St. Peter Parish Prayer Group
October 2021

The Month of the Holy Rosary
&
Respect Life

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

Leader:

Truly, You have formed my inmost being;
You knit me in my mother’s womb.
I give You thanks that I am fearfully,
and wonderfully made;
   wonderful are Your works.
My soul also knew You full well.

- Psalm 139: 13-14

All:

Dear Father, we humbly come before You with grateful hearts, praising You with all of our being. We know that every good and perfect gift comes from You - the One who never changes. We recognize those good things, both large and small, with which You have blessed us.

Leader:

….Lord, I will praise You today with all my heart! May I Shout for joy to You, and may all the earth praise You with me.

All:

….I worship You with gladness, and I come before You with joyful songs. I praise You Lord, because You are God.

Leader:

….You beautifully created me, and I am Yours. We are Your people, and the sheep of Your pasture.
All:

….I will enter Your gates with thanksgiving and Your marvelous courts with praise.

Leader:

….I give thanks to You Lord, and I praise Your Holy name.

All:

….You O Lord, are good and Your love endures forever! May Your faithfulness continue through all generations.

      Amen

      -Psalm 100

Leader:

      May we ever honor You by going forth and sharing our love and gratitude for Your glorious ways, with all who cross our paths.

      Our Father
      Hail Mary
      Glory Be

The Month of October

Leader:

      In the month of October we honor two important facets of our faith. The first is the gift of the rosary, which results in Our Lady’s divine intercession. The second is our belief in the protection of life in all of it’s stages. The first is a heavenly weapon created to help defend the second.

All:

      The Rosary is a powerful weapon
to put demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin.
      If you desire peace in your hearts,
in your homes, and in your country,
assemble each evening to recite the Rosary.
Let not even one day pass without saying it,
no matter how burdened you may be
with many cares and labors.

      -Pope Pius XI
All:

Mary, Our Mother
sustain us in moments
of darkness, difficulty,
and apparent defeat.

-Pope Francis

Leader:

The Rosary calls for a quiet rhythm
and a lingering pace,
helping the individual to meditate
on the Mysteries of the Lord’s life
as seen through the eyes of Mary.
Thus the unfathomable riches
of these Mysteries are unfolded.

-Pope Paul VI

All:

One decade of the Rosary

Our Father
(10) Hail Mary
Glory Be

Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of unborn children,
we implore your help for every child at risk of being aborted.

Amen
Prayer to St. Joseph  
Patron of our Church

Leader:

Gentle Joseph, God is captivated by the quality of your heart. Your entire being is focused on doing His will. With Mary and Jesus, you answer the Holy Spirit's call to build a better world.

All:

With one heart, we join you in saying: Here we are, Lord, Your will be done! Keep the hope of the new world alive in our hearts.

Amen

All:

R - St. Joseph, pray for us.

Leader:

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

….Please guard, and guide young mother’s facing crisis pregnancies. Encourage us all to reach out to provide support and helping hands. R

….Intercede in the sorrowing hearts of those mothers who have had abortions and are facing traumatic memories of their unborn child. Please deliver them to your Son’s healing grace. R

….Ask 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

….Guide us in the raising of our children and grandchildren. May we be able to teach them to find Jesus near themselves and to watch over Him faithfully, as you have done. R

….Pray for all our earthly fathers, teach them how to emulate you as a father and a spouse. R

….Stand guard over the Holy Father, Pope Francis, please strengthen him against any spiritual or earthly trials that he may face. R
Please watch over and guide our pastor, Father Cole. Also guide the faith formation of Dante Iozzo as he works towards becoming a Dominican priest.

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

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.

All:

-Heavenly Father, hear our prayer.

Leader:

We pray for the spiritual guidance of our bishop and church leaders as they work to heal our wounded, and re-energize our Diocese.

Please keep our St. Peter Parish of Lewiston and Youngstown under Your loving care. Walk closely with us as we face all adversity. Help us to keep the Spirit of Christ alive in our homes and communities.

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

We ask the Holy Spirit to ignite the souls of our young, filling them with the fire of Your Grace, and love for Your Holy Word. May they be inspired to tend Your people through the vocations of priesthood, and all holy orders.

Send special blessings to all who work in Your many ministries. No matter where we are called to minister, may we always be able to work together to become a stronger, more unified body of Christ on earth.
….Thank you for the progress being made in fighting this global pandemic. May we continue to work for the safety of all as this unique virus mutates and changes.  

….We pray for those fighting addictions, unhealthy life styles, poverty, loneliness, and disease. May we always be willing to share our faith and resources to help those in need.  

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

….Pray for the protection and respect of our elderly. Help each generation to recognize the importance of the living legacy that has preceded it, and to treat them with the same care and deference that they themselves would like to receive someday.  

….We pray for those on our parish prayer list.  

….We pray for the salvation of all our brothers and sisters who have passed from this life into the next. We offer special prayers to those who no longer have anyone left on earth to pray for them.  

….Take a moment to offer up the prayers most close to your heart.  

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

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

Amen