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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

Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

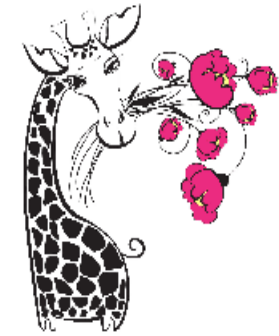
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saintpeterchurch.org

Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

January 27, 2019 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



**STAND TALL, REACH
HIGH, BE YOU**

PRO-LIFE POTLUCK

JANUARY 30, 2019 | 6:30PM |
WEDNESDAY
PERE MEGRET HALL
202 W VERMILION, ABBEVILLE LA

You are invited to bring food according to Last Names:
A-H Appetizers I- S Sides T-Z Desserts

For more info, contact Kelli Davis 893-0244 or
cscabbeville@gmail.com

**Mass Time on
February 2
Will be at 4:30
Due to the Mardi Gras parade**

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

- January
 27. Jonathan Harris
 28. Evan Hebert
 29. Reverend Mr. Sal Istre
 30. Andrew Killeen
 31. Luke Kirk
 February
 1. Rev. Kevin Bordelon
 2. Rev. Patrick Broussard

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



- January
 27. Reverend Godwin Nzeh, CMF
 28. Reverend Anselm Ofodum
 29. Reverend Norman O'Neal, SJ
 30. Reverend Paul Anuegbe
 31. Reverend Paul Osterie, SJ
 February
 1. Pope Francis
 2. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Offerings of the Past Week:

First collection
 Second collection this week-end is for the Church in Latin America

St. Peter Church

\$ 2914.00

St. David Chapel

\$ 475.05

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

- A.J. Benoit
 Rachel Braud
 Kim Broussard
 Tabby Benoit
 Dallas, Dru, Kaitlyn C.
 Tammy Cormier
 Roxanne Dupuis
 Brantlee Foreman
 Bruce Fruge
 John D. Istre
 Dexter, Sydne Harris, Felicia, Karine, Lance,
 Landon, Margaret, Walter Jolivette, Jr., III
 Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune
 Kylee, Nia Ned
 Jules Martin
 Joan Ogden

- Sidonia Primeaux
 Karen Roger'
 Richard Sirmon
 Aimee Sonnier
 Jaxson Spikes
 Hubert Suire
 MariAnne Vondenstein
 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.

Our current culture tends to characterize faith as a merely private opinion. For example, we are told that you can privately hold a view at mass on Sunday, but you cannot run your business according to those principles. We Catholics, are not unaffected by this attitude. We individualize our faith to the point that we can decide what is right and wrong.

The first reading this Sunday comes from the book of Nehemiah. The context is following the return of the people from the Babylonian Exile. The temple has been rebuilt, but with little care. The people have not returned their hearts to God. Upon returning to the city of Jerusalem, they have mostly looked to themselves. The city of Jerusalem failed to return to its glory because of this attitude even though the King of Babylon had provided money and craftsman to rebuild the city.

Nehemiah prays to God that he be sent to Jerusalem to rebuild the walls. Upon completion of the walls of the city, Nehemiah gathers the people. A pulpit is made for the occasion, and Nehemiah rises upon it to read from the Word of God. He reads no small selection but goes through large sections of the scriptures explaining it on the way. The people begin to weep because they began to realize that their hearts are far from God and this distance brought about what was prophesied in the scriptures.

Private prayer with the scripture is important and should be encouraged. I practice it daily. However, the preeminent place for Scripture is in the liturgy. Nehemiah explained the scriptures so that the people understood their situation and they wept. In the gospel, Jesus reads the scroll of Isaiah in the Synagogue and explains for them what was hidden. In His reading of the word the scripture of Isiah 61 is fulfilled. Jesus encourages their faith. Jesus backs up his word with miracles throughout the gospel.

The importance of the church community is not to denigrate personal initiatives. The importance of the Church is to promote the activity of the whole body of Christ flowing from God whom, we experience in the most excellent way in the liturgy. God feeds us with His body and blood. He gives us His Spirit to unify the body of Christ. The unity of the body of Christ in the Spirit is what St. Paul Speaks about in in the second reading.

St. Paul describes the church as one in the headship of Christ. We are all formed under Jesus Christ. The body of the church has many members and parts which God intends to work together even as the organs of our physical bodies work together. Each has a unique role which is important and indispensable even if it seems less noble than another. "the parts of the body which seem to be weaker are indispensable,23 and those parts of the body which we think less honorable we invest with the greater honor, and our unrepresentable parts are treated with greater modesty,24 which our more presentable parts do not require." (1 Cor 12:22-24). St. Paul continues to accentuate that God has made things so that the more humble things be given greater honor (1Cor 12:24b). God perpetually reserves his choicest blessings for the humble. For example, it is the little St. Michael who Defeats the great angel Lucifer, it is Mary the lowly servant of the Lord that God blesses for all ages.

It is also important to note that the whole church is essential, not just certain members. It is true that in our human failings we forget this. Our expression of the church as a community can be quite poor. This is to our detriment. St. Paul says that "If one member suffers, all suffer together, if one member is honored, all rejoice together." Accordingly, the more we act together in faith, the more we are blessed. On the contrary, the more we act as merely private individuals who have an accidental association with each other, the more we suffer. God ordained us to live act and move as one.

How do we change and embrace the plan God has made for us? We embrace the plan through humility. The first step is to acknowledge that we cannot achieve the plan by human efforts alone. We fail and will continue to fail, but recognize our failures and confessing our sins opens us to receive the grace needed to act in the will of God. Let us take for ourselves with the example of St. Therese who fought fiercely with her littleness as well as her personal faults and failings. She found the heart of her vocation in being poor and needing God for all things. We can see in her the fruit on such humble reliance in God. Let us pray that we may humble ourselves before the Lord and that He may form us into one community of faith.

The Catholic Daughters

The next Catholic Daughter meeting will be held on Tuesday,
February 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Cormier's Creole Kitchen
Hope to see you there!

The Mission for the Love of God
rosary CD is on sale for \$5.00.
The CD includes the beautiful
music (Immaculate Harmony of
OLOG) from the Tilma of Saint
Juan Diego. Anyone interested
may contact Charlene Jannise at
536-6636.

Family
IS EVERYTHING

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:

Wednesday 8:00 A.M.
3:00 P.M.

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