



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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April 16, 2023
Divine Mercy Sunday

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	5:15 p.m.
Wednesday	Noon
Thursday	6:30 a.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.

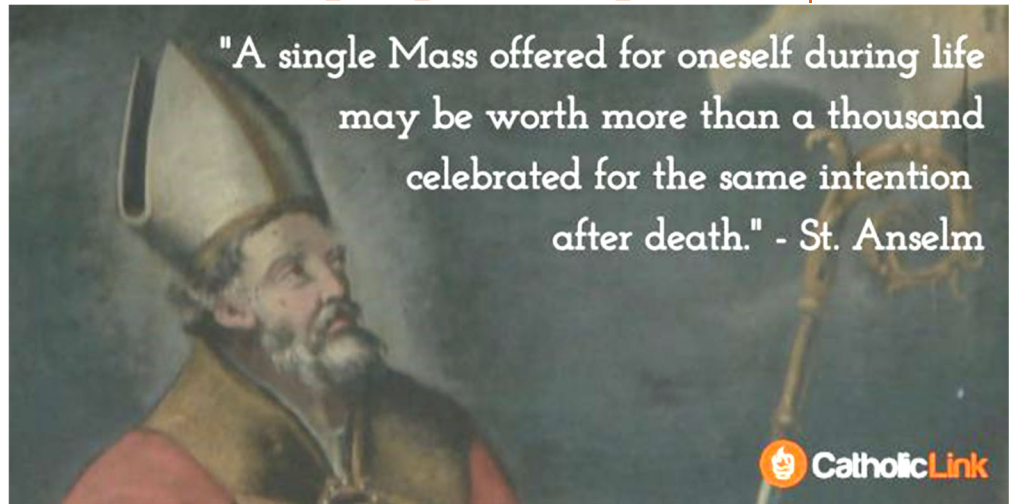
Anointing:

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

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Lived 1033-1109. Of northern Italian origins, but ascended to the rank of Archbishop of Canterbury, England. Considered the Church's first "Scholastic" for his philosophical work.
Feast Day: April 21

Easter Flowers in memory of:

Renee' Benoit
Jackie Scanlan
Arnold, Duci, Steve, Jr., & Theresa & Jules E. Meaux.
Isaac Saltzman family
Mabel & R.L. Walker Sr. family
Velma and Robert Trahan deceased family
Lodia Bonin family
Guy LeDoux, Elia, Gussie, Edward, Roberta & Lori LeDoux; Bill Greene, Jr., Bill, Maria Greene; Earline Hardee; Romeal & Noelle Trahan; Lovelace, Robert & Lelia LeMaire; Johnny Callan.
Bradley Schexnider Pat, Wayne Lemaire
June Trahan
Neal & Peter Paul Trahan

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.

16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Reverend	Reverend	Reverend	Reverend	Reverend	Reverend	Reverend
Raymond	John Stacer,	Michael	Jared	Brett	Brian	Arockiadass
Ssebina	SJ	Sucharski,	Suire, VE	Taira, LC	Taylor	Vincent
		SVD				Thanaraj, HGN

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

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Caleb	Eric	Michael	Bret	Christopher	Stephen	Giovanni
Henry	Hernandez	Johnson	Lee	Lee	Melancon	Ranzino

Pray for healing of the sick

Heuetta Benoit
 Larry, Cindy Benoit
 Tabby Broussard Benoit
 Randy Broussard
 Angelia Chambless
 Tammy B. Cormier
 Kaitlyn, Kameryn Cornelious
 Lori, Joe Dudoit
 Donna Hebert Gay
 Buster Hardee
 Nathan, Pat Hebert
 Felicia, Karine, Lance, Landon, Margaret, Raven, Riley
 Jolivette, Alton, Kylee, Baylie, Nancy Ned, Walter Jolivette III
 Glasha LaPointe
 Charles LeBeouf, Jr.
 Carrie, Ronnie M LeMaire
 Chuck Martin
 Sidonia Primeaux
 Clyde Reese
 Lorraine, Andrus Roche
 Aimee Sonnier
 Bernice B. Suire
 Susie Trahan

Fatima Rosary
April 22, 2023
At noon at KC Hall

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

To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible.

-St. Thomas Aquinas

First Collection

St. Peter \$ 2808.00

St. David \$ 925.72

Second Collection

St. Peter \$ 944.00

St. David \$ 175.00

Divine Mercy

Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." -John 10:19b

Each year on the Second Sunday of Easter we also celebrate Divine Mercy. What is mercy? I have heard it said that "The world today permits everything and forgives nothing." The world does not forgive partly because of the perception that forgiveness means powerlessness and suffering. What is divine mercy? Divine Mercy is the favor God looks upon us with despite our sin. For example, Jesus' display of mercy to Thomas is far from powerlessness; it is transformative.

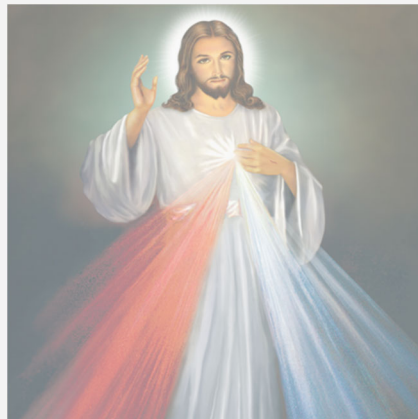
The apostle Thomas is a good analog for both the unbelieving world and for Christians. The world pretends that it understands everything that exists. It is a puffed up effort to be in control which often leaves us dealing with consequences of this belief. Thomas is an analog for Christians as well because he believes in Christ. He is a close disciple of the Lord. However, he allows the events of his life to cloud his faith. Thomas does not treat Jesus' resurrection with faith but instead submits God to the inspection of the world. Amazingly, God does not respond with condemnation, but with mercy. "Put your finger here and see my hands..." (Jn 20:27) Thomas is transformed by this experience and exclaims, "My Lord and my God!" (v28) Despite his initial doubt, Thomas becomes a model of faith.

Faith is the appropriate response to the Divine. Thomas upon encountering the Risen Lord leaves behind his doubt when he exclaims, "My Lord and my God." One might say that Thomas only does this because he received what he asked for, to touch the nail marks of Jesus. However, the gospel does not record that Thomas actually touches the wounds, only that Jesus offered it to Thomas. I think the more profound truth is that in light of his encounter with Jesus, Thomas realized the folly of his request and submitted himself in faith. The only proper response to an encounter with the divine is faith. Only following through faith can our intellect catch up in order to help us process what happened. In the lives of the saints, we see that there even comes a point in our relationship with God in which faith alone suffices. There are truths so profound that there are no words to communicate what is received.

The world does not believe in God because it will not submit to God. The world declares like satan, "I will not serve!" Consequently, the world also cannot fully understand. It has closed itself to the possibility of God. We can fall victim to this attitude when we operate as if we know everything about God. We also are susceptible to this belief when we give God ultimatums. Thomas's ultimatum was this. "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." It is not that we cannot ask God to help our faith. The problem is imposing the terms upon God as the only way he can act in this matter. Demanding terms is not asking for help, it is tantamount to asking Jesus to come down from the cross. He cannot do so because saving us demands he offers his life. Salvation and faith are in experiencing the fruit of Jesus' sacrifice.

In this Easter season, God's call to us is the same as His call to Thomas, "Do not be unbelieving, but believe." To believe is to accept in faith that God is with us; even in the midst of suffering. A good exercise is to begin our prayer time praising the Lord for the good He has done and the good we believe He will do. For example, "I praise you, Lord, that this trial I am enduring will not end in death, but new life. Thank you for calling me to grow deeper in my faith." Second, we can bring before God our difficulties in light of the faith we expressed. Last, and perhaps most difficult. We have to live the Theological Virtue of Hope. We do this in persevering in our belief that God has heard our prayer though we do not presently see his response. Let us ask Mary to help us. She who believed in God acting throughout the Passion of her Son can help us in the midst of pain. She who hoped beyond hope that God would raise her son can help raise our eyes to belief in God as well. Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.

Fr. Campeaux



Tuesday	04/18	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Jane (AOD), Nelis, Harold, Hattie Matthews, Becky Young; Living: Billy, Laurel Portie, Kevin Matthews.		
Wednesday	04/19	Noon	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Jane, Nelis, Harold, Hattie Matthews, Becky Young. Living: Laurel (BD), Billy Portie; Kevin Matthews		
Thursday	04/20	5:15 pm	St. Peter Church
Intention:	All the Holy Souls in purgatory; Angie Boudreaux; Betty, Inez & Toby Breaux; Dorothy, Eugenia (Jane), Freddie, Rodney, Sanette & Taylon Broussard; Marie Chastant; Fr. Floyd Hebert; Rose & Senua Labry; Mae & Julius Plaisance; Manson Saltzman. Families of Evelyn Dieckhaus, Hallie Scruggs, William Kinney		
Friday	04/21	10:00 am	Gueydan Memorial
Intention:	Ricky (AOD), Richard, Shirley Roe, Ezell, Michael, Aurelian Thibodeaux, Emile Leger family, Erin Lahr.		

Saturday	04/22	4:00 pm	St. Peter Church
Intentions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Badon. • Renee' Benoit • Kathryn M. Hatch, Nolan LeBlanc family, Dorothy, Ellis Toups family, Joseph Zaunbrecher family • Dorene Broussard; Anne, Clalie & Wilson dePerrodil; Neal & Peter Paul Trahan. • Irvin, M/M Wilfred Broussard, Jr. & Sr.; Marvin Compton; Susan Earls; Jude Fluitt; Robert Paul Francez; Barbara, Faye, Francis, George, Henrietta, Jim, Lenia, Mildred, Bob & Pat Klein; Cathy & Stan Langley; Betty & Percy LaPoint; M/M Sidney Lounsberry; Floyd Saltzman; Carrie Walpole. • Joseph "Buster", Wanda & Kathleen LaPointe; Ryan (Bubba) Lasseter; Buford & Dorothy Marceaux; Agnes & Hubert Suire; Lola Tuiller. • 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. • Floyd Zaunbrecher; Charlotte Z Detraz. • Eulan & Ruby Richard; Richard & Cormier deceased family; Ouida, Buck & Darryl Campbell; Alicia & Brant Istre; Cynthia Gaspard; Macey Vallo; Flex Guillory; Zach Simon; special intention; in thanksgiving. • Joseph B. Hebert; Mark Anthony LeBlanc., Rufus Thibodeaux.. • Virgie B Stelly • Madeo Broussard, Lorraine Hanks, Adam, Jerry Hebert. • Rose Marie Jolley (AOD 4/21). • 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. • Crip, Edith Bertrand; B.B., Evelyn Breaux; Aldis, Marie, Bernice, Jane, Clevenis, Eriste, Craig , Brenda, Robert P., Rodney J., 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 Thibodeaux. 		

Sunday	04/23	7:00 am	St. Peter Church
Intention:	Carolyn Z. Guidry, Lori LeDoux (AOD).		
		8:30 am	St. David Chapel
Intention:	Emery, & Evelyn Dupuis; 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	10:30 am	St. Peter Church