



# Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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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.  
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

February 7, 2021  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Ash Wednesday February 17

Mass schedule  
St. Peter Church  
6:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

St. David Chapel  
5:00 p.m.

## Prayer for the Victims of Violence

*Loving God, you are the author and sustainer of our lives. You know the anguish of the sorrowful, you are attentive to the prayers of the brokenhearted. Hear your people who cry out to you in their need; strengthen their hope in your lasting goodness. We pray today for those who have died because of violence, of terrorism. Draw them to yourself; let your face shine upon them. May they be greeted with choirs of angels and experience your eternal peace and joy. Be near to all those who have been touched by violence: those who have been hurt, lost their loved ones or lost their sense of security. Be for them a steady comfort and safe resting place. Soften the hearts and steady of the minds of those who would do violence to others. May hate be replaced with love, violence with peace and darkness with your light. 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.

### 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

#### Offerings

St. Peter  
St. David

Second collection this weekend is for the church loan

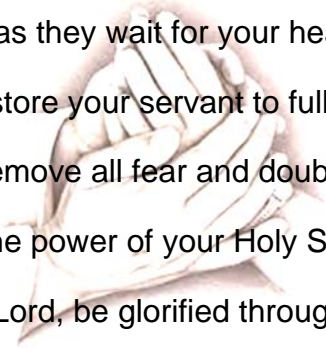
#### First Collection

\$ 1313.00  
\$ 417.15

Please pray for the following:

Cindy, Larry Benoit  
Tabby Broussard Benoit  
Effie Broussard  
Tammy Broussard Cormier  
Earline Hardee  
Richard Hardee  
Willie Mae, Wilson LeJeune  
Wayne LeMaire  
Mabel Martin  
Sidonia Primeaux  
Trudy Schexnider  
Aimee Sonnier  
Macey 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.



## **“Is not life on earth a drudgery, its days like those of a hireling?”- Job 7:1**

I don't know about you, but this Sunday's reading from Job strikes a chord with me. It is very descriptive of a man in the midst of suffering. He has everything stripped from him little by little. What is unique about Job is that in the midst of his suffering, he maintains a deep connection with God. At once, he says that all his nights are restless and his day's drudgery. In the same breath, he switches over to prayer. The suffering of Job has always caught my attention, but has done so even more in light of 2020. Reading his story leads me to consider the presence of God in the midst of suffering.

How we deal with suffering in a way defines us. For example, some people enter into life full of joy. They get married, and the joy continues. Then they meet suffering, and they slowly become bitter. Another person might meet similar circumstances, but after a time, push through the pain and come to a greater wisdom. In these two examples, the choices the person makes in the face of suffering defines the person. One person is defined by their pain (it makes them bitter). The other person is defined by wisdom. The suffering has made them a better person. This is reflected even in 2021 after months of lockdown fatigue.

One of the most compelling statistics I have read in the last year is in regards to the mental health of church-going people. A Gallup poll found that the number of church-going respondents had an increase in the number of people reporting excellent mental health, whereas the general population had a loss or decrease in reporting of mental health. In a way, this is a dramatic retelling of Job. When we place our confidence in God, we can weather the worst storms that life throws at us because God is bigger than any storm.

God perpetually works for our good. Psalm 147 says that He “rebuilds Jerusalem, and gathers the dispersed of Israel, healing the brokenhearted, and binding up their wounds.” The trouble is not whether or not God heals. The trouble is what to do in the moments when we cannot perceive the presence of God. This is the struggle of Job. He is utterly convinced of God's goodness, and yet, he cannot perceive God's goodness. He has not done anything wrong, and yet, he suffers. His friends all tell him that Job must have done something wrong for which God is punishing him. Job holds that he has not sinned, which he has not, and holds onto to the presence of God. In the end, God answers Job, and Job silences his concerns in view of God's wisdom.

In the Gospel, Jesus rose very early in the morning to pray even after difficult work. Jesus lives for His relationship with the Father. This time in prayer is what gives Jesus the wisdom to respond to Peter, who is seeking Him for further healings, “Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also.” I think the lesson from Jesus and from Job is that in the midst of suffering and trial we need to double down on our prayer. Job holds on to God despite his wife's temptation to “curse God and die.” Jesus ignores the praise of the crowd and His sleepiness to rise very early in the morning to pray.

The habit of prayer is a virtue. I did not always pray as I do now, but I have learned that making time for prayer is crucial. It is important for me to begin my days in prayer. This starts me off on the right foot. Praying every morning helps me to view the rest of my day in light of God's word. Spending time in prayer day in and day out has taught me to go to prayer when I feel distress. God does not immediately solve every problem I bring to Him, but He always gives me what I need. Covid-19 has not changed this in the least. Prayer sustains me through trials. God gives me grace through prayer to sustain my poor humanity, which would otherwise collapse under the load.

My brothers and sisters, prayer is not some unique special opportunity for priests and religious. Prayer is for everyone. I hope that you deepen in your prayer as we enter into 2021 and begin the Holy Season of Lent. Fr. Campeaux



## The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

FEBRUARY 7, 2021

### National Marriage Week

February 7-14, 2021

This year's theme is "To have To Have, To Hold, To Honor." This is a wonderful opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family.

This week we pray for all married and engaged couples, that they may strive daily to faithfully and lovingly live out their marriage vows, bearing witness to the love God has for each of us.



### International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking

February 8, 2021

With encouragement from Pope Francis, the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the International Union of Superiors General designated February 8th as an annual day of

prayer, reflection, and action against human trafficking. On this day, we remember and pray for survivors and victims of modern-day slavery. We pray that we may work together to remove the causes of this disgraceful scourge that is present in all our cities and neighborhoods.



February 8th is also the feast day of St. Josephine Bakhita. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan in 1869, St. Bakhita was kidnapped and enslaved as a child. Eventually she was sold to an Italian diplomat and taken to Italy, where she valiantly asserted her freedom with the help of the Cannossian Sisters of Venice. Through her faith, St. Bakhita realized the promise of liberty inherent in the human spirit. She lived out the rest of her life as a Cannossian sister, sharing her empowering testimony of human freedom and dignity. In 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized Josephine Bakhita, noting that in this saint, "we find a shining advocate of genuine emancipation.

### World Day for the Sick

February 11, 2021

We pray for all those suffering from illness, especially those whose health has been impacted by the Coronavirus. We also pray for their caregivers and family members.

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>02-09</b>	<b>5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
<b>Mass Intention:</b>	M/M L.C. Melancon living and deceased families, Proford, Shirley Petry deceased and living families, Bill, Billy, M/M Joseph Zaunbrecher families, special intention		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>02-10</b>	<b>Noon</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
<b>Mass Intention:</b>	Joseph B. Hebert		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>02-11</b>	<b>5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
<b>Mass Intention:</b>	Priscilla Carlson		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>02-12</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
<b>Mass Intention:</b>	Helen, Jim, Richard Hardy, Ellis, John D. (AOD), Lorena Istre, Robert Ortego		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>02-13</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
<b>Mass Intentions:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carol Badon</li> <li>• Renee' Benoit</li> <li>• 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</li> <li>• Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family</li> <li>• 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</li> <li>• Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa Meaux</li> <li>• Dunice, T-Joe, Brenda, Faye, Neelis (BD 2-15) Bertrand, Anastasie, JD, Joseph Simon, James Smith family, Rodney Stelly, Jr. &amp; Sr., Lela Suggs, Father Donald Theriot, <b>Living:</b> Derek LeMaire (BD 2-13)</li> <li>• Dwayne, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wilbur Guidry</li> <li>• Doreen Broussard, Anne, Clalie, Wilson dePerrodil, Peter Paul Trahan</li> <li>• Michael Ardoin, Jonathan Louis, Jerry, Joseph Bourque, Marlene B. LeBoeuf</li> <li>• M/M L.C. Melancon living and deceased families, Proford, Shirley Petry living and deceased families, Bill, Billy, M/M Joseph Zaunbrecher families, special intention</li> <li>• Daniel, Michael, Olidia, Whitney Chiasson, Eulalie, Newell Hanks, Willa Spell</li> <li>• Harold, Hattie, Jane, Nelis (AOD 2-15) Matthews, <b>Living:</b> Billy, Laurel Portie</li> </ul>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>02-14</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
<b>Mass Intention:</b>	Joseph "Buster", Wanda, Kathleen LaPointe, Ryan (Bubba) Laseter, Buford, Dorothy Marceaux, Agnes, Hubert Suire, Lola Tuiller		
<b>Mass Intention:</b>		<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. David Chapel</b>
	William Hardee, Logan LeMaire, Evelyn Landry, Kalix Broussard, Billy, Josie Duhon, Bill Jr., Marie, William Greene, Sr., Mary Anne Hargrave, 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		
<b>Mass Intention:</b>		<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Peter Church</b>
	Parishioners of St. Peter and St. David Church		

Welcome to the Catholic Church  
Hayes Joseph Zaunbrecher  
Son of Adam and Danielle Zaunbrecher  
AND  
Isabella Marie Breaux  
Daughter of Don and Kristen Breaux

### **Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass**

The annual Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, February 14, 2021 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rayne. The 2:00 p.m. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel. **Pre-registration has been extended to February 8, 2021** and it is required for all couples who wish to be honored as they celebrate 25, 40, 50, 60, or more years of married life during the year 2021. **COVID RESTRICTIONS:** Couples celebrating will have reserved seating. Masks are highly recommended. Seating for those not celebrating are on a first come, first serve basis until max capacity is reached. The Mass will be live streamed on our Diocese of Lafayette Facebook page and YouTube channel. Please visit the following link to register: <https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-information>.

### **Remember Me Not**

Support group for caregivers, family, and friends of individuals with dementia/Alzheimer's. Meetings are held three times a month; two in person and one teleconference. Covid safety protocols are followed for the in person sessions. Masks and social distancing are mandatory. 2nd Tuesday of each month are in person; 10:00am at Hospice of Acadiana (337-232-1234 for more information) and 6:30pm at St. Elizabeth Seton Church (235-1483 for more information). The 3rd Monday of each month will be a teleconference at 6:30 pm; Dial Toll free: 617-675-4444, Pin # 113 330 623 0504# , Simply hang up when you are finished.

February 14

When the Holy Spirit is in a soul, He communicates Himself, in one way or another. We can say that He makes virtue contagious and turns a simple faithful into an apostle. - St. Claude de Columbiere (1641-1682), Feast Day February 15