



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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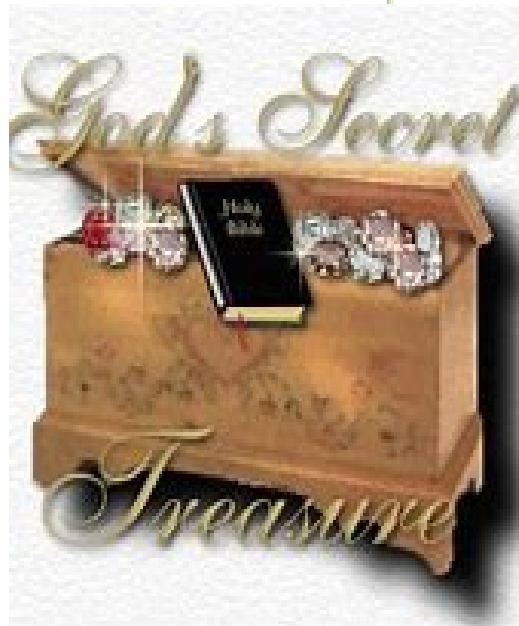
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Executive Secretary



17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

Paul's words in Romans 8:28-30 are best understood when read within the context of the verses before and after them. The surrounding verses lead us to understand God's goodness and generosity.

After the gift of kingship, God further offers Solomon the freedom to ask for any gift he desires. The contrast that the text highlights in terms of what Solomon did not request (namely, longevity, wealth, or his enemies' demise) suggests that his choice of gift is impressive because of both its context and its objective. He wants a wise, discerning, and understanding mind to govern the people. He wants something for the public good and not something solely for himself. Because of Solomon's good choice, God ends up giving to him even other gifts that Solomon did not name.

Psalms 119, in a sense, affirms Solomon's choice by presenting God and God's teaching, not wealth, as the psalmist's choice. The psalmist further explains that God's Word is what gives understanding.

The parables in today's reading from Matthew are also about choices and whether we have the discernment to choose wisely. Such choices, according to these parables, may involve the giving up of the valuables and often incur sobering consequences.

- ◆ What examples would you give to illustrate God's goodness and generosity?
- ◆ What single gift would you request of God to bring about the greatest public good?
- ◆ Psalm 119:130 presents God's Word as giving understanding, but God's Word (for example, parables) are often difficult to understand. What do people need to do to better interpret, discern, and understand what they find in the Bible?

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.



Please continue with your tithing for Stewardship. You can do on-line giving, 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

PRAYER FOR THOUGHT..

The Kingdom of God is like a net thrown into the sea which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they pull it ashore, sit down, and put what is good into buckets and throw away all that is bad. Solomon prayed, "Lord, give me an understanding heart." GOD is LOVE! God is in his holy place!

CENSUS 2020

HEAR ME. SEE ME. COUNT ME.

STAND UP AND BE COUNTED!



The Census Bureau will resume in-person operations in New Orleans, LA starting July 16th to follow up with Nonresponding households. They will approach households that have not responded to the Census. (That did not complete and returned the mailed census, or did not complete the census on line or did not complete the census by phone.)

Follow-up with Nonresponding Households in New Orleans:

Beginning Thursday, July 16, 2020

How to Identify Census Taker/Field Representative:

- Census taker or field representative will present an ID Badge with ... Name, photo, Department of Commerce watermark, expiration date
- Census Taker will have official Census Bureau electronic device (laptop or smartphone) with the Census Bureau logo.
- Census Taker will conduct their work between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.



***Scripture Readings for:
July 27th-August 2, 2020***

<i>Monday-07/27/20</i>	<i>Jeremiah 13:1-11 Matthew 13:31-35</i>
<i>Tuesday-07/28/20</i>	<i>Jeremiah 14:17-22 Matthew 13:36-43</i>
<i>Wednesday-07/29/20</i>	<i>Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21 John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42</i>
<i>Thursday-07/30/20</i>	<i>Jeremiah 18:1-6 Matthew 13:47-53</i>
<i>Friday-07/31/20</i>	<i>Jeremiah 26:1-9 Matthew 13:54-58</i>
<i>Saturday-08/01/20</i>	<i>Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24 Matthew 14:1-12</i>
<i>Sunday-08/02/20</i>	<i>Isaiah 55:1-3 Romans 8:35, 37-39 Matthew 14:13-21</i>



***Schedule
July 27th-August 2, 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, Pearl Dupart, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Javette and Michael Garner, John & Claire Bidol, Demetria Bernard, Jerald LaPierre, Robert "RJ" LaPierre, 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, Florence Lee, Sarah Lafitte, Gail O'Brien, Marynell Fernandez, Charlie Mae Thompson, Gloria Oliver, Myrtle Williams, Edward Brown, Lucille Anderson, Charmaine Prevost, Evelyn Shokes, Henry Head, Ethylene Permillion, Pamela Pleasant, Mary Ellen LeBlanc, Esther Balanciere, Shayna Vigne, Jolene Jeff, Bryon Bernard.

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.**

St. Peter Claver Church Health & Wellness Ministry

Caring For Someone with Alzheimer's Disease

"I will never leave you nor forsake you" Joshua 1:5

Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia (A brain disorder that seriously affects a person's ability to carry our daily activities). It usually begins after age 60 but can also occur as early as age 50. The risk goes up as you get older. Your risk is also higher if a family member has had the disease. This disease begins slowly first involving the parts of the brain that control thought, memory and language. People with Alzheimer's disease may have trouble remembering things that happened recently or names of people they know. Over time symptoms get worse and they may not recognize family members or have trouble speaking, reading or writing. Daily routines like brushing their teeth or coming their hair is forgotten. Later on, they may become anxious or aggressive, or wander away from home. Eventually, they need total care which will become not only extremely stressful but also over-whelming for the family member who must care for them. Presently there is no treatment that can stop the disease. However, some drugs may help keep symptoms from getting worse for a limited time. Those who care for people with this devastating disease must remember to also care for themselves. **CAREGIVER TIPS:** Ask for and accept help. Talk to the doctor. Find out what treatments might help control symptoms or address behavior problems. Find a support group (others who have "been there" may be able to help and will understand). If there are times of day that the person is less confused or more cooperative, take advantage of that in daily routines. Consider using adult day care or respite services. These offer a break with the peace of mind that the patient is being take care of. Begin to plan for the future; health insurance; keep a spiritual connection; **Alzheimer's disease is such a complex disorder-there are periods of clarity -you may be surprised how much they remember about God when you keep them spiritually connected.**

References: NIH: National Institute on Aging PubMed; Mayo Clinic.

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 Memory of:

Mr. John Harold Boucree

Requested by: **Mr. James Boucree**



Visit
St. Ann's Shrine
(2100 Block of Ursulines Ave.)
**Tuesday, Thursday
& Saturday**
9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Bible Study Quote:

“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.” *Matthew 13:44*

FIND YOUR TREASURE. The noun “treasure” is something precious like gems, or other valuable objects. The verb reassure means to prize, adore, value, and appreciate. So, what is it that you treasure the most? Jesus said that where our treasures are, there is where our heart truly lies. (Matt. 6:21) Political leaders in many southern states claim to treasure life. A recent Time Magazine article raises the question this way, “These States’ Leaders Claim to Be ‘Pro-Life.’ So Why Are so Many of Their Citizens Dying of COVID-19?” The article reveals that though the leaders tout a belief in the sanctity of life, they undermine the social safety net and public structures that protect and sustain life. It goes on to reveal that many of these same leaders refused to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act, denying access to health care to hundreds of thousands of their citizens. Sadly, the failure of these leaders to expand Medicaid also resulted in the closure of some rural hospitals. The U.S. leads the world in coronavirus deaths, even though we spend more on health care per capita than any country in the world. Black and brown communities and increasingly, poor white communities, are disproportionately represented in the COVID-19 related deaths in states whose leadership profess to be pro-life. Their treasure is power, and they will manipulate the Gospel of Justice to pursue their treasure.

PRAY ABOUT IT!

Monday: Read 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12. What gifts have you received from God?

Tuesday: Read Romans 8:29-30. What pleasures do you consider as treasures?

Wednesday: Read Matthew 13:44-52. Make a financial donation to the Second Harvest Food Bank.

Thursday: Read Romans 8:28-30. Call someone you have not spoken to since the COVID-19 quarantine began.

Friday: Make an Act of Spiritual Communion



July 25-31, 2020

Saturday, July 25, 2020

4:00 p.m. Ms. Leah Chase
Mr. Edgar Chase, Jr.
Mr. Wayne Reese, Sr.
Ms. Ruby Downs
Ms. Joyce Evans
Mr. John Bidol (*Living*)

Sunday, July 26, 2020

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
Mr. Kenneth Carter
Ms. Lydia Broyard
Mr. Gerald Merritt
10:00 a.m. Mr. John Harold Boucree
Ms. Savannah Butler
Mr. Darryl Butler
Ms. Diane Davis
Ms. Jade Gibson
Ms. Gladys Shief
Edward and Edna Walker
Mr. Percy Walker
Ms. Marguerite Batiste
Ms. Deanna Jefferson
Ms. Marguerite Lee
Ms. Terri Lee
Ms. Marguerite Jefferson
Mr. Herbert Richardson, Sr.
Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
Living & deceased members of the
Crusto, Fleury, Graham, Saulney,
Prevost & Wilson families

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Thursday, July 30, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Friday, July 31, 2020

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church
Descendants of Nace and Biby Butler
GU 272

FATIMA ROSARY

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



ATTENTION: Audio/Visual Ministry...



We are looking for volunteers who are willing to join our new ministry. This ministry will provide audio/visual and media support for

Mass and special events at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church. With the plans to expand this ministry, there is a growing need for volunteers.

If you are interested in donating or volunteering to serve and help with this multimedia ministry, please contact Emeka Dibia or Marinda Lee-Houston at the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059.



Don't forget to join in our St. Peter Claver Church Prayer and Fasting.

(We will continue our prayer line through the month of July, 2020; Monday-Friday at 12:00 noon). 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 "Live Mass" at 10:00 a.m.

St. Peter Claver Church "D.O.V.E.S. Ministry"



Our love, sympathy and prayers go to our Parishioners who have lost family members during these difficult times.

Any parishioners experiencing the recent loss of an immediate family member, please contact the Bereavement Ministry through the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059, so we can offer support and prayers.

ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY, 2020

MASS & EVENTS

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

			1 7:30 am Mass	2 7:30 am Mass	3 7:30 am Mass	4 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass 
7 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	6	7 7:30 am Mass	8 7:30 am Mass	9 7:30 am Mass	10 7:30 am Mass	11 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
14 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	13	14 7:30 am Mass	15 7:30 am Mass	16 7:30 am Mass	17 7:30 am Mass	18 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
21 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	20	21 7:30 am Mass	22 7:30 am Mass	23 7:30 am Mass	24 7:30 am Mass	25 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
26 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	27	28 7:30 am Mass	29 7:30 am Mass	30 7:30 am Mass	31 7:30 am Mass	

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