



# 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](http://www.stpeterclaverneworleans.org)

**FACEBOOK:** [www.saintpeterclaverNOLA](http://www.saintpeterclaverNOLA)

**NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME TO OUR PARISH  
COMMUNITY!** We ask that you please call the office to  
register in the parish.

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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

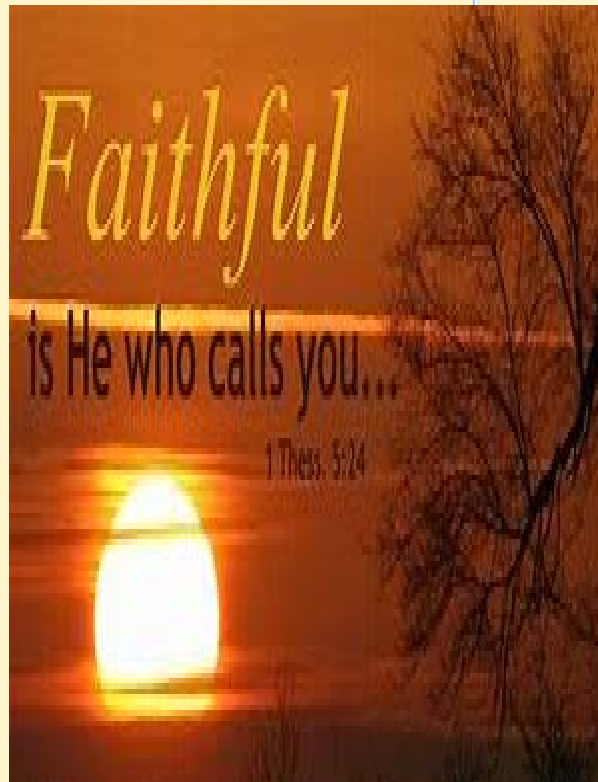
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Director of Music

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 geographical references in today's readings from Isaiah and Matthew are highly significant. The lands of Zebulun and Naphtali were the territories of the northern-most tribes of Israel. In 721 BC, the Assyrians invaded these regions and destroyed the northern kingdom of Israel. Later, in 587 BC, the Babylonians destroyed the southern kingdom of Judah, sending the population into exile. Matthew uses these geographical allusions deliberately to teach that Jesus' public ministry inaugurates the restoration of God's Kingdom where it was first extinguished. Jesus brings God's light and salvation into these areas of desolation, fulfilling the prophet Isaiah's hope: "The people who walked in darkness / have seen a great light; / upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom / a light has shone."

Jesus enters Galilee with the challenge: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Unambiguously, Jesus proclaims his intention of inaugurating God's Kingdom. He issues a call to enter a new relationship with God by undergoing a change of heart.

Jesus invites two sets of brothers, Peter and Andrew and James and John, to follow him. His call comes amid their daily occupations. They respond promptly by abandoning their ordinary activities and redirecting their lives to a new way of service to the Lord and the establishment of his Kingdom.

Jesus' call comes to each of us in our everyday activities. In Baptism, we are called to recognize that "the kingdom of heaven is at hand." In our daily lives, we experience Jesus' presence and witness that we are his followers.

- ◇ Why does Matthew refer to the "land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali"?
- ◇ When Jesus calls the four fishermen to follow him, they respond immediately. What is your impression of these disciples?
- ◇ Everyone has been called to follow the Lord. How do you experience Jesus' calling in your daily activities?

## St. Peter Claver Catholic Church

### *Prepares to Celebrate 100 Years in Tremé*



We are one of the Archdiocese of New Orleans' oldest parishes located in the historic Tremé neighborhood. We are preparing to celebrate our Centennial in 2020 with a series of activities and events in September designed to commemorate 100 years of serving the faithful. We were established in 1920 primarily for Black Catholic worshippers on church grounds that became available when St. Ann Parish vacated the premises and moved to another location. For many decades we operated a highly successful K-8 Catholic Elementary school with teaching support from the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and a dedicated cadre of lay faculty, plus pastoral leadership provided for many years by the Josephites (Society of St. Joseph) then later by the Society of St. Edmund. These days we are an Archdiocesan parish under the leadership of Fr. John Asare-Dankwah, our pastor. We will hold a Car Raffle in 2020 for the purpose of reducing outstanding Parish Debt. In addition, special 100th Anniversary activities and events already confirmed will include:

#### Friday, September 11, 2020

**GOSPEL CONCERT** featuring the Voices of Peter Claver Choir, Guest artists at St. Peter Claver Church.

#### Saturday, September 12, 2020

#### **CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION MASS**

4:00 p.m., St. Peter Claver Church with Archbishop Gregory Aymond;

#### **CENTENNIAL BANQUET/GALA**

7:00 p.m. at Hyatt-Regency Hotel

#### Sunday, September 13, 2020

#### **FEAST DAY MASS**

10:00 a.m. followed by the **PARISH PICNIC**; (site to be determined)

Further details will be forthcoming. For more information on the Centennial, contact Marinda Lee-Houston at (504) 822-8059.



"May the Lord Smile on You and be Gracious to You"

To our own Seminarian Ajani Gibson...on Sunday, January 19, 2020 he received The Rite of Admission to Candidacy. This is a ritual in which a man aspiring to Holy Orders publicly states his intention to receive Holy Orders. The bishop publicly accepts the aspirants' intention and affirms his support. Let us continue to keep Ajani in our daily prayers.



### Scripture Readings for: January 27-February 2, 2020

- Monday-01/27/20      2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10  
Mark 3:22-30
- Tuesday-01/28/20    2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19  
Mark 3:31-35
- Wednesday-01/29/20 2 Samuel 7:4-17  
Mark 4:1-20
- Thursday-01/30/20    2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29  
Mark 4:21-25
- Friday-01/31/20      2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a,  
13-17  
Mark 4:26-34
- Saturday-02/1/20     2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17  
Mark 4:35-41
- Sunday-02/2/20I      Malachi 3:1-4  
Hebrews 2:14-18  
Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32



## Religious Education

### Confirmation—SAVE-the-DATE

**Confirmation Session:** To be held on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at approximately 11:30 a.m. (Following the 10:00 a.m. Mass). There will be a session for Candidates, Sponsors and Parents. The session will culminate with a commitment service. Lite refreshments will be served.

*"Choose this day whom you will serve...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."*

*Joshua 24:15*



### MEETING NOTICE!

### Schedule January 27-February 2, 2020

- Mon.      6:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 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
- 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
- 1:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study-Ujima Ctr.
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal-Church
- Fri.      7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory
- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts-Ujima Center
- Sat.      9:00 a.m. CCD Classes-School Annex
- 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass-Church
- Sun.     7:30 a.m. Sunday Mass-Church
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass-Church



Our Stewardship for Sunday, January 19, 2020, was **\$14,446.82**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for January 19, 2020 is **\$4,380.18**; **2nd Collection: Parish Assessment: \$342.52.**

*Thanks for your generosity.*



### SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory for:

**Lady Lydia Broyard**

**Requested by: The Broyard Family**

**St. Peter Claver Homebound and Sick Parishioners**

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

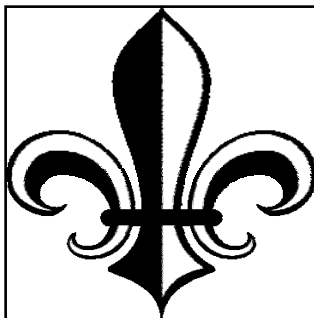
Edith Henry, Alice Allen, Gwendolyn Rocque, Joycelyn Johnson, Stanley & Beatrice Grant, Myra Harrell, Pearl Dupart, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Joyce Evans, Javette and Michael Garner, John & Claire Bidol, Demetria Bernard, Gladys Shief, Jerald LaPierre, Robert "RJ" LaPierre, Doris Finister, Marie Walker, 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, Wilma Wilson, Wendell Baptiste, Maxine Rixner, Jeremy Tauriac, Shonne Pierce, Wylene Jones, Nowell Lackings, Sr., Roslind Louis, Lydia Edwards, Ted Nutting, 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, Gloria Oliver, Gerald Merritt, Wilma White, Janet Nealy, Myrtle Williams, Ramona Walker, Edward Brown, Lucille Anderson.

**FATIMA ROSARY**

**Monday, January 27, 2020**  
**@ 4:30 p.m. 2100 Ursulines Ave., Apt. 1103**



**Requested by: Karin Legohn**



**February 1, 2020**  
**February 2, 2020**



4:00 p.m. **Reginald Vicks**, Claudette Vicks, Cynthia Smothers, Verita Thomas, Cleo Silas Veronica Stevenson

7:30 a.m. **Chandra Green**, Ellen Lee, Yolanda Green, Ann Coston, Keith Darby

10:00 a.m. **Angela Rovaris**, Keith Darby, Kayla Houston, Ida Butler, Dwight Duplessis

**Balcony:** **Eleanor Chapital**, Joan Duplessis, Donald Reed

**Lectors**

4:00 p.m. Cynthia Davis \* Sandra Dave  
7:30 p.m. Brendolyn McKenna \* Warren Bell  
10:00 a.m. Marc Barnes, Sr. \* Kim Byrd

**The Archdiocesan Silver Wedding Anniversary.**



If you were married in 1995, please call the Parish Office or fill out the Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration Form in the rear of the Church. This Celebration will take place on March 22, 2020.

**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.**

**PRAYER FOR THOUGHT....**

Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men; Guide me O Lord in your truth; I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Amen!

## 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.

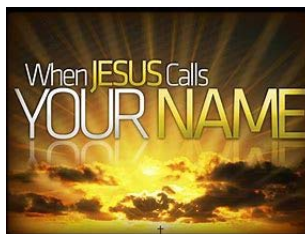
## Lantern Light Position:

### Kitchen Assistant/Donation Collector:

All interested persons are asked to contact Mrs. Kenitha Williams at (504) 273-5573, ext. 115 or via email: kagwilliams@lanternlight.org

**Education:** High School diploma or GED preferred, but not required.. **License & Certifications:** Valid LA driver's license (LA Class E); clean Department of Motor Vehicle Report (No DUI's, Reckless Driving or Major Moving Violations) Must have a large vehicle or SUV to pick up and transport donations. **Compensation:** \$9.00 hourly plus \$.60 per mile; Part-time, Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-Noon.

## A BIBLE STUDY QUOTE:



### "HE IS CALLING YOU!"

The following words from the Negro Spiritual capture the theme of this week's readings: *Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name; Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name, Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name, O my lord, oh my Lord, what shall I do?* These words describe the tension of hearing someone calling you and deciding whether to respond. They describe the hesitancy that we all feel in following the call of Jesus into new and unfamiliar places that test our faith. As Christians, we should always know what to do when Jesus calls us to serve others. We must answer the call and follow Him.

**Discussion Questions:** What does it mean to be spiritual? What is your source of spirituality?



## 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.

## Reflecting on the Word/Consider/Discuss

- ◆ The call of Jesus is an unrelenting call to leave everything behind. What worries do we have about that? In what ways it is hard to trust, for our own life or for that of others? How can that anxiety make us sick?
- ◆ In the middle of Isaiah's oracle of gloom and doom, the prophet suddenly describes a new radiance that will dawn. When have you been in a deep darkness, what does it feel like to see a great light?



## Mass Intention

### January 25-31, 2020

#### Saturday, January 25, 2020

4:00 p.m. Ms. Leah Chase  
 Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.  
 Mr. David J. Davis, Sr.  
 Mr. Jiar Joseph Means  
 Ms. Joyce Evans (Living)  
 Mr. John Bidol (Living)

#### Sunday, January 26, 2020

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver  
 Mr. Kenneth Carter  
 Mr. James Smith, III  
 Ms. Lydia C. Broyard  
 In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

10:00 a.m. Ms. Jade Gibson  
 Ms. Lydia Broyard  
 Ms. Edith Brown Dugars  
 Mr. Lionel Joienille  
 Mr. Chester Staes  
 Mr. Michael Burbank  
 Mr. Randolph B. Broyard  
 Mr. Randolph J. Broyard  
 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 28, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

#### Wednesday, January 29, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

#### Thursday, January 30, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

#### Friday, January 31, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory



## St. Peter Claver Church Health & Wellness Ministry

### Donating Blood Saves Lives

**Blood** is a living tissue made up of blood cells, platelets and a fluid called plasma that contains protein and a number of other components. A **blood transfusion** is the administration of blood or blood components directly into the bloodstream. Every year, more than 4.5 million patients need blood transfusions in the United States and Canada. In the city of New Orleans someone is in need of a blood transfusion at least daily. Blood transfusions are needed for many reasons: internal bleeding or severe injuries, loss of blood during surgical procedures, cancer, sickle cell disease and other blood disorders. Whatever the reason, the need is **constant** and your contribution is **important** for a healthy and reliable blood supply.

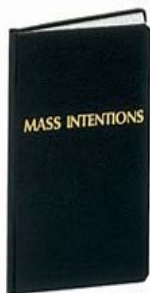
**Blood cannot be manufactured—it can only come from generous donors like you!!!**

Help change a life by donating blood—One pint of blood can save up to 3 lives—to Donate Call **“The Blood Center at 504-592-1534”**

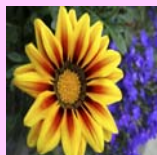
**If you need more information about donating blood or about having a blood drive on behalf of someone in need call the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.**

**Office Hours: Tues. 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
 Phone: (504) 822-8059**

### 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.



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

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

**ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**Events & Meetings**

*January, 2020*

**Sun**

**Mon**



**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

			<b>1</b> <b>Happy New Year!!</b> <b>10:00 am Mass</b>	<b>2</b> 7:30 am Mass	<b>3</b> 7:30 am Mass	<b>4</b> 9:00 am NO CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
<b>5</b> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Family Life	<b>8</b> 7:30 am Mass	<b>9</b> 7:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 7:30 am Mass 4:00 pm Social Concerns 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>11</b> 9:00 am CCD Classes 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
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<b>19</b> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	<b>20</b> <b>MLK-OFFICE CLOSED</b> 	<b>21</b> 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary	<b>22</b> 7:30 am Mass	<b>23</b> 7:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	<b>24</b> 7:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>25</b> 9:00 am CCD Classes 12:00 noon Legal Clinic 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
<b>26</b> 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	<b>27</b> 6:00 pm Bible Study	<b>28</b> 7:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Legion of Mary	<b>29</b> 7:30 am Mass	<b>30</b> 7:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	<b>31</b> 7:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>Feb 1st</b> 9:00 am CCD Classes 4:00 pm Vigil Mass

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