



# Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

May 4, 2025  
Third Sunday of Easter

## 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

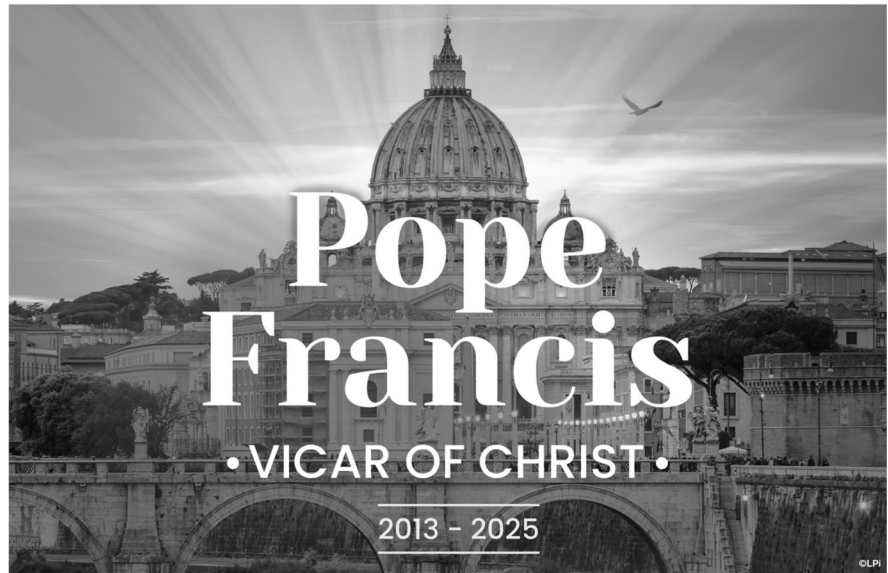
Arrangements made by the  
couple with the pastor no  
less than 6 months **before**  
desired date. Check with  
priest **BEFORE** any plans  
are made.

## 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



O God, eternal shepherd,  
who govern your flock with unfailing care,  
grant in your boundless fatherly love  
a pastor for your Church  
who will please you by his holiness  
and to us show watchful care.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,



## Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priests. Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life.

In their loneliness, comfort them. In their sorrows, strengthen them. In their frustrations, point out to them that it is through suffering that the soul is purified, and show them that they are needed by the Church; they are needed by souls; they are needed for the work of redemption.

### St. Peter

First Collection \$ 2160.51

Second Collection \$ 369.00

### St. David

First Collection \$ 546.00

Second Collection \$ 107.00

Second collection this weekend is for the church loan.

### Pray for healing of the sick:

Danny Abshire  
Kaleb Beard  
Maurice Benoit, Jr.  
Tabby B. Benoit  
Charles Breaux  
Roberta Broussard  
Angela Chambless  
Tammy B. Cormier  
Dorothy, Robert Begnaud  
Dana Guidry  
Dwight Hardee  
Lorraine, Larry Hardy  
Lisa Hargrave  
Ellisyn, Emersyn, Addisyn, Sydney, Dexter Harris  
Tam Saltzman  
Ryan Jeske  
Monique Langlinais  
Angie Lemaire  
Irving LeBeouf  
Beverly Lougon  
Julie, Percy Lougon  
Tegan Love  
Robert Mire and family  
Sidonia Primeaux  
Greg, Donna Reech  
Cassandra Reed  
Amy Sonnier  
Josie, Lillie, Daniel Tran  
Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven,  
Riley; Walter Jolivet III,  
Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy, Nia Ned  
Sandra, Millard Verret  
Naomi Wilson



### Saint of the Month

**St. Philip Neri (Feast day, May 26)** – St. Philip Neri (1515-1595) is one of the Church's most joyful saints. He was born in Florence but was called the Apostle of Rome because his entire priesthood was spent in Rome during a time of crisis where he led many reforms of clergy and laity alike.

His motto was "A joyful heart is more easily made perfect than a downcast one." He lived that way with a playful sense of humor and wit. His famous pilgrimages throughout Rome included music and family picnicking to evangelize souls.

He often went into ecstasies during his celebration of Mass, and sometimes his Masses lasted over two hours. St. Phillip founded the Congregation of the Oratory and died on the Feast of the Sacred Heart in 1595.

“Peter do you love me more than these?”

In today's gospel, it seems Peter is going back to being a fisherman instead of a fisher of men. He seems to be giving up in light of his sin. He is unable to receive God's love. I think Peter believes God does not want him anymore to be among the apostles because of his denial of Jesus. Regardless of Peter's reason for fishing, without Jesus they catch nothing, mind you, Peter is a good fisherman, but without God he has nothing. Jesus seeks to remedy/aid Peter in his fishing so that he may also be restored in himself and fulfilling his vocation.

Sin has a way of overcoming our lives. It affects us in ways that we realize and other ways that we do not. Peter recognizes the weight of his sin, but he does not realize that God can still make use of him. Jesus confronts Peter three times. He already prayed for Peter and forgave him his sins. Why then does Jesus question Peter? Jesus does this for Peter's sake so that he would not be ruled by the memory of his sin.

Modern man is confused about sin. Many people believe there is no sin. Other people believe sin is no big deal. Still others find their sin insurmountable. However, Jesus has already forgiven Peter. In this encounter we witness the healing of memories & the wounds of sin. This is what was still holding Peter back and what only Jesus can offer. Not only the forgiveness of sins, but our interior healing as well.

There is a difference between the wounds and/or consequences of sin versus the guilt incurred by sin. When we commit a mortal sin, we merit spiritual death. When we commit a venial sin, we merit a decay of our spiritual life. Through the sacrament of confession, Jesus removes the guilt of our sin so that we may have life. However, there are often residual effects of sin which remain. These effects may cause us pain, but they are not the guilt of sin. They are the leftover effects of sin. Similarly, after surgery there are effects that require additional treatment or even further surgery. This is one of the reasons we may still feel bad after confession. It is not that we haven't been forgiven, but we, like Peter, have not yet experienced what that means. Peter thought that forgiveness merely meant that Jesus tolerates the fact that we sin, rather than redeeming us. We forget or never knew what Jesus' love really means. As I heard one priest put it, Jesus not only loves us he even likes us. Jesus desired Peter to experience this and understand this.

When Jesus wants to lead us, he often does so by catching us by surprise. This is for our benefit. It is like when we surprise children, so they don't notice as much the pain of a shot or a doctor's exam. Jesus surprises Peter in such a way that he jumps overboard and wades out to meet him. The surprise encounter prepares Peter's heart. Jesus visits the issue of Peter's fears “Do you love me more than these?” Jesus' words touch Peter's wound. He does not want to fulfill his role as leader of the apostles. Jesus points to this reality in Peter's heart. “Do you love me more than these?” Jesus touches the wound directly, but he draws out Peter's love in doing so. The experience is truly humbling for Peter. He has to admit he is not the man he thought he was. However, it is also touching how Jesus deals with Peter. The Greek behind our translation shows Jesus lowering himself to the love Peter is capable of giving. Peter offers to God everything he is able to offer and God accepts this with love. In this way, Jesus demonstrates the nature of his love. It is mercy. Peter is healed by this mercy and goes forth to fulfill his role leading the apostles and sharing what he has received from God.

We, all of us through our lives have experiences which hamper our ability to live in peace. The question is not will it happen. The question is how quickly will we recover. The reading is that whatever our speed Jesus is with us. Let us ask Peter to help us with our own experience.

-Fr. Campeaux

Tuesday	05/06	<b>NO MASS INTENSION SATISFIED AWAY</b>
Intention:	Mary Z. LeBlanc (BD)	
Wednesday	05/07	<b>NO MASS INTENSION SATISFIED AWAY</b>
Intention:	Cathy Langley (BD)	<b>NO MASS INTENSION SATISFIED AWAY</b>
Thursday	05/08	<b>NO MASS</b>
Friday	05/09	<b>NO MASS INTENTION SATISFIED AWAY</b>
Intention:	Eulan (AOD), Ruby Richard, Ouida, Buck Darryl Campbell, Cynthia Gaspard, Alicia Istre, the deceased members of Cormier, Richard families	

Saturday	05/10	4:00 pm	St. Peter Church
Intentions:			

- Carol Badon
- Renee' Benoit
- Dorene & Dorothy Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Neal, Peter Paul, Mark Trahan.
- 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
- Kathryn M. Hatch, Mary, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Touns family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family, William "Bill", Nona, Billy Zaunbrecher
- 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
- Clyde Reese
- Floyd Zaunbrecher, Charlotte Detraz, Christy Broussard
- Ellen Hargrave
- Mike, Dot Sztroin
- Living: Tabatha B. Benoit, Tamatha B. Cormier, Aimee Sonnier, Roberta Broussard
- Ouida Martin
- Margie Dorcheus, Mark Marceaux
- Jane, Nelis, Harold, Hattie Matthews, Becky Young, **Living:** Billy and Laurel Portie, Kevin Matthews, pour souls in purgatory
- Mason, Charles, Anna Roy, Floyd, Mary, Vernis Leger, Eva Mayer, Irene, Gavin Overley, deceased members of Volcar Mayer Sr., family, Clarence & Belzire Cormier families, Jeffrey Bourque
- Nolan LeBlanc (AOD 5-12); Kathryn Hatch (BD 5-12)
- Joe, Nell, Many (BD 5-24), Lisa, Luke, Emma, Lance, Ginger Robinson

Sunday	05/11	7:00 am	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Kirby Trahan		

	8:30 am	St. David Chapel
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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
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### May1

God My Father, the Feast Day of Saint Joseph the Worker was instituted to draw attention to the dignity of labor, and to remind us of the spirituality of our jobs. Give the workers of families and circle of friends—and their jobs—to Saint Joseph's intercession, and especially ask for his prayers in the protection and guidance of husbands and fathers. Help us to view these men—and all workers—with the same appreciation as You have, O Lord. Teach us to prioritize our jobs rightly, for the sake of loving our families, and lead the unemployed to work that is right for them. Saint Joseph the Worker, pray for us. Amen.