



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

August 11, 2024
Nineteenth 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.

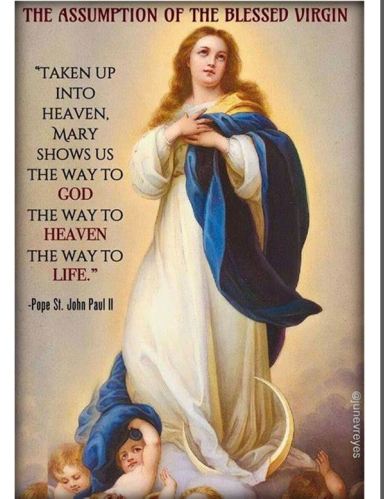
Anointing:

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

**Thursday, August 15 is the
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**
It is a holy day of obligation.
Mass at St. David Chapel will be on
Wednesday, August 14 at 6:00 pm.
Mass at St. Peter Church will be on
Thursday at 6:30 am and 6:00 pm



Feast Day: August 15

On this special day, the Church honors Mary's unique role as the Mother of God and her extraordinary destiny. Venerable Pope Pius XII formally defined the Assumption as a dogma of Catholic faith in 1950. In his Apostolic Constitution "Munificentissimus Deus," he invoked papal infallibility to proclaim that Mary, having completed her earthly life, was assumed into Heaven.

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 your 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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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.

11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Very Reverend Chester Arceneaux VF	Reverend Michael Arnaud	Reverend Austin Arockiasmay	Reverend Matthew Barzare	Reverend Reed Bellinham	Reverend Herbert Bennerfield	Reverend C. Paul Bergeron

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.

11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Diego Padilla	Miguel Pagan	Eric Quebedeaux	Geovanni Ranzino	Braden Scalisi	Logan Simon	Eli Weil

Pray for healing of the sick:

Raymond Benoit
 Tabby B. Benoit
 Angela Chambliss
 Kara Citron
 Tammy B. Cormier
 Mona Floyd
 Janet Geater
 Laura Hargrave
 Lisa Hargrave
 Patrick Hardy
 Ellisyn, Emersyn, Addisyn Harris
 Ryan Jeske
 Michael Lounsberry
 Tegan Love
 Fisher Melder
 Jackie Metz
 Blake Potier
 Sidonia Primeaux
 Cassandra Reed
 Woodrow Sarver
 Colt Simon
 Anderson Smith, Sr.
 Aimee Sonnier
 Chris Theriot
 Fr. Clint Trahan
 Mark 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!

August 11

The great method of prayer is to have none. If in
 going to prayer one can form in oneself a pure
 capacity for receiving the spirit of God, that will
 suffice for all method.
 - St. Jane Frances de Chantal (1572-1641), Feast
 Day August 12

First Collection:

St. Peter \$ 2845.00
 St. David \$ 369.00

Second Collection:

St. Peter \$ 728.00
 St. David \$ 72.00

**Second collection is for insurance and
 maintenance**

This week we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It reminds me of the history of the Dogma, its relation to the Cajun people and even in our parish. The teachings of church testified to the Assumption back to the early church. King Louis XII Declared her the patroness of the kingdom in 1638. Pope Pius XI declared her the patroness of all 'Acadians' in 1938. This was before pope Pius XII solemnly defined the Dogma of the Assumption of Mary into heaven in 1950.

In 1950 Pope Pius XII defined the Dogma of the Assumption. I am moved at how Pope Pius began the Apostolic Constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* which declared the dogma. The document gives the history of belief in the dogma and reasons for it. However, it begins saying

"Now, just like the present age, our pontificate is weighed down by ever so many cares, anxieties, and troubles" (*Munificentissimus Deus* 2). The difficulties facing the world, and the pope were part of his motivation for declaring the dogma. We were enduring many difficulties, but despite this the pope saw that "the Catholic faith is being professed publicly and vigorously, piety toward the Virgin Mother of God is flourishing and daily growing more fervent, and that almost everywhere on earth it is showing indications of a better and holier life" (*MD* 2). For Pope Pius this was an example of Mary exercising her maternal duties towards the church and the world. Therefore, solemnly defining the dogma was an effort to help the faithful correspond with the activity of Heaven.

I am moved by the beginning of *Munificentissimus Deus* because it reminds me of when I first consecrated the parish to Mary on the Solemnity of the Assumption in 2014. At the time I felt weighted down by challenges too difficult to resolve. I also knew the help Mary brought to me personally through consecration, so I sought to obtain this help for the parish through consecrating the parish to her.

When Pope Pius sought to proclaim the Dogma of the Assumption some sought to dissuade him because they believed it would destroy the ecumenical dialogue with Christian churches. The opposite happened. Not only did devotion to Mary flourish, so did dialogue between churches. From my perspective, after the consecration spiritual growth flourished in the parish. Also there began to be more dialogue between the Christian churches in town. Heaven always gives us signs that our faith is well-founded.

Through consecration Heaven accomplishes many things in our lives. Our continual cooperation, however, is required. It is analogous to surgery. After a successful surgery a doctor gives you guidelines so that the health obtained may be sustained. The work of living consecration is living out our baptismal covenant with God. This works through keeping ourselves (and our parish) free from sin. When we soil ourselves through mortal sin (deliberate grave sin which we know is wrong and freely do anyway), we must bring our sins to the sacrament of confession. In confession, God does not only forgive our sin and restore our baptismal graces, but He also gives us grace to sin no more. Consecration is a commitment on our part to work with Heaven. God for his part gives a new outpouring of graces in response. God always makes the first step. We need only to follow His lead.

From the beginning of my priesthood I consecrated it to Mary just as pope Pius XII placed his pontificate under her intercession. I have never drawn so close to Jesus as I have through the help of Mary. She has made me a better disciple of Jesus. I have found countless helps for this as I have lived out my consecration. Pope Pius also believed that the solemn proclamation and definition of the Assumption would "contribute in no small way to the advantage of human society, since it redounds to the glory of the Most Blessed Trinity, to which the Blessed Mother of God is bound by such singular bonds." I believe the consecration of the parish has done so and will continue to do so, in the measure that we keep faithful to God. If we pour ourselves out before God, heaven will reciprocate. I am grateful to God for all that He has done for us visibly in the past 10 years, including many things that remain hidden. Much of what Heaven does for us is long hidden, but no less deserving in gratitude. Therefore, as I thank God, I invite you to do the same. Let us thank God for all the blessings we have received. Let us ask for the grace to continue to work with Him. Let us also ask God to reveal some of the hidden blessings we have yet to appreciate.

I will leave you with words from the prophet Jeremiah. They reveal the constant care God has for us in the depths of His heart.

For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. ¹²Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. ¹³You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴I will be found by you, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile. Jeremiah 29:11-14

Tuesday	08/13	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Sandra Guidry (BD)		
Wednesday	08/14	Noon	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Katheleen & Harold Robinson		
		6:00 pm	St. David Church
Thursday	08/15	6:30 am	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Pro Populo		
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Clyde Reese, Hargie Humble Dorcheus, Mark Marceaux, Ellen Hargrave, Stephanie Breaux			
Friday	08/16	10:00 am	Gueydan Memorial Guest Home
Intention:	Joe, Dunice Bertrand; William Hardee; Emma, Logan, Manuel LeMaire		

Saturday	08/17	4:00 pm	St. Peter Church
Intentions:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Badon • Renee' Benoit • Dorene & Dorothy Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Neal, Peter Paul Trahan. • Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Touns 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 • Clyde Reese, Jr. • Bryan Faulk • Margie Dorcheus • Christie Broussard • Deceased Vance Benoit family; deceased Alexon Cormier family; Jerry Cormier; M/M Elly Fuselier; Freddie & Helen LeBeouf; Melissa LeJeune; Darrell, Wilda, Wilson & Oneita Marceaux; deceased Dupree Marceaux family; deceased Leon Schexnider family; Caina, Martha, Elma & Wilson Smith. • Crip, Edith Bertrand; B.B., J.W., Evelyn Breaux (AOD 8/16), Aldis (AOD 8/7), Marie, Bernice, Jane, Clevenis (8/23), Eriste, Craig , Brenda, Robert P., Rodney J., Wanda, Wilfred "Blanc Broussard; Joe Gaspard; Johnnie B. Hebert; Ryan Henry;, Ruby, Wallace Istre; Donald, Shawn Linscomb; Jo Ann, Jules (AOD 8/24) Jules C., Wayne Martin; Albay, Anite Thibodeaux. 			

Sunday	08/18	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; Christie Broussard.			
Intention:	Pro Populo	10:30 am	St. Peter Church