

# St. Peter RC Parish

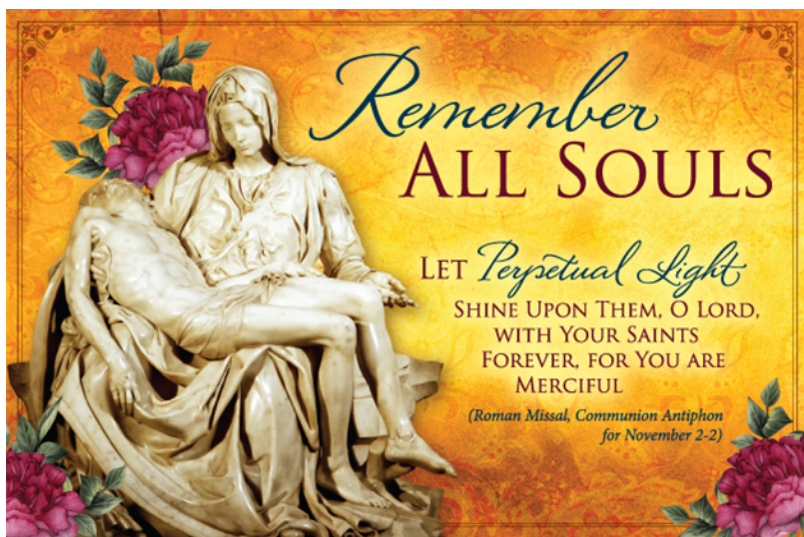
## Prayer Group

### November 2023

**Month of the poor souls  
in Purgatory**

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



**Leader:**

Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,  
let us make a joyful noise unto Him  
with songs of praise.

Psalm 95:2

**All:**

Dear Lord,

Today we give thanks for our many blessings,  
as we pray for those in need.

We give thanks for our families and friends,  
as we pray for those who are lonely.

We give thanks for our freedom,  
as we pray for those who are oppressed.

We give thanks for our good health, as we pray for those who are ill.

We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity,  
as we share our blessings with others.

On this day of intentional thanksgiving, may Your love enfold us,  
Your peace dwell within us, and the grace of joy uplift us.

**Amen**

**Leader:**

We take a moment to give thanks and praise to our Heavenly Father,  
whose eternal love and mercy continues to grace His people.

**R** (All): To You, O Lord, we give our thanks and praise.

**Leader:**

....We thank You, Lord, for the amazing gift of life. **R**

....We thank You for the food that nurtures our lives, along with the love of family and friends, which also sustains and enriches us. **R**

....We thank and praise You for the many blessings that You have showered over us, despite our foolish ways and sinful pride. **R**

....We honor You for the gift of the unique talents that You have bestowed on each one of us, may we ever use them to glorify You. **R**

....We give heartfelt thanks and praise for; warmth in our homes, peace in our hearts, joy in our lives, and helping hands when we falter. **R**

....We thank You for the ability to love and to be loved, and to walk in this world of Your creation which is filled with everyday wonders. **R**

....We have the deepest gratitude for Your everlasting love, offered with infinite grace and mercy through the redeeming sacrifice of Your Son, Jesus Christ. **R**

Our Father  
Hail Mary  
Glory Be



## **The Month of November**

### **A Time to Honor Saints and Souls**

#### **Leader:**

The month of November is a time that our Church asks us to remember and pray for all the faithful who have gone on before us. We honor our holy saints, in whom we recognize the successful fulfillment of our earthly mission. We look to them for mediation with our Heavenly Father, as examples of how to carry our burdens, and how to live our lives in accordance with our faith. We also pray for all the souls in purgatory, with special intentions for those who are forgotten, and have no one left on earth to pray for them.



#### **All:**

### **For all our Holy Saints**

Dear holy saints of God, we join our prayers of praise to yours this day.

With you we sing of God's goodness, rejoice in God's mercy,  
and celebrate God's incredible love.

Teach us to live as you lived -

always thinking of others, recognizing our weaknesses,  
rejoicing in God's gifts, and ever closely following our Lord Jesus.

Blessed are you, happy are you, all you holy saints of God.

Pray for us, that we may strive to be among God's holy ones.

**Amen**

**R** (All): Guide us by your example.

**Leader:**

....Please pray for us, that we may love God and our neighbors as Jesus taught us. **R**

....Encourage us to tend to the needs of the sick, weak, and poor. **R**

....Help us to create a strong prayer life, keeping God at the center of our lives. **R**

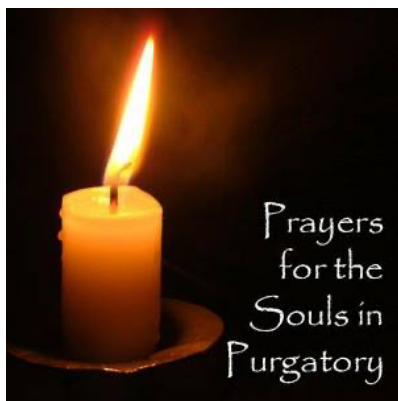
....With your prayers and intercessions, may we come to recognize our God given gifts, strengths, and talents. May we all be able to discern where best to apply them. **R**

....Please pray on the behalf of all the members of our Church, both living and deceased. Guide all of mankind with your intercessions and life stories. **R**

**Amen**

**Leader:**

In remembrance of those who have passed away before us and await holy purification, we send up our prayers. We pray especially for those who have died in this last Church year, and who are marked on our hearts and parish prayer list.



**All:**

**For all the Souls in Purgatory**

O most gentle Heart of Jesus, ever present in the Blessed Sacrament,  
ever consumed with burning love for the poor captive souls in

Purgatory,

have mercy on the souls of Your departed servants.

Be not severe in Your judgments, but let some drops  
of Your Precious Blood fall upon the devouring flames. And to You,  
O Merciful Savior, send Your holy angels to conduct them to a place  
of refreshment, light, and peace.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let Your Perpetual Light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithfully departed,  
through the mercy of God,  
Rest In Peace.

**Amen**

Our Father  
Hail Mary  
Glory Be



**Prayer to St. Joseph  
Patron of our Church**



**Leader:**

This greatest male saint who ever lived  
was not a deacon, not a priest,  
not a bishop, not a pope,  
not a hermit, not a monk....  
he was a husband , father, and a worker.

- St. JoseMaria  
Escriva

**All:**

No worker was ever more completely  
and profoundly penetrated by the Spirit  
than the foster father of Jesus.  
Thus, if you wish to be close to Christ,  
we repeat, go to Joseph.

- Pope Pius XII

**R** (All): St. Joseph, pray for us.

**Leader:**

....Please protect our families as you protected the Holy Family. **R**

.... Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide the world in God's truth, realizing that all life is created for a purpose, and is therefore sacred. **R**

.... Pray for our guidance in the raising of our children and grandchildren. Help us to teach them to be able to find Jesus near themselves, and to watch over Him faithfully, as you have done. **R**

....Pray for all our earthly fathers, encouraging them to emulate you as a father and a spouse. **R**

....Stand guard over the Holy Father, Pope Francis, please pray for strength against any spiritual or earthly trials that he may face. **R**

....Please watch over and pray for the guidance of our pastor, Father Luke, along with all of our earthly priests. Strengthen them in faith and protect them from any undo influences. May they always be able to embody the true Spirit of Christ to Your people. **R**

....Give additional prayers and spiritual guidance to all who are looking to join (or even rejoin) the Catholic faith. **R**

....Help us all to stay strong in faith, passionate for justice, and tender in mercy. **R**

Our Father  
Hail Mary  
Glory Be





**All:**

Lastly, Most Loving Father, we turn to You with these personal intentions, knowing that through You all things are possible. We ask, not with the intention of changing Your will, but to secure blessings for Your people and Church throughout the world.

**R** (All): Father of hope and mercy, hear our prayer.

**Leader:**

....We pray for the spiritual guidance of our bishop and church leaders as we all move forward in the reorganization of our Diocese.

**R**

....Please keep our St. Peter Parish of Lewiston and Youngstown under Your loving care. We ask the same for our family members from St. Raphael's. Walk closely with us all as we face life's adversities. Help us to always keep the Spirit of Christ alive in our homes and communities. **R**

....We pray for the continual spiritual growth of our children of all ages. Please protect our St. Peter's School and Church, keeping it strong, and allowing it to continue to bring the light of Your love to all who travel it's halls and classrooms. **R**

....We ask the Holy Spirit to ignite the souls of our people, filling them with the fire of Your Grace, and love for Your Holy Word. May we be inspired (especially our youth) to tend Your people through the vocations of priesthood, and all holy orders. **R**

....We pray for special blessings for all who work in Your many ministries. Wherever we are called to minister, may we always be able to work together to become a stronger, more unified body of

Christ on earth. **R**

.... We pray for peace in our world. We also pray that those in power are able to sift through feelings of pride, rage, and greed and look to recognize that their actions affect many innocent lives on both sides.  
**R**

....We pray for those who are fighting addictions, unhealthy life styles, poverty, loneliness, and disease. May we ever be willing to share our faith and resources to help those in need. **R**

....Keep close to You, all who are suffering, especially those who are separated from loved ones, and who are facing death alone. **R**

....We pray for 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. Special prayers are sent those who have passed during this last Church year. **R**

**\*\*\*\*\*Take this time to offer our intentions for November \*\*\*\*\***

....Take a moment to offer up those intentions most dear to your heart. **R**

In a world that is broken and often divided, it is important to share with each other those good things in our lives that reflect God's mercy, care, and love.

**All:**

**R-** God is good.

**All:**

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

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

**Amen**





**You are cordially invited to join our  
St. Peter Parish Prayer Group.**

**We meet every Monday. We offer two times,  
Immediately following our 7:45am Mass or at  
7:00pm at our St. Peter Worship Site.**

**All Are Welcome**