....\$15,104.50
 May 31, 2009\$15,354.33
 (Including Electronic Transfers)

**Thank you for your generosity and
 commitment to stewardship.**

Are you writing or rewriting your will?
 Consider designating a gift to St. Peter's and
 give witness to your faith.

Vocations

"We suffer with Him so that we may also
 be glorified with Him." How are you
 being called to glorify the Lord in response
 to His love? Could God be inviting you to
 the priesthood or consecrated life? Talk to
 your pastor or visit www.myvocation.net to
 contact Fr. Doug Lucia or Fr. Bryan Stitt.

Newly Baptized

The parish family of St. Peter's gives thanks to God as it celebrates the new and everlasting birth given through the waters of Baptism to:



**Mason Allen Carter
Gaven Michael Hoover
Reid Francis Machabee
Owen James Rankin
Edward Joseph Sweenor
Krysta Marie Tower**

We rejoice because our family continues to grow through those who are baptized in Christ. We pledge to these children our prayers, encouragement and support as they grow in the faith we profess in Christ Jesus our Lord.

You Are Invited to a Special Celebration

in Honor of

Sr. Stephanie Frenette, OP

for 50 years of Service as a Dominican Sister

Saturday, June 20 1:30-3:30pm

St. Peter's Church Emmaus Room

Come and spend a few minutes with her to reminisce, enjoy a piece of cake, a glass of punch, and help celebrate this momentous occasion in Sr. Stephanie's Life as a Dominican Sister of Hope.

Congratulations

Esther and Clarence Bushey!

Your sixty years of marriage are an inspiration to all in the parish! Your tender and supportive love is so genuine and evident. We thank you for the wonderful witness you are to the beauty of marriage – our prayers and gratitude on your **60th wedding anniversary!**



We pray for those who have recently entered eternal life. May the angels lead them into paradise.

**Joseph E. Gladd
Mildred Cordick**



Interested in Becoming Catholic?



Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Therese Moen, Director of Religious Education at 563-3278, or e-mail stpetersyd@charterinternet.com.

Evangelization—Most Holy Trinity Praise to the Trinity—June 6-7, 2009

Another commission by Jesus to go and make disciples, to baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, to teach, to preach, and to proclaim the Gospel. There is the promise of the Risen Lord that He would be with us until the end of time. Thus, we are to fix in our hearts the promise of the presence of the Trinity dwelling within us, giving us the power to make known the presence of Emmanuel (God with us) to others. As a community of believers, we are invited to come to St. Mary's Cathedral, **June 14** to honor the Blessed Sacrament with songs and prayers. The celebration begins with Mass at 11:00 followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. At 2:00 the procession will begin from the Cathedral going outdoors. Solemn Vespers follows the procession. Refreshments will be served after Vespers. All are invited.

Help Us Connect the World with God's Word!

Next week's Collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign/Catholic University of America. Through your generous donations, CCC is able to spread the gospel message in our community and all over the world. CCC funds the development of traditional and new media programs that inspire and minister to their audiences. This collection not only supports national Catholic media initiatives and our own diocesan paper the *North Country Catholic* but also Catholic University of America. Please give generously in next week's Collection to help us spread the Good News. To find out more about the work of CCC, please visit www.CatholicCommunicationCampaign.org.

Prayer for a New Bishop
Almighty Father,

for one hundred thirty-seven years you have sent to the Church of Ogdensburg shepherds after your own heart. Send forth the Holy Spirit upon Pope Benedict, that he might choose for us a new Bishop, full of courage in preaching the Gospel, wisdom in governing the Church, and zeal in leading us in the paths of holiness. Grant to the man you will send to us the protection of our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, our Mother and our Patroness. We make this prayer through her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.



**Crafters Needed
Workers 2-3 hour shifts during June Festival
In Need of hand made crafts.
Finished or unfinished -- will pick up
More Information -- Call Bea 561-1191**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

St. Ann's 33rd Annual Bazaar

Roast Beef Dinner & Parade

Mooers Forks

Sunday, June 7

11am - 6pm

Retirement Party For Sr. Brian Marie Latour, RSM

Saturday, June 13

4:30 p.m. Mass followed by a

Reception On the Lawn
until 7:30 p.m.

At St. John's Church, Plattsburgh

RSVP by Monday, June 8

to 563-0730

Saint Anne's Shrine Isle LaMotte

Daily mass Monday-Friday at 11:15 am,

with a Vigil Mass on Saturday at 7pm and

Sunday masses at 9 and 10:30am.

The Summer Reflection series starts on July 1st

with such topics as "The Gospel of Life" and

"Growing Stronger in the Spiritual Life"

Diocesan Eucharistic Procession

The Feast of Corpus Christi, June 14th at St. Mary's Cathedral. This Eucharistic Procession will also mark the conclusion of the year of St. Paul. Please mark your calendar for this special occasion. The following events will be held to highlight this celebration:

- 11:00am – Mass
- Noon – 2:30pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 2:30pm – Eucharistic Procession followed by Solemn Vespers.

The people of the Diocese are invited to come to this prayerful event. We would like have as many of the people of the Diocese to attend and to participate in the Eucharistic Procession.

VA Primary Care Clinic Open House

Veterans may apply for health benefits during the open house and we encourage anyone who is interested to stop in and fill out an application to see if they are eligible. The public is also welcome to tour the clinic, meet the staff and enjoy refreshments. The open house is being held **Thursday, June 11** from 10am – noon at the VA Clinic on 80 Sharron Ave, Plattsburgh across from Kinney Drugs.

Entries for the bulletin must be submitted at least one week in advance of the date you would like it to be published.

Thank you for your cooperation.

IN OUR PARISH

• Recitation of the Rosary

Join the Altar Rosary Society the **1st weekend of every month** - one half hour before the 4:00 pm and 9:30 am masses. The next recitation is **June 6 & 7**.

Join the Knights of Columbus on the **2nd Wednesday of every month** at 7:00 pm in the Church. The next recitation is **June 10**.

• Altar Rosary Breakfast

Reservations must be made by June 9 for the June 14th Breakfast. Please call Theo Dragoon at 563-4136 or Eleanor Tart 563-6986.

• Light Weigh

For information on this spiritual growth weight loss program, that has been a blessing to many, call Sue Holt at 561-2782 or check out www.lightweigh.com. Registered participants meet at 4:00 P.M. on **Wednesdays** in the Chapel.

• Christian Meditation

The practice of Christian Meditation will be held in the Chapel on **Thursday evenings**, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. (note change in time). This form of silent prayer is rooted in the Gospel and in the letters of St. Paul. It is open to all interested persons. For additional information please phone 561-3421.

• Parish Nurses

The Parish Nurses hold meetings on the **2nd Thursday of the month** promptly at 6:30pm in the Emmaus Room.

• New Beginnings

Are you divorced, going through a divorce or separated? New Beginnings meets **every Thursday** in the Upper Room at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to this group regardless of religious affiliation.



Wind Farm Trip

The St. Peter's Environmental Stewardship Committee is hosting a **FREE** guided tour of the Noble Wind Farm on Sunday, June 14th. We are leaving St. Peter's parking lot at 1:00 PM by bus and there are a few seats left for interested parishioners. So please call the rectory at 563-1692 and reserve your place for a trip that promises to be exciting and informative. Hope to see you there!



Did you know that you can view our weekly bulletins and read Father John's homilies on our website?

Visit www.saintpeterschurch.org.



The Most Holy Trinity

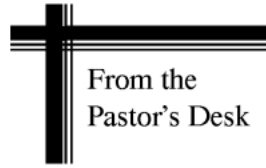
The worship center is dark; each parishioner holds an unlit candle. The pastor enters with a single lighted candle and begins lighting the candles of those at the ends of the pews. In turn, they

light the candles of the people next to them, and so on. Slowly, the room is aglow in the light of a thousand candles, all lit from a single flame. As the pastor approaches the altar, we are careful to take notice that the candle he carried in has not changed in the least, and could light even another thousand candles. It is that way when we speak of God's love; no matter how often we share it, our own love grows brighter and stronger.

Through the example of one candle lighting a thousand we are able to better appreciate the Gospel. After the Resurrection, Jesus summons the eleven disciples to a mountain in Galilee. There, he gives them the Great Commission, to go out into the world and baptize all in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Jesus could have appeared to thousands, yet he knew these eleven "candles" would be capable of following his commandments and spreading his promise of eternal life.

Today is the feast of the Most Holy Trinity, a remembrance of Christ's directive of a new mission for his followers to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that this mandate is our invitation to join in the one family of God, fully united and complete (CCC 959). Two thousand years ago, eleven men set out, tasked with beginning the fulfillment of the New Covenant by bringing all who would believe into the loving arms of God. Today, turn to others and offer them the light of life.

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From the Pastor's Desk

Next Saturday, June 13th, is the day on which we will be able to express our gratitude to Sr. Brian Marie Latour, RSM, for her work as the first principal of Seton Academy.

Our pre-K to 6th grade school is strong and vibrant! It offers an education for the total person – mind, body and SOUL! Sr. Brian Marie has given her all these past three years to help make Seton Academy the wonderful school that it is. We are most grateful for her dedication to education and her love for children – generations to come will have benefited from her life of faith.

The celebration in her honor will begin with the 4:30 p.m. Mass at St. John's followed by a lawn reception at the church that will go until 7:30 p.m. All are welcome! Let us all pray that Sr. Brian Marie thoroughly enjoys her retirement.
Fr. John

Letter of Thanks

I am deeply touched by the numbers of phone calls, cards, personal notes of congratulations on the occasion of my Honorary Doctoral Degree from Providence College. However, indeed, I accepted this honor on behalf of the thousands and thousands of supporters, volunteers, and all who have supported the Mission of Hope since its beginning more than 10 years ago. St. Peter's Parish has been and continues to be one of our largest supporters and I personally want to thank all our parishioners and Fr. John, in particular, for the ongoing commitment to the Mission of Hope. The Mission is able to accomplish so much, and change many hearts, one at a time, because of people like the parishioners of St. Peter's.



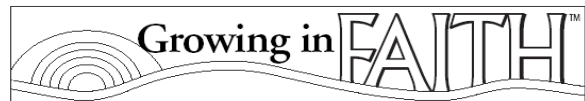
Yes, "lost children matter to God, and so, they should matter to us!!".

Thanks.
Sr. Debbie Blow, OP
North Country Mission of Hope



Save These Dates:

- St. Peter's June Festival -- Sun., June 28
- Parish Picnic -- Sun., July 26
- St. Peter's Golf Tournament -- Thur., August 13
- Commission of Parish Ministries -- Sat., Sept. 12
- Diaconate Ordination of Frank Bushey & Mark Bennett -- Sat., Sept. 19



Copies of the June "Growing in Faith" are available in the magazine rack in the Atrium.



Clinton County Food Cooperative

Purchase nutritious foods at lower-than-retail cost. No age limit! No income limit! Food Stamps accepted. Unit price is \$21. **Sign up through June 10.** Delivery will be on June 25 Call JCEO at 561-6310 for more information.

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May 29, 2009

Dear Friends in Christ,

As Christians, we are called to share the Good News of God's redemptive love for each one of us. This is the cornerstone of our faith; as such, it shapes our views and guides our steps. While many things in our lives change, the mandate to share the Good News is unchanging. Our Lord calls upon us to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). How do we do that in today's world? For over twenty-five years, the Catholic Communications Campaign, in partnership with our diocesan Communications Office, has been a significant voice in the media: educating, entertaining, inspiring and informing the public about Gospel values.

The Catholic Communication Campaign 2009 slogan is *Help Us Connect the World with God's Word*. This campaign will generate the funding necessary to carry on the work of both the national office and the Communications Office in our diocese. Such funding also helps our own newspaper, the *North Country Catholic*.

The Catholic University of America is also assisted by this campaign. Founded in 1867, the Catholic University of America is the only institution of higher education established by the Bishops of the United States. Each year it turns to parishes across the country to aid in its important mission of providing solid Catholic education for its students.




On June 13-14 our annual combined Catholic Communication/Catholic University collection will be taken up in our parishes. It is an opportunity for all of us to assist our Catholic media in spreading the Good News at home and around the world. I thank you for your generous support for this important collection.

With gratitude and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Terry R. LaValley

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 Diocesan Administrator

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<div style="text-align: right;"> <p>St. Peter's Church June 28  Need more raffle tickets for our June Festival?</p> <p>Clip out the tickets at the left and return them with the others you received in the mail.</p> <p>Thank you and see you on Sunday, June 28.</p> </div>			