

# ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Vision Statement: "Saint Peter Claver Catholic Church will engage, energize and empower the people of God to grow and evolve spiritually."

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:00 p.m. Sundays: 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

**Holy Days:** See Liturgy of the Eucharist schedule inside **Weekdays:** See Liturgy of the Eucharist schedule inside

#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. on Saturday or anytime by appt.

#### **BAPTISM**

Appointment with the priest or deacon for preparation is necessary. Call during pregnancy or as soon as possible after the child is born.

#### MARRIAGE

Contact the priest at least six (6) months in advance.

#### **FUNERAL**

Contact the Parish Office **BEFORE** making arrangements with a funeral home.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday–Friday 9:00 am.-5:00 pm.

15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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New Orleans, LA 70116
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Mr. Lawrence Houston Mr. Allen Stevens

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Mr. Emeka Dibia Communications

Mrs. Veronica Downs-Dorsey Director of Music

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Mrs. Marinda Lee-Houston Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Mrs. Edith B. Reed Executive Secretary

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-7 – Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Meeting Virtual (call the Office for more information).

**WEBSITE:** www.stpeterclaverneworleans.org **FACEBOOK**: www.Facebook.com/SPCNOLA

**NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY!** We ask that you please call the office to register in the parish.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church is a vibrant, spirit-filled, evangelizing community that is grounded in the Eucharist and celebrates the culture and traditions of our African-American heritage.

Strengthened by our belief in Jesus Christ and trusting in God's Word, we transform our community through acts of justice by caring for the spiritual and physical needs of His people.

# **Scripture Insights**

The common thread running through today's texts is the proclamation of God's will: through prophets and disciples, God calls for repentance and declares his steadfast love and salvation to all who will listen.

The prophet Amos had been a caretaker of sheep and sycamore trees. God plucked him out of Judah and sent him north to Israel. When Amos prophesies judgment against the king and people of Israel for their rebellion against God, the priest Amaziah wants Amos sent back to his homeland, Judah.

The psalmist eagerly waits for the proclamation of a different message-one of peace and salvation, where kindness meets truth, where justice and peace embrace. As a whole, Psalm 85 is a prayer for forgiveness and restoration ("Restore us once more, God our savior," verse 5). The psalmist is confident in God's steadfast love for Israel ("Near indeed is his salvation for those who fear him," verse 10).

In the Letter to the Ephesians today, the word glory is prominent. Paul repeats the phrase "for the praise of his [God's] glory" three times with slight variation ("for the praise of the glory of his grace" and "to the praise of his glory"). The Apostle Paul proclaims the mystery of God's will, decided before the foundation of the world, to sum up all things in Christ. The forgiveness promised to Israel in the Responsorial Psalm is offered to all who believed the Gospel and were thereby adopted into God's household.

The Gospel shows us the Twelve proclaiming the Gospel first to God's people Israel, that all might repent and participate in God's salvation through Christ. The disciples are given authority to drive out demons and power to heal bodily sicknesses, showing the wide reach of God's saving power against evil and death, sin and sickness, all to the praise of the glory of God's grace.

• Why did Jesus instruct the Twelve only to bring a staff for their journey to preach the Gospel? What does it mean that we "exist for the praise of his [God's] glory" (Ephesians 3:11)?

# **CORONAVIRUS PRAYER**

### Let Us Pray:

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that, we have no power and we are dependent on You and You alone. We place ourselves in Your mighty and loving hands.

Merciful God, please give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Loving God, please put your healing hand on those who are ill in the various hospitals and at homes, and give your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty.

Eternal God, please calm our fears and help us to trust You as our faithful and true God. Mighty God, please enlighten our government leaders as they are faced with important decisions. Give Your blessing to those in health care and our first responders and protect them.

We ask this in faith, for You are God, living and reigning forever and ever.



Our Stewardship for Sunday, July 4, 2021 was \$14,413.07; 2nd Collection: Building Fund: \$503.20.

Please continue with your tithing and Stewardship. You can give online, by mail or bring your weekly contributions to St. Peter Claver Church Parish Office, 1910 Ursulines Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70116

Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

Thanks to our St. Peter Claver Parish Family and our visitors





Join us this Sunday, July 11, 2021, for our first ever Young Adult Ministry Kick-Off "A Cook-Out". The event will take place immediately following the 10:00 am. Mass in the School Cafeteria. The purpose of this event is to celebrate the ordination of Fr. Ajani Gibson and will serve as a reunion for former school attendees and parishioners who are in college through the age of 40. We will also discuss what we want a Young Adult Ministry at St. Peter Claver to look like and what we will do. Please come ready to brainstorm ideas to get and keep our peers involved in our Church. Thankfully, we expect to have a large crowd and unfortunately, will not be able to accommodate children at this event, so please plan ahead if you need to make childcare arrangements.



# FATIMA ROSARY

Monday, July 12, 2021 @ 4:00 p.m., St. Ann Shrine



Hosted by: Ms. Gail O'Brien



Visit St. Ann's Shrine (2100 Block of Ursulines Avenue)

Open—Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



# **SANCTUARY LIGHT**

Will burn in Celebration of Life for

Mrs. Jenéa Reed

**Requested by: Parents** 

#### **CELEBRATION FEAST OF ST. ANN**



The Triduum of St. Ann
will be celebrated at our
St. Ann Shrine
2101 Ursulines Avenue
Monday, July 26, 2021
8:00 a.m. Rosary; 8:30 a.m. Mass &
Novena

# (followed by a reception)

Tuesday, July 27, 2021 9:00 a.m.– Rosary & Novena Wednesday, July 28, 2021 9:00 a.m.–Rosary & Novena

"The Public is Invited"

## St. Peter Claver Church "D.O.V.E.S. Ministry



Our love, sympathy and prayers go to our Parishioners who have lost family members.

John Webb, Sr. who was buried on Friday, July 9th and Eloise Lopez who was buried on Saturday, July 10, 2021

Please continue to pray for our entire Church. Any parishioners experiencing the recent loss of an immediate family member, please contact the Bereavement Ministry through the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059, so we can offer support and prayers.

# St. Peter Claver Homebound and Sick Parishioners

Please pray for the following parishioners and friends who are homebound or ill:

Edith Henry, Alice Allen, Joycelyn Johnson, Stanley & Beatrice Grant, Pearl Dupart, Aaron La-Cabe, Bernice Stein, Javette and Michael Garner, John Bidol, Jerald LaPierre, Marie Walker, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, Ralph Walker, Albert & Miriam Boucree, Audrey Evans, Yvette Brown, Shirley Pratt, Lorraine Bowman, Linda Hunter, Ruby Perry, Barbara Phillips, , Louise Jenkins, Toki Joseph, Joseph Williams, Gerard Robinson, Sr., Emelda Petit, Johnnie Petit, Scarlett Crawford, Vivian Plessy, Debra Gray, Lionel and Marion Evans, Verlyn Mallory, Marva Batiste, Bronson Lee, John Parker, Maureen Nutting, Cynthia Bluford, Victoria Leslie, Lorraine Bart, Myrtle Dorsey, Bernell Johnson, Wilma Wilson, Wendell Baptiste, Maxine Rixner, Shonne Pierce, Wylene Jones, Nowell Lackings, Sr., Roslind Louis, Lydia Edwards, Ted Nutting, Joseph Washington, Delores Chapital, Rockial Riley, Jerri Queen, Sarah Lafitte, Marynell Fernandez, Charlie Mae Thompson, Gloria Oliver, Myrtle Williams, Edward Brown, Lucille Anderson, Charmaine Prevost, Evelyn Shokes, Henry Head, Pamela Pleasant, Esther Balanciere, Shayna Vigne, Jolene Jeff, Bryon Bernard, Victor Hampton, Clarence Robinson, Jr., Baby Aria Polite, Sabrina Davis, Deborah Manuel-Oliver, Deanna Stephens, Marva McDaniel, Erica Watler, Stradford Goins, Laura Johnson, Sie Terrell, John Webb, Faye Williams Penny, Germaine DeRouren, Mary Boutté, Darnell Prejean & Phil Fontenot, Clarence Bertrand, & Ann Hurst.



# **SPC FOOD PANTRY**

The "Food Pantry" (The Misaada Center) open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. We are still in need of can

food items. We appreciate all the generous donations that we have received. Thank you for your continued support for our brothers and sisters in need.

## ST. PETER CLAVER HEALTH CORNER





#### SENIORS AND FAMILY LIFE

Research has shown that maintaining social engagement with people contributes to longer and healthier lives. Survival rates among socially active Seniors are greater than those who are not socially active. Social isolation is the major cause of depression in the elderly. Being part of a family is the key to being socially healthy for not only Seniors but for all human beings. Seniors are our most valuable asset (they not only have the most wisdom but the most experience). They help contribute to the stabilization of a child's mental well-being (they nurture and care for the children of the family while parents are away). When children see Seniors included in all family activities they learn to respect and honor the elderly. Here are a few ideas that can make Seniors feel wanted and appreciated: Encourage involvement in civic, social, religious or other organizations •Welcome their friends into your family circle (they can relate to people from their generation). Have them join you while shopping at the local mall (walking in a controlled temperature is great exercise). Make Seniors a part of your child's school activities (volunteering as a grandparent is both meaningful to them and the children). Incorporate them in family worship time and church activities. When making household decisions ask for their input (their words of wisdom just may help you avoid mistakes).

Need additional information about Senior health? Your Church Nurse Educators stand ready to help!

**Office Hours:** Tues. & Thurs. 10:00am – 12:00pm **Phone:** 504-822-8059

# ATTENTION: 1st DISTRICT PEACE WALK

1st District Commander Captain Lejon Roberts, would like to invite the Parishioners and Community of St. Peter Claver to join us on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The walk will start and end at the corner of Orleans Avenue and North Rocheblave Street. Hosted by PCAB & NOPD.



# Reflecting on the Word

A preschooler reaches up and beams, "I love you, Mommy." A young father stops the homilist and says," Your preaching has helped me to trust God more." A cashier looks of the hospital chaplain with tears in her eyes and murmurs, "Thank you for your kind words on the day that my husband died." There are few things so rewarding as making a difference in someone's life. To touch people's lives warms the giver's heart. The elation of helping others is very real. Today, Jesus sends the apostles out two by two. Imagine the excitement to be given the authority to do the "mighty deeds" of the Teacher! The delight at seeing demons fall, the euphoria of healing the sick, and the conversion of the broken-heartedcan you picture it? That had to be exhilarating.

The prophet Amos was sent from taking care of his sheep to prophecy to the people of Israel. To be on a mission is motivating. Fire burns within and propels us forward: "Come on! Let's go!" Those moments of elation keep us giving. The satisfaction of helping others keeps us going. Yet Jesus provided the Twelve with nothing for the journey. They were not permitted to be self—sufficient. They had to work in solidarity with one another. Why? Perhaps Jesus knew the temptations to grow proud and to get puffed up,

#### Reflecting of the Word (continuation)

to feel heroic. The human emotion of being on a mission is just part of the story. God is the Hero of heroes. St. Paul says that we are chosen for a purpose, God's purpose. We serve for the praise of God's glory.

It is the living God who wants to be at work through us. That is the supreme cause for rejoicing. Imagine that joy!

# **Consider/Discuss**

- Over and over again, we are free to choose whether to serve others or serve ourselves, whether to give glory to God or to ourselves, whether to follow God's purpose or our own. Within one lifetime, those daily choices form who we are and what we become. What would you like to do today?
- Tell stories of grace. How has someone warmed your life? Whose mission has gladdened the way you see the world? How has God been at work through others to hearten and heal and encourage you?



# R.C.I.A.

### Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or know someone who is?

- A) Unbaptized adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic:
- B) Baptized Christians from other denominations who would like to learn more about the Catholic Church:
- C) Baptized Catholic adults who would like to prepare for First Communion & Confirmation.

For more information concerning the RCIA program please contact the Parish Office, 504-822-8059.



# July 10-16, 2021

#### Saturday, July 10, 2021

4:00 p.m. Edgar, Jr. & Leah Chase Mr. Wayne Reese, Sr.

Ms. Ernest & Della Parker

Ms. Joyce Evans Ms. Onelia Martin

Ms. Monica Washington

Ms. Florence Lee Ms. Clair Bidol Mr. Jiar Joseph Means

Ms. Diana LeBlanc Mr. Christopher Woodfork

Mr. John Bidol (Living)

# **Sunday, July 11, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver

Ms. Florence Lee Mr. Jules Bakewell, III Ms. Florence Bradley

Jules, Jr., & Pauline Bakewell

10:00 a.m. Bartholomew, Jr. & Ramona Bruno

Ms. Myrtle Brooks Ms. Ruby Downs Ms. Diane Davis

Mr. Christopher Mitchell, Sr.

Ms. Jade Gibson Ms. Janice Parker Mr. Vint Barney Ms. Emelda Bentley Mr. Paul Steib Ms. Gladys Shief

Ms. Virginia Ann Pleasant

Mr. Percy Walker Mr. Malcolm Lear Ms. Vivian Delaney

Matthew, Jr. & Florence Smith Ms. Audrey Clivens-Bailey Edward & Edna Walker

Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum

Mr. Baxter Sellers
Ms. Lithesia Champagne

Ms. Freda Lewis

#### **Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory Wednesday, July 14, 2021
7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory Thursday, July 15, 2021
7:30 a.m. Mass-Rectory

Friday, July 16, 2021

7:30 a.m. Mr. Larry Barrios



# July 12-18, 2021

Monday-7/12/21 Exodus 1:8-14, 22 Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday-7/1321 Exodus 2:1-15a

Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday-7/14/21 Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12

Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday-7/15/21 Exodus 3:13-20

Matthew 11:28-30

Friday-7/16/21 Exodus 11:10-12:14

Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday-7/17/21 Exodus 12:37-42

Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday-7/18/21 Jeremiah 23:1-6

**Ephesians 2:13-18** 

Mark 6:30-34

#### ANNOUNCEMENT!!

### SUMMER HAS ARRIVED! CHURCH ETIQUETTE

#### Church attire for Young Men & Men

- Reverent and appropriate for Church
- No Tank Tops, muscle shirts or clothing exposing the mid-section or tee-shirts with inappropriate language or phrases that are not to be worn in Church.

#### Church attire for Young Women & Women

- Reverent and appropriate for Church
- Dress, skirt & short pants should be a moderate length. When sitting, they should fall just above the knee or a covering should be used.
- No halter tops, spaghetti straps, strapless tops or other clothing exposing the mid-section should be worn in Church.







# ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH JULY, 2021

# **MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	7 Jl	ella JLY		1 WELCOME Fr. Ajani Gibson- Parochial Vicar	2	3 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	5—Holiday 4:00 p.m. Rosary St. Ann Shrine 6:00 pm Bible Study-Zoom	6 7:30 am Mass Rectory	7 7:30 am Mass Rectory	8 7:30 am Mass Rectory	9 7:30 am Mass Rectory	10 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
11 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 11:30 am Young Adult Cookout/ Cafeteria	12 4:00 p.m. Rosary St. Ann Shrine 6:00 pm Bible Study-Zoom	13 7:30 am Mass Rectory	14 7:30 am Mass Rectory	15 7:30 am Mass Rectory	16 7:30 am Mass Rectory	17 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
18 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	19 4:00 p.m. Rosary St. Ann Shrine 6:00 pm Bible Study-Zoom	<b>20</b> 7:30 am Mass Rectory	<b>21</b> 7:30 am Mass Rectory	<b>22</b> 7:30 am Mass Rectory	<b>23</b> 7:30 am Mass Rectory	<b>24</b> 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
25 7:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass	26 FEAST OF ST ANN/8 am Rosary; 8:30 am Mass & Novena @ The Shrine 6:00 pm Bible Study-Zoom	27 7:30 am Mass Rectory FEAST OF ST ANN 9:00 am— Rosary & Novena @The Shrine	28 7:30 am Mass Rectory FEAST OF ST ANN-9:00 am -Rosary & Novena @ The Shrine	<b>29</b> 7:30 am Mass Rectory	<b>30</b> 7:30 am Mass Rectory	<i>31</i> 4:00 pm Vigil Mass

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