



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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March 29, 2026
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	5:15 p.m.
Wednesday	Noon
Thursday	5:15 p.m.
Friday	Noon
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

*Holy Week
Schedule
2026*



Palm Sunday

Vigil

Saturday March 28, 4:00 pm

Palm Sunday March 29th

7:00 am St. Peter's Church

8:30 am St. David's Chapel

10:30 am St. Peter's Church

(Procession before 10:30 Mass beginning at rectory)

Tuesday, March 31

5:15 pm St. Peter's Chapel

Wednesday, April 1

12:00 pm- St. Peter's Chapel



Holy Thursday, April 2

6:00 pm

St. Peter's Church

Good Friday, April 3

3:00 pm

St. Peter's Church

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 4

8:00 pm - St. Peter's Church

Easter Sunday, April 5

7:00 am - St. Peter's Church

8:30 am - St. David's Chapel

10:30 am - St. Peter's Church



The Way of the Cross on Good Friday, April 3, will be at 2:00 pm. It will be prayed inside and outside.

Prayer for the Sick

O Lord, my God, Please give me the grace to maintain my hope in you through all of life's changes and to taste and see your goodness. I praise you for the gifts you have showered on me for so many years. Help me find joy in a renewed strength of spirit. Please bless me with good health, and inspire me to be a good example

Juanette Belaire, Bobbie Benoit, Cindy, Larry Benoit, Tabby B. Benoit, Alice Mae Borrill, Charles Breaux, Roberta Broussard, Sheldon "Pic" Broussard, Christine Campbell, Angela Chambless, Tammy B. Cormier, Wade James Cormier, Mona Dennis, Rita Reese Duhon, Darlene Dupree, Joyce Freeland, Beau Fromenthal, Carlen Gaspard, Mona Guidry, Buster Hardee, Foreman family, special intention; Dwight Hardee, Tina Higgins, Patrick Hardy, Ellisyn, Emersyn, Addisyn, Sydney, Dexter Harris, Angie Lemaire, Irving LeBeouf, Beverly Lougon, Julie, Percy Lougon, Tegan Love, Earline Marceaux, Clayton Petry, Mindy Price Potier, Amiee Sonnier, Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven, Riley; Walter Jolivette III, Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy, Nia Ned, Riley; Felix Mouton, Millard, Sandra Verret, Naomi Wilson, Patsy Woods, Peyton Woods.

St. Peter Parish

**Easter flower donations
are now being accepted.**

You may drop your donation in the
collection clearly marked for flowers,
or bring it to the church office.



March 22 2026

St. Peter Church

First Collection	\$ 2134.00
Second Collection	\$ 545.00
Total	\$ 2679.00

St. David

First Collection	\$ 494.00
Second Collection	\$ 46.00
Total	\$ 540.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Good Friday, April 3, the collection is for the Holy Land. They depend on our donations, please be generous.

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.

Priests:

03/29 Reverend Jesura
03/30 Reverend Neil Pettit
03/31 Reverend Hai Ngoc Pham, SVD
03/25 Reverend John Paul, SJ
04/01 Pope Leo XIV
04/02 Bishop Douglas Deshotel
04/03 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell

Please pray for Seminarians:

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, lead our seminarians in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice. Teach them generosity and detachment from worldly goods; but above all, teach them to know You and to love You, the One and Only Eternal Priest. **Amen**

Walking with Christ Through Holy Week

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter Holy Week - the most sacred time of the liturgical year - the Church invites us to walk closely with Jesus in the final days of His earthly life. This is not simply a remembrance of past events, but a living participation in the mystery of our salvation. Each liturgy, symbol, and reading draws us deeper into Christ's Paschal Mystery: His passion, death, and resurrection.

Palm Sunday sets the tone. We begin with joyful "Hosannas," waving palm branches as the people of Jerusalem once did. Yet within the same Mass, the mood turns to sorrow as we hear the Passion proclaimed. The abrupt shift reminds us how fleeting earthly praise can be and how quickly human hearts can turn. It challenges us to examine our own fidelity - are we steadfast disciples, or do we falter when faith becomes costly?

On Holy Thursday, the Church commemorates the Last Supper, the gift of the Eucharist, and the call to humble service. Christ kneels to wash the feet of His disciples - an action that overturns all expectations of power and leadership. The Lord shows us that true greatness lies in serving others with love. As the Blessed Sacrament is carried in solemn procession and the altar is stripped bare, we are left with a sense of emptiness, waiting with Christ in His agony.

Good Friday confronts us with the stark reality of the Cross. The Church stands silent and bare, stripped of ornaments and color. We venerate the wood of the Cross, not as a symbol of defeat, but as the throne of divine mercy. It is on the Cross that Jesus utters His final words of forgiveness and surrender: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." This day teaches us that love is proven not by sentiment but by sacrifice.

Then comes Holy Saturday - a day of waiting, silence, and expectation. The Church keeps vigil at the tomb, just as the Blessed Mother and the disciples must have done in their grief. Yet even in that darkness, the faint light of hope burns. With the Easter Vigil, light shatters the night as the Paschal candle leads us into the proclamation of Resurrection. The Exsultet fills the Church with joy: This is the night when Christ broke the prison-bars of death. The victory of Christ becomes our own.

Holy Week is an invitation to immerse ourselves in these sacred days - not as spectators, but as participants. By praying, fasting, and taking part in the liturgies of the Triduum, we allow our hearts to be transformed by the love of the Crucified and Risen Lord. Let us walk this week with open hearts, ready to die to sin and rise with Christ to new life.

God bless you all, Fr. Stephen



Volunteers are needed to help decorate the church on Good Friday at 6:00 pm. Please consider volunteering your time.



Saturday - March 28, 2026

4:00 pm Mass - St. Peter Church

Intentions:

- Carol Badon
- Renee' Benoit, **Living:** Burnie, Loretta Benoit
- Kathryn M. Hatch, Mary, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family, William "Bill", Nona, Billy Zaunbrecher
- Dorene & Dorothy Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Neal, Peter Paul, Mark Trahan.
- Ellen Hargrave
- Crip, Edith Bertrand; B.B., J.W., Evelyn Breaux; Aldis, Marie, Bernice, Jane, Clevenis, 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, Jules C., Ouida ., Wayne Martin; Albay, Anite Thibodeaux.
- Irvin, Christie, M/M Wilfred Broussard, Jr., Sr., 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, Bill Underwood, Ruth Wallace, Carrie Walpole
- Mike, Dot Sztroin; M/M Ozone Guidry
- Clyde Reese & family
- Steve Meaux
- Paul, Troy Richard
- Laura Zaunbrecher
- Billy Baker
- Jamie Gayle
- Paisley Sonnier (BD 3-29)

Sunday - March 29, 2026 - Palm Sunday

7:00 am Mass - St. Peter Church

Intention: Jackie Scanlan

8:30 am Mass - St. David Chapel

Intention: Billy Baker, William Hardee, Logan LeMaire; Wayne Lemaire; Erin, Preston Greene; Lou, Vincent Habetz; Helen "Sis", Emick Melancon; Thomas, Willie, Nellie, J.C. Petry; Bradley Schexnider; Velma Trahan family; Guy LeDoux & family; Karl, Dr. Reno Petry; Bert, Anna Mae, Johnny Darbonne, Kenneth, Hubert, Velta Gaspard

10:30 am Mass - St. Peter Church Intention: Pro Populo

Monday - March 30, 2026 - No Mass

Tuesday - March 31, 2026

5:15 pm Mass - St. Peter Chapel

Intention: Joseph Simon and family

Wednesday—April 1, 2026

10:00 am Mass - Gueydan Memorial Guest Home

Intention: Wilfred & Zora Woods

Noon Mass - St. Peter Chapel

Intention: Harold, Katheleen Robinson, Joseph Boatner Hebert

Holy Thursday - April 2, 2026 - Mass of the Lord's Supper

6:00 pm Mass - St. Peter's Church followed by adoration

Intention: Renee' Benoit (BD)

Good Friday - April 3, 2026 - The Passion of the Lord

Way of the Cross - 2:00 pm inside and outside of the church

3:00 pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. Peter's Church - Adoration of the Cross after service until 6:00 pm