

“My heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved.” Romans 10:1

Dear friends,

This week, we celebrate Catholic Schools Week (January 31 - February 6). This is an annual national celebration of the important role that Catholic elementary and secondary schools across the country play in providing an education that emphasizes not only academics, but also spiritual, moral, and social values. The theme for this year's Catholic Schools Week is "Dividends for Life," reflecting the long lasting benefits of a Catholic school education.

According to Karen Ristau (National Catholic Educational Association president), “Catholic schools provide good things for students and families—high expectations and daily experience of faith. In these challenging times, the theme also reminds parents that the dividends of a Catholic school education—students prepared in faith, knowledge, morals and discipline—last a lifetime. There is no better way to invest in a child’s future—or the future of our world.”

When he came to the United States in April of 2008, Pope Benedict spoke to Catholic Educators about the supreme importance of Catholic Education. He said:

“Education is integral to the mission of the Church to proclaim the Good News. First and foremost every Catholic educational institution is a place to encounter the living God who in Jesus Christ reveals his transforming love and truth. This relationship elicits a desire to grow in the knowledge and understanding of Christ and His teaching. In this way, those who meet Him are drawn by the very power of the Gospel to lead a new life characterized by all that is beautiful, good, and true; a life of Christian witness nurtured and strengthened within the community of our Lord’s disciples, the Church.”

These words from Pope Benedict XVI express the reason the town of Gueydan has been blessed to have a Catholic elementary school for many years. St. Peter School was founded by long-time Pastor of St. Peter Church, Msgr. Francis Garneau. It’s original name was St. Philomena School. Its doors were opened on September 10, 1954, with a registration of 94 students distributed in four grades. The faculty included three Grey Nuns of the Cross from Canada and one lay teacher. By 1958, the school had expanded to eight grades, with the first graduation being held the following year with thirteen students graduating. The peak registration was 215 students in 1964. Since then, the enrollment has fluctuated around the number 100 in grades Pre-K through 8. St. Peter School continues to rely on the generous support of the parishioners of St. Peter Church and the community of Gueydan.

During Catholic Schools Week, we celebrate the students, faculty and staff of St. Peter School. We ask God to bless us with His grace to provide many more years of forming the children of Gueydan in the Catholic intellectual tradition to be true disciples in the Church and the world.

In His service,
Fr. Vidrine



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“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.” (Mt. 16:18)

Staff Rev. Fr. Jason Vidrine, Pastor
Leon Lejeune, Deacon
Effie Broussard, Secretary
Anna Mae Plaisance, Bookkeeper
Christine Campbell, DRE
Sheldon “Pic” Broussard, Custodian
Sr. Ann Arno, MSC, School Principal

Confessions Saturdays 3.00 - 3.45 pm
& 30 min before all other
Masses or by appointment

Baptism Arrangements made by
the parents with Pastor.
Godparents must be
Confirmed and practicing
Catholics.

Office Hours 9am - 4pm Mon - Thurs
9am - 12 noon Fridays

Holy Mass Monday No Mass
Tuesday 5.15pm
Wednesday 9.00am (Guest Home)
Thursday 5.15pm
Friday 8.15am
Saturday 4.00pm (Anticipated)
Sunday 7.00am
8.30am (St. David)
10.30am

Marriage Arrangements made by
the couple with Pastor 6
months before desired date

Anointing Emergency calls answered
immediately; call office for
Holy Communion or
Anointing of the Sick at
home or in hospital.

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Mon. 2/01 (NO MASS)
Tues. 2/02- 5:15 p.m. (ST. PETER CHURCH)

(The Presentation of The Lord)

Preceded by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Virgil Benoit (annv 2/1), Charlie J & Lillian Benoit, Kurt Istre, Alicia Istre, J.C.Broussard, Erin Krielow Lahr, Ezell & Michael Thibodeaux, Floyd, Eza & Anthony Touchet, Stanley Broussard, Whitney & Helen Thibodeaux,

Living: Special Intention (S.T.), In Thanksgiving (S.T.)

Wed. 2/03- 9:00 a.m. (GUEYDAN GUEST HOME)

(St. Blaise & St. Ansgar)

Alvin Landry Sr (annv), Edward Walters (annv 10 yrs), Dwayne Zaunbrecher, Wilbur & Lucille Guidry, Paul O, Jr, Eula, Ronald & Sherman Trahan, Floyd, Eza & Anthony Touchet, Stanley Broussard, Whitney & Helen Thibodeaux

Thurs. 2/04- 5:15 p.m. (ST. PETER CHURCH)

Floyd, Eza & Anthony Touchet, Stanley Broussard, Whitney & Helen Thibodeaux

Living: Special Intention (S.T.), In Thanksgiving (S.T.)

Fri. 2/05- 8:15 a.m. (FIRST FRIDAY -- ST. PETER CHURCH)

(St. Agatha)

Shirley Thompson, Wilmer, Stella & Darrell Sarver, J.C. Broussard, Dec/M&M H.P.Guzado f'ly, Dec/M&M I. P. Saal Sr f'ly, James & Jimmie Monvoisin, M/M Duffy David, Earlean Clynes, Msgr. Francis Garneau, Joseph & Sloyd Touchet, Ruby Hanley, Edward Saal Sr, Dec/I.P. Saal Jr f'ly, Melissa LeJeune, Guy Ledoux & Dec. f'ly, Leroy Henry, Kathy H. Mouton, Floyd, Eza & Anthony Touchet, Stanley Broussard, Whitney & Helen Thibodeaux

Sat. 2/06- 4:00 p.m (ST. PETER CHURCH)

(Anticipated—Fourth Sunday of the Year)

Shirley Thompson, Purvis Lege, M/M Mayuse & Theresa Lege, Carl Sonnier, Martin & Bernice Sonnier, P.J. Broussard III, Ernest Sr, & Lucille Hebert, Huland Breaux, J.C. Broussard, M/M Guy Broussard, M/M Ozone Guidry, Michael Sztroin, Harry Jr. & Isabelle McDaniel, Rachel Abshire, Dec/M&M Dominic Abshire Sr f'ly, Frank Bourque, Betty Dillon, Stanford Smith Sr, Leroy Henry, Kathy H. Mouton, Stacy Broussard Jr, Wilbert & Rene LeGros, Querie Richard, Tiffany Broussard, Delores Richard, Clifton Simon, Nelis Matthews, Holy Souls In Purgatory, Julius, Ruby & Allen Arabie, George Elliott, M/M Emile Guillory, M/M Armand Arabie, M/M Theolus Simon, M/M Charley Elliott, Robert "Bruce" Broussard, Joseph & Ezia Sonnier, Fr. Alcide Sonnier, Sheldon Reese, Charlie J., Lillian & Virgil Benoit, Kurt Istre, Alicia Istre, Ralph Jannise Sr, Eula Duhon, Linda Istre, Nicholas Olivier, Sheldon Simon, M/M Jack & Ronda Lemaire, Fred Cormier, George & Loretta Dowd, Karen Woods, Clyde Reese Sr., Dec/Henry Reese Sr. fly, M/M Ovie Abshire, Billy Zaunbrecher, Proford Petry, Dec/Willie Petry f'ly, Dec/Joseph Zaunbrecher fly, Dec/L.C. Melancon fly, The Holy Souls, M/M Jack Martin, Dec/Winchester fly, M/M Sidney Lounsberry, M/M George, Barbara, Faye & Mildred Klein, M/M Wilfred Broussard Sr., Susan Earls, Robert Paul Francez, Floyd, Eza & Anthony Touchet, Stanley Broussard, Whitney & Helen Thibodeaux, Neelis & Gladys Adams, M/M Enis Touchet, Dec/Ernest Saltzman fl'y, Erin "Krielow" Lahr, Ezell & Michael Thibodeaux, Lloyd Quartemont, Oscar, Eldie, Garland, Sarah, Michael & Ty Theriot, Mark LeBlanc, Bill & Theresa B. Fuqua, Clarence, Marie, Clarence Jr. & John A. Bertrand, Neelis & Joe Bertrand, Rodney Stelly Sr., J.D. Simon, Joseph Simon, Lela Suggs, Dollie Brotherton, Alde & Obrey Bourque, Mark Smith, Sheldon Simon, Melvin Mouton, M/M Exavier Lemaire, Percy & Hazel Lemaire,

Living: Special Intention (C.B.), In Thanksgiving (H.K.), Special Intention (MGG), Special Intention (C.J), In Thanksgiving (C.J.), Special Intention (S.T.), Willie Petry f'ly, Joseph Zaunbrecher fly, L.C. Melancon fly, Conversion/Sinners, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving (S.T.), In Thanksgiving (H.K.)

Sun. 2/07 7:00 a.m. (ST. PETER CHURCH)

Sean Simon, Clobule & Clifton Simon, Stacy Broussard Jr, M/M Curley Broussard, Anita Toups, Agnes Thevis, Thomas & Cason Trahan, M/M Wilbur Guidry, Dwayne Zaunbrecher, M/M C.P. Zaunbrecher, M/M Fernand Vidalier, M/M Laurence Rung, M/M Clomere Vidalier, Neelis & Joe Bertrand, M/M Joe Stelly, Cloma Stelly, M/M Freddy C. Broussard, Joseph Simon, Obrey & Alde Bourque, Rodney Stelly Sr., Ernest & Dorothy Dyson, Crip Bertrand, Aldis, Marie & Craig Broussard, Wanda Broussard, Don Linscombe, "Bee" Petry, Eddie LeJeune, Edgar Vincent, Alton Sr, Palmea & Mervin Breaux, Doris Lougon, Mildred Broussard, Cassidy Elliott, Yvette Leleaux, Bennett Broussard, M/M Obrey Broussard, Myrtle Cormier, Crystal Kibodeaux, Rowan & Bubba Laseter, Shirley & Larry Thompson, Frank & Ida Thompson, M/M Joe, Wilfred, Julian, Fred & Billy Zaunbrecher, M/M Nolan & Paul LeBlanc, Dec/A.J. Toups Sr. fly, Dave & R.J.Kibodeaux, Anese LeJeune, Dec/Aclan Guidry Sr. f'ly, M/M Diacles Weekly, Terry Weekly, Mary Jean Hebert, M/M Nolan & Curtis Abshire, J.C. Hebert, Allen Pego, Cynthia Alford, Rodney & Jimmy Simon, M/M Oscar Hungerford, Floyd, Eza & Anthony Touchet, Sidney, Eva, Gurthia & Joan Quebodeaux,

Living: Special Intention (MGG), Pro Populo (For the people of St. Peter Parish)

Sun. 2/07 - 8:30 a.m. (ST. DAVID CHAPEL)

Dec/St. David Ladies Altar Society, Loify & Eldie Woods, M/M Harry & Clifford Meaux, M/M Fernand & Ednor Leonard, Junior & Doris Richard, Sidney Gaspard, Melissa LeJeune, Cassidy Elliott, Roy & Rexine Guilbeau, Gilmar Sr, Anna, Gilmar Jr, Curtis, Allen & Daniel Landry, Nicole Campbell, Jerry & Claudia Lezak, Steve Reed, Guy Ledoux & Dec f'ly, Bert, Anna Mae & Johnny Darbonne, Kathy H. Mouton, Leroy Henry, Dec/Emick Melancon f'ly, Charles Hensgens Jr.

Living: Mem/St. Davd Ladies Altar Society

Sun. 2/07-10:30 a.m. (ST. PETER CHURCH)

Shirley Thompson, Citman LeJeune, Dolores Ewing, Oran LeJeune, Melissa LeJeune, Wilson & Oneita Marceaux, Dec/Alexon Cormier f'ly, Dec/Dupree Marceaux f'ly, Dec/M&M Leon Schexnider f'ly, Wilson & Elma Rose Smith, Helen LeBeouf, Jerry Cormier, Jason Woods, Neelis & Elia Woods, Guillian & Laura Pousson, J.D. Simon, Joseph Simon, M/M Rene Trahan, M/M Oday Simon, Dora & Paul Fruge, Dec/Dallas Bonin Sr f'ly, Gladys T. Adams, Jim Lemaire, Stacy Broussard Jr., Dec/V.D. Breaux Sr f'ly, Drozan, Bertha & W. J. Benoit, Curtis & Salina Venable, George Beller, Frank & Adaline dePerrodil, Minice & Hilda Foreman, M/M Placide Weekly, Duci, Steve Jr., Arnold & Theresa Meaux, Shelton Benoit, Eldie Broussard, Allanna Mayer, Warren, Lunia & Darryl LeJeune, Troy Richard, L.J. & Nolia Theriot, Phoebe Thibodeaux, Hilda R. Duhon, Telismar & Vergie Richard, Elbe Richard, Bozo & Myrna R. Kibodeaux, Betty M. Hebert, M/M Leo & Eugene Meaux, M/M Whitney & Andrus Hebert, M/M Owen & Robert Lounsberry, M/M Jimmy LeJeune, Reese, Rita, Maylen & Horace Broussard, Edward & Ina Istre, M/M Teonis, L.J. & Bobby Simon, Sean Simon, Brenda S. Bourque, Michael Sensat, Vernes, Thomas & Cason Trahan, Audley & Tim Badon, Eugene, Madeline, Ronald & Dana Broussard

Living: V.D. Breaux Sr f'ly,

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

JANUARY 31, 2010

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

St. Peter Parish Life
Knights of Columbus
Ladies Altar Society
Catholic Daughters

Bereavement (Chairman)
(Co Chairman)

Altar Servers (Boys)
Sacristans (Girls)

Adoration Chapel
Right to Life
Cursillo (Men & Women)

DRE
AI-A-Non

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER – FEBRUARY 2010

GENERAL-For all scholars and intellectuals, that by means of sincere search for the truth they may arrive at an understanding of the one true God.

MISSION –That the Church, aware of its own missionary identity, may strive to follow Christ faithfully and to proclaim His Gospel to all peoples.

OFFERINGS OF THE PAST WEEK

ST. PETER

ST. DAVID

Offertory
St. Peter School

\$2,878.25
773.50

\$596.00
79.25

THANK YOU!!!! PLEASE DON'T SKIP A SUNDAY DONATION; IT MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE!

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND (JANUARY 30-31): FOR VICTIMS OF THE HAITI EARTHQUAKE.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND (FEBRUARY 6-7): FOR THE CHURCH LOAN

CCD PROGRAM: Class for grades 1ST- 9TH - Sun, Jan 31st– St. Peter School – 9:00 a.m. followed by 10:30 am Mass.

RCIA Class will be held on Thurs, Feb. 4th at 6:00 pm – St. Peter School.

Confirmation Class (10th grade) Wed, Feb. 3rd – 6:30 pm – St. Peter School.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL – Adorers are needed for Thursdays at 2:00-3:00 p.m.; 7:00-8:00 p.m. and 9:00-10:00 p.m.. and Fridays 8:00-9:00 p.m. Please consider spending One Hour With Jesus. Call Patsy Woods at 536-6296

CURSILLO SCHEDULE---Women’s Cursillos: April 22-25; June 24-27; & October 21-24 & July 22-25 (Special Needs); Men’s Cursillos: February 11-14; May 20-23; August 26-29; November 11-14 & March 4-7 (Special Needs)

WEDDING BANNES- Scottie Thibodeaux and Claire Darbonne Thibodeaux (Validation)- III

To Participate Please Contact

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Linda Potier Cell# 652-1031
Charlotte Mayer 536-9965
Charlotte Mayer 536-9965
Patsy Woods 536-6296
Stephanie Breaux 536-6967
Fr. Vidrine 536-9259
Christine Campbell 536-9258
536-9801

Peggy Arpin, Marie Lafosse Boudreaux, Brenda Broussard, Robert Broussard, Mary Duhon, Warren Faulk, Greg & Kristy Fox, Slade Cannon Fox, Linda Garrie, Lisa Gaspard, Marie-Reine, Oneil, Ubald & Ulysse Grondin, Myrtle Guidry, Olite Guidry, Sandra Guidry, Martha Hebert, Birdie Lege Istre, Henrietta Klein, Jeanette LeJeune, Harriet Lemaire, Carley Marceaux, Darryl Marceaux, Charles McDaniel Sr, Monita Meaux, Daniel Petry, Hillman Primeaux, Russell J. Primeaux, Marilyn Roche, Kaylie Segrera, Bobbie Smith, Randi Sonnier, Harris Vallo, Morris Watson, Cathy Williams, Frankie B. Whitford, Ayden Witte, Bridget Woods, Special Intention (R.B.), Special Intention (K.B.), Special Intention (H.D & F.J.)

ST. PETER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL SEARCH -- St Peter School is now accepting applications for the position of Principal to start July 16, 2010 and to continue for at least 12 months. St. Peter School is an accredited co-ed school with an enrollment of 100 students in grades Pre-K through 8. The Principal has responsibility for the day-to-day administration of the school. A strong vision of both Catholic identity and academic excellence is important as this position assists in developing long-range goals. The Principal also works in close cooperation with the Pastor of St. Peter Church and the advisory bodies of the Parish Council and the School Board. The qualifications include the following:

- 1- must be a practicing Catholic with a commitment to the philosophy of Catholic education
- 2- must hold a master’s degree in educational administration, or related field, with a minimum of five years of successful teaching and/or administrative experience
- 3- must meet all Diocesan and State standards for school Principals
- 4- must possess excellent communication skills and enthusiasm for developing and maintaining a religious oriented and a top academic school

For further information or to obtain an application, contact St. Peter School: phone/fax 337-536-7930.

St. Peter Catholic School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin.

FRIENDS DAY 2010 AT COMMUNITY OF JESUS CRUCIFIED

A morning of spiritual talks on timely topics and Mass with an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Friends Day is coordinated by the priests and members of the Community of Jesus Crucified. It begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends with the celebration of Mass at noon. It is held at the Center of the community of Jesus Crucified, 421 1/2 Carmel Ave. on the Holy Rosary campus located in Lafayette. For more information call 232-7491 or 896-0524 .

Saturday, February 20, 2010: **“Forty-Day Journey in the Lenten Way to the Cross”**

VOCATION SUPPER FOR YOUNG WOMEN

There will be a vocation supper for young women with Bishop Michael Jarrell on Wednesday, February 24, 2010 at the Bishop’s residence. Please encourage any young woman you think may be called to Religious Life or might be interested to attend. The deadline to register is February 18. Call the parish office for more information. Space is limited, so please register early.

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouvaille simply means ‘rediscovery’. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10’s of 1000’s headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the Retrouvaille of Acadiana February program, which begins with a weekend on February 26-28, 2010, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the web site at www.helpourmarriage.com.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS THIS WEEK--FEBRUARY 1-7,

(Listed below are the priests for whom we are asked to pray daily)

- 1—Pope Benedict XVI
- 2—Bishop Michael Jarrell
- 3—Rev. Fr. Keenan Brown
- 4—Rev. Fr. Wilbur “Sonny” Brown
- 5—Rev. Fr. Francis Butler, SSJ
- 6—Rev. Fr. Floyd Calais
- 7—Rev. Fr. Jairo Castaro, SDS

Daily prayer for Priests: *Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen*