



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

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

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

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Principal



5th Sunday of Easter

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 INSIGHT...

Today's readings continue the previous Sunday's emphasis on the community of the resurrected Christ-living and lifegiving. The First Reading gives us a thumbnail sketch of the illustrious teacher and missionary Paul, who began as Saul, a zealous Jew and persecutor of the Jesus followers, who experienced conversion, was persecuted by fellow Jews, and for sometime was viewed warily by Jesus' disciples. Eventually he became the missionary to the Gentiles. The reading from the First Letter of John highlights the most important attribute that makes the Church truly alive and authentic-love. But this love is not simply a warm feeling or tender words. Rather, it is love "in deed and truth." If we stay grounded in God's command to believe in his Son and love one another, we remain in him and he remains in us. In today's Gospel, John gives us another metaphor for understanding what it means to be Church-the vineyard, for wine was considered a necessity of life. First-century vineyards were constructed differently from today's vineyards. They were surrounded by a stone wall to keep animals from trampling the vines, which were allowed to spread along the ground. When the vines were pruned to increase production, the discarded branches were placed on the wall to dry so that they could later be used for fuel. Vineyards also had towers, where the owner and his workers kept watch during harvest time to protect their produce from thieves and marauders. This is the cultural context for understanding the metaphor of the vineyard.

- Carefully analyze today's Gospel and unpack its metaphor. Who is the vineyard owner? The vine and its branches? What does it mean to remain part of the vine? To be cut off from the vine? To bear much fruit? The Second Reading invites us to love "in deed and truth." What does that phrase mean to you? Today's Responsorial Psalm is the concluding section of Psalm 22, a lament psalm that began with a complaint and a call for help. This section promises to praise God. For what would you like to praise God?

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, April 22, 2018 was **\$8,796.85**; **\$18,827.00** is NEEDED to balance the budget weekly. Shortfall for April 22, 2018 is **\$10,030.15**. **2nd Collection: Diocesan Priest Retirement: 694.48**

Thanks for your generosity.



Scripture Readings for:
April 30th-May 6, 2018

Monday-4/30/18	Acts 14:5-18 John 14:21-26
Tuesday-5/1/18	Acts 14:19-28 John 14:27-31
Wednesday-5/2/18	Acts 15:1-6 John 15:1-8
Thursday -5/3/18	1 Corinthians 15:1-8 John 14:6-14
Friday-5/4/18	Acts 15:22-31 John 15:12-17
Saturday-5/5/18	Acts 16:1-10 John 15:9-17
Sunday -5/6/18	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17



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...



I am the vine you are the branches. Those who live in me and I in them, will produce abundantly. Let us **LOVE** not in word and speech but in deed and truth.

Bear much fruit in the **LORD**. Believe in the name of **JESUS CHRIST** and **LOVE** one another. Remain in me as I remain in you. Sing a new song to the Lord!

Bible Study Journey...
Adult Bible Study

A Reflection from a participant of the Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation Program. "Because of the Bible Timeline Program, I have a better understanding of the Bible and the Christian life Christ want us to live. I get a visual of the readings proclaimed during Mass. This course is truly salvation history. Mercy, forgiveness and the love of your neighbor is a constant theme in the Bible, a quality Jesus wants us to possess. I think I am a better praying and forgiving person because of this Bible Study Program.

Dianne Bieniemy

May 5, 2018

May 6, 2018

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS



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

7:30 a.m. **Roslyn Veals**, Ann Coston, Chandra Green, Joycelyn Renfro, Yolanda Green

10:00 a.m. **Severina DeSpenza**, Sharlena Johnson, Marvelle Perrin, Henri Reed, Linda Boyle

Balcony: **Angela Rovaris**, Debra Smith, Karin Legohn

Lectors

4:00 p.m. Lester Arnaud * Wanda Gray

7:30 p.m. Brendolyn McKenna * Warren Bell, Jr.

10:00 a.m. Alice Grooms * Audrey Lombard

BIBLE STUDY QUOTE: Does Your Life Bear Fruit?

Those who know wine may say that an exceptional wine always reflects the quality of the vineyard. To pick a good wine, you must know its source. Likewise, a tree is known by its fruit. Jesus knows something about wine, since we see Him at the wedding feast at Cana (**2:1-12**). He knew just what type of wine to serve-the best. The best wine comes from the "true vine," Jesus Himself. He is the source of growth and fruit-bearing in a vineyard tended by the "Father," the winemaker. The fruit from the True Vine comes from us-the branches. Our fruit is nurtured by loving others as Jesus loves us. Does your life bear fruit?

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, John Aguillard, 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, Verlyn Mallory, Marva Batiste, Bronson Lee, John Parker, Maureen Nutting, Cynthia Bluford, Victoria Leslie, Lorraine Bart, Myrtle Dorsey, Zelma Evans, Keith Donatto, Bernell Johnson, Tamiko Haynes, Warrentia Clincy, Tracey Howard

FATIMA ROSARY

Monday, April 30, 2018
5:30 p.m. St. Ann Apartments
in the Chapel



Hosted By: St. Ann Residents



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in memory for:

Ms. Angela Richardson

Requested by: Debra Richardson, daughter

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS..

Congratulations...



Parish Family, please join us in congratulating the children who made their First Communion on Saturday, April 21, 2018. They are: Dominique Adams, Alexandria Amador, Selena Bailey, Isabel Broussard, Omari Buckner, Keira Cloud, Justin Davis, Larry DeCuire, IV, London Frank, Olivia Griffin, Lailah Johnson,

Angel Keith, Kirklín Keith, Jr., Corinne LaGarde, Jordan McFarland, Julisa Riley, Taylor Ruffins, Riley Schexnayder, Maurice Stewart, Jr., Jayla Washington, Edward White, III, Jaylynn Mathieu, Lejea Harris, Dayla Cummings, Luciene Boyer. **May you continue to follow the Good shepherd and partake of His Body and Blood. We look forward to seeing you each Sunday at Mass.**

A Special Thank You: To our Catechists and their families with the Parish Religious Education Program.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Our young people will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass here in the church. We invite our parishioners to join us in support of our Youth.

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 4th thru July 13, 2018

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

Who: PreK through 5th grade

PreK-3 (Must be potty trained)

Camp Fee: \$260.00 (entire fee)

**FINAL PAYMENT DUE BEFORE CAMP BEGINS
(Non-Refundable After Camp Begins)**

Registration Fee: \$80.00 (Non-Refundable)

Registration: Saturday, May 5, 2018

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

1020 N. Prieur Street

Breakfast & Lunch are included.
No Before or After Care



Visit St. Ann's Shrine

(2100 Block of
Ursulines Avenue)

Open

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



Graduates—2018

All 2018 Graduates from High School, College and above are asked to sign-up in the back of Church, contact Ms. Marinda Lee-Houston or call the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059 with the following information: **(Name, telephone number, school, diploma, degree, future plans, awards and honors)**. Please sign-up in the rear of the Church.

NOTE: We will only honor the **GRADUATES** from St. Peter Claver Church on Sunday, May 27, 2018 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Weekly Ministry Schedule

April 30-May 6, 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.	Family Life-Ujima Ctr.
	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts-School Hall
	7:00 p.m.	RCIA Sessions-Ujima Ctr.
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	School Mass-Church
	6:00 p.m.	High School 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 Ctr.
		NO Adult Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal-Church
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Mass-St. Ann's Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts-Ujima Ctr.
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass-Church
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass-Church

UPcoming EVENTS

ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH & SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, May 16, 2018 @ 8:30 a.m.
7th Grade Promotional Exercise

SATURDAY, May 19, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m.
PREK-Kindergarten Promotional Exercise

Saturday, May 26, 2018 @ 4:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday, May 27, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m. Mass
Graduation Sunday



Mass Intention

April 28-May 5, 2018

Sunday, April 29, 2018

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
In Thanksgiving-Ms. Geri Gant
Joseph & Emily O'Brien
Mr. Almon Kitchell

10:00 a.m. Ms. Jade Gibson
Mr. Percy Walker
Edward & Edna Walker
Ms. Vivian Delaney
Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
Living & deceased members of the
Aldrich, Evans, Moss and Tureaud
families
Living & deceased members of the
Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Saulney,
Prevost & Wilson families
Living & deceased members of the
Willie Humphrey family
Living & deceased members of the
August & Metoyer families

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

8:30 a.m. School Mass-Church

Thursday, May 3, 2018

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, May 4, 2018

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

Saturday, May 5, 2018

4:00 p.m. Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.
Mr. Thomas A.G. Lee
Mr. Morel Dupart
Ms. Daisy Stevenson
Mr. Christopher Woodfork

Town Hall Meeting



ANNOUNCEMENT... **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

There will be a Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, May 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Peter Claver School Hall on the "Redevelopment of the St. Ann Apartments." If anyone is interested please plan to attend.

St. Peter Claver Church Health Corner



CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT AWARENESS

Child abuse defined by federal law is : Any recent act or failure to act on the part of a parent or caretaker which results in death, serious physical or emotional harm, sexual abuse or exploitation" or "an act or failure to act which presents an imminent risk of serious harm". Child abuse takes many forms: **Physical** child abuse occurs when a child is purposefully injured. **Sexual** child abuse is any sexual activity with a child, including exposure to child pornography. **Emotional** child abuse includes verbal and emotional assault such as continually belittling or berating a child as well as isolating, ignoring or rejecting a child. **Child neglect** is the failure of a parent, guardian or other caregiver to provide for a child's basic needs. Neglect may be **physical** (failure to provide necessary food, shelter or lack of appropriate supervision), **medical** (failure to provide necessary medical or mental treatment), **educational** (failure to educate a child or attend to special education needs) or **emotional** (in-attention to a child's emotional needs, failure to provide psychological care, or permitting the child to use alcohol or other drugs). **Warning** signs of child abuse and neglect: **Changes** in behavior or school performance, **withdrawal** from friends or usual activities, an **apparent** lack of supervision, **frequent** absences from school, **reluctance** to leave school activities, as if he or she doesn't want to go home, **attempts** at running away, **physical clues**, such as bruising or blood in underwear. **If you're concerned that your child or another child** has been abused, seek help immediately. Contact the child's doctor, a local child protective agency or the local police department. Keep in mind that health care professionals are legally required to report all suspected cases of child abuse to state authorities. If you're worried that you might abuse you own child, stop what you're doing and put some distance between you and your child. Call your own primary care doctor or your child's pediatrician for advice and a treatment referral.

Office Hours: Tuesdays
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Phone: 822-8059

References: Mayo Clinic, Child Welfare.Gov

St. Peter Claver Church
Monthly Calendar
April, 2018

Sun

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Sat

<p>1 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 7:30 a.m. 10:00 p.m.</p>	<p>2 6:00 pm Bible Study</p>	<p>3 5:00 pm LOM 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Family Life</p>	<p>4 7:00 p.m. Youth Council</p>	<p>5 1:00 pm Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm/Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>6 6:00 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>7 9:00 am CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p>8 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 12:00 noon Ladies Aux./Knights of Peter Claver</p>	<p>9 3:00 pm Senior Citizens</p>	<p>10 6:00 pm Nia-Imani 7:00 pm RCIA</p>	<p>11 8:30 am School Mass 7:00 pm Youth Ministry</p>	<p>12 6:00 pm/Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>13 4:30 pm Social Concerns 6:00 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>14 9:00 am CCD 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p>15 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass</p>	<p>16 NO Bible Study</p>	<p>17 5:00 pm Legion of Mary</p>	<p>18 8:30 am School Mass 4:30 pm Bereavement 7:00 pm Youth Ministry</p>	<p>19 6:00 pm/Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>20 6:00 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>21 4:00 pm 1st Holy Communion Mass</p>
<p>22 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 5:00 p.m. St. Augustine Ministry Dinner</p>	<p>23 3:00 pm Senior Citizens 6:00 pm Bible Study 6:00 pm Ministerial Council</p>	<p>24 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Pastoral Council</p>	<p>25 8:30 am School Mass 6:00 pm Youth Ministry</p>	<p>26 6:00 pm/Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>27 6:00 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>28 12:00 noon Legal Clinic 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p>29 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass</p>	<p>30 6:00 pm Bible Study</p>	<p>May 1 5:00 pm LOM 5:00 pm Legion of Mary 6:00 pm Family Life</p>	<p>2 8:30 am School Mass 7:00 pm Youth Council</p>	<p>3 6:00 pm/Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>4 6:00 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>5 4:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>

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