



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

September 6, 2020 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass Schedule

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| 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

May we pray for guidance and
protection for all students
beginning a new school year.

Jesus I trust in you!

Back to School Prayers for Peace
(Isaiah 26:3; Philippians 4:6-7;
Romans 5:1).

Lord, I pray that my kids (grandkids) will experience the
peace of God this year that exceeds all understanding. Help
them not to worry about things they cannot control, but
guard their hearts and minds and keep them trusting in You.

Lord, may they not only enjoy the peace of God, but peace
with God. I pray they will develop a spirit of gratitude and
thanksgiving as they look to You daily for their needs, and
that You will give them the capacity for joy that bubbles up
from Your peace.

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

September

6. Michael Vidrine
7. Nicholas Ware
8. Cole Zaunbrecher
9. Pier Zeringue
10. Dylan Allen
11. Reed Bellingham
12. Haden Coleman

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.



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6. Reverend Howard Blessing
7. Reverend Kevin Bordelon
8. Reverend Marshall Boulet
9. Reverend John Joseph Bourque, CJC
10. Reverend Millard Boyer
11. Reverend James Bradley, SJ
12. Reverend James Brady, JCL

Offerings

St. Peter
St. David

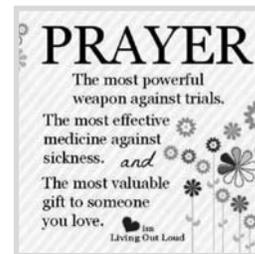
First Collection

\$ 616.00
\$ 391.00

Second Collection this weekend is for church loan.

Please pray for the following:

Cindy, Larry Benoit
Tabby Broussard Benoit
Dallas, Dru, Kaitlyn C.
Tammy Broussard Cormier
Jessica V. Fluitt
Dexter, Sydne Harris
Felicia, Karina, Lance, Landon, Margaret,
Walter Joliette, Jr., III
Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune
Alexis, Donald "Bubba", Henry LeMaire
Wayne LeMaire
Jules Martin
Mabel Martin
Willie Martin
Chris, Kilee Ned
Billy Portie
Sidonia Primeaux
Aimee Sonnier
Hubert Suire
Cena Mae, Floyd Zaunbrecher



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

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Every Christian must listen to the voice of the Lord. Christianity is often portrayed as a set of rules which we impose on others. It is true that we follow a moral code and that this code has effects on all creation. The first reading presents a prophet of the Lord who is obliged to speak God’s word even if it is not accepted or he is guilty of the sin he is called to illuminate. The gospel similarly deals with discipline within the church. The Apostles are instructed on how to deal with internal disputes. All of the moral law, along with today’s readings, serve to promote human flourishing. This is why the church professes aspects of the moral law in the public forum because human flourishing is for all, not just Christians.

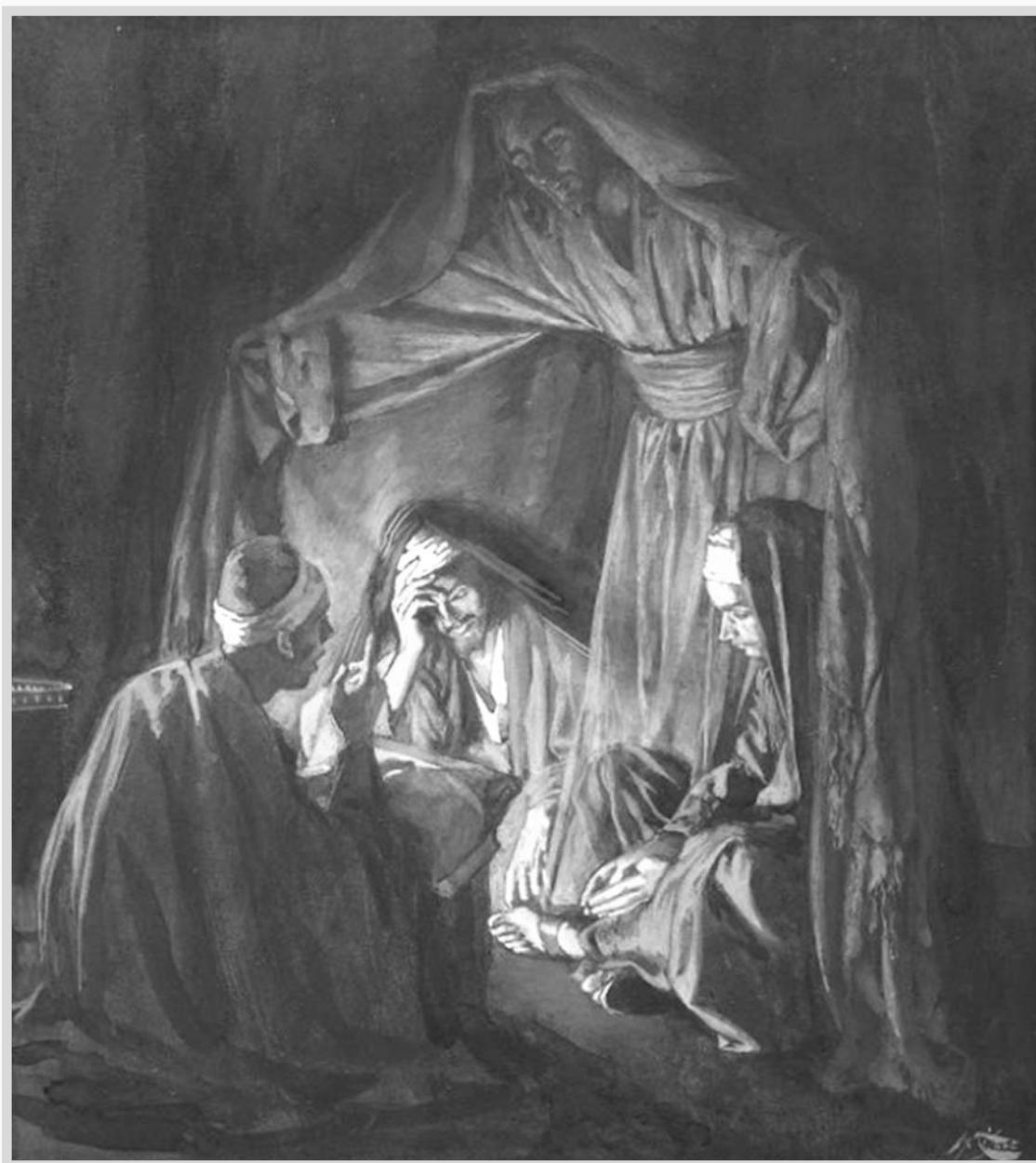
In the first reading, the prophet Ezekiel has been sent to speak a word to the people. The people, however, are not open to receiving the word of God. At his calling, God told Ezekiel that the people would not listen. This Sunday’s selection teaches an important principle. We are required to preach, but we are not responsible for the response of people. It is not that we are indifferent to the fate of men. It is rather we are not responsible for the choices of others. We are responsible for our own response to God’s word.

In the Gospel, Jesus addresses disputes from within the Christian community. Today, the default response of people seems to be outrage. Truly, some things deserve public outcry, but the first response should not always be outrage. All of us are capable of making mistakes in our judgment. Accordingly, Jesus instructs the apostles first to seek out their brother privately and explain to them their fault. This allows for correction when the transgressor was simply unaware of his fault. Jesus’ teaching also allows for errors in judgment, which could privately be explained. Jesus secondly counsels the testimony of witnesses. This is important because, in the context of communal correction, the witnesses help deal with personal bias. One person could have a bias or an error of judgment. When three people from the community approach you with collaborating testimony, their case is more compelling. As a final resort, Jesus counsels taking the offender to the church. If he refuses even then the council of the church, then he is to be cast out. He is separated from the community. In effect, the church is saying that we recognize exteriorly what you have chosen through your actions, to be apart for yourself.

What is the purpose of fraternal correction? It is first to clear the air. Many disputes can be resolved just by verbalizing the problem. Others require the testimony of witnesses. Finally, sometimes people refuse all testimony of anyone. For these, excommunication is a medicine to make apparent what has previously been an internal disposition. The hope is that through making internal actions apparent, a path to reconciliation may be found. Always God’s will is the reconciliation of sinners.

What can we do with the readings this Sunday? I think we can seriously bear in mind Jesus teaching in our use of social media. What Jesus suggests is not practical to apply with social media. Often we have very limited relationships with the people who debate online. However, if we check our anger and invite the Lord to be present, we can adapt it to the circumstances. For example, we can determine if a person is reasonable and wants the truth or is merely out for a fight. If they are out for a fight, there is little point in further dialogue. Jesus’ teaching is for us a way of peace within the community, but it is also a means for having peace within our soul. Let us think about the teaching of Jesus now, so the next time we have a disagreement, we will have a better idea of how to react.

One final piece of advice. Sometimes we find ourselves often in disagreements because of anger. If you find this to be the case, here are two resources I have found to be very helpful. First is the book *Overcoming Sinful Anger* by Fr. T. Morrow. Another excellent resource is *Feeling and Healing your Emotions* by Dr. Conrad W. Baars. Both books are available as a Kindle book or paperback. I recommend them both for understanding anger and understanding how God created us with emotions (including anger) with a purpose.



“For where two or three or gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.”

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| Tuesday Mass Intention: | 09-08 Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry | 5:15 p.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Wednesday Mass Intention: | 09-09 Olivia Richard | Noon | St. Peter Church |
| Thursday Mass Intention: | 09-10 Gus LeDoux and deceased family, Tiffany Broussard, Theresa, Vorice Cormier, Cynthia Gaspard, Sr. Clairette Grondin, Denise Hampshire, Wesley LeMaire, Sr., Clay Miller, Eulan, Jane, Mary, Querie Richard and deceased members of Richard/Cormier families, special intention, Rose Cormier, Clestine Lacombe, Ernest, Evelyn Richard, Beatrice Ryder, Dexter, Eddie, Joseph, M/M Pierre Saltzman, Henry, Irwin, Linus, Mildred, Sidney Touchet | 5:15 p.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Friday Mass Intention: | 09-11 M/M L.C. Melancon and family, Shirley, Proford Petry and family, Bill (BD 9/15), Billy Zaunbrecher and family | 10:00 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Saturday Mass Intentions: | 09-12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa Meaux • Irvin, M/M Wilfred Broussard, Sr., Marvin Compton, Susan Earls, Jude Fluitt, Robert Paul Francez, Barbara, Faye, Francis, George, Henrietta, Jim, Lenia, Mildred, Bob, Pat Klein, Cathy Langley Betty, Percy LaPoint, M/M Sidney Lounsberry, Carrie Walpole • Joseph "Buster", Wanda, Kathleen LaPointe, Ryan (Bubba) Laseter, Buford, Dorothy Marceaux, Agnes Suire, Lola Tuiller • Huland, Rachel Breaux • Renee' Benoit • Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family • Deceased Vance Benoit family, deceased Alexon Cormier family, Jerry Cormier, M/M Elly Fuselier, Freddie, Helen LeBeouf, Melissa LeJeune, Darrell, Wilson, Oneita Marceaux, deceased Dupree Marceaux family, deceased Leon Schexnider family, Caina, Martha, Elma, Wilson Smith • Anna Mae, Bert, Johnny Darbonne, Karl, Dr. Reno Petry • Carole Badon • Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher family, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry • Genevia, Melissa, P.T., LaPointe, Darrell, Dudley, Russell, Wesley LeMaire, Sr. • Leona Bertrand • Priscilla "Titter" Carlson • Clement Gendron (AOD 9-13) • Michael Ardoin, Jerry, Jonathan, Joseph Bourque, Marlene B. LeBoeuf (AOD 16 years) • Eula, Milton Breaux, Alexon Theriot family, Larry, Cindy Benoit | 4:00 p.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Sunday Mass Intention: | 09-13 Joseph, Kenny, Wallace Broussard | 7:00 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Mass Intention: | 09-13 Kalix Broussard, Billy, Josie Duhon, Bill Jr., Marie, William Greene, Sr., Elias, Edward, Gussie, Guy, Lori, Roberta LeDoux, Lelia, Lovelace, Robert, LeMaire, Belle, Nick Noel, Noelle, Romeal Trahan | 8:30 a.m. | St. David Chapel |
| Mass Intention: | 09-13 Parishioners of St. Peter Church | 10:30 a.m. | St. Peter Church |



Please pray for all affected
By hurricane Laura

With the November election quickly approaching, voter registration deadlines are looming. To make sure your registration is up to date go to www.CheckYourVoterRegistration.com.

September 6 To love God as He ought to be loved, we must be detached from all temporal love. We must love nothing but Him, or if we love anything else, we must love it only for His sake. - St. Peter Claver (1580-1654), Jesuit priest, patron of race relations, Feast Day September 9