



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.

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Pastor

DEACONS:

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Mr. Allen Stevens

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Mrs. Alena Boucree
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Director of Music

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Mrs. Edith B. Reed
Executive Secretary



FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

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.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

May 24, 2020

SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS

The Solemnity of the Ascension marks a move from the Risen Lord at Easter to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. In the reading from the Letter to the Ephesians, Paul reflects on God the Father's power that raised Jesus from the dead and seated him "at his right hand." This biblical image symbolizes Jesus' share in the Father's power by placing all things in the universe subject to him.

Jesus promises to communicate this power to his disciples in the reading from Acts: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you." The Risen Lord makes this final promise on leaving his disciples at the Ascension, as Luke records in the opening of his second volume. The Holy Spirit will empower his disciples to "be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The Gospel reading contains the Risen Lord's final commission to his disciples before his Ascension. Jesus communicates his power to them for their mission to evangelize the world: "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." This mission continues Jesus' mission to bring people into relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through Baptism and to teach them "to observe all that I have commanded you." Jesus' final words that he will be with his followers "until the end of the age" are a reminder of his eternal relationship with us as proclaimed at his birth (Matthew 1:23): "and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means 'God is with us.'"

- ◆ What are the effects of the "power of the Holy Spirit" on the lives of the disciples?
- ◆ In the Gospel, what is the final commission the Risen Lord gives to his disciples?
- ◆ How have you experienced the presence of Jesus Christ in your daily life as he promised?

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. Amen.



Collection figures are not available at this time.

Please continue with your tithing for Stewardship. You can 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

CENSUS 2020

HEAR ME. SEE ME. COUNT ME.

STAND UP AND BE COUNTED!

In this New COVID – 19 environment Louisiana desperately needs every federal dollars we can get. Funding for Education, Healthcare, Affordable Housing, Public Safety, Street and Infrastructure Repair is determined by census data. Programs such as Childcare Assistance (CCAP), Head Start, Medicaid and Medicare, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), WIC, FEMA, Foster Care programs and Affordable Housing depend on these federal dollars. **Your participation guarantees more resources coming to your community!!** For each person who goes uncounted Louisiana loses \$2,291.00 each year for 10 years. That is a lost to our communities as well. That's less money for our children, the elderly, hospitals, streets, pumping stations, police and fire stations. **Can we count on you to complete your census either online, by phone or mail?**

9 Questions + 10 Minutes = 10 years of funding. Convince five (5) family members or friends to complete their census as well.

Micah Project St. Peter Claver Team along with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the Power Coalition are working together to be sure our communities are in the 2020 Census #.

We will be contacting you soon. Complete the Census: By Paper with the Census form that was mailed your house; Online at My2020census.gov; By phone

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#HearMeSeeMeCountMe



Scripture Readings for: May 25-31, 2020

<i>Monday-05/25/20</i>	<i>Acts 19:1-8 John 16:29-33</i>
<i>Tuesday-05/26/20</i>	<i>Acts 20:17-27 John 17:1-11a</i>
<i>Wednesday-05/27/20</i>	<i>Acts 20:28-38 John 17:11b-19</i>
<i>Thursday-05/28/20</i>	<i>Acts 22:30; 23-6-11 John 17:20-26</i>
<i>Friday-05/29/20</i>	<i>Acts 25:13b-21 John 21:15-19</i>
<i>Saturday-05/30/20</i>	<i>Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 John 21:20-25</i>
<i>Sunday-05/31/20</i>	<i>Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23</i>



**MEETING
NOTICE!**

Schedule May 25-31, 2020

All meetings have
been cancelled until
further notice!

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, Javette and Michael Garner, John & Claire Bidol, Demetria Bernard, 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, Delores Chapital, Rockial Riley, Jerri Queen, Malcolm Lear, Florence Lee, Sarah Lafitte, Gail O'Brien, Marynell Fernandez, Charlie Mae Thompson, Gloria Oliver, Gerald Merritt, Myrtle Williams, Edward Brown, Lucille Anderson, Charmaine Prevost, Evelyn Shokes, Henry Head, Ethylene Permillion

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.**

BIBLE STUDY QUOTES: "...why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven." *Acts 1:11*

Can Catholic Christians evangelize during a Pandemic? A Florida man once believed that the pandemic was blown out of proportion. He thought it was a fake crisis until he and his wife both contracted a serious infection of COVID-19. Now he says, please listen to the authorities and heed the advice of experts. He admits that he should have worn a mask and admitted that he and his wife were paying the price for not doing so. He took to social and national media to tell others of the gravity of this disease. He is now an evangelist for safe health practices and attention to experts. He did this from the hospital while he was still undergoing treatment. In the same way, while the churches are closed and opened in limited capacity, we should remind others that social distancing and wearing masks are acts of charity. We can affirm to others that we are the Body of Christ having been reborn into the Blood of Jesus by the Sacrament of Baptism. We can fortify the people of God in our homes with our confidence that we have not been abandoned by our Creator. We can use social media, iPhones, iPads, cell phones, tablets and computers to tell the world that Jesus has risen and is alive in us. Don't just stand there, do something!

PRAY ABOUT IT
MONDAY

Give a word of encouragement to someone today.

TUESDAY

Read and memorize Mat. 28:19-20. Know your mission during this pandemic?

WEDNESDAY

Offer your services to someone in need

THURSDAY

Read 1 Cor. 1:18-25. Pray for our civic authorities.

FRIDAY

Receive the Lord in an Act of Spiritual Communion.

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.



SANCTUARY LIGHT Will burn in Celebration of Life

Ms. Cynthia Davis

Requested by: The Family



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

Will reopen after quarantine



Sponsored by:
The Knights of Peter Claver Counsel #50

When: Friday, June 12, 2020

Time: 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Where: St. Peter Claver Church Parking Lot
(Pick-up Only!)

Cost: Free

Only four (4 plates per family. Please call the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059, beginning on Monday, June 1, 2020 to place your order.

We would like to say "Thank You" to all who have supported us.



Don't forget to join in our St. Peter Claver Church Prayer and Fasting, Now-May 31, 2020. **(We will continue our prayer line).** Please dial this number, (339-207-7387), there is no access code. We have had an extremely great turnout. Please join us. Also, join us on Sunday mornings for our Virtual Mass!!

Stewardship
A way of living



May 23-29, 2020

Saturday, May 23, 2020

4:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
Ms. Leah Chase
Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.
Mr. Wayne Reese, Sr.
Ms. Joyce Evans
Ms. Claudette Bazil
Ms. Connie Douglas
Mr. Jiar Joseph Means
Mr. John Bidol (*Living*)

10:00 a.m. Mr. Kenneth Carter
Ms. Lydia Broyard
Ms. Diane Davis
Ms. Ruby Downs
Ms. Mary Harris
Ms. Clarice Wilson
Ms. Jade Gibson
Ms. Gladys Shief
Edward and Edna Walker
Mr. Percy Walker
Mr. Darius Hamilton
Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
Living & deceased members of the
Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Saulney,
Prevost & Wilson families
Walter & Jennifer Bonam (*Living*)

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Thursday, May 28, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, May 29, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

St. Peter Claver Church Health Corner



ASTHMA AWARENESS

ASTHMA is a disorder caused by inflammation in the airways of the lungs. When an asthma attack occurs, the muscles surrounding the airways become tight and the lining of the air passages swells. They produce extra mucus and breathing becomes difficult. The most common asthma signs and symptoms are coughing, wheezing and shortness of breath. For some people, asthma symptoms are a minor nuisance. For others, they are a major problem that interferes with daily activities. If you have severe asthma, you may be at risk of a life-threatening asthma attack. Many people with asthma, have a personal or family history of allergies, such as hay fever (allergic rhinitis) or eczema. Others have no history of allergies. In sensitive people, asthma symptoms can be triggered by breathing in allergy-causing substances (called allergens or triggers). **Common asthma triggers include: Animals, dust, changes in weather (most often cold weather), chemicals, food, exercise, mold, pollen, respiratory infections, etc.**

Asthma can't be cured, but identifying asthma triggers can control its symptoms. Use of long-term medications prevent symptom flare-ups while the use of a quick-relief inhaler controls symptoms once they start. Asthma changes over time, work with your doctor to track your signs and symptoms and adjust treatment as needed.

If you need more information about Asthma Awareness, please call or visit the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center. Office Hours: Tues. -10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

REFERENCES: National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.

FATIMA ROSARY

All will continue praying the Rosary in the privacy of their homes at 4:00 p.m. until further notice.





ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH

MEETINGS & EVENTS

May, 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Stay Safe</i>	2 <i>Stay Safe</i>
3 MAY CROWNING 10:00 a.m. Virtual Mass SPC NOLA YouTube	4 <i>Stay Safe</i>	5 <i>Stay Safe</i>	6 <i>Stay Safe</i>	7 <i>Stay Safe</i>	8 <i>Stay Safe</i>	9 <i>Stay Safe</i>
10 Mother's Day 10:00 a.m. Virtual Mass SPC NOLA YouTube	11 <i>Stay Safe</i>	12 <i>Stay Safe</i>	13 <i>Stay Safe</i>	14 <i>Stay Safe</i>	15 <i>Stay Safe</i>	16 <i>Stay Safe</i>
17 10:00 a.m. Virtual Mass SPC NOLA YouTube	18 <i>Stay Safe</i>	19 <i>Stay Safe</i>	20 <i>Stay Safe</i>	21 <i>Stay Safe</i>	22 <i>Stay Safe</i>	23 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass
24 Graduation Sunday 10:00 a.m. Virtual Mass SPC NOLA YouTube	25 <i>Stay Safe</i>	26 <i>Stay Safe</i> Please register online or call the Parish Office	27 <i>Stay Safe</i>	28 <i>Stay Safe</i>	29 <i>Stay Safe</i>	30 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
31 Pentecost Sunday 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass						

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