

## ***Saint Peter Parish Prayer Group***

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

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 You knew 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.

Response: (All) Lord we praise and thank You

(Leader)

...For the wonderful and amazing blessing of today. **R**

...For Your word of hope which gives us strength. **R**

...For Your love that makes our lives meaningful. **R**

...For Your peace that gives us comfort. **R**

...For Your grace that renews and restores our lives. **R**

...For Your gift of prayer that keeps us close to You. **R**

...For the gifts of family, friends, and Church that enrich our lives. **R**

May we always carry Your love and glory with us as a weapon to ward off the darkness of despair. May we 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

For the month of October we honor two important facets of our faith. The gift of the rosary, which results in our Lady's divine intercession, and our belief in the protection of life in all of its forms. The first is a heavenly weapon created to help defend the second. We reflect on these words handed down to us through time:

“ Some people are so foolish that they think that they can go through life without the help Of the Blessed Mother. Love the Madonna, and pray the rosary, for her Rosary is the weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother,”  
- **St. Padre Pio**

Before I formed you in the womb  
I knew you. I dedicated you,  
a prophet to the nations I  
appointed you.  
- **Jeremiah 1:5**

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

Response: (All) Our Lady, pray for them

(Leader)

... Join us in our prayers for the souls of all unborn babies. **R**

... Please lift up young mothers facing crisis pregnancies. Help us to reach out to provide support and helping hands. **R**

... Intercede in the hearts of mothers who have had abortions and are facing the memory of their unborn child. Deliver them to your Son's healing grace. **R**

... Plead with God to end legalized abortion. **R**

... Call upon Our Lord to transform the hearts of those in the abortion industry so that they will end their evil ways. **R**

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

... Guide our physicians in the realization that life in its early and late stages is as important as those in the middle. Help them to recognize the sacredness of their medical oath - To Do No Harm. **R**

... Pray for the protection and respect of our elderly. Help each generation to realize 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. **R**

In honor of the gifts of grace and protection given us by the  
recitation of the Rosary, we will recite a decade of the  
the Rosary to apply to the above intentions.

Our Father  
(10) Hail Mary  
Glory Be

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,  
our life, our sweetness and our hope.  
To you do we cry,  
poor banished children of Eve.  
To you do we send up our sighs,  
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears  
Turn then, most gracious advocate,  
your eyes of mercy toward us,  
and after this exile  
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
O clement, O loving,  
O sweet Virgin Mary.  
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God  
That we may be made worthy of the promises of God

Lastly, loving God, we turn to You with these most personal of intentions, knowing that you will gladly lighten our load, and carry our burdens.

Response: (All) Lord God, hear our prayers

... For the continued guidance of all that have received sacraments in Your Holy Church on earth. May they receive the grace to walk closely with Christ, and help to carry His Church forward. **R**

... Please keep our St. Peter Parish of Lewiston and Youngstown under Your watchful care. Walk closely with us as we traverse this time of epidemic and separation. Help us to keep the Spirit of Christ alive in our homes and communities. **R**

... We pray for the protection and continued spiritual growth of our children of all ages. May our St. Peter's School stay strong and keep bringing the light of Your love to all who travel its halls and class rooms. **R**

... Guide our Diocese of Buffalo, as we move forward in our healing process. Allow Your divine Grace to influence those in charge to help us grow together as a stronger, more unified body of Christ on earth. **R**

... For an end to the COVID -19 pandemic in this country and around the world. **R**

... We pray for Your gracious mercy on behalf of those who are suffering and dying alone, be it from COVID, or any other illness. **R**

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

... For our Church, community, and world as a whole. That we may receive the grace to see every human as a child of God, regardless of race, language, or culture. **R**

... For the dignity and value of all human life, born and unborn, created in love by You. **R**

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

... Take a moment to offer up the intentions most dear to your heart.....

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

Amen