



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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December 27, 2020

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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



Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass Schedule

St. Peter Church

New Year Eve @ 6:30 p.m.

New Year's Day @ 9:00 a.m.

St. David Chapel

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

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

27. Jace Gyles
28. James Hamilton
29. Evan Hebert
30. Caleb Henry
31. Erick Hernandez

December

27. Reverend Monsignor H.A. Larroque
28. Reverend Korey LaVergne
29. Reverend Bernard Lebiedz, OSB
30. Reverend Clyde LeBlanc, SJ
31. Reverend Steve LeBlanc
1. Pope Francis
2. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Offerings

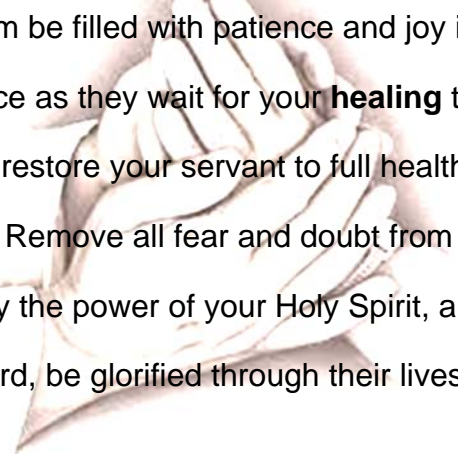
St. Peter
St. David

First Collection

\$ 832.00
\$ 371.00

Please pray for the following:

Cindy, Larry Benoit
Tabby Broussard Benoit
Dallas, Dru, Kaitlyn C.
Tammy Broussard Cormier
Earline Hardee
Dexter, Sydne Harris
Felicia, Karina, Lance, Landon, Margaret,
Walter Joliette, Jr., III
Craig, Kim LeBlanc
Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune
Wayne LeMaire
Mabel Martin
Chris, Kilee Ned
Sidonia Primeaux
Trudy Schexnider
Aimee Sonnier
Hubert Suire
Macey Vallo
Mabel Walker
Cena Mae, Floyd Zaunbrecher



Let them be filled with patience and joy in your presence as they wait for your **healing** touch. Please restore your servant to full health, dear Father. Remove all fear and doubt from their heart by the power of your Holy Spirit, and may you, Lord, be glorified through their lives, Amen.

Feast of the Holy Family

The Holy Family is a reminder to us of God's plan for the family. The Holy Family is not called Holy because they are without difficulty. They are Holy because they are perfect in love. They follow through with the plan of God. Joseph and Mary participate with Jesus in the redemption of the Family. We are also meant by God to participate in the redemption of the family. It requires love and sacrifice. They are an example for us and a reminder that such a life is possible with God's help.

Why do families more frequently fall apart or suffer grievous injury in these times more than any other? It is not because the plan of God has changed or the promises made at a wedding are invalid. It is rather that selfishness has replaced love. Sin has choked off love so that it no longer reproduces itself as it once did.

In the beginning, when God created Adam and Eve, there was no selfish love, only mutual self-giving love. When Adam failed in his God-given responsibility and Eve usurped her God-given role, the original makeup of the family was destroyed. However, God provides for a return to what he originally envisioned for the family.

In *Redemptoris Custos*, Pope St. John Paul II wrote:

Whereas Adam and Eve were the source of evil, which was unleashed on the world, Joseph and Mary are the summit from which holiness spreads all over the earth. The Savior began the work of salvation by this virginal and holy union, wherein is manifested his all-powerful will to purify and sanctify the family - that sanctuary of love and cradle of life. (*Redemptoris Custos* on August 15th, 1989, No. 7)

According to John Paul II, we can see through the Holy Family the undoing of the sin which reaps destruction upon families. Where do we see this redemption? We see it through the self-donation in each of the members.

It is well to reflect first upon St. Joseph. As the foster father of Jesus, he is the one who begins all of the action of the family. God even affords Joseph a certain role in the formation of the Family. God requests the "Yes" of Joseph to begin the life of the Holy Family when he accepts Mary and Jesus into his home. He "adopts" Jesus taking the role of foster father or custodian. In doing this, Joseph humbles his pride to accept the plan of God. He also opens his heart to Jesus out of love. So often, children are considered to be a right belonging to parents. Joseph, on the contrary, views Jesus as a gift. Throughout his life, Joseph suffers the brunt of many things so that the family does not have to. For example, in Egypt, he bears the sorrow of finding work in a foreign land so that Mary and Jesus can have stability. There were no doubt many times when he had to humble himself with only a meager offering for the family. The one thing which sustained him was his great trust in God, who called him to stand in this role.

Mary has a role in the Holy Family, which cannot be considered apart from Joseph. Despite having superior holiness, Mary never lorded herself over Joseph. She contents herself to wait for the direction he gives to the Holy Family. It is not that Mary does not contribute, but that she does not overstep her husband in doing so. Consider the example of Joseph bringing home a meager offering for food one evening. She does not berate Joseph for not having a better offering. She accepts with love his offering, and she makes it better. What mother does not have a special touch which she adds to family meals? This is her contribution to the action of Joseph; through it, the meager offering of Joseph is perfected. It may still be meager, but it is enjoyable.

Jesus is not absent from the work of the Holy Family, but his role is as a child and not as a parent. God willed that he should require the care of a mother and father. The love of Mary and Joseph would be wasted if there were no one to receive it. Jesus humbles himself to receive what his mother and father provide. It is not always the best or what is desirable, but he receives it with love. He does not complain but gives thanks. Through what he receives, he grows in wisdom and stature according to his age. In other words, by the will of God, the actions of Joseph and Mary are a necessary part of the formation of Jesus.

There is a great deal more for us to consider about Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. It is my hope that this article affords each of us the opportunity to consider the Holy Family in a new way. I pray that it also helps us to consider Joseph in this year of St. Joseph. As we try to find our way in our families, let us never fail to look to the Holy Family for example and help.

-Fr. Campeaux

Christmas Flowers

In Memory of:

- 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
- Dr. & Mrs. Logan Gardiner, Aurelian, Ezell, Michael A. Thibodeaux, Erin Ezell Krielow Lahr
- B.D., Janet Simon
- Renee' Benoit
- Tuffy Benoit, Dane Broussard, Dolores Hebert, Melissa, Patricia, Rodney LeJeune, Jr., & Sr., Ray Lee Myers
- Dorene Broussard, Wilson, Clalie dePerrodil, Peter P. Trahan
- Virginia Guidry, Andrew, Everna Cormier
- Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry
- Percy Petry family
- Anna Mae, Bert, Johnny Darbonne, Karl, Dr. Reno Petry
- Larry Geater
- Hardy, Istre, Ortego families
- Sr. Clairette, Dallas Guidry, Cynthia Gaspard, Alicia, Brant Istre, Ouida, Buck Campbell, Eulan, Mary, Querie, Roland, Jane Richard, Crip, Anna Mae Abshire, deceased Richard and Cormier families, Vorice Cormier, Theresa Falcon, Zach Simon, Flex Guillory, Tiffany Broussard, Clay Miller

St. David Chapel

- Isaac Saltzman family, R.L. Walker, Sr. family, Velma Trahan, deceased members of Robert Trahan family, Lodias Bonin family, Elias, Gussie, Guy LeDoux, Marie, Bill Greene, Jr., Sr., Romeal, Noelie Trahan, Edward, Roberta, Lori LeDoux, Lovelace, Robert, Lelia Lemaire, Johnny Callan

Tuesday	12-29	5:15 p.m.	St. Peter Church
Mass Intention:	Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry		
Wednesday	12-30	Noon	St. Peter Church
Thursday	12-31	4:00 p.m.	St. David
Mass Intention:	William Hardee, Logan LeMaire		
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Friday	01-01	5:30 p.m.	St. Peter Church
Mass Intention:	Parishioners of St. Peter Church		
First Saturday	01-02	10:00 a.m.	St. Peter Church
Mass Intention:	World Peace		
Saturday		4:00 p.m.	St. Peter Church
Mass Intentions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Badon • Renee' Benoit • 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 • Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family • 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 • Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa Meaux • Dunice, T-Joe, Brenda, Faye, Neelis Bertrand, Anastasie, JD, Joseph Simon, James Smith family, Rodney Stelly, Jr. & Sr., Lela Suggs, Father Donald Theriot, Living: Blake (BD 1-3), Chandra LeBeouf (BD 1-1), Kreslyn LeMaire • Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry • Bailey, Dudley, Darell, Russell, Wesley LeMaire, Sr., Geneva, P.T., Melissa LaPointe • Clement Gendron (BD) • Priscilla "Titter" Carlson • Doreen Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Peter Paul Trahan 		
Sunday	01-03	7:00 a.m.	St. Peter Church
Mass Intention:	Lori LeDoux		
Mass Intention:	William Hardee, Logan LeMaire, Evelyn Landry, 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, Emick, Helen "Sis", Melancon, Nellie, Thomas, Willie Petry, Velma Trahan, Anna Mae, Bert, Johnny Darbonne, Karl, Dr. Reno Petry		St. David Chapel
Parishioners of St. Peter Church		10:30 p.m.	St. Peter Church



The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, our Lady's greatest title, is celebrated on January 1. This feast is the octave of Christmas. In the modern Roman Calendar only Christmas and Easter enjoy the privilege of an octave. According to the 1962 Missal of Bl. John XXIII the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, today is the Solemnity of Circumcision of Our Lord.

"Mary, the all-holy ever-virgin Mother of God, is the masterwork of the mission of the Son and the Spirit in the fullness of time. For the first time in the plan of salvation and because his Spirit had prepared her, the Father found the dwelling place where his Son and his Spirit could dwell among men. In this sense the Church's Tradition has often read the most beautiful texts on wisdom in relation to Mary. Mary is acclaimed and represented in the liturgy as the "Seat of Wisdom." — *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 721

**Mary Mother of God/
First Friday
January 1, 2021
Adoration from 3-5 p.m.
Benediction at 5
Mass @ 5:30
At St. Peter Church**

A New Year's Prayer

Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope
alive in our hearts
And cause our Spirits
to be born again.
Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time,
many will see the
wonders of God
And live forever to praise
Your glorious name.

Amen



December 27 Who shall resist Anti-Christ when he comes if we show such patience towards the vices and crimes of his precursors? By such leniency, we encourage kings to become tyrants and tempt them to withdraw every privilege and all jurisdiction from the Churches. - Thomas Becket (1118-1170), Martyr, Bishop, Feast Day December 29