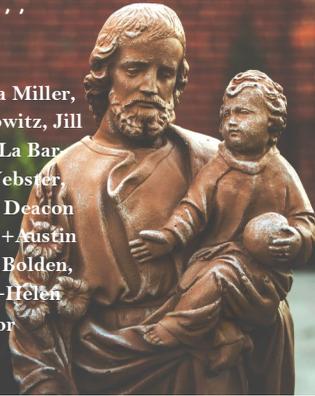


Prayer Requests/ Pray For...

Bernard Ashkettle, David Schetrompf, Amanda Miller, Catherine Kososki, John Krochinsky, Steve Lebowitz, Jill Caplan, Linda Thomas, Leela Donegan, Sean La Barbera, Jeff Schwartz, Richard Webster, Paul Webster, Laure Feuillet, Gary Silver, Erica McKenzie, + Deacon Joe McKenna, Arnuf Krishma, Dhruv Krishma, + Austin Michael Leo Wigfield, + Charles Kenner, Dave Bolden, Val Valencia, Mark Smith, + Jim McKenzie, + Helen Smith, Penny McKenzie, Gilbert Taylor



And in our military:...

Benjamin Yellott, Andrew Golden, Elizabeth and Austin Garmon, Sean La Barbera, and Gabriella Voight

Suzanne Mellott Photography

~USCCB~

Elections are coming up: we are called to be informed and vote, and the Catholic Bishops of the USA have a website and voter's guides to help you, at:

www.usccb.org

~Catholic Radio ~

Father Jack's Program: "will air at 12:00PM on Sunday, 10/16 and repeat next Saturday, 10/22 at Fr. Jack's program for this Sunday, the 16th is titled "Politics and Prayer" and will air at noon and will repeat next Saturday, the 22nd at 7 pm.

~RCIA /Bible Study ~

Topic: *Presentation & Discussion on Morality, Sexuality, and Ethics*

Welcome to all interested in learning more about our Catholic faith?

This Monday, October 17th—7:30 –8.45PM in the Parish Hall.

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The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

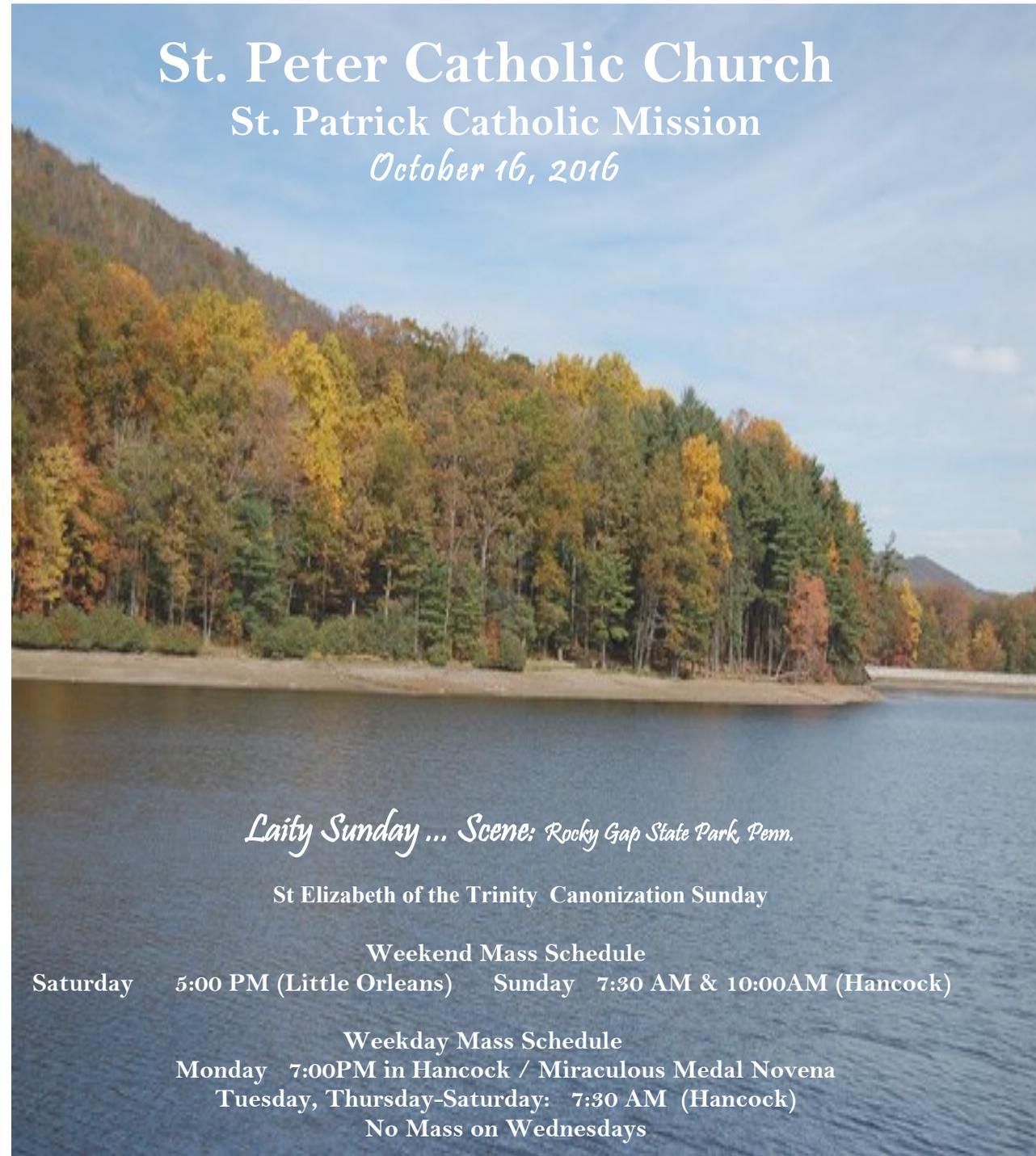
Readings: Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

Next Week (10/23/16): Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

St. Peter Catholic Church

St. Patrick Catholic Mission

October 16, 2016



Laity Sunday ... Scene: Rocky Gap State Park, Penn.

St Elizabeth of the Trinity Canonization Sunday

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM (Little Orleans) Sunday 7:30 AM & 10:00AM (Hancock)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday 7:00PM in Hancock / Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday: 7:30 AM (Hancock)

No Mass on Wednesdays

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 15th– 5:00PM

Gladys Potts

Sunday, October 16th– 7:30AM

Parishioners of Ss. Peter & Patrick

Sunday, October 16th– 10:00AM

Tina Riesett

Monday, October 17th– 7:00PM

Dewey & Connie French

Evening Prayer at 6:50PM

Tuesday, October 18th– 7:30AM

Steve & Michele Lebowitz & Family

No Wednesday Morning Mass

Thursday, October 20th– 7:30AM

Mark Stahr

All Day Adoration begins at 8:00AM

Friday, October 21st -7:30AM

Sr. Victorie

Saturday, October 22nd– 7:30AM

Respect Life Intentions

Saturday, October 22nd-5:00PM

Larry and Barbara Noll

...The Mass is the Prayer of Jesus Christ Himself!

Join Us for These Upcoming Events!

Sun. Oct. 16– Join us after Masses for donuts & social/ and welcome for new parishioners 11.30am.

Sun. Oct. 16– 4:00PM- Youth Sports at Widmeyer Park!

Mon. Oct. 17th– 6:50 PM, Evening prayer, 7:00PM– Mass, 7:30PM– *Talk on Morality & Christians today.* Covers gender sexuality, marriage, & ethics for you and the modern Catholic today.

Sun. Oct. 23– Talk on Morality (see above) repeated at 11:15AM

Mon. Oct. 24– 7.30pm AOB Meeting Church Hall

Sunday Oct 30` 11:15am Men's mtg

Wed. Oct. 26– Hancock Halloween Parade 7:30PM.

Mon. Oct. 31– Halloween Party 6pm /Trunk or Treat 5:30 PM

Mon. Oct. 31– Mass at 6:00 PM, Little Orleans for All Saint's Day then 7pm Mass in Hancock.

Tues. Nov. 1– 7:30AM, 12N, and 7:00PM Masses for All Saint's/ All Soul's Day. *Holy Days of Obligation*

Fri/Sat, Nov. 4 & 5 – Men's Retreat– St. Michael's in Clear Spring 6pm Dinner, & Sat 7.30am Mass and Retreat St. Peter on "Reflections on the Year of Mercy."

Sun., Nov. 6—AOB Meeting 11:30am -St Peter Church

Fri. Nov. 11- 6 PM—Homeless Sleepover Night– Hancock. Bring a canned good or non-perishable item to donate.

Sat. Nov. 12th– Change begins 4:00PM Masses at St. Patrick.

Sun. Nov. 13th - 1:00 pm Pilgrimage to St. Anthony Shrine.

~Knights of Columbus~

After Mass on Sun., Oct. 23rd, the Knights of Columbus– Berkeley Springs Council will be here to invite Catholic men to become a member or renew a membership in the Knight.

Welcome!

Sunday, October 16th after 10AM Mass, all are welcome for doughnuts!

New parishioners are invited to join us at 11:30AM for welcome packets and more!

~The Mass Box~ ...

...is a program for 3-7 year olds to help your family get ready for each and every Mass with craft supplies, kids missals, and coloring sheets delivered every month to your door!

Check out their website on how you can sign up. <https://themassbox.cratejoy.com>. We plan to have our own "mass box" in back of church to welcome and assist all children who would like so with rosaries, religious coloring kits and spiritual helps~!

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity: Prayer to the Trinity

O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me to become utterly forgetful of myself so that I may establish myself in you, as changeless and calm as though my soul were already in eternity. Let nothing disturb my peace nor draw me forth from you, O my unchanging God, but at every moment may I penetrate more deeply into the depths of your mystery. Give peace to my soul; make it your heaven, your cherished dwelling-place and the place of your repose. Let me never leave you there alone, but keep me there, wholly attentive, wholly alert in my faith, up to your creative action.

Religious Education News- September 25th, 2016

Sun. 10/16 – Regular classes-4th class for the First Reconciliation students at 11:30 AM.

Sun. 10/23– Regular classes-5th class for the First Reconciliation students at 11:30 AM. Also, the 1st set of service hours from the Confirmation Candidates are due today.

Sun. 10/30– Regular classes

Mon. 10/31– Halloween Party and Trunk or Treat beginning at 5:30PM

Sun. 11/6– Regular classes-6th class for the First Reconciliation students at 11:30 AM.

Sat. 11/12– First Reconciliation at 10 AM.

Sun. 11/13– Regular classes-Confirmation & Sponsor Forms Due

Sun. 11/20– Regular classes-Confirmation Classes Begin– 11:30AM

Peace & All Good Things to You!

~ Miss Susan Administrator of Religious Education

Weekly Offertory

Weekly Total- \$1,694.61

-St. Peter-

-St. Patrick-

Loose Cash- \$151.00

\$ 75.00

Envelopes-\$1235.00

\$117.00

Poor Box- \$20.61

\$ 6.00

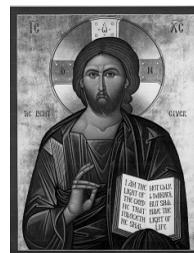
Attendance:

5:00PM - 40

7:30AM - 66

10:00AM - 94

Total: 200



Thank you for your generous giving!

Halloween & Parade

Join us in evangelizing with our Halloween Parade float- Oct 26! This year's theme is "God Bless America!" We will be handing out the "Prayer for our Nation", and singing patriotic hymns. We need volunteers to make this successful. Call the office. Also -children dress as a saint on All Saints Eve, a Feast Day, Oct.31, 5.30pm for Trunk or Treat, and party following here 6-8pm!

~Adoration~

Adoration hours are available from 8AM-8PM every Thursday. Consider signing up and spending time with our Lord!

Pray above the Words of St Elizabeth of the Trinity and be inspired and persevering!

USCCB Guidelines on voting - The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

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