



# Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

December 9, 2018 Second Sunday of Advent

## Christmas flowers in memory of:

Ruston, Terry Weekly

Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa Meaux

Buck, Ouida Campbell, Alicia,  
Brant Istre, Denise Hampshire,  
Flex Guillory, Zach Simon, Theresa, Vorice Falcon, Leo, Lillian Morvant, Chester & Yvella LeLeaux, M/M Amar, Jane, Sarah, Querie Richard, M/M Crip, Anna Mae Abshire

In loving memory of :  
Clalie & Wilson dePerrodil,  
Doreen Broussard

Anna Mae, Bert, Johnny Darbonne, Karl, Dr. Reno Petry

B.D. & Janet Simon

Jackie Scanlan

Georgia, Oday, Oge Buford, Lisa Gaspard, Larry Hayes

Catholic Daughters are collecting donations to help the elderly with utility bills. Please place your donation in envelope located on Christmas trees in front of church and drop in collection or bring to church office by week-end of 12-22.

### Holy Mass Schedule

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	5:15 p.m.
Wednesday	Noon
Thursday	5:15 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. (Gueydan Guest Home)
Saturday	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
St. David	8:30 a.m.

### Confession:

Saturday 2:45-3:45 p.m. & 30 minutes before all other Masses or by appointment.

### Baptism:

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

### Marriage

Arrangements made by the couple with the pastor no less than 6 months before desired date.

### Anointing:

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

### Office Hours:

Monday: Closed  
Tues-Thurs 8am-3pm  
Friday-8 am-Noon  
Lunch: Noon- 1pm

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

**St. Peter Church**

**Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m.**

**St. David Chapel**

**Christmas Eve at 6:00 p.m.**

**Christmas day**

**St. Peter Church**

**9:00 a.m.**

**PRAYER FOR SEMINARIANS**

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood. Enlighten the Bishop and Vocation Director in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Directors in molding them, and the professors in instructing them. Lead the seminarians daily in your unerring footsteps, so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom, and heroes of sacrifice. May they be steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man, apostles of your glory, and sanctifiers of souls. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us. Amen

- December
- 9 Casey Dugas
- 10 John Dugas
- 11 Tre' Fontenot
- 12 Andrew Furka
- 13 David Furka
- 14 Jace Gyles
- 15 Jonathan Harris

**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*



- December
- 9 Reverend Rodney Kissinger, SJ
- 10 Reverend Clifton Labbe, SVD
- 11 Reverend Donovan Labbe
- 12 Reverend Keith LaBove
- 13 Reverend Paul LaFleur
- 14 Reverend Jeremy Lambert, LC
- 15 Reverend Michael Keith Landry

**Offerings of the Past Week:**

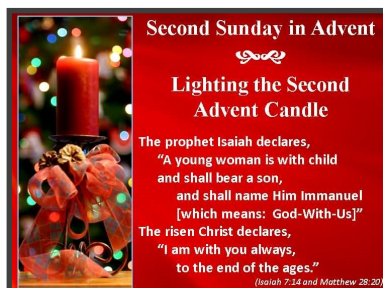
	<b>St. Peter Church</b>	<b>St. David Chapel</b>
First Collection	\$ 3271.00	\$ 504.90
Second Collection	1054.00	104.00

Second collection this week-end is for insurance and maintenance.

**Please keep the sick and healing of our community in your prayers:**

- Tabby B. Benoit
- Rachel Braud
- Kim Broussard
- Tammy B. Cormier
- Roxanne Dupuis
- Sr. Clairette
- Bruce Fruge
- Kade Guidry
- Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune
- Jules Martin
- Mabel Martin
- Sr. Louella Petry
- Sidonia Primeaux
- Verna Schexnider
- Aimee Sonnier

O Think, O God, of our friends who are ill, whom we now commend to Your compassionate regard. Comfort them upon their sickbed and ease their suffering. We beg for deliverance, and submit that no healing is too hard for the Lord, if it be His will. We therefore pray that You bless our friends with Your loving care, renew their strength, and heal what ails them in Your loving name.  
Thank you Lord



**The Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the United States**

There is a kind of secret history of the United States of which many are not aware, the Catholic influence. There has been a significant Catholic influence all the way back to our country's founding. Several of George Washington's closest advisors were Catholic. Charles Carroll, a Catholic was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. His brother John Carroll was our Nation's first Catholic Bishop, who among many other things consecrated the country to the Immaculate Conception. The mighty Mississippi was first named the River of the Immaculate Conception. There is even some evidence that George Washington received an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary the night before the famous battle of Valley Forge. Suffice it to say Mary is under appreciated as our Patroness. We have large part forgotten the heavenly blessings that she acquired for us.

The Dogma of the Immaculate Conception was not solemnly defined by the Church until 1854, but the consecration of the United States to Mary under this title occurred in 1792. Additionally, in 1846 the Bishops of the United States gathered for a church synod, during which, they named the Immaculate Conception as the Patroness of the United States. Later the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception was built in order to celebrate the dogma and our Patroness. What was the reason for so such strong devotion to the Immaculate Conception before the dogma was defined?

In her book *The Spiritual Journey of George Washington*, Janice T. Connell reports the astonishing but little known account that George Washington had some kind of vision the night while at Valley Forge. There is little record of it save an oral history from an eyewitness named Anthony Sherman. The account was recorded in *The National Tribune*, Volume 4, No. 12, December 1880. I think that it is notable that George Washington was known to have a relationship with the Carroll family, including the Bishop John Carroll. It gives further weight that John Carroll's first act as bishop was to consecrate the United States to the Immaculate Conception.

The Mississippi was first discovered by the French explorer Louis Joliet, who was accompanied by the Jesus Priest Fr. Jacques Marquette. Fr. Jacques entrusted the expedition to the Immaculate Conception, promising that if they were to find the river, he would name it in her honor. Providentially they received permission and set out on the expedition on December 8th after he had requested Our Lady's patronage. Make what you will of these events, but I believe they demonstrate deep devotion of our country to Our Lady and her deep concern for us. The Apparitions of Our Lady of America to Sister Mary Ephrem in 1938 also report this. Suffice it to say that these apparitions were approved by Sr. Mary Ephrem's Bishop at the time they occurred. In the Apparition she indicated her pleasure with our devotion to her and in particular the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. She desired that we imitate her purity and that she would bless us through the grace of her Immaculate Conception.

In our days when our nation seems to be crumbling, along with the family and the practice of the faith, ought we not turn our eyes once more to the Immaculate Conception and ask for her direct intercession? Let me leave you with these words from the Apparitions of Our Lady of America. "Weep, then, dear children, weep with your mother over the sins of men," said Mary. "Intercede with me before the throne of mercy, for sin is overwhelming the world and punishment is not far away... "It is the darkest hour, but if men will come to me, my Immaculate Heart will make it bright again with the mercy which my Son will rain down through my hands. Help me save those who will not save themselves. Help me bring once again the sunshine of God's peace upon the world."

Fr. Campeaux

**Tuesday 12-11 5:15 P.M. St. Peter Church**  
**Mass Intention:** Harold, Hattie, Jane, Nelis (BD) Matthews, *Living:* Billy, Laurel Portie

**Wednesday 12-12 Noon St. Peter Church**

**Thursday 12-13 5:15 P.M. St. Peter Church**  
**Mass Intention:** Paul LeBlanc (AOD)  
**Also remembered:** Brenda Bertrand

**Friday 12-14 10:00 A.M. Gueydan Memorial Guest Home**  
**Mass Intention:** Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry,

**Saturday 12-15 4:00 P.M. St. Peter Church**  
**Mass Intention:** Francis & Sarah Chatagnier, Dora, Eldie, Garland, Michael, Oscar Sr., Sarah, Ty & Wilton Theriot, Lloyd Quartermont, Living: Oscar Theriot, Sr., Family  
**Also remembered:**

- Dunice, T-Joe, Brenda, Faye, Neelis Bertrand, Anastasie, JD, Joseph Simon, James Smith family, Rodney Stelly, Jr. & Sr., Lela Suggs, Father Donald Theriot
- Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa Meaux
- Allie, Carl Hoffpauir, Ronnie Lougon, Zach Simon
- Deceased Vance Benoit family, deceased Alexon Cormier family, Jerry Cormier, M/M Elly Fuselier, Freddie, Helen LeBeouf, Melisa LeJeune, Darrell, Wilson & Oneita Dupree Marceaux family, Deceased Leon Schexnider family, Caina, Martha, Elma, Wilson Smith
- B.D. Janet Simon
- Ernest LePretre, Jr.
- Julia, Sheldon Simon
- Josephine Broussard
- Rod Boudreaux, Ruston, Terry Weekly

**Sunday 12-16 7:00 A.M. St. Peter Church**  
**Mass Intention:** Ethel Lege, Sean Simon  
**Also remembered:**

- Huland, Rachel Breaux
- Andrew, Everna Cormier
- M/M Wilfred Broussard, Sr., Marvin Compton, Susan Earls, In Memory of Jude Fluitt, Robert Paul Francez, Barbara, Bob, Faye, Francis, George, Henrietta, Jim, Lenia, Mildred, Pat Klein, Cathy Langley, Betty, Percy LaPointe, M/M Sidney Lounsberry, Floyd Saltzman, Carrie Walpole
- Lester Potier
- Jackie Scanlan
- Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher, families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry
- Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan Leblanc Family, Dorothy Z, Ellis Touns, Joseph Zaunbrecher Family
- Carol Badon
- Joseph "Buster", Wanda LaPointe, Buford, Dorothy Marceaux
- Justin Woods & military
- Rhonda Woods, Holy Souls especially forgotten
- Crip, Edith Bertrand, BB, Evelyn Breaux, Aldis, Marie, Bernice, Jane, Clevenis, Eriste, Craig, Brenda, Robert P., Wanda, Wilfred "Blanc" Broussard, Joe Gaspard, Johnnie B. Hebert, Ryan Henry, Ruby, Wallace Istre, Donald, Shawn Linscomb, Jules, Wayne Martin, Albay, Anite Thibodeaux (AOD 12-19)
- Fay Bertrand (BD)

**8:30 A.M. St. David Chapel**  
**Mass Intention:** Emick, Helen "Sis" Melancon, Nellie, Thomas, Willie Petry  
**Also remembered:** Karl, Dr. Reno Petry, Anna Mae, Bert, Johnny Darbonne, Velma B. Trahan, Guy LeDoux deceased family, Olite, Uland Guidry

**Mass Intention:** Parishioners of St. Peter Church **10:30 A.M. St. Peter Church**

### **Perpetual Adoration**

Let us love being with the Lord!  
There we can speak with Him about everything. We can offer Him our petitions, or concerns, our troubles our joys, our gratitude, our disappointments, our needs, and our aspirations. Above all we can remember to pray! "Lord send laborers into Your Harvest! Help me to be a good worker in your vineyard!"

### **Adorers for adoration needed for:**

Friday 8:00 A.M.  
5:00 P.M.

Please call Andrea Robinson at 223-0640 to commit spending an hour with the Lord or to change your time.

### **ADVENT MISSION**

**The Little Friars and  
Little Nuns of  
Jesus and Mary  
Will present our  
Advent Mission**



**December 17-19  
At 6:00 p.m.  
at St. Peter Church**

**Donations for Christmas  
flowers are now being  
accepted**



**Every Parish  
of the Diocese of Lafayette**

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in Advent  
6:30-8:00 pm  
December 5 and December 19**

**Dates to Remember**

**Baptismal Class on  
December 13, 2018 at 3:30.  
Please call the office if  
interested.**