Vision Statement: “Saint Peter Claver Church will engage, energize and empower the people of God to grow and evolve spirituality.”

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.

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 the wondrous works of God. The Church continues to grow as the power of God works through the teaching and healing ministry of the Apostles, and the ultimate expression of the Father’s love is realized in Jesus, who promises that the “Spirit of truth” will come to those whom the Father loves. As one of those chosen by the leaders in Jerusalem to help with the spread of the Gospel, Philip goes into Samaria. Jesus himself often confronted the historical division between Samaritans and Jews. The response to Philip is amazing, and there “was great joy in that city.” The power of the Word of God brings conversion and joy. The psalmist is inspired by the “tremendous deeds of the Lord” and urges the faithful to praise God continuously. Those “tremendous deeds” of the Lord shaped the history of the people of God, and continue through the saving action of Jesus Christ. In today’s passage from the first Letter of Peter, the writer holds up the suffering of Christ as a source of hope for the community of believers. Whatever calamity might befall them, they should hold fast and know that their own suffering will be a witness of their faith to others. Whatever criticism they receive, they must respond with gentleness and reverence. In this way they will imitate Jesus himself. The Gospel verses come from another of Jesus’ Last Supper discourses—his teaching for the Apostles before his Death and Resurrection, assuring them that the Advocate would come soon. During Easter Time, however, the message is clearly intended for all believers as a teaching for living in this time and with the grace of the Resurrection. We learn that to express our love of the Lord and to enter into the intimacy of the love between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we must follow the Commandments.

- How is the Lord’s presence in the world described in the readings?
- What are the signs of this presence in the world today? What actions of the Lord in your life lead you to sing the Lord’s praises?

### 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.

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Our Stewardship for Sunday, May 14, 2017 was $14,103.44; $18,827.00 is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for May 14, 2017 is $4,950.19. Second Collection: Church Sound System: $1,002.64.
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

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 Church—
Micah Local Organizing Ministry

We are responsible for the community in which we live, work or worship.  We should do what it takes to make it a place of life and joy.  When traveling to church or if you live in the community, please report things that make the community unsafe or unpleasant.  The Hot Spot Sheet is an anonymous way to report these concerns with detail.  You may turn the sheet into St. Peter Calver Parish Office or give it to the priest or deacon after Mass and it will be forwarded to the Police Department.  The Hot Spot Crime reporting sheets are available in the back of the church.  Let’s do our part to help this be a happy, vibrant and safe community for all.
ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH

St. Peter Claver Homebound and Sick Parishioners

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


MASS INTENTIONS
May 21-27, 2017

Sunday, May 21, 2017
7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
Ms. Emily O’Brien
Mr. James Smith, III
Pauline & Jules Bakewell, Jr.
Mr. Jules Bakewell, III
Ms. Audrey Bakewell
Ms. Florence Bradley
9:00 a.m. Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
Mr. Dwight Bluford, Jr.
11:30 a.m. Ms. Doris Jackson
Ms. Sharon Pulley
Living & deceased members of the
Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Prevost,
Saulney and Wilson families

Tuesday, May 23, 2017
7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Wednesday, May 24, 2017
8:30 a.m. School Mass-Church

Thursday, May 25, 2017
7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, May 26, 2017
8:30 a.m. Mass-St. Ann’s Chapel

Saturday, May 27, 2017
4:00 p.m. Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.
Ms. Mattie Milton
Mr. Morel Dupart

Social Ministry..Food Pantry
Our supplies are very low. We are in great need of the following items: canned green peas, yams, corn bread mix and can cream. We count on your generosity to our brothers and sisters in need. We “thank you” so much for all the food items that we have received as we continue to feed our brothers and sisters in the community.

NOTE: The Legal Clinic will not meet on Saturday, May 27, 2017. They will meet on Saturday, July 29, 2017, 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m., Ujima Center, 1019 N. Prieur St.
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS...

Sacrament of Confirmation: Our young people will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 27, 2017 at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass here in the Church. We invite our parishioners to join us in support of our youth.

A Sincere thanks and appreciation to the RCIA sponsors who so beautifully and faithfully supported our adults preparing for Sacraments this year.

St. Peter Claver Church
“Welcome” Xavier Preparatory High School Class of 1967 who are celebrating their 50th Class Reunion. We hope that your visit will be filled with the Holy Spirit and with God’s special love. Thank you for worshipping with our Parish community.

Bereavement Ministry...

St. Peter Claver Church has formed a Bereavement Ministry. All interested persons are asked to attend a meeting on Wednesday, May 24th at 6:00 p.m. in the Ujima Center. Please sign up in the rear of the Church. We hope to see you there.
Scripture Readings for:
May 22–28, 2017

Monday–5/22/17
Acts 16:11-15
John 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday–5/23/17
Acts 16:5-22-34
John 16:5-11

Wednesday–5/24/17
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1
John 16:12-15

Thursday –5/25/17
Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20

Friday–5/26/17
Acts 18:9-18
John 16:20-23

Saturday–5/27/17
Acts 18:23-28
John 16:23b-28

Sunday –5/28/17
Acts 1:12-14
1 Peter 4:13-16
John 17:1-11a

Post Partum Depression

The birth of a baby can trigger many powerful emotions, from excitement and joy to fear and anxiety, but it can also result in something you might not expect—depression. Many new moms experience the “postpartum baby blues” after childbirth, these emotions typically begin within the first two or three days after delivery, and may last for up to two weeks. However, some new moms experience a more severe, long-lasting form of depression known as postpartum depression. Rarely, an extreme mood disorder called postpartum psychosis also may develop after childbirth. Here are a few silent symptoms that may indicate the onset of postpartum depression: Mood Swings, Sadness, Anxiety, Irritable, Feeling Overwhelmed, Appetite Changes, Can't Sleep or Sleep too Much, Reduced Concentration, Feeling Disconnected from Your Body and Frequent Crying; Postpartum depression isn’t a character flaw or a weakness. Sometimes it’s simply a complication of giving birth. If you have postpartum depression, talk to your healthcare provider. Prompt treatment can help you manage your symptoms and enjoy your baby. REMEMBER YOU ARE NOT ALONE. YOU CAN GET HELP!!!

REFERENCES: Mayo Clinic, NAMI, Pub Med

If you need additional information regarding postpartum depression your Health and Wellness Ministry Nurses stand ready to help!

Office Hours: Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon
Phone: 822-8059

PRAYER FOR THOUGHT...Whoever Loves me will keep my Word says the Lord and my Father will Love him and we will come to him. If you Love me, Keep my Commandments; The Spirit of Truth is always with us. We are to build the Kingdom of God; The Lord has freed his people, alleluia!!
# St. Peter Claver Church Calendar
## May, 2017

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*Note: Times are in 24-hour format.*

- **May Crowning:**
  - May 7: 7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass 11:30 am Mass
- **Mother’s Day:**
  - May 14: 7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass 11:30 am Mass
- **Graduation Sunday:**
  - May 28: 7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass 11:30 am Mass