

St. Peter Claver Church

ESTABLISHED in 1920

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Holy Days: See Liturgy of the Eucharist schedule inside

Weekdays: See Liturgy of the Eucharist schedule inside

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. on Saturday or anytime by appt.

BAPTISM

Appointment with the priest or deacon for preparation is necessary. Call during pregnancy or as soon as possible after the child is born.

MARRIAGE

Contact the priest at least six (6) months in advance.

FUNERAL

Contact the parish office before making arrangements with a funeral home.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-7 – Saturday from

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Meet in the parish school.

WEBSITE

www.stpeterclaverneworleans.org

NEW PARISHIONERS:

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY!

We ask that you please call the office to register in the parish.

VISION STATEMENT: *“Saint Peter Claver Church will engage, energize and empower the people of God to grow and evolve spiritually.”*

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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church is a vibrant, spirit-filled, evangelizing community that is grounded in the Eucharist and celebrates the culture and traditions of our African-American heritage. Strengthened by our belief in Jesus Christ and trusting in God's Word, we transform our community through acts of justice by caring for the spiritual and physical needs of His people.

Scripture Insights

Today's readings focus on God's plan for human salvation that existed before "the foundation of the world" and came to fulfillment in the life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the First Reading, Peter, preaching to Jews, reminds them that they had long waited for a Messiah who would be identified by signs and wonders that could only be from God. These signs and wonders, Peter tells them, have been realized in Jesus. He is the one they have waited for. When the psalmist calls the Lord his "portion and cup," "portion" likely refers to the allotment of food given to the Israelites, and "cup" was often a metaphor for one's fate. These images expressed the psalmist's solid trust in and dependence on God. The First Letter of Peter urges its readers to "conduct yourselves with reverence" because Jesus has secured our salvation through his own sacrifice. Believers should respond with awe and gratitude, living worthy lives, for the "precious blood of Christ" has replaced "perishable things like silver or gold." Luke's story about the disciples' life-changing encounter with the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus is one of the great post-Resurrection stories in the Gospel. We can easily place ourselves in the story, walking with the disciples, sitting at table with them and the stranger, and then joining in the recognition of the Risen Lord. Recognizing Jesus in the "breaking of the bread" has become the foundation of our Eucharistic theology. Participating attentively in Mass-listening to the Word, joining in the Eucharistic Prayer, and receiving the Body and Blood can set "our hearts burning within us."

- What do you think prevented the disciples from recognizing the Risen Lord?
- How has your faith been handed on to you by others?
- What helps you to really hear the Word of the Lord when it is proclaimed at Mass?

OUR FAMILY PRAYER

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness.

We come to you,
Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism.

We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people.

Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence.

Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.

Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us that we may be a holy family.



Our Stewardship for Sunday, April 23, 2017 was **\$11,198.14**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for April 23, 2017 is **\$7,088.86**; **Second Collection: Church Sound System; \$750.94.**

ST. PETER CLAVER

SUMMER CAMP

Featuring: FUN, **Dance, Music, Math, Reading,** Physical Education, **Swimming, Arts & Craft, Drama,** **Junior Achievement/Values & Field Trips:**

Where: St. Peter Claver School

When: June 5th –July 14, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Who: PreK through 5th grade

PreK-3 (Must be potty trained)

COST: \$250.00 per child

Registration Fee: \$75.00 (Non-Refundable)

Registration: Saturday, May 27, 2017

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

1020 N. Prieur Street

Camp Fee: \$175.00 due before Camp begins

Breakfast & Lunch are included.

NOTE: NO Before or Aftercare



RCIA

Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or know someone who is?

- A) Unbaptized adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic;
- B) Baptized Christians from other denominations who would like to learn more about the Catholic Church;
- C) Baptized Catholic adults who would like to prepare for First Communion & Confirmation.

***Please contact the Parish Office,
(504) 822-8059.***

ANNOUNCEMENT!!

SUMMER HAS ARRIVED! CHURCH ETIQUETTE

Church attire for Young Men & Men

- Reverent and appropriate for Church
- No Tank Tops, muscle shirts or clothing exposing the mid-section or tee-shirts with inappropriate language or phrases that are not to be worn in Church.

Church attire for Young Women & Women

- Reverent and appropriate for Church
- Dress, skirt & short pants should be a moderate length. When sitting, they should fall just above the knee or a covering should be used.
- No halter tops, spaghetti straps, strapless tops or other clothing exposing the mid-section should be worn in Church.



CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Called, Formed and Sent:

Summer conference on the Call of the Laity: Notre Dame Seminary and the Catholic Foundation invite you to a four-week series this summer exploring the Catholic vision for lay leadership in the church and the world.

REGISTER NOW!!

Week 1: Ministry and the Apostolate: The Call of the Laity; Tuesday, July 18th, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm;

Week 2: Called and Gifted, Discerning Personal Vocation; Tuesday, July 25th, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm;

Week 3: Know thyself: Living Personal Vocation, Tuesday, August 1st, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm; **Week 4:**

Hearers of the Word: Cultivating a Spirituality of Vocation, Tuesday, August 8th, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm with Reception following.

Location: Notre Dame Seminary, Pastoral Center. If you have any questions, please contact Susie Veters, Director of Stewardship and Parish Services, at (504) 596-3042. More information about registration will be forthcoming.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office and submit your name, (504) 822-8059.

St. Peter Claver Homebound and Sick Parishioners

Please pray for the following parishioners and friends who are homebound or ill:

Edith Henry, Alice Allen, Gwendolyn Rocque, Verna Mae Martin, Joycelyn Johnson, Stanley & Beatrice Grant, Myra Harrell, Pearl Dupart, Joan Diaz, Marion LeBlanc, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Joyce Evans, Javette and Michael Garner, John & Claire Bidol, Demetria Bernard, Gladys Shief, Brenda Robbins, Jerald LaPierre, Robert "RJ" LaPierre, Mary Andry, Doris Finister, Marie Walker, Shirley Walker, Chris Price, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Cindy Armstrong, Ralph Walker, Shemal McKnight, Albert & Miriam Boucree, Stephanie Smith, Herman Philip, Jr., Audrey Evans, Vint Barney, Lydia Broyard, Yvette Brown, Shirley Pratt, Grace Jones, Lorraine Bowman, Zelinda Lawrence, Troylyn Lawrence, Ruby Perry, Yolanda Green, John Aguiard, Barbara Phillips, Lyndia Faust, Diane Blanks, Ina Claire Buckley, Kevin Boyd, Louise Jenkins, Toki Joseph, Joseph Williams, Gerard Robinson, Sr., Emelda Petit, Johnnie Petit, Scarlett Crawford, Vivian Plessy, Debra Gray, Frederick Gray, Lionel and Marion Evans, Gerald Stone, Sr. Janet Pruitt, Jerry Queen, Verlyn Mallory, Marva Batiste.



ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH & SCHOOL
May 18, 2017
7th Grade Promotional Exercise
May 20, 2017
PREK-Kindergarten Promotional Exercise
Saturday, May 27, 2017 @ 4:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Confirmation
Sunday, May 28, 2017
Graduation Mass—2017

MASS INTENTIONS

April 30-May 6, 2017



Sunday, April 30, 2017

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
 Ms. Emily O'Brien
 Mr. James Smith, III
 9:00 a.m. Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
 Mr. Morel Dupart
 11:30 a.m. Mr. Elliot Lemoine
 Living & deceased members of the
 Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Prevost,
 Saulney and Wilson families

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

8:30 a.m. School Mass-Church

Thursday, May 4, 2017

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, May 5, 2017

8:30 a.m. Mass-St. Ann's Chapel

Saturday, May 6, 2017

4:00 p.m. Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.
 Mr. Christopher Woodfork



GRADUATES—2017



All 2017 Graduates from High School, College and above are asked to sign-up in the back of Church, contact Ms. Marinda Lee-Houston or call the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059 with the following information: **(Name, telephone number, school, diploma, degree, future plans, awards and honors).**

NOTE: We will only honor the **GRADUATES** from St. Peter Claver Church on Sunday, May 28, 2017 at the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

PRAYER FOR THOUGHT...

And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him. May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

May 6, 2017

May 7, 2017

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS



4:00 p.m. **Reginald Vicks**, Claudette Vicks, Cynthia Smothers, Seritha Spadoni, Verita Thomas, Leonetta Terrell

7:30 a.m. **Roslyn Veals**, Ann Coston, Chandra Green, Joycelyn Renfro, Yolanda Green

9:00 a.m. **Rosalyn Johnson**, Mary Boutté, Nadine Barrios, Vanessa Smith, Nedra Kelly

Balcony: Lynette Walker, Marguerite Johnson, Karin Legohn

11:30 a.m. **Dwight Duplessis**, Tina Ellsworth, Marion Evans, Lionel Evans, Eleanor Chapital

Balcony: Jona Duplessis, Sandy Duet, Brenda Barnes

LECTORS

4:00 p.m. Karriem Bennett * Wanda Gray

7:30 p.m. Brendolyn McKenna * Warren Bell, jr.

9:00 a.m. Audrey Lombard * Alice Grooms

11:30 a.m. Eleanor Chapital * Philip Stelly

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ...

Parish Religious Education Program for K-8th grade will celebrate the last class before summer break with a “Family Gathering” on Saturday, May 6th at 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. We thank the parents and families for bringing their children on Saturday mornings to grow in wisdom and knowledge of our Lord. The last class will include an “Appreciation Breakfast.” We thank you Catechist for answering the call to hand on our Catholic faith and nurture our children’s growth. They are dedicated to this ministry. They have given of their time for 30 sessions this year. May God continue to Bless you and Be Gracious to you. Our “Grateful Gratitude” to the following: **Tiffany Davis, Charmaine Davis, Zeta Hayes-Gabriel, Nakia Harris, Mary LaPierre, Kathleen Lee, Iris McKinney and Jalin Richardson.**



Weekly Ministry Schedule

May 1-7, 2017

Mon.	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study—Ujima Center-
Tues.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry –Misaada Center
	10:00 a.m.	Health & Wellness Center
	5:00 p.m.	LOM Meeting-Ujima Ctr.
	6:00 p.m.	Family Life-Ujima Center-
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	School Mass-Church
	6:00 p.m.	High School Religious Education—Ujima Center
	6:30 p.m.	Men of UMOJA-Ujima Ctr.
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Council—Sankofa Bldg.
Thurs.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry-Misaada Center
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Mass-St Ann’s Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	Boys Scout-Ujima Center
Sat.	9:00 a.m.	CCD Classes-School Bldg.
	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass-Church
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass—Church
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church
	11:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church

“Hat-titude” Sunday
Calling All Ladies of the Church!!!



The members of Nia-Imani invite all ladies to wear your “**Sunday-go-to Church Hat**” on **Mother’s Day (May 14, 2017)** as a kick-off to our annual **Sistah-Daughter-Friend Luncheon (Saturday, July 15, 2017)**. More information about the luncheon will be forthcoming

Ladies please join us on “**Hat-titude Sunday**” by wearing your hat to Church.





Scripture Readings for:
May 1-7, 2017

Monday-5/1/17 *Acts 6:8-15*
 John 6:22-29

Tuesday-5/2/17 *Acts 7:51-8:1a*
 John 6:30-35

Wednesday-5/3/17 *1 Corinthians 15:1-8*
 John 14:6-14

Thursday -5/4/17 *Acts 8:26-40*
 John 6:44-51

Friday-5/5/17 *Acts 9:1-20*
 John 6:52-59

Saturday-5/6/17 *Acts 9:31-42*
 John 6:60-69

Sunday -5/7/2017 *Acts 2:14a, 36-41*
 1 Peter 2:20b-25
 John 10:1-10



FATIMA ROSARY

Monday, May 1, 2017
5:30 p.m. St. Ann Apartments in the Chapel

Hosted By: Ms. Brenda Guichard



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory for:

Christopher Woodfork

Requested by: The Woodfork Family



Visit St. Ann's Shrine
(2100 Block of
Ursulines Avenue)

Open
Tuesdays & Saturdays
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



St. Peter Claver Church
Health & Wellness Ministry

AUTISM AWARENESS

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a complex developmental disability that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges. Signs typically appear during early childhood and affect a child's ability to communicate, and interact with others. There is no known single cause of autism, but increased awareness and early diagnosis/intervention and access to appropriate services/supports lead to significantly improved outcomes.

Here are some signs to look for in the children in your life:

- Lack of or delay in spoken language
- Repetitive use of language and/or motor mannerisms (e.g., hand-flapping, twirling objects)
- Little or no eye contact
- Lack of interest in peer relationships
- Lack of spontaneous or make-believe play
- Persistent fixation on parts of objects

A child on the Autism spectrum might display many of these behaviors or just a few, or many others besides the ones listed here. The diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder is applied based on analysis of all behaviors and their severity.

If you think your child might have ASD or you think there could be a problem with the way your child plays, learns, speaks, or acts, contact your child's doctor, and share your concerns.

References: Centers for Disease Control; Mayo Clinic, Autism Society

If you need more information about Autism or any other health questions please call or visit the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.

Office Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 10:00am – 12:00pm Phone: 504-822-8059

April 2017

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						1 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
2	3 6:00 p.m. Bible Study	4	5 6:00 p.m. Religious Education	6 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	7 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout	8 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
9 Palm Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	10 3:00 p.m. Senior Citizens .5:30 p.m. Church Cleaning 6:00 p.m. Bible Study	11 6:00 p.m. Seder Meal	12 <i>No Meetings</i>	13 <i>Holy Thursday</i> 7:00 p.m. Mass	14 <i>Good Friday</i> 2:00 p.m. Living Stations 3:00 p.m. Mass	15 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass
16 Easter Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	17 6:00 p.m. Bible Study	18 7:00 p.m. Nia-Imani	19 6:00 p.m. Religious Education	20 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	21 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout	22 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. 1st Holy Communion
23 7:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. SPC Brunch School Hall	24 3:00 p.m. Senior Citizens 6:00 p.m. Pastoral Council	25 6:00 p.m. Ministerial Council	26 6:00 p.m. Religious Education	27 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	28 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout	29 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
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