



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Corey Campeaux-Pastor

December 18, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Advent

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. Check with
priest **BEFORE** any plans
are made.

Anointing:

Emergency calls are
answered immediately; call
office for Holy Communion
or Anointing of the Sick.

Office Hours:

Monday: Closed
Tues-Thurs 8am-3pm
Friday-8 am-Noon
Lunch: Noon- 1pm

Christmas Flowers in memory of:

**Shawn Fontenot, Dwight J Vincent
Renee' Benoit
Jackie Scanlan
Peter Paul, Neal Trahan
Matthews, Portie
Dwayne, Linda, Wayne, C.P. Zaunbrecher families, Lucille, Wil-
bur Guidry
Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., Theresa Meaux, Jules E. Meaux
Richard, Ricky, Shirley Roe, Emile Lege family, Ezell, Michael,
Aurelian Thibodeaux
Julia & Shelby Simon**

St. David:

**Nancy Trahan
Kenu Gaspard
Wayne Lemaire
Bradley Schexnider
June S Trahan**

The church will be decorated for Christmas
on Thursday, December 22 beginning at 9 am



Please help if you can

Christmas Mass schedule
Christmas Eve at St. Peter at 4 pm
St. David at 6 pm
Midnight @ St. Peter
Christmas Day
9 am at St. Peter

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.

18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Reverend Msgr Richard Greene	Reverend Mitchell Guidry	Chaplain Captain Brad Guillory	Reverend Joshua Guillory JCL	Reverend Jude Halphen PHD	Reverend Brian Harrington	Reverend Msgr Russell Harrington

Prayer for Seminarians

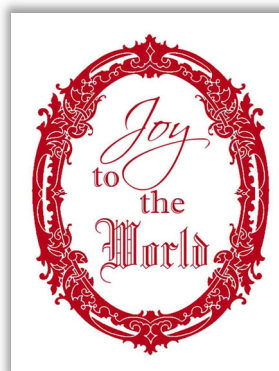
O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that you call many worthy souls to your holy priesthood. Enlighten the Bishop and Vocation Director in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Directors in molding them, and the professors in instructing them. Lead the seminarians daily in your unerring 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.

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Cole Zaunbrecher	Tre' Fontenot	Bennett Bodin	Nicholas Broussard	Hade Coleman	Brent Didier	Carter Domingue

Pray for healing of the sick

Larry, Cindy Benoit
 Tabby Broussard Benoit
 Randy Broussard
 Tammy B. Cormier
 Kaitlyn, Kameryn Cornelious
 Angela Daniels
 Lori, Joe Dudoit
 Dylan, Erin, Gracie Greene
 Mona, Robert Guidry
 Buster Hardee
 Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven, Riley
 Jolivette, Alton, Kylee, Baylie Ned
 Glasha LaPointe
 Chuck Martin
 Kevin Matthews
 Billy Portie
 J.W. Primeaux
 Sidonia Primeaux
 Clyde Reese
 Aimee Sonnier
 Lonnie Vincent
 Jerry Wilson

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give Your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend Your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest Your weary ones. Bless Your dying ones. Soothe Your suffering ones. Pity Your afflicted ones. Shield Your joyous ones. And for all Your love's sake. Amen



First Collection

St. Peter \$ 2631.00
 St. David \$ 333.10

Second Collection

St. Peter \$ 982.00
 St. David \$ 125.00

Catholic Daughters are collecting monetary donations to aid the elderly with utility bills. Christmas trees with donation envelopes are located at all entrances to the church.

December 18 Better that only a few Catholics should be left, staunch and sincere in their religion, than that they should, remaining many, desire as it were, to be in collusion with the Church's enemies and in conformity with the open foes of our faith.

- St. Peter Canisius (1521-1597), Patron of Catholic Press, Feast Day December 21

We are in the last days before Christmas. Hopefully, we have all prepared. I pray that each of us has reflected on our needfulness of God. Our world has created problems that we no longer know how to solve. There are even problems which we have created that we do not want to solve. Many people work for peace, but increasingly we do not know what peace is, or we do not agree on what peace is. How can we achieve peace in such times? Not on our own, but only with God's help.

We strive for peace, but seem to make no progress. When Jesus was not born when times were perfect. He was born when the world was not prepared and even many of His people had abandoned Him. The Jewish people were meant to witness the coming of Jesus with anticipation. Instead, they knew Him not. Jesus came anyway because He became man not for Himself, but for us. Still, there were a few who did anticipate the coming of Jesus and they were filled with hope.

It is the poor and the humble who knew best the coming of Jesus. Mary is the most humble of all creatures. She awaited the coming of Jesus with great hope and expectation even before the angel Gabriel came to her. It is not surprising she was filled with hope. Joseph too hoped for the coming of the Messiah. It is thought by some that reason Joseph was hesitant to accept Jesus into his home was that Joseph believed that Jesus was the Messiah and that Joseph's presence would be an obstacle to God's plan for Jesus. Joseph was faithful, and God gave him the great gift of being the foster father of Jesus.

In our own days, so many people have radically different ideas about how to achieve peace. People talk about how politics, or the church divides us. I do not believe that current events are dividing us. I believe current events are revealing the division which was already present. This is similar to Jesus' day when the infidelity of man revealed not the weakness of God. It revealed the weakness of men without God. The Scribes, Pharisees and the Zealots were not able to engineer a political solution to Israel's oppression. Instead, their efforts lead to the destruction of Israel and the death of over a million Jews. It is the poor and lowly who witness the hope of God.

God has hope for all, but are we ready to receive this hope? Most people are more interested in their own version of hope or at least distraction from their problems. Christ is coming, and He is the light of the world. Sadly the world does not want to receive Him, or it wants Him to arrive differently. Do you want to receive Him? Have you prepared? Are you at least willing to admit your needfulness? Then you can receive Him.

When Jesus was born it was not the high and lofty who saw him first. It was the poor shepherds. Shepherds were at the bottom of the social ladder. They were looked down upon by all, and yet they were the first witnesses of Jesus announced by a choir of angels. Are you downtrodden? Are you poor in spirit or poor in the eyes of men? Then rejoice it is always the poor who recognize first the coming of Christ, because God identifies with the poor and lowly. He became himself poor and lowly.

God comes for all, but humility and faith are required to witness Him. It is not only the saints who see this coming of Christ, but the poor, those who know they need God. Let us open our hearts and look for the coming of Christ. We will find His coming in an unexpected way like the shepherds and our hearts will be lifted. God comes for all, even those who do not want to see him, but blessed are those who he finds waiting for his coming. Fr. Campeaux



Tuesday	12/20	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intention:	John Hair; M/M L.C. Melancon families; Shirley & Proford, M/M Willie Petry families; Bill, Billy, Joseph & Mary Zaunbrecher families; special intention.		
Wednesday	12/21	Noon	St. Peter Church
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Thursday	12/22	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intentions:	Betty, Inez & Toby Breaux; Eugenia (Jane) & Freddie Broussard; Marie Chastant; Fr. Lloyd Hebert; Rose & Senua Labry, Julius & Mae Plaisance; Carley Daniels.		
Friday	12/23	10:00 am	Gueydan Memorial Guest Home
Intentions:	Larry Broussard, Louis Gaspard, Marial Trahan, living: Billy Portie		

Saturday	12/24	4:00 pm	St. Peter Church
Intentions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Badon. • Renee' Benoit. • Dwayne, Linda, Wayne & C.P. Zaunbrecher families; Lucille & Wilbur Guidry • 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 Touns family; Joseph Zaunbrecher family. • Joseph "Buster", Wanda & Kathleen LaPointe; Ryan (Bubba) Lasseter; Buford & Dorothy Marceaux; Agnes & Hubert Suire; Lola Tuiller. • Dorene Broussard; Anne, Clalie & Wilson dePerrodil; Neal & Peter Paul Trahan. • Irvin, M/M Wilfred Broussard, Sr., Jr.; Marvin Compton; Susan Earls; Jude Fluitt; Robert Paul Frances; Barbara, Faye, Francis, George, Henrietta, Jim, Lenia & Wilbur "Pete", Mildred, Bob & Pat Klein; Cathy Langley; Betty & Percy Lapointe; M/M Sidney Lounsberry; Floyd Saltzman; Carrie Walpole. • Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., & Theresa Meaux, Jules E. 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: Lydia Deshotels (BD 12/18). • Floyd Zaunbrecher; Charlotte Z Detraz • Vera Barr; A.J., Elodie, Feregus, Martha, Sandy & Ulgare Benoit; Charles Skaggs. • Percy Petry, Jr., Sr.; Willie Petry family; Lozan Louvierre family; Belle & Hubert Suire; M/M Emick Melancon. • Cookie Smith. • Eulan & Ruby Richard; Richard & Cormier deceased family; Ouida, Buck & Darryl Campbell; Alicia & Brant Istre; Cynthia Gaspard; Macey Vallo; Flex Guillory; Zach Simon; special intention. • Joseph B. Hebert; Rufus Thibodeaux. • Rodney J. Broussard. • Jackie Scanlan. • Helen, Jim & Richard Hardy, Ellis, John D. & Lorena Istre, Robert Ortego. • Ludring & Mickey Plaisance • Ozone (AOD 12/20), Louise H, (AOD 12/27), Murphy, Jim & Chester Guidry; Irene & Oneil Simon; Melvin, "Pete" Petry, Jr.; J.C. & M/M Guy Broussard; Cody Duhon; Michael Sztroin; Kurt Istre; Michael Sztroin • Willie Mae LeJeune. • Michael Ardoin; Jonathan Louis, Jerry & Joseph Bourque; Marlene B. LeBoeuf; • Michael, Olidia & Whitney Chiasson; Newell & Eulalie Hanks. • Carolyn Z. Guidry, Lori LeDoux, Walter Jolivette 		

		6:00 pm	St. David Chapel
Intention:	William Hardee; Logan LeMaire; Evelyn Landry; Mary Anne Hargrave; Patrick & Wayne Lemaire; Emick & Helen "Sis" Melancon; Nellie, Thomas & Willie Petry, Bradley Schexnider; Velma Trahan; Anna Mae, Bert & Johnny Darbonne; Karl & Dr. Reno Petry; Earline Hardee; Erin & Preston Greene, Lou & Vincent Habetz; Hubert, Velta & Kenneth Gaspard; Melissa LeJeune; Guy LeDoux & deceased family; Tawana Vaughn; June S. Trahan; Nancy Trahan		

Intention: Pro Populo		Midnight	St. Peter Church
	12/25	9:00 am	St. Peter Church
Intention: Linda Zaunbrecher (BD 12/26)			