



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:

Weekdays:

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.

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.

1923 St. Philip Street

New Orleans, LA 70116

Office (504) 822-8059

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Most Rev. Fernand Cheri, III OFM
Administrator

Rev. Ajani K. Gibson
Parochial Vicar

DEACONS:

Mr. Lawrence Houston

Mr. Allen Stevens

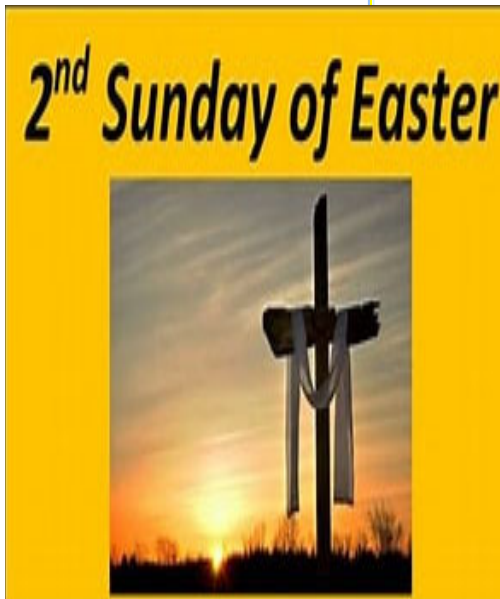
PASTORAL STAFF

Mrs. Veronica Downs-Dorsey
Director of Music

Mr. Marvin Ernest
Maintenance

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

Mrs. Edith B. Reed
Executive Secretary



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.

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Scripture Insight

As we enter this week's readings from John's Gospel, Mary of Magdala has encountered the risen Christ, who sent her on a mission to prepare the other disciples for post-resurrection encounters (20:10-18). On the evening of the same day, Jesus comes to his frightened disciples with his greeting of peace (20:19).

Jesus shows his piercings and the disciples rejoice to see him. They see their Lord, yet there is something unworldly. The risen Jesus is the same-but different! He then associates them with his God-directed mission. Jesus is the sent one of God, and he now formally sends them as promised (13:20). Their commission is guaranteed by a creative act: Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, just as the Spirit hovered over creation (Genesis 1:2). They now have two tasks: forgive the sins of any who seek and bring the ongoing presence of Christ into the world.

Then we learn Thomas was not with the disciples for this encounter, and he will not accept the believing community unless he physically encounters the risen Jesus. Again on a Sunday, they encounter Jesus' peace, but now Thomas is there. Jesus challenges Thomas to place his finger into his wounds, asking him to stop his unbelief and become a believer. In response, Thomas makes a confession that summarizes all that faith requires. Jesus, as risen Lord, is the revelation of the presence of God among humankind. Jesus further asserts that those who believe without seeing such signs are blessed, thereby summoning us all to faith.

John preliminarily concludes in hope that the signs and wonders he shared has affirmed our belief in Jesus as Christ and Son of God. This is how we will find true life in this world. The Acts reading shows the firstfruits of this new life.

Mary of Magdala is called the "Apostle to the Apostles." How does she inspire you to tell others about Christ? Thomas gives voice to all our doubts, fears, and need for proof. How does the risen Christ come to him? How do you notice the risen Christ? What do you think it means for you to have life in Jesus' name?

APRIL 24, 2022

OUR FAMILY PRAYER

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness.

We come to you,
Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism.

We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people.

Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence.

Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.

Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us that we may be a holy family.



Our Stewardship for Sunday, April 17, 2022 was **\$17,748.23**; **2nd Collection: Holy Land: \$561.00.**

Please continue with your tithing for 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*

EASTER VIGIL MASS

St. Peter Claver Church welcome our new baptized candidate and catechumen that join the Church at the Easter Vigil.

***Mr. Alfred Harrell, III
Emerson Hebert***

EASTER SUNDAY, 2022

St. Peter Claver Church “Welcomes” our infants as they were baptized into the holy water of a new beginning.

Zuri Nia Anderson, Jai Noelle Andrews,
Anthony Harold Jackson, Derek Anthony
Jarreau, Jr., Krewe Jaxson Lewis, Demi
Sam Marshall, Kailee Ka’Maya May,
Edwin Cairo Murray



8 Things to Remember when going through tough times

1. Everything can and will change.
2. You’ve overcome challenges before.
3. It’s a learning experience.
4. Not getting what you want can be a blessing.
5. Allow yourself to have some fun.
6. Being kind to yourself is the best medicine.
7. Other people’s negativity isn’t worth worrying about.
8. And there is always, always, always, something to be thankful for.

ATTENTION: This year our Mother’s Day and Father’s Day, Mass Intentions will remember our deceased females and males respectively.



Graduates—2022

All 2022 Graduates from High School, College and above are asked to sign-up in the back of Church, contact Mrs. Marinda Lee-Houston or call the Parish Office, (504) 822-8059 with the following information: (**Name, telephone number, school, diploma/degree, future plans, awards and honors**). Please signup in the rear of the Church.

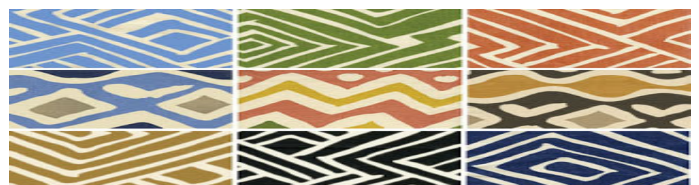
NOTE: We will only honor the **GRADUATES** from St. Peter Claver Church on Sunday, May 29, 2022 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father, and Mary Immaculate give to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God’s service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life. May Your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let Your grace sustain them. **AMEN.**

Living and Praying with the Word

Holy Spirit, you know that there are times when we sit powerlessly on the floor, helpless to open locked doors. We ask for your power, not for ourselves, but to be your gift to this world. Purify us, convert us, transform us, so that we can be filled with your goodness; make us magnetic, loving, and giving people. It is you who pop into unlikely places. Ooze your love into hearts that we love, no matter how closed. Your love is so beautiful, wanting us all to be fully alive. Help us to share in that mission of yours, to radiate your openness and pass it on. Breathe on our world, Breath of God!



ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH

St. Peter Claver Homebound and Sick Parishioners

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

Edith Henry, Alice Allen, Stanley & Beatrice Grant, Pearl Dupart, Aaron LaCabe, Bernice Stein, Javette and Michael Garner, John Bidol, Marie Walker, Shirley Walton, Antoinette Johnston, 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, Vivian Plessy, Marion Evans, Verlyn Mallory, Bronson Lee, John Parker, Maureen Nutting, Victoria Leslie, Lorraine Bart, Myrtle Dorsey, Bernell Johnson, Wilma Wilson, Wendell Baptiste, Shonne Pierce, Wylene Jones, Roslind Louis, Lydia Edwards, Ted Nutting, Joseph Washington, Delores Chapital, Rockial Riley, Sarah Lafitte, Marynell Fernandez, Charlie Mae Thompson, Gloria Oliver, Myrtle Williams, Edward Brown, Lucille Anderson, Charmaine Prevost, Evelyn Shokes, Henry Head, Pamela Pleasant, Shayna Vigne, Jolene Jeff, Bryon Bernard, Victor Hampton, Clarence Robinson, Jr., Baby Aria Polite, Sabrina Davis, Laura Johnson, Sie Terrell, Germaine DeRouren, Mary Boutté, Darnell Prejean, Phil Fontenot, Kameron Sears, Jr., Myklynn Meyers, Tonya Bernard, Zelinda Lawrence, Louis Robbinette, Sr., Mercedes Lewis, Marie Collins, Sedrick Jones, Jueron Martin, Sean Foster.



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Will burn in Memory of:

Fr. Michael P. Jacques, SSE

Requested by: St. Peter Claver Parishioners

FATIMA ROSARY

**Monday, April 25, 2022
@ 3:00 p.m., 2100
Ursulines Ave., Apt. 110**

Hosted by: Ms. Adrain Francis

Rosary

NEW ORLEANS, LA

ST. PETER CLAVER HEALTH CORNER



AUTISM AWARENESS

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a complex developmental disability that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges. Signs typically appear during early childhood and effect a child's ability to communicate, and interact with others. There is no known single cause of autism, but increased awareness and early diagnosis/ intervention and access to appropriate services/ supports lead to significantly improved outcomes.

Here are some signs to look for in the children in your life:

- ♦ Lack of or delay in spoken language; repetitive use of language and/or motor mannerisms (e.g., hand-flapping, twirling objects); little or no eye contact; lack of interest in peer relationships; lack of spontaneous or make-believe play; persistent fixation on parts of objects.

A child on the Autism spectrum might display many of these behaviors or just a few, or many others besides the ones listed here. The diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder is applied based on analysis of all behaviors and their severity. **If you think your child might have ASD or you think there could be a problem with the way your child plays, learns, speaks, or acts, contact your child's doctor and share your concerns.**

References: Centers for Disease Control; Mayo Clinic, Autism Society

If you need more information about Autism or any other health questions please call or visit the Health & Wellness Ministry located in the Misaada Center.

Office Hours: Tues. 10:00 am-12:00 noon

Phone: 504-822-8059

BIBLE STUDY

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "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."
John 20:24-25

"THERE IS ALWAYS ONE! Many of us have heard the phrase, "there is always one," in your social, personal, or professional life. Have you ever heard yourself say the following about someone: This 'one' always has something to say? This 'one' is always grumpy and negative? Have you ever looked back at photos and think that about the 'one' who ruined a perfectly good shot? Do you have that 'one' who makes you feel special, like you're worth something? Have you ever been the 'one'? This phrase shows the power of our Creator to make us unique, yet the same in His divine image. By His death and resurrection, Jesus the Christ is the one who redeemed us. He did not fit the mold of the expected Messiah, yet He is the **ONE**. By our baptism we are called to be the one who brings Jesus *into the lives of others*. *There is always 'one'*. Be the 'one'.

Chapter 2 of Acts describes how tongues as of fire rested on each **one** of the disciples in the upper room. (Acts 2:3) Therefore, each **one** of the disciples received the power of the Spirit of God. The first reading shows that the disciples used their individual gifts to work signs and wonders to improve the lives of others. The preaching of the Word of God was often accompanied with sings and miracles **(5:12)**. The power of the risen Christ was at work in His Church. The minds and hearts of the leaders of Judaism remained closed and opposed to this new religion. They probably used the phrase, "there's always **one**." However, the average person and those outside of the privileged class accepted and admired the Apostles **(v.13)**. The apostles each preached the Word of God and performed signs and wonder. Collectively, they formed God's Community, His Church. The words, "were added to the Lord" **(v.14)**, signifies that new Christians were brought to an existing community. The phrase also reveals that God added each **one** of the new members. Conversion is a personal decision. Scripture tells us that these early Christians met in homes in small groups for the "breaking of Bread," which is the official term for

BIBLE STUDY ..continues..

celebrating the Eucharist **(2:46)**. They also met in the Temple area under Solomon's Portico, which was a very public area near the court of the Gentiles in the Temple. Many believers were brought into the community. This aspect is dramatized by the words "great numbers of men and women." **(v.14)**. But note that each one had to decide for themselves to follow Jesus. They had to become the **one** in their homes, community, and nation. Each had to decide to be the **one** to bring the sick out into the streets, so that Peter's shadow might fall on **one** or the other of them. Their faith in Jesus softened hearts, healed illnesses, and made each **one** a member of the Church. There is always 'one.' Be the 'one.' **DISCUSSION QUESTION:** Have you ever used the phrase, "there is always **one**"? Why did you do it? Have you ever been treated as the odd **one**? How did you react?

PRAY ABOUT IT. LORD, LET ME RISE?

Lord, let me rise with You today. Let me breathe the air in my lungs and know that it comes from You. Lord, let me rise today, knowing that this day is given to me to seek You first in all things. Lord, let me rise from the sleep of indifference, this day, to a resurrection of love, compassion, and mercy. Lord, let me rise to know that through Baptism, I am dead to immorality, impurity, greed, and evil desire. Lord, let me rise to know that today, I am celebrating a new beginning, a new Easter, a new day in Your love.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS



April 23-29, 2022

Saturday, April 23, 2022

4:00 p.m. Fr. Michael Jacques, SSE
 Ms. Michelle Materre
 Mr. Wayne Reese, Sr.
 Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Chase, Jr.
 Living & deceased members of the
 Chase Family
 Ms. Joyce Evans
 Ms. Onelia Martin
 Mr. Patrick Green, Jr.
 Ms. Monica Washington
 Ms. Clair Bidol
 Mr. Darryl Johnson
 Ms. Scarlett Crawford
 Mr. Christopher Woodfork
 Ms. Diana LeBlanc
Mr. John Bidol (Living)

Sunday, April 24, 2022

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Peter Claver
 Fr. Michael Jacques, SSE
 Ms. Gladys Montegut
 Ms. Florence Lee
 Ms. Marion Smith
 Mr. John Webb, Sr.
 Mr. Larry Barrois, Sr.
 10:00 a.m. Fr. Michael Jacques, SSE
 Baby Marquise Applewhite, II
 Ms. Michelle Materre
 Mr. Brian Carriere
 Mr. Albert Boucree
 Ms. Deborah Gray
 Mr. Waldon Green
 Ms. Ruby Downs
 Ms. Jade Gibson
 Mr. Vint Barney
 Sullivan & Emelda Bentley
 Ms. Virginia Ann Pleasant
 Mr. Percy Walker
 Edward & Edna Walker
 Mr. Malcolm Lear
 Michelle, Caden & Cylie McCullum
 Baxter and Elvera Sellers
 Mr. Lester Marshall
 Ms. Vivian Delaney
 Mr. Darrius Hamilton
 Living & deceased members of the
 Knights Counsel #50 and Ladies Auxil
 iary (Court #50); & the Chase, Landix
 Lewis, & Reese families

MASS INTENTIONS continues...

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

7:30 a.m. Fr. Michael Jacques, SSE

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Thursday, April 28, 2022

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church

Friday, April 29, 2022

7:30 a.m. Mass-Church



April 25-May 1, 2022

Monday-4/25/22 *1 Peter 5:5b-14*
Mark 16:15-20

Tuesday-4/26/22 *Acts 4:32-37*
John 3:7b-15

Wednesday-4/27/22 *Acts 5:17-26*
John 3:16-21

Thursday-4/28/22 *Acts 5:27-33*
John 3:31-36

Friday-4/29/22 *Acts 5:34-42*
John 6:1-15

Saturday-4/30/22 *Acts 6:1-7*
John 6:16-21

Sunday-5/1/2022 *Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41*
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



Visit
St. Ann's Shrine
 (2100 Block of Ursulines Ave.)
Tuesday, Thursday
& Saturday

9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon



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APRIL, 2022

MEETINGS & EVENTS



Sun

Mon

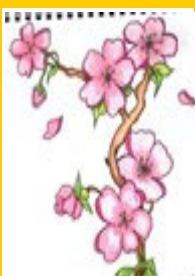
Tue

Wed

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Fri

Sat



3 5th Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Mass
10:00 am Mass

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3:00 pm Rosary
St. Ann Shrine
6:00 pm Bible
Study (via
ZOOM)

5

7:30 am Mass
5:45 pm Youth/
Young Adult
Choir

6

7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm Steal
Away to Jesus
Evening for
Women-All are
invited

7

7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm Choir
Rehearsal

1

7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm Sta-
tions of the
Cross

2

4:00 pm Vigil
Mass

10 PALM SUNDAY

7:30 am Mass
10:00 am Mass

11

3:00 pm Rosary
St. Ann Shrine
6:00 pm Bible
Study (via
ZOOM)

12

7:30 am Mass
5:45 pm Youth/
Young Adult
Choir

13

7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm Steal
Away to Jesus
Evening for
Men-All are
invited

14

10:00 am Church
Cleaning
Holy Thursday
7:00 p.m. Mass
1 hr. Adoration
after Mass

15

Good Friday
12 noon Stations
of the Cross
3:00 p.m. Vener-
ation of the Cross
and Holy Com-
munion Ser-
vice

16 Holy Satur- day

**8:00 p.m. Vigil
Mass**

17 EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 am Mass
10:00 am Mass

18

**OFFICE
CLOSED**
3:00 pm Rosary
St. Ann Shrine
6:00 pm Bible
Study (via
ZOOM)

19

7:30 am Mass
5:45 pm Youth/
Young Adult
Choir

20

7:30 am Mass

21

7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm Choir
Rehearsal

22

7:30 am Mass

23

9:00 am Pen-
ance Service
4:00 pm Vigil
Mass

24

7:30 am Mass
10:00 am Mass

25

3:00 pm Rosary
St. Ann Shrine
6:00 pm Bible
Study (via
ZOOM)

26

7:30 am Mass
5:45 pm Youth/
Young Adult
Choir

27

7:30 am Mass

28

7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm Choir
Rehearsal

29

7:30 am Mass

30

4:00 pm Vigil
Mass

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