



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

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

December 7, 2020
Second Sunday of Advent

**The Immaculate
Conception is a
Holy Day of Obligation**

**Mass Times
St. David Chapel
December 7
@ 5:30 p.m.**

**December 8
@ 6:30 a.m.
&
6:00 p.m.
St. Peter Church**



"The Light Is On For You" Begins December 2

On all the Wednesdays of Advent, from 6:30-8 p.m. all church parishes of the Diocese of Lafayette will be open for individual confession. Please make plans to come on Advent Wednesdays (December 2, 9 and 16) and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know.

This outreach is called "The Light is On For You," and is an effort on the part of the diocese to highlight the importance of the Sacrament of Confession in the life of Catholics and to make it as easy as possible for every Catholic to come or to return to this great source of God's mercy and healing love.

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.



November

- 29. Caleb Henry
- 30. Eric Hernandez
- 1. Reverend Patrick Broussard, director
- 2. Reverend Blake Dubroc, Director of Vocations
- 3. Seminary faculty, parents, benefactors
- 4. Alex Lancon
- 5. Jacob LeBlanc

November

- 29. Reverend David Hebert
- 30. Reverend Matthew Hebert
- 1. Pope Francis
- 2. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- 3. Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- 4. Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- 5. Reverend T.J. Hebert

Offerings

St. Peter
St. David

First Collection

\$ 1666.00
\$ 221.00

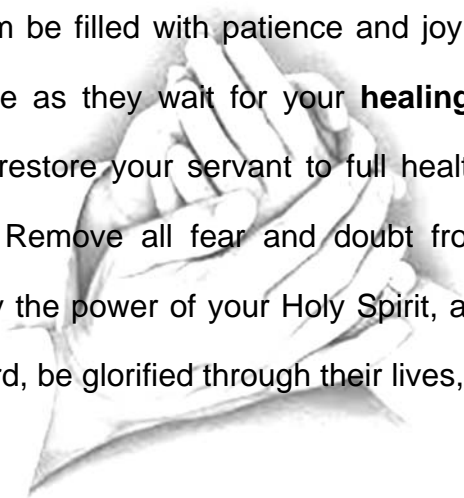
Second collection this weekend is for the church loan.

Second collection next week is for insurance and maintenance.

Please pray for the following:

Cindy, Larry Benoit
Tabby Broussard Benoit
Dallas, Dru, Kaitlyn C.
Tammy Broussard Cormier
Cil Schexnider Dixon
Jessica V. Fluitt
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
Macy Vallo
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.



The Immaculate Conception Patroness of the United States

There is a somewhat secret history of the United States that many are not aware of, the Catholic influence. There has been a significant Catholic influence back to our country's founding. Several of George Washington's closest advisors were Catholic. Charles Carrol, a Catholic, was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. His brother John Carrol was our Nation's first Catholic Bishop. John Carol consecrated the country to the Immaculate Conception. The mighty Mississippi River was first named the River of the Immaculate Conception. There is even 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 underappreciated as our Patroness. We have largely forgotten the heavenly blessings that she acquired for us.

The Church did not solemnly define the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception until 1854. However, the consecration of the United States to Mary under this title occurred in 1792. Furthermore, in 1846, the Bishops of the United States gathered for a church synod. During the synod, they named the Immaculate Conception as the Patroness of the United States. Later the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception was built to celebrate the dogma and our Patroness. What was the reason for so strong a 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 vision at 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 Carrol family, including Bishop John Carrol. It gives further weight that John Carrol's first act as bishop was to consecrate the United States to the Immaculate Conception.

The Mississippi River was first discovered by the French explorer Louis Joliet, accompanied by the Jesuit 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 (now the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception) after he had requested Our Lady's patronage. I believe they demonstrate our country's deep devotion 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. These apparitions were approved by Sr. Mary Ephrem's Bishop at the time they occurred. In the Apparition, Mary indicated her pleasure with our Nation's devotion to her and, in particular, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. She desired that we imitate her purity and that she would bless us through the grace of her Immaculate Conception.

Mary has a role in our coming to Jesus, which is underappreciated. Through Mary's Immaculate Conception, God reveals what he wants to accomplish in each one of us through grace. God also desires to utterly defeat and humiliate the devil through Mary. As we experience social and political unrest and fallout from the pandemic, ought we not turn our eyes once more to the Immaculate Conception and ask for her help? Let me leave you with these words from the reported Apparitions of Our Lady of America. "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

The Catholic Daughters

Are collecting funds to help the elderly of our community with their utility bills. If you would like to participate, remove an envelope from the Christmas tree and place your donation in the collection or bring to the church office. Trees are located at the church entrances.



The eyes of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A "miraculous painting"? Or a "heavenly photograph"?

In 1979, when working with digitized high-resolution images of the tilma magnified 2,500 times, Dr. Jose Aste Tonsmann discovered that in addition to the human bust others had seen previously, other human figures were reflected in the Virgin's eyes -- a total of thirteen people. The same people are present in both the left and right eyes, in different proportions, as would happen when human eyes reflect the objects before them.

New Missalettes are located
at entrances to the church.
Please take one home.

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| Monday Immaculate Conception Vigil | 12-07 | 5:30 p.m. | St. David Chapel |
| Mass Intention: | 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, Evelyn Landry, William Hardee, Logan LeMaire | | |
| Immaculate Conception | 12-08 | 6:30 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Mass Intention: | Parishioners of St. Peter Church | | |
| | | 6:00 p.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Wednesday | 12-09 | Noon | St. Peter Church |
| Mass Intention: | Edith, Newman Thibodeaux | | |
| Thursday | 12-10 | 5:15 p.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Friday | 12-11 | 10:00 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Mass Intention: | Nelis (BD), Jane, Harold, Hattie Matthews, <i>Living:</i> Billy, Laurel Portie | | |
| Saturday Our Lady of Guadalupe | 12-12 | 10:00 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| • Mass Intentions: | 4:00 p.m. | St. Peter Church | |
| <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 • Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family • Renee' Benoit • Priscilla "Titter" Carlson • 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 • Cynthia Gaspard • Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry • Carole Badon • Anna Mae, Bert, Johnny Darbonne, Karl, Dr. Reno Petry • B.D. Janet Simon • Evelyn Landry • Helen, Jim, Richard Hardy, Ellis, John D., Lorena Istre, Robert Ortego • Theresa, Vorice Cormier, Cynthia Gaspard, Sr. Clairette Grondin, Denise Hampshire, Clay Miller, Eulan, Jane, Mary, Querie Richard and deceased members of Richard/Cormier families, Zach Simon, special intention • Dorothy, Rodney, Sanette Broussard, Betty, Inez, Toby Breaux, Freddie, Eugenia (Jane) Broussard, Marie Chastant, Senua, Rose Labry, Fr. Lloyd Hebert | | | |
| Sunday | 12-13 | 7:00 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Mass Intention: | Crip, Edith Bertrand, B.B., 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, Jo Ann, Jules, Jules C., Wayne Martin, Albay, Anite (AOD 12-19) Thibodeaux | | |
| Mass Intention: | William Hardee, Logan LeMaire | 8:30 a.m. | St. David Chapel |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | St. Peter Church |
| Mass Intention: | Parishioners of St. Peter Church | | |



St. Peter the Apostle

Advent Mission

December 15-18, 2020

6:00-7:00 p.m.

December 6- Nothing graces the Christian soul so much as mercy; mercy as shown chiefly towards the poor, that thou mayest treat them as sharers in common with thee in the produce of nature, which brings forth the fruits of the earth for use to all. - Saint Ambrose (340-397), Bishop, Patron of Police Officers, Feast Day December 7