

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. 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 <u>must</u> 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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> February 9, 2025 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith Fundamentals:

Catechesis on God's Holy Angels

We live in an age of fascination with angels, but we must always remember that not all angels are good angels (2 Corinthians 11:14). So, to protect ourselves from false ideas and distortions about angels, we turn to the solid teaching of the Church:

They are Pure Spirits

First of all, the Church recognizes that angels are purely spiritual beings, not composed of any material substance whatsoever, even though they can enter the material world and *appear* in human form. (It is said that St John Bosco's guardian angel appeared to him as a large, grey dog!)



They are Messengers

The name "angel" in both Hebrew and Greek means "messenger", which designates the primary function of angels. They communicate God's messages to humanity. We have only to think of the glorious Archangel Gabriel, who greeted the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Annunciation to see the most perfect example of an angel messenger.

They are Missionaries

All angels are "sent" by God to perform some function or mission to human beings. In addition to being messengers, they are ambassadors, emissaries, or actors in implementing God's will. In the Bible, angels free people from jail (Peter), direct the disciples to new missions (Paul), and even facilitate marriage (Tobias and Sarah), among other functions.

They Assist us in Prayer

Finally, we must never forget that angels' primary task is to worship God. The Lord said that our angels "behold the face of God in heaven" (Matthew 18:10). Most powerfully, the Book of Revelation (8:3-4) shows an angel offering up the prayers of the faithful like incense that rises to God's throne.

Catechism Connection:

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

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.

9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Reverend	Very Rev	Reverend	Reverend	Reverend	Reverend	Very Rev
Gregory	Brent	William J.	Cedric	Raymond	Michael	Jared
Simien	Smith, VF	Snyders, SJ	Sonnier	Ssebina	Sucharski	Suire, VE

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.

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Nicholas	Den Ricky	Haden	Sebastian	Carter	Seth	John Michael
Broussard	Castaneda	Coleman	Cramer	Domingue	Dupre	Fruge, Jr.
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Fatima Rosary	The church office will be closed on February
February 22, 2025 @ City Hall @ noon	11-12. In case of an emergency, call the office
	number and leave a message

Pray for healing of the sick:

Raymond Benoit Jr.

Angie Benton

Ryan Broussard,

Karene Broussard

Roberta Broussard

Angela Chambless

Gene & Glenda Dickerson

Doug Douget

Dorothy Begnaud

Dwight Hardee

Lorraine Hardy

Lisa Hargrave

Ellisyn, Emersyn, Addisyn, Sydney, Dexter Harris

Lee Henry

Tam Hungerford

Ryan Jeske

Irving LeBeouf

Lil Rob Lounsberry

Tegan Love

Sidonia Primeaux

Greg. Donna Reech

Cassandra Reed

Emma Robicheaux

David Sears

Bobbie Trahan

Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven,

Riley; Walter Jolivette III,

Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy, Nia Ned

Sandra Verret

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Grace Touchet & Frances Babin

Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon them.

First Collection

St. Peter \$ 3274.00

St. David \$ 372.75

Second Collection

St. Peter \$ 659.00

St. David \$ 67.00

Second collection this weekend is for insurance and maintenance

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The Call of Our Lives

What is the purpose of prophecy? Why does the Lord send prophets. Prophecy in many peoples minds conjures up images of signs and wonders, hidden knowledge, and sometimes even lottery numbers. However, prophets are those who God sends to call us back. They are also those who God send to announce what he is going to do before he does it so that when it happens we will know the Lord. All of us are called to participate in some way with the gift of prophecy because we are baptized as priest, prophet and king. However, in every age God also sends special prophets that God has anointed to speak his message in a particular way for those times.

The calling of Isaiah the prophet (Is 6:1-8) is an example of the call of an Old Testament prophet. Isaiah has an encounter with God, he feels his unworthiness, God reassures him and sends him on his way. Two things are unique about Isaiah's call. First, Isaiah's cleansing of his weakness is literal and touched. Seeing the holiness of God, Isaiah exclaims: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" An angel flies down from the altar bearing a burning coal which the angel uses to purify Isaiah's lips. You would think this would be described as burning Isaiah. Instead, Isaiah's heart is inflamed. The second unique thing about Isaiah's call is the way God asks who to send to bring his word, and Isaiah freshly cleansed from his sins declares his eagerness to be sent. "Here am I! Send me."

Are you eager to be sent? I know at times I have been less than eager. Sometimes it is difficult because I am concerned about my worthiness or I might not want to pay the cost. Other times it could be for other reasons. What the saints and the prophets teach us is that our sin and even our ineptitude doesn't matter. If God calls us our weakness is already included in the plan (shocking). In the gospel we witness Peter's experience. Upon seeing the power of God Peter falls to his knees and exclaims, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man" (Lk 5:8). When we experience God directly we cannot help but feel our weakness because God is holy. If God did not aid us in our weakness and show us mercy we would be obliterated, but God loves us and even loves our weakness. To Peter he says, "Do not be afraid" and then shares Peter's mission, "from now on you will be catching men" (Lk 5:10). Peter is in fact a sinful man, as am I and all of us. However, Peter is also earnest. God uses both Peter's eagerness and his folly to achieve his purposes in the end. What sanctifies Peter is not Peter, it is God acting through Peter.

The call of the Gospel and the call to live a prophetic life comes to us all. This call encompasses the whole of our life but from God's perspective. In the book of the prophet Isaiah, his calling is not related until the 6th chapter. This is symbolic of the fact that our calling makes the most sense from God's perspective. As we live it out we begin to under stand better. Only God knows how many lives our mission will touch. It is an adventure from the very beginning, and it is a marvel that we will unravel for all eternity. I do not think we need to overburden ourselves with the mistakes on our journey. God knows these already. We need only to repent and to ask God what is the plan, just a receiver asks the quarterback for the next play after failing his route on the last play.

The prophetic a calling in our lives is not just standing on a street corner with a bible. Maybe it is that. Sometimes it is not even saying anything. A religious priest I know related to me how one of the religious sisters of his congregation converted members of one of the worst gangs simply by walking down the street. She did not say anything to them and yet they were converted. Simply her manner of life which they did not directly see was enough to provoke a change. Other times it is actions. One young man I know exemplified the love of God to his step-daughter when she backed into his truck. She was so afraid he would be angry, but he was concerned about her. That may seem like ordinary life, but with the love of God ordinary things are made extraordinary through grace.

Living out our prophetic calling is accomplished in our daily "yes" to God. All God requires is our yes. He has everything else figured out. I don't know about you but I sometimes try to trouble myself with the details and become overwhelmed. Fortunately, God has mercy and picks me up again like Peter. We just need to reset, come back to Jesus and say what now? My brothers and sisters, God is calling each and every one of us to a mission in the Church. There is a mission that overarches our whole lives and there are small missions that he wants just today. I urge you in the name of God to say yes. You won't regret it. It is a difficult path to live out the call of one's baptism, but it is the most rewarding life. It is more than we could ask or imagine.

Tuesday 02/11 NO MASS INTENTION SATISFIED AWAY

Intention: Winston, Nancy Howell, Don, Barbara Jordan

Wednesday 02/12 NO MASS INTENTION SATISFIED AWAY

Intention: Katheleen, Harold Robinson, Joseph Boatner Hebert Thursday 02/13 5:15 pm St. Peter Church

Friday 02/14 10:00 am Gueydan Memorial Guest Home

Saturday 02/15 4:00 pm St. Peter Church

Intentions:

Carol Badon

• Dorene & Dorothy Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Neal, Peter Paul, Mark Trahan.

- Kathryn M. Hatch, Mary, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family, William "Bill", Nona, Billy Zaunbrecher
- 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
- Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa, JE & Walter Meaux
- Clyde Reese
- Ellen Hargrave
- Mike. Dot Sztroin
- 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
- Living: Tabatha B. Benoit, Tamatha B. Cormier, Aimee Sonnier, Roberta Broussard
- Mike, Dot Sztroin
- B.D., Janet Simon, Kerney, Elvena (BD 2/16) Istre
- Joe, Nell, Many, Lisa, Luke, Emma, Lance, Ginger Robinson

Sunday 02/16 7:00 am St. Peter Church

Intention: Kirby Trahan

8:30 am St. David Chapel

Intention: Emery & Evelyn Dupuis; William Hardee, Logan LeMaire; Evelyn, Winston Landry; Mary Ann 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; Marshall Allen Frick; Christie Broussard; Winston Landry, Mark Trahan, EA Freeland Intention: Pro Populo

10:30 am St. Peter Church

School of the Saints:

"Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs."

~Saint Francis de Sales