



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 am.-5:00 pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-7 – Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Meet in the parish hall.

WEBSITE : www.stpeterclaverneworleans.org

FACEBOOK: www.saintpeterclaverNOLA

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

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

1923 St. Philip Street
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Credit Union (504) 988-7420
Misaada Center (504) 827-0707

Rev. J. Asare-Dankwah
Pastor

DEACONS:

Mr. Lawrence Houston
Mr. Allen Stevens

PASTORAL STAFF

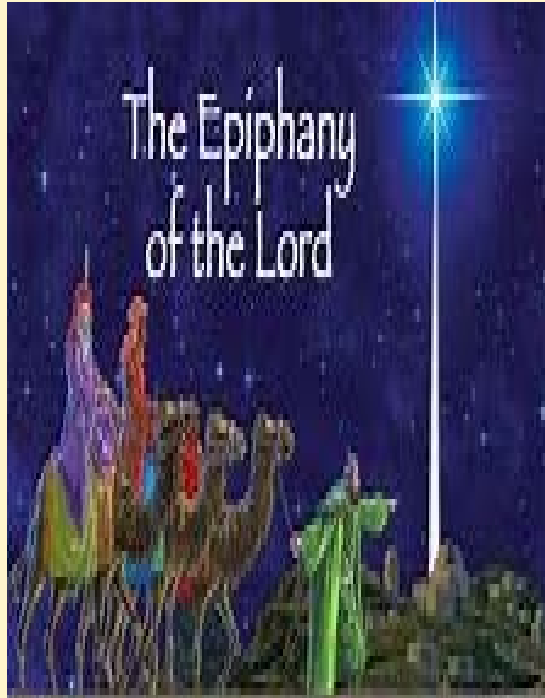
Mrs. Alena Boucree
Director of Religious Education

Ms. Margie Brown
Business Manager

Mrs. Veronica Downs-Dorsey
Director of Music

Mrs. Marinda Lee-Houston
Youth Ministry

Mrs. Edith B. Reed
Executive Secretary



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

The prophet Isaiah contrasts a picture of the world living in darkness with “the glory of the Lord” shining on Jerusalem. The nations of the world are drawn toward this light. Isaiah proclaims a profound truth: God’s love and salvation, first offered to Israel, is meant to be shared with all nations. This message calls for joy: “your heart shall throb and overflow.”

Paul stresses the theme that God’s salvation is intended for all people. This mystery, hidden beforehand, had now been revealed to Paul through the inspiration of the Spirit: all human beings are called to become “coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.”

Our Gospel narrative expresses this same mystery. On the day of Christ’s birth, the first to receive the Good News were Jewish shepherds in the fields. Now, at the Epiphany, pagan astrologers, wise men from the East, the Magi, come searching for the “newborn King of the Jews” by following the light of a star. This event fulfills Isaiah’s prophecy announced in the First Reading. The contrast of King Herod to the Magi is remarkable: the leader of the Jewish people refuses to accept the news of the Jewish king’s birth and plans to kill him, while these pagan Magi have traveled far searching for this king and prostrate themselves in worship before him. Their gifts symbolize their belief: gold, the most precious of metals, is a suitable gift for a king. Frankincense, used in worship, symbolizes the child’s divinity, Myrrh, used in preparing a body of burial, symbolizes Jesus’ humanity. We recall how after Jesus’ death his body was anointed with “myrrh and aloes” (John 19:38-42). Our readings remind us of the powerful truth that God’s love is for everyone. Like the Magi, we are called to open our hearts to accept that love.

- Why does the prophet Isaiah call on his readers to rejoice?
- How would you explain the “mystery” that St. Paul speaks about in the Second Reading?
- Was there an “epiphany” in your life that brought you closer to the Lord?

The Principles of KWANZAA”



We would like to thank everyone who came out on Friday, December 27th to celebrate the Spirit of **UJAMAA**. A Special “Thank You” to the New Orleans Chapter of The Black Social Workers Association and all other organizations within the City of New Orleans.



STEWARDSHIP
a way of life

Our Stewardship for Sunday, December 22, 2019, was **\$9,202.00**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for December 22, 2019 is **\$9,625.00**; **2nd Collection: Building Fund: \$432.22.**

Our Stewardship for Christmas, 2019 was **\$6,846.76.**

Our Stewardship for Sunday, December 29, 2019, was **\$10,744.15**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for December 29, 2019 is **\$8,082.85**; **2nd Collection: Building Fund: \$407.00**

Thanks for your generosity.

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.

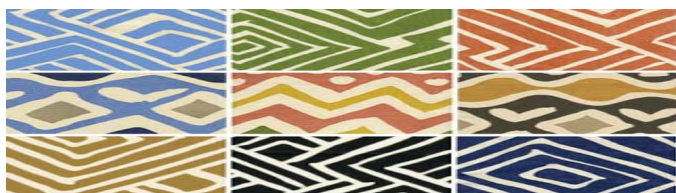
Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community.

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.

VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, give to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life. May Your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let Your grace sustain them. **AMEN.**



Scripture Readings for: *January 6-12, 2020*

<i>Monday-01/6/20</i>	<i>1 John 3:22-4:6</i> <i>Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25</i>
<i>Tuesday-01/7/20</i>	<i>1 John 4:7-10</i> <i>Mark 6:34-44</i>
<i>Wednesday-01/8/20</i>	<i>1 John 4:11-18</i> <i>Mark 6:45-52</i>
<i>Thursday-01/9/20</i>	<i>1 John 4:19-5:4</i> <i>Luke 4:14-22a</i>
<i>Friday-01/10/20</i>	<i>1 John 5:5-13</i> <i>Luke 5:12-16</i>
<i>Saturday-01/11/20</i>	<i>1 John 5:14-21</i> <i>John 3:22-30</i>
<i>Sunday-01/12/20</i>	<i>Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7</i> <i>Acts 10:34-38</i> <i>Matthew 3:13-17</i>



MEETING NOTICE!

Schedule *January 5-9, 2020*

Mon.	<i>NO Bible Study</i>
Tues.	7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory 10:00 a.m. Food Pantry-Misaada Center 10:00 a.m. Health/Wellness Ministry 5:00 p.m. Legion of Mary-Ujima Center 6:00 p.m. Family Life-Ujima Center
Wed.	7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory 7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry-Sankofa
Thurs.	7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory 10:00 a.m. Food Pantry-Misaada Center 6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal-Church
Fri.	7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout-Ujima Center
Sat.	9:00 a.m. NO CCD Classes 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass-Church
Sun.	7:30 a.m. Sunday Mass-Church 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass-Church



ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH

St. Peter Claver Homebound and Sick Parishioners

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

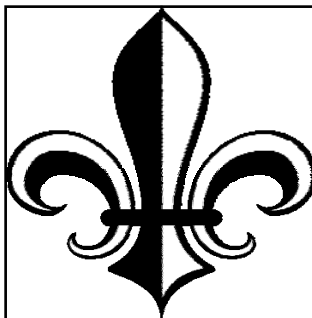
Edith Henry, Alice Allen, Gwendolyn Rocque, Joycelyn Johnson, Stanley & Beatrice Grant, Myra Harrell, Pearl Dupart, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Joyce Evans, Javette and Michael Garner, John & Claire Bidol, Demetria Bernard, Gladys Shief, Jerald LaPierre, Robert "RJ" LaPierre, Doris Finister, Marie Walker, Chris Price, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Cindy Armstrong, Ralph Walker, Albert & Miriam Boucree, Audrey Evans, Vint Barney, Yvette Brown, Shirley Pratt, Lorraine Bowman, Linda Hunter, Ruby Perry, Barbara Phillips, Ina Claire Buckley, Louise Jenkins, Toki Joseph, Joseph Williams, Gerard Robinson, Sr., Emelda Petit, Johnnie Petit, Scarlett Crawford, Vivian Plessy, Debra Gray, Lionel and Marion Evans, Verlyn Mallory, Marva Batiste, Bronson Lee, John Parker, Maureen Nutting, Cynthia Bluford, Victoria Leslie, Lorraine Bart, Myrtle Dorsey, Bernell Johnson, Tamiko Haynes, Warrentia Clincy, Wilma Wilson, Wendell Baptiste, Maxine Rixner, Jeremy Tauriac, Shonne Pierce, Wylene Jones, Nowell Lackings, Sr., Roslind Louis, Lydia Edwards, Ted Nutting, Alcede Carter, Joseph Washington, Ruby Downs, Delores Chapital, Rockial Riley, Jerri Queen, Malcolm Lear, Mary Harris, Florence Lee, Sarah Lafitte, Gail O'Brien, Marynell Fernandez, Charlie Mae Thompson, Donna Stallworth, Gloria Oliver, Gerald Merritt, Wilma White, Janet Nealy.

FATIMA ROSARY

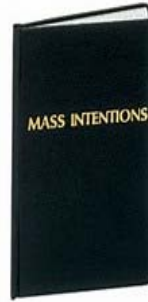
Monday, January 6, 2020
@ 5:00 p.m. 2100 Ursulines Ave., Apt. 1103



Requested by: Ms. Mercedes Lewis



NEW ORLEANS, LA



The 2020 Mass Intention

Book... is open. If you would like to offer a Mass Intention for another person or for the Repose of the Soul of a deceased loved one, please submit your Mass Intention requests calling the Parish Office, 504-822-8059. the donation for Mass Intentions is \$5.00 and the donation for the Sanctuary Candle is \$10.00.



We welcome all newcomers to St. Peter Claver Church. Please fill out the "Welcome Card" as the Ministers of Hospitality gives you and drop it in the collection basket. A member of St. Peter Claver Church will contact you with registration.

"Thank You"!



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

OPEN
Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

January 11, 2020

January 12, 2020



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

7:30 a.m. **Monique Hardy**, Roslyn Veals, Joycelyn Renfro, Nona Webb, Chandra Green

10:00 a.m. **Nedra Kelly**, Arthur Johnson, Kathleen Lee, Kionne Lear, Damien Perrin

Balcony: **Linda Boyle**, Kayla Houston, Dwight Bluford

Lectors

4:00 p.m. Aisha Edwards * Lorraine Edwards

7:30 p.m. Ellen Lee * Amber Brown

10:00 a.m. Marie Collins * Donna Christopher



Consult with an Attorney for FREE!!

About your **CONSUMER DEBT** Problems
**Debt Problems-Collection Harassment-
Bankruptcy-Foreclosure-Contract Disputes**

WHEN: Saturday, January 25, 2020
12:00 noon—2:00 p.m.

WHERE: St. Peter Claver Ujima Center
1019 N. Prieur Street
New Orleans, LA 70116

“Words of Wisdom”

By: John Wooden

**“Do not let what you cannot do
interfere with what you can do.”**

**This year (2020) let’s make some
Spiritual Resolutions:**

1. Spending more time with family.
2. Volunteering to help others (A day this year working at the “Food Pantry”)
3. Couples work hard at nurturing the Covenant of Love you have with Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
4. Attend the Women’s Retreat
5. Attend the Men’s Retreat
6. Join a Ministry
7. Increase financial stewardship to the Church.
8. Share your time and talents building God’s Kingdom.
9. Once a month bring a can goods to Church.
10. Pray, Pray, Pray more often.

ATTENTION: Church Calendar

JUST A REMINDER to ALL Ministries or Organizations. The next Ministerial Council meeting, please have in writing all of your events of your ministry to be place on the Church Calendar once it has been approved by the Parish Office.



Religious Education

Confirmation Session: This session of Confirmation has been postponed to a later dates.

*“Choose tis day whom you will serve...but
as far me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”
Joshua 24:15*



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, please contact the Parish Office, 504-822-8059.

PRAYER FOR THOUGHT...



Nations walk by your light and
Kings by your shining radiance.
The Shepherds went in haste to
Bethlehem and found Mary &
Joseph, and the infant lying in a manger.
Rejoice! Celebrate the season of light.
Come let us adore Him!

All nations walk by His light!



Mass Intention

January 4-10, 2020

Saturday, January 4, 2020

4:00 p.m. Ms. Leah Chase
Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.
Octave & Leontine Francis
Mr. Thomas A.G. Lee
Mr. Jiar Joseph Means
Mr. John Bidol (Living)

Sunday, January 5, 2020

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
Mr. Kenneth Carter
Mr. James Smith, III
In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
10:00 a.m. Ms. Jade Gibson
Mr. Edgar Boucree
Ms. Lydia Broyard
Mr. Chester Staes
Mr. Lionel Joienille
Mr. Jareath M. Francis, Sr.
Edward and Edna Walker
Mr. Percy Walker
Michelle, Caden, Cylie
McCullum
Living & deceased members of
the Crusto, Fleury, Graham,
Saulney Prevost & Wilson families

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Thursday, January 9, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, January 10, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

STEWARDSHIP

There is much in the Gospels that helps us understand the concept of Christian Stewardship. Stewardship offers a way to invite all people to become more aware of Jesus Christ. His example and how through Stewardship we can become authentic Disciples of Christ. Through commitments of Talent, Treasure and Time, people will discover that they grow spiritually and their faith is deepened.



St. Peter Claver Church Health & Wellness Ministry

Influenza (FLU) Cleaning to Prevent the Flu

The FLU season is approaching so be prepared to protect yourself and those you love. When caring for yourself and others who may become infected with the FLU virus remember these tips to prevent the spread of the FLU.

Cleaning To Prevent The FLU: The flu virus can “live” on some surfaces (door knobs, tables) for up to 48 hours. Routine cleaning of surfaces may reduce the spread of the flu.

What kills Flu viruses?

Flu viruses are killed by heat about 167° F [75°C]. **Common** household cleaning products can also kill the flu virus, including products containing: chlorine, hydrogen peroxide, detergents (soap), iodophors (iodine-based antiseptics), alcohols.

How should a caregiver handle a sick person's tissues or other items?

Make sure to wash your hands after touching the sick person. Also wash after handling their tissues or laundry.

For more information call CDC info at 1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636) or go to www.cdc.gov/flu.

Need more info about Influenza (FLU) or any other medical condition please call or visit the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.

**Office Hours: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.
Phone: (504) 827-0707**

References: U. S. Department of Health and Human Services

ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH
Events & Meetings

January, 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Happy New Year!! 10:00 am Mass	2 7:30 am Mass	3 7:30 am Mass	4 9:00 am NO CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
5 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	6	7 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Family Life	8 7:30 am Mass	9 7:30 am Mass	10 7:30 am Mass 4:00 pm Social Concerns 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	11 9:00 am CCD Classes 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
12 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	13	14 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Nia- Imani	15 7:30 am Mass 4:30 pm Bereavement	16 7:30 am Mass	17 7:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	18 9:00 am CCD Classes 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
19 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	20 HOLIDAY Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. OFFICE CLOSED	21 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary	22 7:30 am Mass	23 7:30 am Mass	24 7:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	25 9:00 am CCD Classes 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
26 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	27	28 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary	29 7:30 am Mass	30 7:30 am Mass	31 7:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	

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