

**St. Peter RC Parish  
Prayer Group**

**April 2021**

Month of the Blessed Sacrament

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,  
so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but  
have eternal life.

John 3:16

We honor and glorify you Lord, for the immense sacrifice made on our behalf, to save us from  
the consequences of our sins.

**R** (All): Praise the Lord, O my soul.

(Leader)

....Holy God, we praise thy name. **R**

....Lord of all, we bow before thee. **R**

....All on earth thy scepter claim. **R**

....All in heaven above adore thee. **R**

....Infinite, thy vast domain, everlasting is thy reign. **R**

In gratitude for Your most glorious grace and mercy, we pray....

Our Father  
Hail Mary  
Glory Be

In honor of  
The Blessed Sacrament

(Leader):

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life,  
and I will raise him on the last day.  
For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.  
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him.

**A Prayer  
To the Blessed Sacrament**

**(L):** Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

**(All):** I adore Thee, O most Sacred Eucharistic Heart of Jesus.

**(L):** Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, furnace of divine charity, give peace to the world.

**(All):** Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, increase in us faith, hope, and charity.

**(L):** Blessed and praised be the Sacred Heart and Precious Blood of Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the altar.

**(All):** Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, model of the priestly heart, have mercy on us.

**(L):** O Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, have mercy on us.

**(All):** May the most Holy Sacrament, be forever praised and adored.

**(All):** O Jesus, Lamb of God, continuously offered in sacrifice on the altars of the world, I unite myself to Thee.

**(L):** Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.

**(All):**

Through Your most Divine Sacrifice, made in love for Your Heavenly Father, and for the salvation of all His earthly people, we partake of Your sacred body and blood.

We wish Lord to receive You, with the purity, humility and devotion, with which Your Most Holy Mother received You, with the spirit and fervor of the saints.

**Amen**

- Catholicsstrivingforholiness.com

Our Father  
Hail Mary  
Glory Be

## **Easter Reflections**

**(All):**

For Christ the Lord is Risen!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Our salvation He has procured!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Our Redeemer and our Lord.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

**(Leader):**

The earth shook with the news.  
He is not here,  
He is risen!  
And in that moment, joy replaced despair  
hope pushed past fear  
life conquered death  
not just on that day, but for eternity.  
We celebrate the resurrection of Christ  
for what it meant then and  
what it means for us everyday,  
a sacrifice that brings  
forgiveness, renewal, and peace  
to ANY of us who put our faith  
in Jesus.

- YouVersion

**(All):**

A Prayer for Easter Eyes

My Lord Jesus,  
You have risen to new life!  
Give me new eyes with which to recognize  
Your presence in the world around me.  
Sharpen my vision so that I see beyond  
the ordinary events of each new day,  
and into the extraordinary reality of Your grace.  
Brighten my view of the world with renewed  
hope in the coming of Your kingdom.  
Soften my gaze so that I view others  
with the kind of tenderness and compassion  
that You showed to so many.  
May each day of this Easter Season  
provide glimpses of Your glory.  
In Your Sacred name, I pray.

**Amen**

-William H. Sandler

In this holy season we rejoice in the sacrificial fulfillment of God's word. Through the Son, the way to our Lord has been made clear. As the gateway to the Father, and eternal salvation, we seek Your support and guidance.

**R** (All): Risen Christ, be our strength and our light.

**(Leader):**

....That we recognize that death has been defeated, and remember that our loved ones who have passed, have life everlasting. **R**

....That sins are forgiven to those who but humbly repent. **R**

....That we come to realize our call to become Christ's hands on earth, and to act as He instructed. **R**

....May we ever look to feed the hungry. **R**

....May we look to aid and comfort the sick. **R**

....May we seek to offer shelter to the homeless. **R**

....May we act with mercy and kindness, to give dignity to the marginalized. **R**

....May we ever work to supply justice for all, especially those most downtrodden. **R**

....May we live Your example of mercy and forgiveness in our daily lives. **R**

Our Father  
Hail Mary  
Glory Be

Lastly, Loving Father of light and love,  
we offer these most personal of intentions  
knowing that through You,  
all things are possible.

**R** (All): Blessed Father, Son and Spirit, hear our prayers.

**(Leader)**

....We pray for an end of the COVID-19 pandemic throughout the world. **R**

....We thank You for the creation of vaccines to fight this pandemic. May they be distributed quickly and fairly to all who are willing to receive them. **R**

....We pray most earnestly, that Your people are able to safely return to in-person worship throughout the world. **R**

....We thank You for the appointment of Bishop Mike to the Diocese of Buffalo. Please guide him as he works with our spiritual leaders to rebuild and energize our faith communities. **R**

....Help our Diocese to move forward in its healing process. Please allow Your Divine Grace to help us grow together as a stronger, more unified body of Christ on earth. **R**

....Holy Spirit inspire and strengthen our people to step forward and lead, or participate in ministries, both those already established, or in the creation of new ones. **R**

....Please keep our St. Peter Parish of Lewiston and Youngstown under Your watchful care. Walk closely with us as we travel through these days of epidemic and separation. Help us to keep the Spirit of Christ alive in our churches, homes, and communities. **R**

....We pray for the protection and continued spiritual growth of our children of all ages. Keep our St. Peter's School strong, and allow it to continue to bring the light of Your love to all who travel it's halls and classrooms. **R**

....We pray for those in our families and faith who have fallen away from the Church, most especially the young. May the Holy Spirit reignite their hearts and souls. **R**

....We welcome all the newly baptized, especially those who have joined our church through this Easter Season. May the Grace of faith grow steadily within them. **R**

....Holy Spirit guide all those preparing for the Sacraments of Confirmation, Communion, and Penance. May these vines grow to bear much fruit. **R**

....We pray for our world, that all may receive the grace to see every human as a child of God, regardless of race, language, or culture. **R**

....We also pray for universal recognition of the dignity and value of all human life, both born and unborn. May all come to realize the sacredness of this gift, created with love and purpose by You. **R**

....Please guide all civic leaders and elected officials in service to their constituents. Create in them all, a servants heart. **R**

....We pray for Your most gracious mercy on behalf of those who are suffering, and those who are left to die alone. Many are being separated from loved ones due to current circumstances. Hold them close to You in the absence of their families. **R**

....We pray for those in most need of Your mercy and care, particularly those on our parish prayer list. **R**

....We pray for the salvation of all our brothers and sisters who have passed from this life into the next. **R**

....Please take a moment to offer up the intentions most dear to your heart.( feel free to share them out loud) **R**

We ask You, Lord, who is gracious and merciful to hear these prayers in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit

**Amen**