

St. Peter Claver Church

ESTABLISHED in 1920

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.

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

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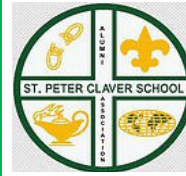
MISSION STATEMENT

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

The joyful news of the Resurrection of Jesus continues to radiate from the readings for today. The experiences of the first believers, the exhortations of the first disciples, and the post-Resurrection Gospel stories provide rich fare for our celebration of the Paschal Mystery. Throughout Easter Time, First Readings will come from Acts. They describe the events that began to shape the life of the fledgling community of believers after the resurrection. Today we hear about their communal life of prayer and charitable works-an ideal for the Church today. In today's Responsorial Psalm, which includes a few verses from last weeks', the psalmist urges the people to praise the Lord because "his mercy endures forever." He recalls that he himself was in trouble, but the Lord saved him-and will save everyone. In light of the Resurrection the new "cornerstone" must be Jesus, and in fact Jesus applied this verse to himself in Matthew 22:42. An event as momentous as the Resurrection cannot be explained simply. Writers constantly ponder it and find new insights. Here the author of the First Letter of Peter is helping early believers understand one aspect: through the Resurrection, God has given the faithful a "new birth" and "a living hope." Because of Jesus' sacrifice, Resurrection will be our inheritance, too, and this promise of salvation should keep us strong through the trials that must come first. The doubt of Thomas and his subsequent profession of faith form the spiritual bookends of today's Gospel. We surely have some empathy for Thomas. How could anyone believe that Jesus was now alive? The presence of the risen Christ in the midst of the disciples is part of the mystery of the Resurrection, and we, like Thomas, have become believers through the world of others. Likewise, others are invited to become believers on our words of faith!

- * In what way might the description of the community in Acts be an attainable ideal, and not simply a nice story?
- * What helps you deal with moments of doubt?



WELCOME!!

St. Peter Claver School Alumni Association welcomes Alumni and Visitors as we celebrate 95 years of Excellent in Catholic Education. We hope that you will be filled with the Spirit of God's Grace and Mercy.

PRAYERS FOR THOUGHT...



My Lord and My God! Father and God of Mercy. You redeem us in the blood of Christ; My Jesus Mercy! Jesus is Lord! PEACE! Jesus, I trust you! *Amen.*

Ministerial Council Meeting



All those persons who heads the different ministries in the Church are asked to attend a meeting on

Tuesday, March 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ujima Center.

Please call the Parish Office of your attendance at (504) 822-8059.



Our Stewardship for Sunday, April 16, 2017 was **\$16,164.55**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for April 16, 2017 is **\$2,662.45**; **Second Collection: Church Sound System; \$894.92.**

ST. PETER CLAVER

SUMMER CAMP

Featuring: FUN, Dance, Music, Math, Reading, Physical Education, Swimming, Arts & Craft, Drama, Junior Achievement/Values & Field Trips:

Where: St. Peter Claver School

When: June 5th –July 14, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Who: PreK through 5th grade

PreK-3 (Must be potty trained)

COST: \$250.00 per child

Registration Fee: \$75.00 (Non-Refundable)

Registration: Saturday, May 27, 2017

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

1020 N. Prieur Street

Camp Fee: \$175.00 due before Camp begins

Breakfast & Lunch are included.

NOTE: NO Before or Aftercare



Altar Server of the Year

St. Peter Claver Church congratulates Mya Green for being chosen as the Altar Server of the year for 2017. Mya will be recognized by the Archdiocese at the Altar Server Awards Ceremony on April 26, 2017.

RCIA

Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or know someone who is?

- Unbaptized adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic;
- Baptized Christians from other denominations who would like to learn more about the Catholic Church;
- Baptized Catholic adults who would like to prepare for First Communion & Confirmation.

Please contact the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT!!

SUMMER HAS ARRIVED! **CHURCH ETIQUETTE**

Church attire for Young Men & Men

- Reverent and appropriate for Church
- No Tank Tops, muscle shirts or clothing exposing the mid-section or tee-shirts with inappropriate language or phrases that are not to be worn in Church.

Church attire for Young Women & Women

- Reverent and appropriate for Church
- Dress, skirt & short pants should be a moderate length. When sitting, they should fall just above the knee or a covering should be used.
- No halter tops, spaghetti straps, strapless tops or other clothing exposing the mid-section should be worn in 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, 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, Mary Andry, Doris Finister, Marie Walker, Shirley Walker, Chris Price, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Cindy Armstrong, Ralph Walker, Shemal McKnight, Albert & Miriam Boucree, Stephanie Smith, 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 Aguiard, Barbara Phillips, Lyndia Faust, Diane Blanks, Inaclaire 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 Batitse.

MASS INTENTIONS

April 23-, 2017



Sunday, April 23, 2017

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
Ms. Emily O'Brien
10:00 a.m. St. Peter Claver School Alumni
Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
Mr. Kevin Moore
Mr. Frank Powell
Living & deceased members of the
Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Prevost,
Saulney and Wilson families

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

8:30 a.m. School Mass-Church

Thursday, April 27, 2017

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, April 28, 2017

8:30 a.m. Mass-St. Ann's Chapel

Saturday, April 29, 2017

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



Consult with an Attorney for FREE!!

About your **CONSUMER DEBT** Problems
**Debt Problems-Collection Harassment-
Bankruptcy-Foreclosure, Business and
Personal Matters. Etc.**

WHEN: Saturday, April 29, 2017
12:00 noon—2:00 p.m.

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



ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH & SCHOOL

May 18, 2017

7th Grade Promotional Exercise

May 20, 2017

PREK-Kindergarten Promotional Exercise

Saturday, May 27, 2017 @ 4:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Confirmation



April 29, 2017

April 30, 2017

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS



4:00 p.m. **Verita Thomas**, Seritha Spadoni, Reginald Vicks, Claudette Vicks, Leonetta Terrell, Cynthia Smothers Stevenson

7:30 a.m. **Joycelyn Renfro** , Roslyn Veals, Chandra Green, William Broyard, Yolanda Green

9:00 a.m. **Michelle Kendrick**, Ida Butler, Mark Foster, Marguerite Johnson, Authurine Lear

Balcony: **Rosalyn Johnson**, Kionne Lear, Debra Smith

11:30 a.m. **Severina DeSpenza**, Cynthia Robinson, Denise Nicholls, Angie Nash, Thomas Nash, Darnell Gordon

Balcony: **Tina Ellsworth**, Emelda Watts, Angie Nash

LECTORS

4:00 p.m. Wanda Gray * Vanessa Smith

7:30 p.m. Tonya Bernard

9:00 a.m. Kenitha Grooms-Williams-Hillary Williams

11:30 a.m. Theresa Badon * Emelda Watts

Weekly Ministry Schedule

April 24-30, 2017

Mon.	3:00 p.m.	Senior Citizens-Ujima Ctr.
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study—Ujima Center
	6:00 p.m.	Pastoral Council Mtg.-Ofc.
Tues.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry –Misaada Center
	10:00 a.m.	Health & Wellness Center
	6:00 p.m.	Ministerial Council-Ujima
Wed.	6:00 p.m.	High School Religious Education—Ujima Center
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Ministry-Sankofa Bldg.
Thurs.	7:30 a.m.	Mass-Rectory
	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry-Misaada Center
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Mass-St Ann’s Chapel
Sat.	9:00 a.m.	CCD Classes-School Bldg.
	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass-Church
	12:00 noon	Legal Clinic-Ujima Center
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass—Church
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church
	11:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church

EASTER VIGIL MASS
A Gratitude of WELCOME!!..

St. Peter Claver Church welcome our newly baptized candidates and catechumens that join the Church at the Easter Vigil.



Jeanine Gallagher, Marilyn McKinney, Aisha Edwards, Janith Stevenson, Theodore Duncan, Rhaeem Douglas, Randy Douglas & Shalynn Landix.

EASTER SUNDAY, 2017

St. Peter Claver Church “Welcome” our infants and children as they were baptized into the holy water of a new beginning.

Jackson Brumfield, Baylee Jarreau, Taj Nelson, Maddison Pharr, Khi Williams, Alaisjah Cornelius, Leah Duplessis, Kamal Griffith, Lia Hines, Khennedi Varnado & Reginald Varnado.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS...

“**THANK YOU**” for sharing your gift of time and talent by preparing the Baptism Overlays for the new baptized adults, children and infants. You may see them wearing their new garments in Church. Please welcome them to the table of the Lord. Your gift of sewing is appreciated. Those sharing in this ministry were Pam Luke, Nicole Gibson, Valerie Jolly and Bailey Lawrence.





Scripture Readings for:
April 24-30, 2017

Monday-4/24/17 *Acts 4:23-31*
 John 3:1-8

Tuesday-4/25/17 *Peter 5:5b-14*
 Mark 16:15-20

Wednesday-4/26/17 *Acts 5:17-26*
 John 3:16-21

Thursday -4/27/17 *Acts 5:27-33*
 John 3:31-36

Friday-4/28/17 *Acts 5:34-42*
 John 6:1-15

Saturday-4/29/17 *Acts 6:1-7*
 John 6:16-21

Sunday -4/30/2017 *Acts 2:14, 22-33*
 1 Peter 1:17-21
 Luke 24:13-35



FATIMA ROSARY

Monday, April 24, 2017
5:30 p.m. St. Ann Apartments
in the Chapel

Hosted by: *The Residents of St. Ann Apts.*



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory for:

St. Peter Claver School
Alumni Association

Requested by: SPC Committee



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

Alcoholism Awareness

Ethanol, commonly known as alcohol, is found in beer, wine and spirits (like whiskey, gin, scotch, vodka, etc.). It is a psychoactive drug that has a depressant effect. Alcohol is consumed across cultures and is often used to help and promote social interaction. However, for millions of individuals and family members, alcohol is a source of devastating pain and loss. Alcohol is addictive, and the state of addiction is known as the disease of alcoholism.

FACTS ABOUT ALCOHOLISM:

Alcohol abuse and alcoholism can affect all aspects of a person's life. Long-term alcohol use can cause **serious health complications** affecting virtually every organ in the body, including the brain. Alcoholism damages **emotional stability**, finances, careers; dramatically impacts the family, friends and the work place environment. **79,000 deaths** are annually attributed to excessive alcohol use and is the **3rd leading lifestyle-related cause of death** in the nation. **Alcoholism** can cause unintentional injuries, such as motor-vehicle traffic crashes, falls, drowning, burns and firearm injuries. Alcoholism increases risk for **many kinds of cancers**. Alcoholism has little to do with what kind of alcohol one drinks; how long one has been drinking, or even exactly how much alcohol one consumes. It has a great deal to do with a person's **uncontrollable need** for alcohol.

If you or a family member has an addition to alcohol please see your healthcare provider. If you need more information about Alcohol Addiction, please call or visit the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.

OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon

References: Centers for Disease Control
National Council on Alcoholism
and Drug Dependency

April 2017

Sun

Mon



Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						1 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
2	3 6:00 p.m. Bible Study	4	5 6:00 p.m. Religious Education	6 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	7 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout	8 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
9 Palm Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	10 3:00 p.m. Senior Citizens .5:30 p.m. Church Cleaning 6:00 p.m. Bible Study	11 6:00 p.m. Seder Meal	12 <i>No Meetings</i>	13 Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass	14 Good Friday 2:00 p.m. Living Stations 3:00 p.m. Mass	15 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass
16 Easter Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	17 6:00 p.m. Bible Study	18 7:00 p.m. Nia-Imani	19 6:00 p.m. Religious Education	20 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	21 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout	22 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. 1st Holy Communion
23 7:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. SPC Brunch School Hall	24 3:00 p.m. Senior Citizens 6:00 p.m. Pastoral Council	25 6:00 p.m. Ministerial Council	26 6:00 p.m. Religious Education	27 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	28 6:00 p.m. Boys Scout	29 9:00 a.m. CCD 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
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