



# ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH

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

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

**Saturday Evening:** 4:00 p.m.

**Sundays:** 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 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](http://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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Rev. J. Asare-Dankwah  
**Pastor**

## DEACONS:

Mr. Lawrence Houston  
Mr. Allen Stevens

## PASTORAL STAFF

Mrs. Alena Boucree  
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Ms. Margie Brown  
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Mrs. Veronica Downs-Dorsey  
Director of Music

Mrs. Marinda Lee-Houston  
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Mrs. Edith B. Reed  
Executive Secretary

## St. Peter Claver School

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Deacon Lawrence Houston  
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**

On this First Sunday of Advent, the reading from Jeremiah provides a prophecy of restoration and healing for Judah and the promise of a salvific king from the line of David. This prophecy also notes that Jerusalem will be called by a new name, “the LORD our Justice.” the Hebrew yhwy tzidqenu is a plan on the name tzidqi-yahu or Zedekiah, a “puppet” king of Judah who, against the warnings of Jeremiah, revolted against the Babylonians and brought about the destruction of Jerusalem in 587/6 bc. Zedekiah is remembered as the last king of the Davidic line. For Christians, Zedekiah is not the last of king of Judah. In today’s Gospel, we hear of the glorious Son of Man, the Risen Christ, whose return will be announced with cosmological signs and who will come in power so great that it will shake the heavens. Those who wait for him need not cower in fear. Instead, they should stand tall because it is the dawn of redemption for those who practice faithful endurance. Yes, the faithful will suffer difficulties, but soon they will experience the justice, mercy, and compassion of God in the presence of the Son of Man. In the Second Reading, Paul echoes these thoughts about the coming Son of Man and adds an admonition for how we should live in the meantime. Perhaps not surprisingly, he says love is the rule. We are called to grow in love for everyone and thereby have the ability to stand blameless before God when Christ returns.

- ◆ What does the metaphor of a shoot being raised up from David suggest to you about God’s promised king? (First Reading)
- ◆ How can love strengthen the heart of the coming of Christ? (Second Reading)
- ◆ How can you remain vigilant for the coming of the Lord? (Gospel)

**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, November 25, 2018 was **\$12,744.76**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for November 25, 2018 is **\$6,082.24**. **2nd Collection: SPC Social Concerns: Thanksgiving Day & Sunday Masses: \$1,196.73**

*Thanks for your generosity.*



**Scripture Readings for:**  
**December 3-9, 2018**

**Monday-12/3/18**      *Isaiah 2:1-5*  
                                  *Matthew 8:5-11*

**Tuesday-12/4/18**    *Isaiah 11:1-10*  
                                  *Luke 10:21-24*

**Wednesday-12/5/18** *Isaiah 25:6-10a*  
                                  *Matthew 15:29-37*

**Thursday -12/6/18**    *Isaiah 26:1-6*  
                                  *Matthew 7:21, 24-27*

**Friday-12/7/18**      *Isaiah 29:17-24*  
                                  *Matthew 9:27-31*

**Saturday-12/8/18**    *Genesis 3:9-15, 20*  
                                  *Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12*  
                                  *Luke 1:26-38*

**Sunday -12/9/18**      *Baruch 5:1-9*  
                                  *Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11*  
                                  *Luke 3:1-6*



Get Ready for Christmas Eve Children’s Mass  
 Calling all youth, school-aged children through High School, your gifts and talents are needed to help celebrate the birth of Our Lord and Savior Jesus at the Children's Christmas Eve Mass. Please sign up in the back of church or on the Parish Website. **Our next practice will be held on Wednesday, December 5th at 5:30 p.m. in the School Hall.**

**December 8, 2018**

**December 9, 2018**



**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

4:00 p.m. **Ingrid Delahoussaye**, Derek Delahoussaye, Veronica Stevenson, Adrain Francis, Stella Reese, Cynthia Smothers

7:30 a.m. **Ellen Lee**, Monique Hardy, William Broyard, Nona Webb, Elvira Talton

10:00 a.m. **Dwight Duplessis**, Jona Duplessis, Henri Reed, Donald Reed, Debra Smith

**Balcony:** **Darnell Brooks**, Mark Foster, Alena Boucree

**Lectors**

4:00 p.m. Verita Thomas \* Lester Arnaud  
 7:30 p.m. Ronnie LaCabe \* Charmaine Gray  
 10:00 a.m. Hillary Williams \* Kenitha Grooms-Williams

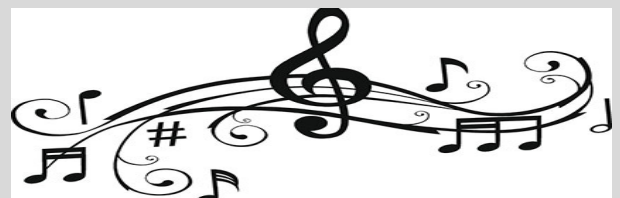


The “Voices of Peter Claver” Choir proudly presents their “Annual Christmas Concert”

Sunday, December 16, 2018  
 5:00 p.m.

**Other Featured Performers**

Youth & Young Adult Choir  
 The SPC Liturgical Dancers & Drummers  
 Special Guest—Soloists



**FEAST OF THE  
IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION**

**DECEMBER 8, 2018**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
**Holy Day of Obligation Mass**

**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, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Joyce Evans, Javette and Michael Garner, John & Claire Bidol, Demetria Bernard, Gladys Shief, Jerald LaPierre, Robert "RJ" LaPierre, Doris Finister, Marie Walker, Shirley Walker, Chris Price, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Cindy Armstrong, Ralph Walker, Albert & Miriam Boucree, Audrey Evans, Vint Barney, Lydia Broyard, Yvette Brown, Shirley Pratt, Grace Jones, Lorraine Bowman, Linda Hunter, Ruby Perry, Yolanda Green, Barbara Phillips, Inaclaire Buckley, 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, Verlyn Mallory, Marva Batiste, Bronson Lee, John Parker, Maureen Nutting, Cynthia Bluford, Victoria Leslie, Lorraine Bart, Myrtle Dorsey, Bernell Johnson, Tamiko Haynes, Warrentia Clincy, Lula Belle Moss, Wilma Wilson, Wendell Baptiste, Dorothy Holden, Maxine Rixner, Jeremy Tauriac, Shonne Pierce, Wylene Jones, Nowell Lackings, Sr., Dereck Rovaris, Sr., Roslind Louis, Emelda Paul. Noel Baudy, Lydia Edwards, Ted Nutting.

**FATIMA ROSARY**

Monday, December 3, 2018  
4:30 p.m.. 2100 Ursulines Ave., Apt. 1103



Hosted By: Ms. Mercedes Lewis



**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

Will burn in memory for:

**Mrs. Isabelle Williams**

**Requested by: Javette Garner, daughter**

***St. Peter Claver Catholic Church  
The Globetrotters***

**11 days Cultural, Educational & Historical Journey to Ghana, the Motherland**



**July 10-20, 2019**

St. Peter Claver is planning its 2nd Ghana Experience to the Motherland from July 10-20, 2019 and you are invited to join us. If you have never visited Ghana, this is your year! If you have never traveled with us before, this one is certain to exceed your expectations. The trip is full of educational, inspirational, emotional and enlightening experiences. If interested, please call the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059 or send an email to:

[spcglobetrotters@gmail.com](mailto:spcglobetrotters@gmail.com)

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**REQUIREMENTS FOR GHANA TRAVEL**

**Passport, Visa, Immunizations**

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:**

Due Upon Booking  
Initial Payment \$500.00

Second Payment \$500.00  
October 31, 2018

Third Payment \$1,000.00  
November 30, 2018

Balance/Final  
January 31, 2019





## Sylvia Cares

3rd Annual Christmas  
PAJAMA Drive, 2018



There are many children active and vital members of our community who will not receive a Christmas gift this holiday season. Please let it be about **GIVING** and not just receiving! Please help me spread a little joy and love to the children in our community this holiday season by donating a new set of PAJAMAS!! **Sizes: Infant 3 mos-24 mos.; Toddler 2T-6T, 6x; girls/boys 7-14; Youth S, M, L & XL; Adult S, M, & L.** Donations are still being accepted.

## SPC Advent Gift Giving, 2018

The second week in Advent, we will donate one OR several of the following items to the Rebuild Center: **Large & small towels (white), face cloths (white), men's white tee-shirts, toothpaste & toothbrushes and deodorant.** We are asking that you be a blessing to someone and bring these items to Mass on Sunday, December 9, 2018. Thanks for your generosity.



Save  
THE  
Date

Ministry  
Celebration

Please join Fr. Asare and the Pastoral Staff for an evening of "Ministry Appreciation

Dinner" for all persons involved in Ministry in the Church on **Saturday, December 8, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** in the School Hall. Please call the Parish Office to submit your name.

## Weekly Ministry Schedule

December 4-9, 2018



Tues.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry-Missada Ctr.
	10:00 a.m.	Health & Wellness-Missada
	5:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary-Ujima Ctr.
	6:00 p.m.	Advisory, Finance & Pastoral Councils—School Library
	6:00 p.m.	Family Life-Ujima Center
	6:00 p.m.	Youth/Young Adult Choir-Rehearsal-Church
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	School Mass-Church
	6:00 p.m.	Faith Formation-Ujima Center
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Ministry-Sankofa
Thurs.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry-Missada Center
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal-Church
Fri.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
Sat.	8:30 a.m.	Immaculate Conception Mass-Church
	9:00 a.m.	CCD Classes-School Bldg.
	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass-Church
	6:00 p.m.	Ministry Appreciation Dinner
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church

## St. Peter Claver Adopt-A-Family

How would you feel as a child waking up and there are not gifts for you?



"Make Room and Prepare for the Coming of the Lord". Our Advent hope is to be able to help families in our communities prepare and share in the joy of Christ's coming. Adopting A-Family is a wonderful way to share your blessings with others during this season. If you would like to Adopt-A-Family, please contact Mrs. Marinda Lee-Houston in the Parish Office or via email [mlee@spclaverchurch.org](mailto:mlee@spclaverchurch.org). We are also accepting toy donations, if you would just like to donate.

*Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed. Proverbs 19:17*



## December 2-8, 2018

### Sunday, December 2, 2018

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver  
Mr. Kenneth Carter  
Mr. James Smith, III  
Living & deceased members of the O'Brien Family

10:00 a.m. Sr. Pat Haley  
Ms. Carrie Cohea  
Ms. Jade Gibson  
Mr. Percy Walker  
Mr. Paul Steib  
Edward & Edna Walker  
Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum  
Stanley & Laverne McWilliams  
Living & deceased members of the Aldrich, Evans, Moss and Tureaud families  
Living & deceased members of the Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Saulney, Prevost & Wilson families

### Tuesday, December 4, 2018

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

### Wednesday, December 5, 2018

8:30 a.m. School Mass

### Thursday, December 6, 2018

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

### Friday, December 7, 2018

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

### Saturday, December 8, 2018

4:00 p.m. Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.  
Mr. Thomas A.G. Lee  
**Ms. Onelia Martin (Living)**

### PRAYER FOR THOUGHT....



Nations, hear the message of the Lord, and make it known to the ends of the earth. Our Savior is coming have no more fear! Prepare for the coming of the **LORD**. O come, O come Emmanuel! To you, O Lord, I lift my soul! **Amen.**



## St. Peter Claver Church Health & Wellness Ministry

### DIABETES ALERT

Diabetes symptoms are the same but they differ in how soon they are noticed depending on the type. These symptoms also differ depending on how high your blood sugar is elevated. In type 1 diabetes the symptoms come on slowly but are more severe. Pre-diabetes or type 2 diabetes may not experience symptoms initially and tend to come on slowly. Some of the signs and symptoms of type 1 and type 2 diabetes include: **Increased thirst; Frequent urination; Extreme hunger; Unexplained weight loss (in spite of an increased appetite); Presence of ketones in the urine (ketones are a byproduct of the breakdown of muscle and fat that happens when there's not enough insulin); Fatigue (feeling tired); Blurred vision; Slow-healing sores; Mild high blood pressure; Frequent infections. Should you experience any of these symptoms please contact your doctor.**

**Over time**, having too much glucose in your blood can cause life threatening complications can occur: Heart disease and stroke, High blood pressure, Blindness, Kidney disease, Nervous system disease (neuropathy), Amputation.

### **You can prevent or delay the onset of type 2 diabetes by practicing a healthy lifestyle.**

- Change your diet (incorporate vegetables, fruit, and whole grains daily)
- Exercise (5 times a week for at least 30 minutes)
- Maintain a healthy weight

**If you need more information about diabetes or help managing your diabetes call the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.**

**Office Hours:** Tues. 10:00am – 12:00pm  
**Phone:** 504-827-8059

**References:** 1.) American Diabetes Association; PubMed; Mayo Clinic



# St. Peter Claver Catholic Church

## December, 2018

### Meetings & Events

**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

						<p><i>1</i> 9:00 am CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p><i>2</i> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass</p>	<p><i>3</i></p>	<p><i>4</i> 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Family Life</p>	<p><i>5</i> 8:30 am School Mass 7:00 pm McMain Concert</p>	<p><i>6</i> 6:00 pm Choir Re- hearsal</p>	<p><i>7</i> 6:00 pm Boys Scout</p>	<p><i>8</i> 8:30 am Holy Obligations Mass 9:00 am CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p><i>9</i> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass</p>	<p><i>10</i> 3:00 pm Senior Citizens'</p>	<p><i>11</i> 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm NIA- Imani</p>	<p><i>12</i> 8:30 am School Mass</p>	<p><i>13</i> 6:00 pm NOCC Mtg.</p>	<p><i>14</i> 4:00 pm Social Concerns</p>	<p><i>15</i> 9:00 am CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass <b>6:00 pm Min- istry Dinner</b></p>
<p><i>16</i> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass <b>5:00 pm Christmas Concert</b></p>	<p><i>17</i></p>	<p><i>18</i> 5:00 pm Legion of Mary</p>	<p><i>19</i> 4:30 pm Bereavement</p>	<p><i>20</i> 6:00 pm School Christmas Play</p>	<p><i>21</i></p>	<p><i>22</i> 9:00 am CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p><i>23</i> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass</p>	<p><i>24</i> 6:00 pm Chil- dren's Christ- mas Eve Mass 11:30 am Mid- night Mass</p>	<p><i>25</i> 10:00 am Christmas Day Mass</p>	<p><i>26</i> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>	<p><i>27</i></p>	<p><i>28</i></p>	<p><i>29</i> 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p><i>30</i> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass</p>	<p><i>31</i></p>	<p><b>Happy Kwanzaa</b></p>				

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