



# Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord

## 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



YOU OTTER BE HERE!

June 9-13, 2025

9 am to noon

For K-5th

Register at church office

Let's make this Faith N Fun Bible school the most successful yet.  
Please bring the children so they may share experiences of Jesus. He  
is waiting!

If anyone would like to make a monetary or food donation for the  
event, please contact the office.

**Next weekend we celebrate Pentecost. The Vigil on  
Saturday will be like the Easter vigil is with a number of  
readings and prayers.**

### 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.

Please pray for:

#### **Priests:**

Pope Leo  
Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel  
Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell  
Reverend Emmanuel Fernandez  
Reverend Sam Fontana  
Reverend David James Furka  
Reverend Abelardo Garbriel, SVD

#### **Seminarians:**

Fr. Blake Dubroc, Director of Vocations  
Seminary faculty, parents & benefactors  
Carter Domingue  
Seth Dupre  
John Michael Fruge, Jr.  
Br. John Paul Fruge  
Cameron Gary

## June is the month of The Sacred Heart Of Jesus

Do not let the past disturb you, just leave everything in the Sacred Heart and begin again with joy.

— St. Teresa of Calcutta

#### **St. Peter**

First Collection     \$ 1877.31  
Second Collection    \$ 421.00

#### **St. David**

First Collection     \$ 531.00  
Second Collection    \$ 148.00  
Second collection this weekend is for the church loan.

### Pray for healing of the sick:

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

## The Ascension of Our Lord

40 days after Jesus rose from the dead, He ascended into heaven. It might seem an odd thing to us as it might have also seemed to the apostles. It is tempting to believe that Jesus is abandoning us. However, prior to this, Jesus said it is better for you that I go. "How could it be?" wondered the apostles. If they wonder this, do we not also? How could things be better without Jesus? They are better because Jesus does not abandon us. Together with the Holy Spirit, Jesus is able to communicate Himself more readily to us than He could during His earthly ministry. This is why it is better for Him to go, not for Him to gain distance from us, but so that He can remain always in our hearts. Later at Pentecost, we will see evidence of this through the coming down of the Holy Spirit. For now, let us focus on the Ascension.

It is also better for us that Jesus goes to the Father in order that we can come into our own. It is similar to parents with children. For some parents, it is tempting to keep their children around. However, good parents realize that for them to obtain their full potential, their children need to go out on their own. Sometimes it is even necessary to push children out to encourage them to come into their own. Jesus' Ascension is like that. It does leave the apostles looking up at the sky, wondering. However, they understand better after Pentecost and step into their mission and inheritance in ways they could not before.

Jesus also **ascends** into heaven under his own power to receive the place prepared for Him by God the Father. This is different than Mary who later is **assumed** into heaven. That is to say, she is taken into heaven body and soul by the power of another. Jesus **ascends** into heaven by divine right, and because of his victory over sin and death. Jesus receives the reward of his victory, but we with him receive a share in this victory. Jesus says it is better for us that he goes so that he can prepare a place for us. This is literally true. We inherit the Kingdom through adoption in Jesus Christ, therefore Jesus taking his place also makes a place for us. Jesus goes, and we are to follow, but we must make efforts to do so. The first of which for the apostles is to pray for the Spirit, whom they need to fulfill Jesus' commands.

There is another practical necessity for Jesus' ascension into heaven. The fact we feel abandoned by Him in his ascension is evidence of a wound. Many times we have been failed in life by: parents, teachers, father or mother figures and many others. When Jesus ascends, we fear He will be like all the others. In this case Jesus 'leaves' in order to heal the wound. The experience of Pentecost is evidence that though Jesus ascends to heaven, he does not abandon us. Through experiencing Pentecost after the Ascension the Apostles learn Jesus' promise was more true than their feelings. He really did send help from heaven. The wounding previously experienced could be overcome in light of what God has done.

Jesus teaches us through all his actions. Jesus came to reveal the love of God the Father to us. In Ascending to the Father, Jesus teaches us that God the Father does not abandon us because Jesus does not do so. When he says, "I am going to prepare a place for you." Jesus asks us to trust him and God the Father. The evidence Jesus gives is that we will ask the Father and he will send us the Advocate. The Holy Spirit is the evidence of the Father's love for us in Jesus Christ.

I realize some of what I am describing could be very fresh for us. As we watch Jesus leave, so will I in a few weeks. I can imagine to some it feels like an abandonment. It is not easy for me either. There are many things still that are puzzling to me. However, I can say with confidence it is better for you that I go because it is through this God will reveal his plan for you. I have prayed for you, and I have had plans for you. However, these are only a part of what God's plan is for you. My departure is difficult for us, but it is not separate from God's plan. He uses all things that occur in our lives for the good (Romans 8:28). What is necessary is for us to seek his will, just as the apostles had to when the angels corrected them for staring into the heavens long after Jesus ascended.

The experience of Jesus Ascension can be a touchy experience for us. Let us take Jesus at his word and pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. Next Sunday we will celebrate Pentecost. Remember that the Apostles did not know how long they were going to pray before the advocate came. They also did not know what it meant. Jesus knew and planned for everything. The Holy Spirit is sent to us to aid us in all our weakness. We are not helpless though we are weak and we are sinners. We have the Spirit as a pledge of the life in heaven we are meant to enjoy. On earth the Spirit enables us to experience a taste of heaven and to live our Christian faith. This is not always apparent to us because faith is required, and even with faith we only slightly perceive the things of heaven while on earth. We expect Heaven to operate like earth and fail to look to Heaven for the fulfillment of God's promises. Despite this, God has plans for us beyond our imagination. "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..." (Jeremiah 29:11ff). Together let us pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit and expect the unfolding of God's plan for us.

Fr. Campeaux

Tuesday	06/03	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Ernest, Dolores Lepretre		
Wednesday	06/04	Noon	St. Peter Church
Thursday	06/05	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Wallace, Josephine, Kenny Broussard; Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune		
Friday	06/06	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		
<b>First Friday:</b>		<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>

<b>First Saturday</b>	<b>06/07</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
Intention:	Carolyn Z Guidry, Lori LeDoux		
Saturday		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
- Kathryn M. Hatch, Mary, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family, William "Bill", Nona, Billy Zaunbrecher
- Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa, JE & Walter Meaux
- 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, Becky Smith Vondenstein
- Floyd Zaunbrecher, Charlotte Detraz, Christy Broussard
- Ellen Hargrave
- Mike, Dot Sztroin
- Ouida Martin
- Hazel, Ted, Ronnie, Mae Guidry, Bonnie, Oran, Jared, Joshua LeJeune, Rebecca McDaniels, Leonard, Wesley Snoddy, Aaron Wilkins
- Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune
- Ernest, Dolores Lepretre
- Floyd, Mary, Vernice Lege; Eva Mayer; Irene, Gavin Overley; Mason, Charles, Anna Roy; deceased members of Volcar Mayer, Sr. and Edias Roy families; Clarence, Belzire Cormier; Jerry Bourque

Sunday	06/08	7:00 am	St. Peter Church
Intention:	B.R. Hatch (AOD 6/9)		
		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
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