



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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July 21, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	5:15 p.m.
Wednesday	Noon
Thursday	5:15 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m.
Saturday	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:00 a.m.
	10:30 a.m.
St. David	8:30 a.m.

Confession:

Saturday 2:45-3:45 p.m. &
30 minutes before all other
Masses or by appointment.

Baptism:

Arrangements made by the
parents with the Pastor.
Godparents must be
Confirmed and practicing
Catholics.

Marriage

Arrangements made by the
couple with the pastor no
less than 6 months before
desired date. Check with
priest **BEFORE** any plans
are made.

Anointing:

Emergency calls are
answered immediately; call
office for Holy Communion
or Anointing of the Sick.

Office Hours:

Monday: Closed
Tues-Thurs 8am-3pm
Friday-8 am-Noon
Lunch: Noon- 1pm



Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to you, loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with you Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity await us.

Amen.

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+Maurice Schexnayder

Prayer for Priests

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Reverend	Rev. Michael	Reverend	Very Rev.	Rev.	Rev.	Rev.
Jason	Coleman	Richard	Thomas	Thomas	Nicholas	Joseph Kyle
Vidrine	Vidrine	Vidrine	Voorhies, VF	Hein Vu	Ware	White

Pray for Seminarians

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that you call many worthy souls to your holy priesthood. Enlighten the Bishop and Vocation Director in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Directors in molding them, and the professors in instructing them. Lead the seminarians daily in your unerring footsteps, so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom, and heroes of sacrifice. May they be steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man, apostles of your glory, and sanctifiers of souls. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us. Amen.

21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Matthew	Bennett	Reid	Nicholas	Haden	Carter	Seth
Authement	Bodin	Bourgeois	Broussard	Coleman	Domingue	Dupre

Pray for healing of the sick:

- Raymond Benoit
- Tabby B. Benoit
- Garrett Broussard
- Angela Chambless
- Kara Citron
- Tammy B. Cormier
- Lisa Hargrave
- Ryan Jeske
- Michael Lounsberry
- Fisher Melder
- Blake Potier
- Sidonia Primeaux
- Woodrow Sarver
- Colt Simon
- Anderson Smith, Sr.
- Aimee Sonnier
- Chris Theriot
- Fr. Clint Trahan
- Wells Kevin Zaunbrecher
- Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven, Riley; Walter Jolivette III,
- Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy, Nia Ned

Almighty and Eternal God,
 You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servant (N...) for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, he (she) may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord.



Adoration hours available:

Monday - 4 pm
 Tuesday - 7 pm
 Wednesday - 4 pm
 Thursday - 3 and 4 pm.
 Please Call 223-0640, if you would like a holy hour. God bless you!

First Collection:
 St. Peter \$ 2062.00
 St. David \$ 383.40
Second Collection
 St. Peter \$ 1080.00
 St. David \$ 88.00
 Second collection this weekend is for Bishop's Services Appeal

“He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.” Mathew 12:34

Have you ever felt without any spiritual support? Have you ever asked “Where is the shepherd?” Though we may feel alone in such moments we are not. In fact our desire for shepherding draws Jesus near to us. In Mark 12 Jesus takes the apostles out for rest, to be away for a while. However, he encounters the people who are so hungry for God’s word that they go ahead of Jesus and the apostles to the other side. Jesus is moved and teaches them many things. Our pain is not unknown to God.

I too feel at times lost and adrift. I too feel like I am without a shepherd. It is a human experience because our perspective is limited. Even for the angels who have perfect understanding have limits. We rebel against our limits. The angels rejoice in their limitations because through them God is glorified. For example, St. Michael bears a certain resemblance to Mary for the angels. The reason is that St. Michael did not defeat Satan through might, but through humility. Poor and lowly among the angels, St. Michael approached Satan who towered above him in might to say, “Who is like God?” The humility of St Michael together with his submission before God defeats Satan’s pride.

The church can be really edified by shepherds. The church can and has also been scandalized by shepherds. The important question is “Who established the church?” and “Who sustains it.” If the church is sustained by men, then such scandals would be its undoing. However, if God formed and sustains the church then there is hope. God is not unaware of the church’s problems or our individual troubles. It is difficult for us to perceive why God allows evil to happen. What we can see is the suffering of Christ for us, for our sins and for our sufferings. We can witness what God accomplished through the suffering of the saints, and we can also even see the things God accomplishes with our own suffering.

People think that their troubles are forgotten or will be forgotten by God. He does not forget. He will repay us for all our sufferings and will enact justice. For example, God prophecies against false shepherds who scatter the sheep. He says, “I will attend to you for your evil doings.” “Then I will gather the remnant of my flock...and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall not fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing.” There will be justice for all, just as there is the opportunity for mercy before justice. God’s purpose for us all is for us to share in his glory. The question for us is whether or not we unite ourselves and our sufferings to Christ so that through God we and our sufferings are redeemed. It does not seem so now, but our sufferings united to Christ will be part of our glory in Heaven. The saints in Heaven will marvel at the ways that our sufferings, united to those of the Lord, make us resemble Christ. Our sufferings united to Christ are our glory because they are share in Christ’s own sufferings which are His glory.

How do we find our peace in Christ while we are suffering. That is a difficult question. It is difficult because we lack God’s perspective. However, I think it is also difficult to understand because God’s aid to us in our sufferings is unique to each of us. In the midst of our sufferings God is trying to help us to find together an divine language so we understand one another. Certainly, some of the ways we relate to God are similar to other people. However, other ways are unique as one has a nickname for someone you have a unique relationship with. I can not explain to you how you will discover this, but I can witness to one way God did this for me.

When in seminary I learned to recite the psalms when times were difficult. We prayed the psalms daily in seminary, so they were familiar to me. I copied down the number of some psalms that reflected how I was feeling, purchased a pocket psalter and I would read or recite from memory the psalms. Sometimes, I prayed the same psalm over and over again on the way to class. Praying the psalms did not change my situation, but they helped me remember God’s presence. Through the praying of the psalms in my turmoil I found in them a new intimacy with God I did not have before. I identified with God’s word and found in them strength. It transformed my relationship. I would not wish my sufferings on anyone, but I am grateful to God for the good he brought out of them.

We all suffer throughout our lives. Many times, we feel in our sufferings bereft of God. However, we are never truly separate. These are the times when God is nearest to us. I hope that you find God. He is listening even if all you do is pour out your heartbreak before him. He may even listen more because your heart is broken. Your heart is precious to God. May you discover how true this is.

Fr. Campeaux

Tuesday 07/23 5:15 pm St. Peter Church
 Intention: Joe, Dunice Bertrand; William Hardee; Emma, Logan, Manuel LeMaire
 Wednesday 07/24 Noon St. Peter Church
 Intention: Katheleen, Harold Robinson
 Thursday 07/25 5:15 pm St. Peter Church
 Intention: Betty Gwen Thibodeaux, Brandon Touchet, Erin Green, Elizabeth Reames
 Friday 07/26 10:00 am Gueydan Memorial Guest Home
 Intention: Jane, Nelis, Harold, Hattie Matthews, Becky Young, **Living:** Billy, Laurel Portie, Kevin Matthews, Poor souls in purgatory.

Saturday 07/27 4:00 pm St. Peter Church

Intentions:

- Carol Badon
- Renee' Benoit, Loretta, Burnie Benoit, Holy Souls in purgatory.
- Dorene & Dorothy Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Neal, Peter Paul Trahan.
- Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Troups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family
- Irvin, M/M Wilfred Broussard, Sr., Christie, Wilfred Broussard, Jr., Marvin Compton, Susan Earls, Jude Fluitt, Robert Paul Francez, Barbara, Faye, Francis, George, Henrietta, Jim, Lenia, Mildred, Bob, Pat & Wilbur Klein, Cathy, Stan Langley Betty, Percy LaPoint, M/M Sidney Lounsberry, Floyd Saltzman, Carrie Walpole.
- Joseph "Buster", Wanda, Kathleen LaPointe, Ryan (Bubba) Laseter, Buford, Dorothy Marceaux, Agnes, Hubert Suire, Lola Tuiller.
- Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa, JE Meaux.
- Dunice, T-Joe, Brenda, Faye, Neelis Bertrand, Anastasie, JD, Joseph Simon, James Smith family, Rodney Stelly, Jr. & Sr., Lela Suggs, Father Donald Theriot.
- Floyd Zaunbrecher; Charlotte Z Detraz; Donald "Butch" Vidalier.
- Marshall Allen Frick
- Ellen Hargrave
- Randy, Tiffany, Dane, Sydney Broussard, Delores Trahan
- Bryan Faulk
- Margie Dorcheus
- Joe, Nell, Many, Lisa, Luke, Emma, Lance, Ginger, Bailey, Monti and Judy McAnear.
- Eulan, Ruby Richard, Cormier deceased family, Ouida, Buck, Darryl Campbell, Alicia, Brant Istre, Cynthia Gaspard, Macey Vallo, Flex Guillory, Zach Simon, special intention
- Fr. Flavien Burns, OCSO

Sunday 07/28 7:00 am St. Peter Church

Intention: Kirby Trahan

8:30 am St. David Chapel

Intention: Emery & Evelyn Dupuis; William Hardee; Logan LeMaire; Evelyn Landry; Mary Anne Hargrave; Ann Henry; Patrick & Wayne Lemaire; Emick & Helen "Sis" Melancon; Nellie, Thomas & Willie Petry; Bradley Schexnider; Velma Trahan; Anna Mae, Bert & Johnny Darbonne; Karl & Dr. Reno Petry; Earline Hardee; Erin & Preston Greene; Lou & Vincent Habetz; Hubert, Velta & Kenneth Gaspard; Melissa LeJeune; Guy LeDoux & deceased family; Tawana Vaughn; June S. Trahan; Nancy Trahan; Vernis "Slim" Leger; Baby Marshall Allen Frick.

Intention: Pro Populo 10:30 am St. Peter Church

July 28

Do not forfeit what divine authority confers on you. Put on the garment of holiness, gird yourself with the belt of chastity.

St. Peter Chrysologus (400-450), Doctor of the Church, Feast Day July 30