



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.
Meeting Virtual (call the Office for more information).

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.

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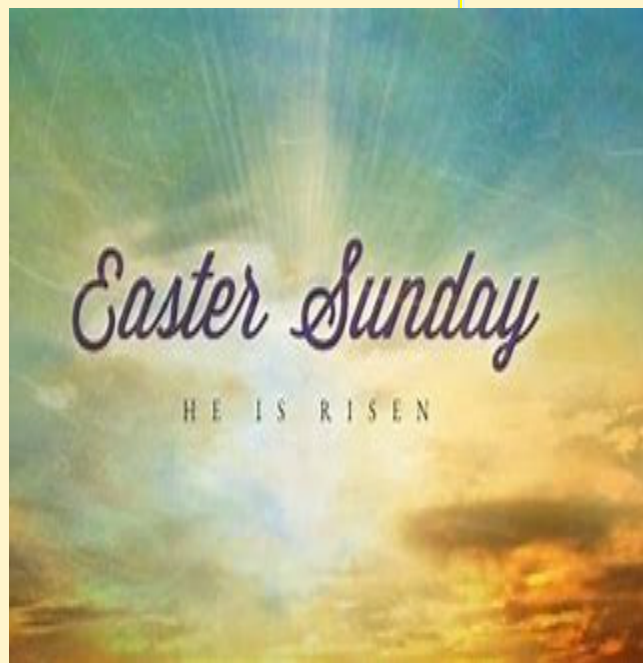
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MISSION STATEMENT

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

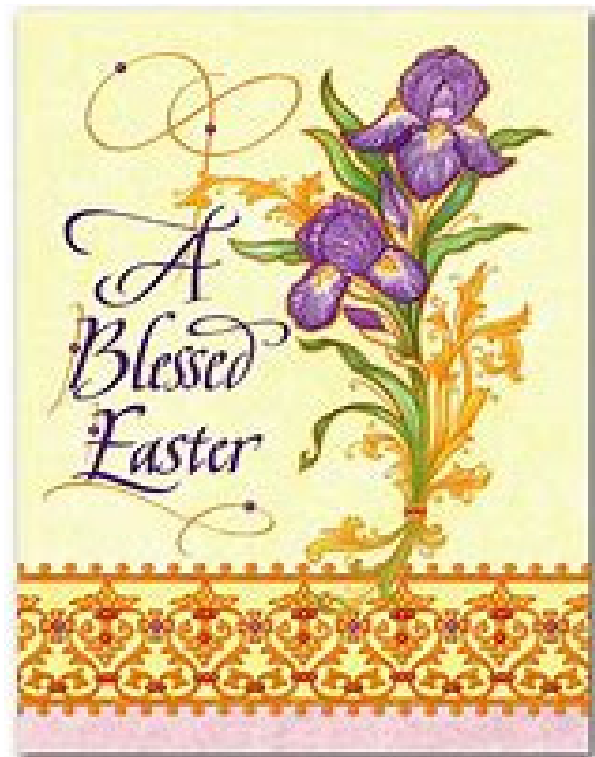
Jesus has been raised from the dead. Alleluia!
Alleluia!

From today through the Solemnity of Pentecost, the First Reading each Sunday will be from the Acts of the Apostles. These readings are not in sequential order, so while today's text is from chapter 10 of Acts, next Sunday's reading is from chapter 4. None of the readings during the next six weeks are from the latter chapters of the book, chapters 11-28. It can be helpful to bear this in mind since we understand Acts to be the story of the early followers of Jesus, after his Resurrection. These texts, then, will focus only on the beginnings of the early Church community. Today's reading opens with the words "Peter proceeded to speak and said." In Greek, these words are recognized as a particular literary form that lets the readers and the listeners know that what follows is inspired speech, similar to the Hebrew form in prophetic literature that begins "Thus says the Lord." The message that Peter proclaims is about God's great deeds in Jesus.

The four verses from Colossians in the Second Reading are part of a larger unit that began in the previous chapter and whose focus was more negative in tone than what we find here. These few lines encourage the community to turn their attention to Christ, with whom they are already united.

The Gospel reading is from select verse of a longer and powerful story that provide us with a brief and dramatic scene at the empty tomb. While verse 10, not included in today's reading, states that the disciples returned home, verse 11 tells us that Mary remained outside the tomb and wept. A beautiful encounter between Mary and the Risen Lord takes place within the next few verses.

- ◆ How does the Resurrection impact the way that you live?
- ◆ From your Bible, read the longer account of the Resurrection, John 20:1-18 or 1-29. Imagine yourself weeping and searching for Jesus.
- ◆ If you heard Christ call your name, how do you imagine you would respond to him?



An Easter Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, who upon this day did conquer earth and rise from the dead, to be alive for ever more, help us never to forget your Risen Presence forever with us. Make us certain that there is nothing in time or in eternity which can separate us from you, so that in your presence we may meet life with gallantry, and death without fear. You turn our darkness into light, in your light we shall see light. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer, Christ the Lord is risen today!

ALLELUIA !

Happy Easter to our parishioners and their families from Bishop Fernand Cheri, Fr. Anthony Gyamerah and the Pastoral Staff.

PRAYER FOR THOUGHT...



Rejoice, heavenly powers and sing choirs of angels! **Jesus Christ** our King is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation! Alleluia! The light of CHRIST is with us; JESUS CHRIST lives! The Lord is risen, truly!

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.

CORONAVIRUS PRAYER

Let Us Pray:

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that, we have no power and we are dependent on You and You alone. We place ourselves in Your mighty and loving hands.

Merciful God, please give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Loving God, please put your healing hand on those who are ill in the various hospitals and at homes, and give your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty.

Eternal God, please calm our fears and help us to trust You as our faithful and true God. Mighty God, please enlighten our government leaders as they are faced with important decisions. Give Your blessing to those in health care and our first responders and protect them.

We ask this in faith, for You are God, living and reigning forever and ever.



Our Stewardship for Sunday, March 28, 2021 was **\$10,566.76**; 2nd Collection: **Building Fund: \$400.89.**

Please continue with your tithing for Stewardship. You can give online, by mail or bring your weekly contributions to St. Peter Claver Church Parish Office, 1910 Ursulines Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70116

Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

Thanks to our St. Peter Claver Parish Family and our visitors



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in Memory of:

Mr. Vint Barney

Requested By: Rhonda Barney, wife & children, Vincent, Kayla & Joshua



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

**Tuesday, Thursday
& Saturday**

9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon



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, Pearl Dupart, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Javette and Michael Garner, John Bidol, Demetria Bernard, Jerald LaPierre, Robert "RJ" LaPierre, Marie Walker, Chris Price, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Ralph Walker, Albert & Miriam Boucree, Audrey Evans, 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 Baptiste, 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, Delores Chapital, Rockial Riley, Jerri Queen, Sarah Lafitte, Gail O'Brien, Marynell Fernandez, Charlie Mae Thompson, Gloria Oliver, Myrtle Williams, Edward Brown, Lucille Anderson, Charmaine Prevost, Evelyn Shokes, Henry Head, Etheline Permillion, Pamela Pleasant, Esther Balanciere, Shayna Vigne, Jolene Jeff, Bryon Bernard, Victor Hampton, Clarence Robinson, Jr., Baby Aria Polite, Sabrina Davis, Deborah Manuel-Oliver, Deanna Stephens, Marva McDaniel, Erica Watler, Stradford Goins, Laura Johnson, Sie Terrell, Ralston Andry, John Webb, Warren Freeman & Joyce Lawless.



Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, June 27, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. If you are celebrating your Golden Wedding Anniversary we ask you to call the Parish Office (504) 822-8059) and submit your names. **NOTE:** This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's respective parish.

ST. PETER CLAVER HEALTH CORNER



AUTISM AWARENESS

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a complex developmental disability that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges. Signs typically appear during early childhood and effect a child's ability to communicate, and interact with others. There is no known single cause of autism, but increased awareness and early diagnosis/intervention and access to appropriate services/supports lead to significantly improved outcomes.

Here are some signs to look for in the children in your life:

- ◆ Lack of or delay in spoken language; repetitive use of language and/or motor mannerisms (e.g., hand-flapping, twirling objects); little or no eye contact; lack of interest in peer relationships; lack of spontaneous or make-believe play; persistent fixation on parts of objects.

A child on the Autism spectrum might display many of these behaviors or just a few, or many others besides the ones listed here. The diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder is applied based on analysis of all behaviors and their severity. **If you think your child might have ASD or you think there could be a problem with the way your child plays, learns, speaks, or acts, contact your child's doctor and share your concerns.**

References: Centers for Disease Control; Mayo Clinic, Autism Society

If you need more information about Autism or any other health questions please call or visit the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.

Office Hours: Tues. 10:00 am-12:00 noon

Phone: 504-822-8059



“A SPECIAL THANK YOU”

We would like to thank everyone for their faith-filled support for cleaning and decorating the Church, participating in all of the Church Services during “Holy Week”.

“Through the evidence of this service you are glorifying God.” 2 Cor. 9-13

FATIMA ROSARY

Monday, April 5, 2021

@ 4:00 p.m., St. Ann Shrine



All are invited to attend the Rosary



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.

ATTENTION:

If you wish to send a card of “Encouragement” to Fr. Asare-Dankwah, you may send your card to the Parish Office, 1910 Ursuline Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70116 or drop the card in Church.

BIBLE STUDY

STILL I RISE! These determined words form the poem of Maya Angelou and reflect the prophetic determination of Jesus on the day of His resurrection. His resurrection from the dead is a victory over all of the assaults of this self-absorbed world. He could say: Though I was born in a stable—Still I rise. Though I was raised in the hovels of Palestine—Still I rise. Though my earthly father as not present during much of my life—Still I rise. Though the Jewish religious leaders plotted and succeeded in killing me—Still I rise. Though my apostles, disciples and friends abandoned me—Still I rise. Though I was whipped and bloody—Still I rise. Though I was nailed to a cross and died for your sins—Still I rise. Though I was laid in a tomb—Still I rise, to give glory to God the Father and so that you can live in His spirit. Still, I rise.

The first reading presents a transformative moment in the life of the early church. Here, St. Peter



They did not yet understand... Still, I Rise!

rose from his denial of Jesus to a point of powerful preaching that led to the conversion of Cornelius, a man of authority, his household, and many Gentiles (vv.1-33). Note that the power of his preaching is the message. He preached that Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit and He went throughout Judea doing good and healing all. St. Peter preached that though Jesus was put to death, God raised Him on the third day. He emphasized that Jesus’ resurrection as God’s vindication of Jesus and all He stood for. St. Peter soared from denying Christ, to preaching that he and the apostles were witnesses to Jesus Christ, who had come into this world to save all people. From the depths of his denial of Jesus, St. Peter could say, Still, I rise. From my doubts and fears, Still, I rise. St. Peter could have declared, “in spite of my failings, faults—Still I rise”. Still, I rise to do the saving work commanded by Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTION: What failings, or faults would you have to overcome to effectively preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

MASS



SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

April 3--9, 2021

Saturday, April 3, 2021

4:00 p.m. Edgar, Jr. & Leah Chase
 Mr. Wayne Reese, Sr.
 Ms. Joyce Evans
 Ms. Onelia Martin
 Ms. Monica Washington
 Ms. Florence Lee
 Ms. Clair Bidol
 Mr. Jiar Joseph Means
 Mr. Erskine Francis, Sr.
 Ms. Diana LeBlanc
 Mr. Christopher Woodfork
 Ms. Mary Ann Dabon
 Mr. John John
 Mr. John Bidol (*Living*)

Sunday, April 4, 2021

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
 Mr. Kenneth Carter
 Ms. Florence Lee

9:00 a.m. Ms. Ruby Downs
 Ms. Diane Davis
 Ms. Jade Gibson
 Mr. Vint Barney
 Bartholomew, Jr. & Ramona Bruno
 Ms. Myrtle Brooks

11:00 a.m. Mr. Burney Lee Penny
 Ms. Gladys Shief
 Ms. Virginia Ann Pleasant
 Mr. Percy Walker
 Ms. Gwendolyn Wiltz
 Mr. Malcolm Lear
 Mr. Herbert Spurlock, Sr.
 Edward & Edna Walker
 Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
 Mr. Paul Steib
 Living & deceased members of the
 Crusto, Fleury, Prevost, Saulney &
 Wilson families

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

7:30 a.m. Mass -Church

Thursday, April 8, 2021

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Friday, April 9, 2021

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Scripture Reading

April 5-11, 2021

*Monday-4/05/21 Acts 2:14, 22-33
Matthew 28:8-15*

*Tuesday-4/06/21 Acts 2:36-41
John 20:11-18*

*Wednesday-4/07/21 Acts 3:1-10
Luke 24:13-35*

*Thursday-4/08/21 Acts 3:11-26
Luke 24:35-48*

*Friday-4/09/21 Acts 4:1-12
John 21:1-14*

*Saturday-4/10/21 Acts 4:13-21
Mark 16:9-15*

*Sunday-4/11/21 Acts 4:32-35
1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31*

THOUGHTS OF STEWARDSHIP:

God made all things and He has sustained them by His power. As Creator God He owns everything including us—the totality of our human life and experience. This God—Jesus Christ—is Savior and King of the universe. As His subjects, we live for Him; and our purpose in life is to honor Him by surrendering our hearts and everything that we are and have to His control. As stewards of His kingdom, we're also partners with Him in His mission in the world to make disciples of all peoples.





ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH

April, 2021



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

				<p>1 10:00 am Cleaning of the Church Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass</p>	<p>2 Good Friday 3:00 p.m. Mass</p>	<p>3 Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. Vigil Mass</p>
<p>4-Easter Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>5 OFFICE CLOSED 4:00 pm Rosary St. Ann Shrine 6:00 pm Bible Study – ZOOM</p>	<p>6 7:30 am Mass 12:00 noon Prayer Line</p>	<p>7 7:30 am Mass</p>	<p>8 7:30 am Mass</p>	<p>9 7:30 am Mass</p>	<p>10 9:00 am CCD via ZOOM 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
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<p>18 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass (St. Mary's Academy)</p>	<p>19 4:00 pm Rosary St. Ann Shrine 6:00 pm Bible Study – ZOOM</p>	<p>20 7:30 am Mass 12:00 noon Prayer Line</p>	<p>21 7:30 am Mass</p>	<p>22 7:30 am Mass</p>	<p>23 7:30 am Mass</p>	<p>24 9:00 am CCD via ZOOM 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
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