

ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH

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.



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Principal

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

If someone offered you whatever you wished, for what would you ask? What do you truly want? Today’s readings begin with that question. The First Reading recalls a scene from the beginning of King Solomon’s reign. Because the young king had done everything that a good king under God’s authority should, God appeared to him in a dream and invited him to ask for whatever he wanted. Solomon could have asked for material things, but instead he asked for an understating heart (Hebrew, *leb*, also meaning “mind” or “will”) to know how to lead well and follow God’s will. In the ancient world, the heart was where one’s mental capacities resided. The parables in today’s Gospel appear only in Matthew’s account. In the first two, about the hidden treasure and the pearl, it is not immediately clear whether the message lies in the thing being sought or in the one doing the seeking. But the wise saying that appears at the end of the reading and its mention of the ‘scribe who has been instructed’ (literally disciple) suggests that the parables are about how to enter the Kingdom. The seekers of the hidden treasure and the pearl are willing to give up everything to obtain this most precious gift –being a disciple in God’s Kingdom. When Jesus’ listeners reply that they understand “all these things,” he continues, giving further instruction to those who will teach others about the Kingdom, advising them that they must use both the “old” (the Law and the Prophets) and the “new,” the Gospel. In the Second Reading, Paul gives insight into the path that God has laid out for those who love him. They are called to be conformed to the image of Christ and, in the end-time, glorified.

- ◆ What words and ideas in the First Reading seem to be echoed in the Responsorial Psalm?
- ◆ What might it mean for you to be “conformed” to the image of God’s Son?
- ◆ What do the treasure hidden in the field and the pearl of great price symbolize for you? For what would you be willing to give up “everything”?

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.

Way Of Sharing
God's Blessings"



Our Stewardship for Sunday, July 23, 2017 was **\$12,172.00** **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for July 23, 2017 is **\$6,655.00**. **Second Collection: Building Fund: \$602.15.**

Thanks for your generosity.

L.O.M. (SPC Local Organizing Ministry)

On Tuesday, July 11, 2017, the LOM/MICAH Project hosted a Treme Community meeting at St. James Methodist Church of Louisiana regarding the Bell Artspace Campus Project. COO of Artspace Will Law, Project Manager, Joe Butler, Councilman Jared Brossett, Fr. Asare-Dankwah, Rev. Joseph Tilly, Deacon Allen Stevens and approximately 40 invested community members sought clarity concerning the current stage and future of the Former Bell School Site redevelopment project and its relationship to the community.

**Reflection By: Cecilia Hall & Victoria Llorens
University of Notre Dame, Class of 2020**

The productive meeting ended with several notable takeaways. The projected end date is January to early February, weather pending, and St. Philip Street, which will not be renamed, will be donated from Artspace back to the city and reopened around two months post-construction. The attendees were happy to learn the historic street would keep its name and be returned to Treme. Mr. Law stated that the water retention post-development will noticeably reduce street flooding in the neighborhood and agreed to work with the community to implement similar retention tactics throughout Treme. Ms. Cynthia Davis spoke about how she could not reach her house because N. Johnson Street was blocked by construction equipment and even worse she had no prior notice of its closure. Joe Butler promised to address the closures and outages and mandate that the contractors let him know so he can extend the same courtesy to the community. Ms. Stella Reese brought to the table concerns about how parking would be impacted by the addition of new members to the community. A "good-neighbor" agreement between Artspace and the Treme community was introduced. The community representatives called for communication to stay informed about parking, security, tax-credits and water retention as the years go by. They also wanted a promise for an annual meeting between Artspace and the community to keep communication lines open. The meeting concluded with a prayer and a pact to come together within a month in order to finalize the Good-Neighbor Agreement. We are excited to see the courtesy promised as the project continues and look forward to solidifying an agreement with Artspace. If you have further questions about the development, please direct them to Mrs. Alena Boucree at aboucree@spclaverchurch.org or other members of the Local Organizing Ministry (LOM)



***From the Desk of Deacon Lawrence Houston,
Principal:***

We have openings for students in PreK3. Compare the cost of daycare to St. Peter Claver School. We are a better bargain! Come check us out! God's Blessings!



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.

For more information concerning the RCIA program please contact the Parish Office, 504-822-8059.

Parish Religious Education:

Our Parish Religious Education Program is here to help cultivate the soil so that our parish may bear fruit as Disciples of Christ. Please plan to enroll your child in a formal Catholic Faith Formation/Religious Education Program this fall.

Save the date Parish Religious Education for K-8th grade: First Class, August 19th; 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.; High School Formation: 9th-12th, First Session, August 16th; 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

**Registration for Elementary and High School:
August 5-18, 2017.**

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, Doris Finister, Marie Walker, Shirley Walker, Chris Price, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Cindy Armstrong, Ralph Walker, Albert & Miriam Boucree, 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 Aguillard, 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, Bronson Lee, John Parker, Maureen Nutting, Cynthia Bluford, Barbara Montague, Victoria Leslie.

ATTENTION:

Interested in Traveling to Ghana?

Hosted by

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church

Fr. J-Asare-Dankwah, Pastor

Inquiries/Registration

St. Peter Claver Parish Office

1910 Ursulines Ave., 504-822-8059

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Travel Dates: July 17-31, 2018

Cost: \$3,799.00 per person

Reservations Limited

MASS INTENTIONS

July 30th-August 5, 2017



Sunday, July 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. Percy Walker
Ms. Savannah Butler
Fr. Michael Jacques
Living & deceased members of the Stevens Family
Ms. Elvera Sellers
Ms. Viola Lear

11:30 a.m. Ms. Gwendolyn Wiltz
Mr. Rudy Winford
Living & deceased members of the Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Prevost, Saulney and Wilson families

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Thursday, August 3, 2017

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, August 4, 2017

8:30 a.m. Mass-St. Ann’s Chapel

Saturday, August 5, 2017

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

The Work of Patience

I waited patiently and expectantly for the Lord; and He inclined to me and heard my cry.

Psalm 40:1

Any time you become frustrated and start trying to make things happen on your own, it is a sure sign you are not being patient with God. You need to practice waiting on God and let him do what He wants to do, in His way and time. The best definition of patience I have ever heard is “to be constant or to be the same all the time, no matter what is going on.” Patience is not merely waiting; it is how you act while you are waiting. The hardest thing most of us will ever have to do as Christians is wait on the Lord. You will undoubtedly have to wait on many things during your life –time. Waiting is not optional. But it is during the waiting periods of life that the most powerful things will happen within you.

August 5, 2017

August 6, 2017

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS



- 4:00 p.m. **Reginald Vicks**, Claudette Vicks, Cynthia Smothers, Seritha Spadoni, Verita Thomas, Leonetta Terrell
- 7:30 a.m. **Roslyn Veaks**, Ann Coston, Chandra Green, Joycelyn Renfro, Yolanda Green
- 9:00 a.m. **Mary Boutté**, Nadine Barrios, Rosalyn Johnson, Marguerite Johnson, Karin Legohn
- Balcony:** **Lynette Walker**, Nedra Kelly, Vanessa Smith
- 11:30 a.m. **Tina Ellsworth**, Lionel Evans, Marion Evans, Sandy Duet, Kayla Houston
- Balcony:** **Jona Duplessis**, Dwight Duplessis, Brenda Barnes

LECTORS

- 4:00 p.m. Verita Thomas * Brenda Lackings
7:30 p.m. Brendolyn McKenna * Warren Bell, Jr.
9:00 a.m. Sylvia Robinson * Edith Stevens
11:30 a.m. Eric Williams * Gervy Papion



Weekly Ministry Schedule

July 31st-August 6, 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
	5:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary-Ujima Ctr.
	5:00 p.m.	LOM-Ujima Center
	6:00 p.m.	Family Life-Ujima Center
	7:00 p.m.	RCIA Sessions-Ujima Center
Wed.	6:30 p.m.	Youth Ministry—Sankofa Bldg.
	6:30 p.m.	UMOJA– Ujima Cener
Thurs.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry-Misaada Center
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Mass-St Ann’s Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts-Ujima Center
Sat.	10:45 a.m.	Liturgical Dance Practice-School Hall
	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



BIBLE STUDY...”The Bible is not any story-it is your story. Discover how to read it. “

You will learn:

- ⇒ The 68 major events of the Old Testament that lead to the coming of Jesus Christ and the establishment of the Church.
- ⇒ The major people and places of the Bible and, more importantly, how they fit together-and how they relate to Jesus Christ.
- ⇒ A practical plan for reading the Bible story sequentially. In just 10 to 20 minutes per day, you can learn the entire story overview in just three months. Bible Timeline begins: August 14, 2017

St. Peter Claver Food Pantry...



Parishioners: Please don’t forget the **St. Peter Claver Food Pantry!** While many are grocery shopping, members of our community are in need of food; add a few cans for them. Remember to bring nonperishable items and canned goods to church on Sunday. Our Food Pantry is in need of canned items, such as: milk, peas, green beans, corn, vegetables. We are asking that each parishioner bring two can items on the first Sunday of the month. Thank you for your support!!



St. Peter Claver School will be hosting a Safe Environment Training on Saturday, August 12, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the School Hall. All new parents and parishioners in ministry are encouraged to attend the Safe Environment Training. ***A signup sheet will be forthcoming.***

PRAYER FOR THOUGHT..



The Kingdom of God is like a net thrown into the sea which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they pull it ashore, sit down, and put what is good into buckets and throw away all that is bad. Solomon prayed, “Lord, give me an understanding heart.” GOD is LOVE! God is in his holy place!



Scripture Readings for:
July 30th-August 5, 2017

Monday-7/31/17 *Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34*
 Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday-8/1/17 *Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28*
 Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday-8/2/17 *Exodus 34:29-35*
 Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday -8/3/17 *Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38*
 Matthew 13:47-53

Friday-8/4/17 *Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16,*
 27, 34b-37
 Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday-8/5/17 *Leviticus 25:1, 8-17*
 Matthew 14:1-2

Sunday -8/6/17 *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14*
 2 Peter 1:16-19
 Matthew 17:1-9



FATIMA ROSARY

Monday, July 31, 2017
5:30 p.m. St. Ann Apartments
in the Chapel

Rosary

Hosted By: Ms. Dorothy Holden



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory for:

Mr. Rudy Winford

Requested by: Mr. & Mrs. Richard M. Meyer



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

BACK TO SCHOOL

Preparing your child for the new school term may require more than a new wardrobe and school supplies. Check out these tips to help you prepare for the awesome task you've been waiting for all summer:

Immunization's (SHOTS)-check with your child's healthcare provider to bring your child current;

Vision screening-As your children grow they experience visual changes;

Dental screening-Now's the time to discover any problems that may later cause parents to miss work;

Allergies; medications-Make sure the school nurse and/or secretary is aware of any allergies (food, plants/trees, bee-stings, latex) and/or medications your child is taking at home or maybe needed at school (if medication is needed at school make sure the medication is in a pharmacy bottle clearly marked);

Physical restrictions-If your child has any physical condition (scoliosis brace, asthma, heart murmur) and any physical restrictions, please provide these restrictions in writing to your child's school;

Emergency contact information (be sure to update your child's emergency information-you and an alternate contact numbers and the order to be called, physician/dentist name and number);

Remember to make before and after school arrangements for your child if needed.

If you need more information about childhood immunizations, vision or dental screenings or help scheduling an appointment call the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.

Office hours: Tues. 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Phone: 504-822-8059

July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
2 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Mass 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:30 am Mass	3 NO Bible Study	4 	5 5:30 pm Liturgy Mtg. 6:30 pm 6:30 pm Youth Ministry	6 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	7 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	8 4:00 pm Vigil Mass 6:30 pm Wedding-Church
9 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Mass 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:30 am Mass	10 3:00 pm Senior Citizens 6:00 pm Bible Study	11 6:30 pm LOM Community Mtg. 7:00 pm Nia-Imani	12 6:30 pm Youth Ministry	13 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm Central Committee Meeting	14 4:00 pm Social Concerns 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	15 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Mass 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:30 am Mass Youth Picnic	17 6:00 pm Bible Study; <i>Information Session on The Bible Timeline</i>	18	19 6:30 pm Marriage Min. 6:30 pm Youth Ministry	20 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm Bereavement Ministry	21 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	22 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
23 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Mass 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:30 am Mass	24 3:00 pm Senior Citizens 6:00 pm Bible Study	25 Feast of St. Ann 6:00 pm	26 Feast of St. Ann 6:30 pm Youth Ministry	27 Feast of St. Ann 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	28 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	29 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Mass 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:30 am Mass	31 6:00 pm Bible Study	August 1 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm LOM 5:00 pm legion of Mary 6:00 pm Family Life	August 2nd 6:30 pm Youth Ministry 6:30 pm UMOJA	August 3rd 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	August 4th 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	August 5th 4:00 pm Vigil Mass

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