



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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August 1, 2026
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

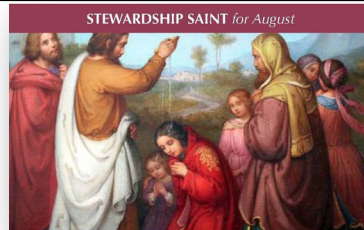
Arrangements made by the
couple with the pastor no
less than 6 months before
desired date. Check with
priest **BEFORE** any plans
are made.

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



Saint Lydia of Philippi

Lydia is the first recorded person in Europe to become a follower of Jesus Christ. She was Saint Paul's first baptized convert at Philippi.

What we know of Lydia is found in the Acts of the Apostles. She was from Thyatira, an industrial center located in what is now western Turkey. She was a wealthy business woman; a manufacturer and seller of purple dyes and fabrics for which the city of Thyatira was noted. Lydia was part of a high value industry. Purple goods were luxury items, used by emperors, high government officials, and priests of the pagan religions.

At the time of the narrative in Acts, Lydia and her household had moved to the city of Philippi, a Roman colony on the Rome-to-Asia trade route. This is where she had her first encounter with Paul on his second missionary journey about the year 50.

While visiting Philippi for the first time, Paul and his party came upon Lydia and a group of women gathered by the river that ran through the city center. He sat down and shared the gospel with them. Lydia listened intently, took the gospel message to heart, and she and her family were then baptized in the river.

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Lydia insisted on providing hospitality to Paul and his companions, so they made their home with her while in Philippi. She continued to help them even after they were jailed and released.

As a successful businesswoman, her home would have been spacious enough to welcome guests and to become a place for community gatherings and liturgies.

Paul cherished the members of the Christian community at Philippi and called them his "joy and crown." Undoubtedly, Lydia's generous hospitality and leadership in the founding of this early Christian community contributed to Paul's affection.

Saint Lydia's feast day is August 3.

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 to others. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Robert Begnaud, Juanette Belaire, Bobbie Benoit, Cindy, Larry Benoit, Tabby B. Benoit, Angie Benton, Charles Breaux, Roberta Broussard, Christine Campbell, Angela Chambliss, Mona Dennis, Rita Reese Duhon, Lori Fotier, Joyce Freeland, Beau Fromenthal, Carlen Gaspard, Dana Guidry, Mona Guidry, Buster, Angie Hardee, Foreman family, special intention; Dwight Hardee, Tina Higgins, Patrick Hardy, Ellissyn, Emersyn, Addisyn, Sydney, Dexter Harris, Scott, Tanna Harrington, Irving LeBeouf, Billy Ray, Jenny LeBlanc, Charlette Libersat, Carla Louchin, Beverly Lougon, Julie, Percy Lougon, Tegan Love, Beth Miller, Laurie Mouton, Clayton Petry, Mindy Price Potier, Lona Richard, Nell & Joe Robinson, Amiee Sonnier, Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven, Riley; Walter Jolivette III, Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy, Nia Ned, Riley; Barbara Martin, Kevin Moreaux, Felix Mouton, Darron Simon, Devin, Lily Simon, Emily Stubbs, Millan, Shea Theriot, Millard, Sandra Verret, Naomi Wilson, Ivy Woods

July 26, 2026

St. Peter Church

First Collection \$ 2400.25

St. David

First Collection \$ 538.00

August 2

Prayer never leaves us without sweetness. It is honey that flows into the souls and makes all things sweet. When we pray properly, sorrows disappear like snow before the sun.

- St. John Vianney (1786-1859), Priest, Patron of Parish Priests, Feast Day August 4

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. **Amen**

Pray for Priests

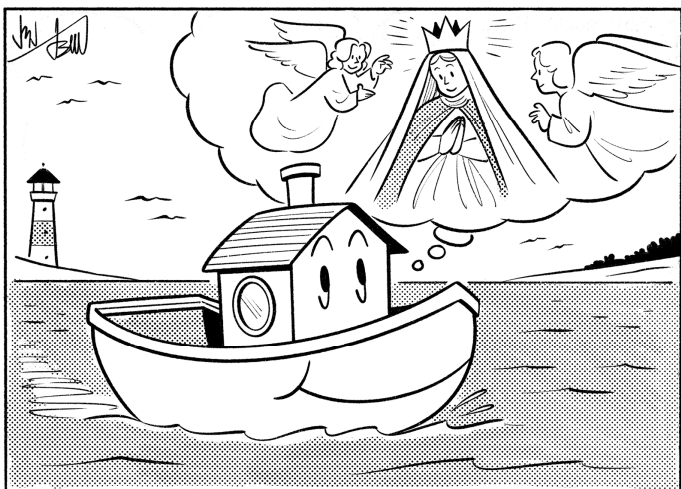
08/02 Bishop Douglas Deshotel
08/03 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
08/04 Reverend Gilbert Dutel
08/05 Very Reverend Darren Eldridge, VF
08/06 Reverend Peter Emusa
08/07 Reverend Cyprian Eze
08/08 Reverend Richard Fabre

O God, Father of all Mercies, Provider of a bountiful Harvest, send Your Graces upon those You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor; preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of you. Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your Holy Will; inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ. Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life guided by Your Divine Word and Truth. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Pray for Seminarians

08/02 Seminary, Faculty, Parents Benefactors
08/03 Miguel Pagan
08/04 Anthony Phillips
08/05 Gregory Phillips
08/06 Eric Quebedeaux
08/07 Giovanni Ranzino
08/08 Nolan Savoy

"What's a boat's favorite Marian feast?"



"The Queenship of Mary!"

FUN FACT!

In very old traditions, such as the Old Testament, kings often had multiple wives, which meant many children. In those situations, a mother would often secure the crown for her son, so the title of "queen" went to the king's mother.

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**WADE JAMES
CORMIER**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

United at the Altar

Prayer

Lord Jesus,

Wherever those I love may be today,
unite us through Your Holy Church.

As we hear Your Word,
profess our faith,
and gather around Your altar,
remind us that in You
we are never truly apart.

Strengthen those who are far from home,
comfort those who are lonely,
and draw us all ever closer to You
in the Eucharist.

Amen.



Fête-Dieu du Teche

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION ALONG THE BAYOU TECHE

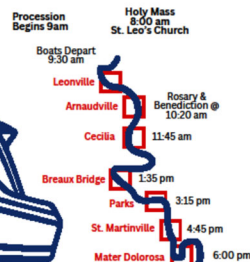


Saturday, August 15, 2026

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

250 YEARS OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE

**ONE
NATION
UNDER
GOD**



Adore the Lord as he processes on Cajun water and soil. This annual Eucharistic Procession by boat on the waters of the Teche on the Feast of the Assumption recalls our rich Acadian history and, in a way, re-enacts the journey made by the Acadians over 250 years ago.

Itinerary

- Begins with French Mass by Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D., Bishop of Lafayette, at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Leonville at 8:00 am
- Walking Procession to Landing at 9:00 am, Boat Procession departs at 9:30 am
- Stops at Each Church on the Bayou: Arnaudville, Cecilia, Breaux Bridge, and Parks for Rosary and Benediction
- Disembark and Walking Procession into Notre Dame Catholic Church, St. Martinville for Benediction
- Walking Procession into St. Martin de Tours Catholic Church for Benediction
- Process Down Main Street to Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel for Vespers and Benediction
- Confessions will be Available at All Stops Along the Teche

www.fetedieuduteche.org

Saturday - August 1, 2026 - Saint Alphonsus, Liuori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 am Mass - First Saturday - St. Peter's Chapel

Intention: Jane, Nelis, Harold, Hattie Matthews, Becky Young; Billy Portie, *Living:* Laurel Portie, Kevin Matthews, poor souls in Purgatory

4:00 pm Mass - St. Peter's Church

- 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
- Billy Baker
- Tammy Broussard Cormier, *Living:* Maurice Benoit, Jr. & Tabby Broussard Benoit, Aimee Sonnier, Roberta S. Broussard
- David Fruge, Melissa, Pat, Rodney LeJeune Jr., Sr., Ray Lee Myer
- Rebecca McDaniels, Aaron Wilkins, Hank Baskett, Bonnie, Oran, Jeanette, Jared, Joshua LeJeune; Leonard, Wesley, James, Virginia, Eddie Snoddy
- Paul, Troy Richard
- Carolyn Guidry (AOD 8/3), Lori LeDoux

Sunday - August 2, 2026

7:00 am Mass - St. Peter's Church

Intention: Cindy Benoit (BD)

8:30 am Mass - St. David's Chapel

Intention: Marshall Frick, William Hardee, Melissa LeJeune, Logan LeMaire; Wayne Lemaire; James Meyer; Erin, Preston Greene; Lou, Vincent Habetz; Helen "Sis", Emick Melancon; Thomas, Willie, Nellie, J.C. Petry; Bradley Schexnider; Velma Trahan family; June Trahan, EA Freeland, Jeb Callahan, Carolyn, Avert Guidry; Guy LeDoux & family; Karl, Dr. Reno Petry; Bert, Anna Mae, Johnny Darbonne, Kenneth, Hubert, Velta Gaspard

10:30 am Mass - St. Peter's Church Intention: Pro Populo (for the people)

Monday - August 3, 2026

No Mass

Tuesday - August 4, 2026 - St. John Vianney, Priest

5:15 pm Mass - St. Peter's Chapel

Intention: Laura Zaunbrecher

Wednesday - August 5, 2026 - The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

Noon Mass - St. Peter's Chapel

Intention: Harold, Katheleen Robinson, Joseph Boatner Hebert

Thursday - August 6, 2026 - Transfiguration of the Lord

5:15 pm Mass

Intention: Linus Broussard; Glenn Richard (BD), Joseph Simon and family

First Friday - August 7, 2026

8:00 am Mass - St. Peter's Chapel

10:00 am Mass - Gueydan Memorial Guest Home

Intention: Claire Simon