Monday 12/09 6:30 am St. Peter Church

Intention: J.B. McFarlain

Tuesday 12/10 5:15 pm St. Peter Church

Intention: Joe, Dunice Bertrand; William Hardee; Emma, Logan, Manuel LeMaire.

Wednesday 12/11 Noon St. Peter Church

Intention: Nelis (BD), Jane, Harold, Hattie Matthews; Iiving: Laurel, Billy Portie, Kevin Matthews

Thursday 12/12 5:00 pm St. Peter Church

Intention: Joe, Dunice Bertrand; William Hardee; Emma, Logan, Manuel LeMaire.

Friday 12/13 10:00 am Gueydan Memorial Guest Home

Intention: Paul LeBlanc (AOD)

Saturday 12/14 4:00 pm St. Peter Church

Intentions:

- Carol Badon
- Renee' Benoit
- Dorene & Dorothy Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Neal, Peter Paul, Mark Trahan.
- Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups 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 & Walter Meaux.
- Dunice, T-Joe, Brenda, Faye, Neelis Bertrand, Anastasie, JD, Joseph Simon, James Smith family, Rodney Stelly, Jr.& Sr., Lela Suggs, Father Donald Theriot; *Living:* Colt LeMaire (BD 12/03)
- Floyd Zaunbrecher; Charlotte Z Detraz; Donald "Butch" Vidalier.
- Clyde Reese
- Marshall Allen Frick
- Bryan Faulk
- Christie Broussard
- Stephen LeJeune, Jr.
- Margie Humble Dorcheus, Mark Marceaux
- BD, Janet Simon

12/15 St. Peter Church Sunday 7:00 am 8:30 am Intention: Ellen Hargrave St. David Chapel Intention: Emery & Evelyn Dupuis; William Hardee, Logan LeMaire; Evelyn, Winston 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; Winston Landry, Mark Trahan. Intention: St. Peter Church Pro Populo 10:30 am



Every Parish of the Diocese of Lafayette

Wednesdays in Advent 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

December 4, December 11 and December 18, 2024



Holy Mass Schedule

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

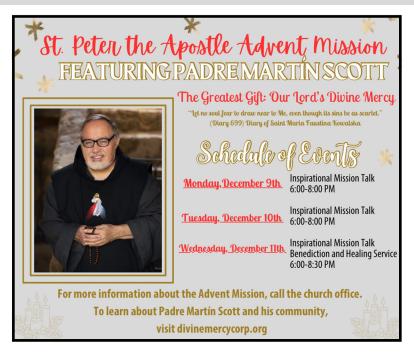
Office Hours:

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

Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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> December 8, 2024 Second Sunday of Advent





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.

10 8 11 12 13 14 Reverend Reverend Reverend Reverend Reverend Reverend Reverend Msgr H.A. Korey Steven Mark Patrick Seth Jaime Michael Larroque, JCD Lavergne LeBlanc Ledoux Lemaire, JCL Lorenzo, LC Luxbacher

God our Father, from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the Hight Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood be multiplied. Lord Jesus, give us holy priests: To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass; To lead the little ones to you: To strengthen the faith of the believers; To preach the Gospel to all peoples; To bring forgiveness to sinners; To feed souls the Bread of Life; To comfort the suffering and dying, and to spread Your kingdom in our midst. Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests for the Diocese of Lafayette. Amen.

10 12 13 14 Coby Matthew **Bro Francis** Evan William Zack Eric Xavier Gyles Hebert Hebert Hebert Hebert Hernandez Gomez

Pray for healing of the sick:

Leeward Abshire Raymond Benoit Jr. Ryan Broussard Madeleine (Karene) Broussard Angela Chambless Gene & Glenda Dickerson Doug Douget Dorothy Begnaud Lorraine Hardy Lisa Hargrave Laura Hargrave Ellisyn, Emersyn, Addisyn Harris Lee Henry Ryan Jeske Lil Rob Lounsberry Tegan Love Sidonia Primeaux Cassandra Reed Wells Kevin Zaunbrecher Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven, Riley; Walter Jolivette III, Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy, Nia Ned Sandra Verret

Christmas flower donations are now being accepted. You may drop the donation at the office in the drop slot at the front door after regular office hours or in the collection in a separate envelope clearly marked as Christmas flower donation. Your generosity is appreciated!

Available Adoration Hours

"Come to a quiet place and I will give you rest."

Mark 6:31

Monday @ 4 pm Tuesday @ 4 pm Wednesday @ 10 am Thursday @ 4 & 5 pm Friday @ 11 am

CCC 336. From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by [the angels'] watchful care and intercession. Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life. Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united in God.

First Collection

St. Peter: \$ 2933.00 St. David: \$ 359.00 **Second Collection:** St. Peter \$ 544.00 St. David \$ 54.00

Second Collection this weekend is for the church

loan.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on for ever the beauty of the glory from God. Baruch 5:1

What is the plan of God in Advent? We could simply say it is the same plan as always. To restore us to what we lost in the garden of Eden and beyond. This is true, but it doesn't explain much. It is helpful to consider Advent in the context of salvation history. We repeatedly sin after trying to take matters **solely** into our hands. We cannot do it without God and we learn the devastating consequences. The miracle is that while God allows us to use our freedom, even when we sin, he is does not sit by idle. He uses all events even the consequences of our sin to attain salvation. Advent is a time to recall our need for salvation (in light of personal sin and communal) as well as God's promise.

The people in the bible did not have any more reason to hope than we do. Things did not look good in the time of Jesus. Mary, Joseph, Simeon, Ana and others did not pray because they could see the dawning of hope. They prayed because they believed God could do more than they imagined. In the midst of darkness we pray for the coming of the Lord. We pray even though we recognize our sin as a part of our predicament. In fact, we pray precisely because our sin is a part of the problem.

We live in confusing times. Who do we listen to? From where will come our hope? Who represents the authentic way forward? These are good questions. If we are uncertain, we should pause to pray. However, many today barrel forward without any pause or prayer. This is a disaster. It only adds to the problem. However, some souls like Simeon and Ana who prayed daily in the temple for the coming of the messiah had hope because their hope came from God. Finally, God granted them to see the fruit of their prayer in the child Jesus. The light of faith led them to what they would not have witnessed otherwise.

This weekend we celebrate the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. We do so in addition to the Second Sunday of Advent because Mary under this title is the patroness of America. We have a long history that began with our first American bishop John Carrol in 1792 when he consecrated the Country to Mary under the title of the Immaculate Conception. This may give some insight into the unique history of our country. Consecrations brings with it blessing and favor. However, to receive such grace you need to cooperate with such blessings.

It should be no surprise that the devil would attach the purity of youth and the value of virginity given that we are consecrated to the Immaculate Conception. Some might even say that the devil has won. I say nay, the devil has not won. He has done great harm through our cooperation with sin, but he has not won.

Mary's immaculate conception demonstrates Christ's final victory over sin and death. Mary represents everything that Christ died for. God applied to Mary before her birth all the merits of Jesus' passion death and resurrection. She lived in these graces without violating them until her death. This is why Mary is also a type for the church because she is the first fruits of redemption. In Advent we wait with Mary to see the dawning of salvation in our own hearts.

As we prepare for Christ's coming in Advent, we prepare to celebrate when our salvation came when it could be least expected. The world was not ready or worthy of the Christ. Much of Israel was trying to make their salvation happen by human means. Christ came anyway, and those with faith were able to see him. Many more repented or came to faith after his death and resurrection. It is the greatest mystery of the mercy of God despite the sinfulness of man. We await in the hope that Christ gives us.

Fr. Campeaux