St. Peter the Apostle
Catholic Church of Boerne, TX

3rd Sunday of Advent

December 12, 2021

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John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16

Juan los sacó de dudas, diciéndoles: "Es cierto que yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, a quien no merezco desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. El los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego". - Lc 3, 16

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St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

Mission
We are an ACTIVE, GROWING, WELCOMING, SPIRIT-FILLED Roman Catholic community nourished by the Liturgy to serve God and others.

Nuestra Misión
Somos una comunidad Católica Romana, ACTIVA, CRECIENTE, ACOGEDORA Y LLENA DEL ESPIRITU alimentada por la liturgia para servir a Dios y al prójimo.

MASSES / MISAS
(*also live streamed online)
(*también transmisión en vivo en línea)

Saturday .....5:30 pm

Sunday .....9:00 am*,
11:00 am & 5:00 pm

En español
Domingo .....1:00 pm*

Daily Masses
(*in English, also live streamed online)

Monday.....6:30 pm*
Tuesday-Thursday....8:00 am*
Friday.....10:00 am*

RECONCILIATION
(confession)

Tuesday.....6:00-7:00 pm
Saturday .....10:00-11:00 am

RECONCILIACIÓN
(confesión)

Martes.....6:00-7:00 pm
Sábado .....10:00-11:00 am

Live Streams

St. Peter's Facebook page
facebook.com/stpetersboerne

St. Peter's YouTube channel
youtube.com/stpetersboerne

Our OSV Stewardship of Time, Talent & Treasure
Nuestra Mayordomía de OSV de Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro

We are nearing the end of our OSV Stewardship of Time, Talent & Treasure Process. Our goal is to reach a return rate of 30% of households making a one-time or recurring online donation. We are currently at 22%.

We thank everyone who has already turned in a commitment card. If you still have not, we ask you to prayerfully consider doing so. If you need a card, they are located in the narthex, or you can request one in the parish office during regular business hours. One more mailing went out last week, which included a commitment card and a return envelope. Keep an eye out!

Commitment cards may be turned in through the end of December.

We are blessed to have such generous parishioners and appreciate your continued support of our parish, staff and ministries. God bless you all!

Nos estamos acercando al final de nuestro proceso de mayordomía de OSV del tiempo, talento y tesoro. Nuestro objetivo es alcanzar una tasa de retorno del 30% de los hogares que realizan una donación en línea única o recurrente. Actualmente estamos al 22%.

Agradecemos a todos los que ya entregaron una tarjeta de compromiso. Si aún no lo ha hecho, le pedimos que considere hacerlo. Si necesita una tarjeta, están ubicadas en el nártex, o puede pedir una en la oficina parroquial durante el horario comercial normal. Se envió un correo más la semana pasada, que incluía una tarjeta de compromiso y un sobre de devolución. ¡Estar atento!

Las tarjetas de compromiso se pueden entregar hasta finales de diciembre.

Tenemos la suerte de tener feligreses tan generosos y agradecemos su continuo apoyo a nuestra parroquia, personal y ministerios. ¡Dios los bendiga a todos!

How to Enter a Pledge

1. Go to parish website and in the top right corner, click “Log In”
2. Go to “Giving” tab at the top middle of the page
3. Click on “My Giving”
4. Scroll to the bottom of the page where you will see “Help Us meet our goal! Make a pledge”
5. Click on the area that reads Make a pledge
6. You will see Fund and select an option. Click “select an option” and you will see the General Offertory Collection (currently the only option), choose this option.
7. Enter amount you wish to pledge
8. Click on Pledge

Cómo realizar un compromiso

1. Vaya al sitio web de la parroquia y en la esquina superior derecha, haga clic en "Iniciar sesión"
2. Vaya a la pestaña "Donaciones" en la parte superior central de la página.
3. Haga clic en "My Giving"
4. Desplácese hasta la parte inferior de la página donde verá “¡Ayúdenos a alcanzar nuestra meta! Hacer una promesa"
5. Haga clic en el área que dice Hacer un compromiso
6. Verá Fondo y seleccionará una opción. Haga clic en "seleccionar una opción" y verá la colección de ofertorio general (actualmente la única opción), elija esta opción.
7. Ingrese la cantidad que desea comprometer
8. Haga clic en Pledge

Annulment Seekers Workshop

Saturday, Feb 19, 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm
St Peter’s Family Life Center

Are you divorced and looking for peace of conscience regarding a prior marriage? Are you seeking to marry in the Catholic Church, but you or your partner have a prior marriage? Are you seeking to enter the Catholic Church, but you or your spouse have a prior marriage?

If any of these apply to you, you may be interested in petitioning the Tribunal for a declaration of marriage nullity!

Join us for an informational workshop where you will have your questions answered from the Staff of the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Feel free to bring your significant other or a supportive family member or friend with you to the workshop. Clergy or Lay Ministers who accompany annulment seekers are welcome to join us!

For more information:
Deacon Del
deacondel@stpetersboerne.com

Organ Recital

Judith Calhoun, St. Peter’s Parish new Organist, will perform an Organ Recital of Christmas Music.

Wednesday, December 15, 2021
6:30 pm
St. Peter’s Sanctuary

Please be advised that Judith will play the organ to its fullest potential, at full volume. We recommend ear plugs for those with a sensitivity to loud music.

Judith Calhoun has a Bachelor’s Degree in Music and an Masters of Music Degree in Organ Performance from the University of Texas-San Antonio. She is a former Director of Music at Saint Patrick’s Cathedral in Corpus Christi, TX. In addition to her passion for music, Judith also holds a Commercial Art degree from Austin Community College where she also taught calligraphy.

From the Pastor's Desk

*__Final Days__! We are in the final days of the **Fall Festival 2021 Fundraiser Vehicle Raffle**! The raffle is for a New 2022 LEXUS RX 350 Atomic Silver, 4-door, V6-3.5L, 8-speed automatic, SUV. To date we have sold 1016 of the 1500 tickets. Last year, we sold out. Don't wait! Don't miss your opportunity to purchase your tickets! On-the-spot and online credit card purchases are available for Raffle Tickets using Square. Please see the Fall Festival ad in this bulletin for the link and more information. Thank you to Brett Haas and Greg Gonyer who are leading the Vehicle Raffle. At Masses on December 4th and 5th, Brett spoke about what kinds of projects will benefit from the funds raised, such as new audio visual equipment and repairs to the Sacristy and Bride's Room, gymnasium roof and Upon this Rock Campus building.

*Texas Gaming Laws prohibit conducting two raffles at the same time. For this reason, this year's **Baskets Extravaganza** is an online auction. With the help of Forres Meadows, the auction is now live via TexasBid.com at texasbid.com/auction/128. Please visit the website to view what is available and to place your bids. The Auction ends December 17th at 7:00 pm. This weekend after all Masses, you can stop by the Elizabeth Anne Dashiell Library to view the baskets in-person. Thank you, once again, to Debbie & Bubba Simnacher for all their hard work on the Baskets Extravaganza.

*Every year, St. Peter's Catholic Daughters of the Americas coordinate the annual **Angel Tree Project**, which provides Christmas gifts for the residents of local nursing facilities. This year, over 500 gifts were collected! Thank you to all donors for your generosity and the love and care you put into purchasing and wrapping/bagging the gifts. Your donations will bring great joy to the residents. Special thanks to Barbara Vogt and all the CDA volunteers who continue to provide this service every year.

*Thank you to Deacon Del Eulberg and Phillip Hunter, our Pastoral Council chair, for leading the special training session for **Pastoral Council nominees**. We will be announcing new Pastoral Council members in the near future and will be thanking outgoing members in a future bulletin.

*It is the time of the year when individuals make decisions on **End of Year and Christmas Giving**. Please review the four pages toward the end of the bulletin that outline end of year giving options. After reviewing that information, if you have any questions, or need assistance, please contact Martin Scott, St. Peter's Finance Manager, or Deacon Brad Wakely, Parish Operations Director. Thank you for considering St. Peter's Parish during this decision process.

For parishioners who make special donations of stock, retirement funds, or other assets to the parish, please let us know so that we can appropriately acknowledge and thank you. Sometimes the bank cannot identify the donor for us. You can contact Fr. Norm or Martin Scott. Again, thank you for your generosity.

*The **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** "provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States." If you, or someone you know, may benefit from this service, please call (800) 273-8255, or if you do not wish to speak with an operator, you can text the Crisis National Text Line by texting "HOME" to 741741.

*__If you lost a special hat__ at the church, you can claim it at the

CDA Angel Tree Project 2021

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Office hours • Horas de oficina
Monday through Friday
Lunes a Viernes
9:00 am-5:00 pm
Open during lunch
Abierto durante el almuerzo

Deacon Del Office Hours
Wednesdays 11:30 am to 4:00 pm

Live Streaming
St. Peter's will continue to live stream Daily Masses, Sunday 9:00 am Mass (English) and Sunday 1:00 pm Mass (Spanish).

Transmisión en vivo
La iglesia de San Pedro seguirá transmitiendo en vivo las misas diarias, la misa del domingo a las 9:00 am (en inglés) y la misa del domingo a la 1:00 pm (en español).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesdays
3:00 pm—6:30 pm in Day Chapel
Fridays
11:00 am - 5:00 pm in Day Chapel

Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento
Los miércoles
3:00 pm—6:30 pm en la capilla
Los viernes
11:00 am - 5:00 pm en la capilla

Welcome!

Whether you are just visiting or looking for a permanent church home, we are happy you stopped by. We are a family friendly parish and have something for people of all ages. No matter what your background, there is a place for you here. We invite you to join us for one of our Liturgies. When you decide to make St. Peter's your church home, please consider making it official by filling out a New Parishioner Registration form, which can be downloaded from our website. You may also pick up a form in our parish office. Registering helps us know how we can best serve your family's needs. Please have a look at our Faith Formation and Ministries pages to see the different ways you can be nourished and get involved. We are so glad you visited and hope to see you again!

¡Bienvenidos!

Ya sea que esté de visita o esté buscando una iglesia permanente, nos complace que haya venido. Somos una parroquia familiar y tenemos algo para personas de todas las edades. No importa cuál sea su origen, aquí hay un lugar para usted. Lo invitamos a unirse a nosotros en una de nuestras liturgias. Cuando decida hacer de St. Peter's su hogar en la iglesia, considere hacerlo oficial llenando un formulario de Registro de Nuevos Parroquianos, que puede descargar de nuestro sitio web. También puede recoger un formulario en nuestra oficina parroquial. El registro nos ayuda a saber cómo podemos atender mejor las necesidades de su familia. Por favor, consulte a nuestras páginas de Ministerios y Formación de Fe para ver las diferentes formas en que puede nutrirse e involucrarse. Estamos muy contentos de que nos haya visitado y esperamos volver a verlo.

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parish office. It is a commemorative Air Force bomber command "Keep 'Em Flying" cap (purple and tan).

*It is with mixed emotions that I announce that **Deacon Brad Wakely, our Director of Parish Operations for over the last three years, has turned in his resignation effective Thursday, January 6, 2022**. We created this role over three years ago to help me focus on the pastoral needs of the Parish, while Deacon Brad was able to focus on the operations of the Parish. Deacon Brad has expressed his desire to spend more time with his family, his ministry as a Deacon at Holy Trinity and spend time traveling with his wife Mary Kay. They also have their first grandchild, Jayce, coming soon. Deacon Brad has expressed his gratitude to me, the staff, and all of St. Peter's parishioners for welcoming him as part of this community. The job posting has already been posted to the Archdiocese's employment page on their website. Deacon Del will assist me with finding Brad's replacement. I want to thank Deacon Brad for his service to St. Peter's for the last three years and we wish him and Mary Kay the best.

*Our **deepest sentiments and condolences** to the families of the following parishioners who passed away recently and whose funerals were held through St. Peter's Parish and/or led by our pastoral staff:

† **Warren Riggs** passed on Monday, November 21st. His service was held at St. Peter's Parish on December 7, 2021 with Fr. Joe Wagner, a retired military chaplain, as Celebrant, and Fr. Norm assisting. Please pray for his family and friends during their time of loss. Ila, his wife, died in July 2019, with services held through our parish.

† **Martha Doenges** passed on Monday, November 21st. Visitation was at Holt & Holt on Wednesday, December 1st at 6:00 pm, followed by the Rosary at 7:00 pm, led by Deacon Paul Rayburg. The funeral service was held at St. Peter's Parish on Thursday, December 2nd at 10:00 am with Fr. Tony Cummins as Celebrant and Deacon Paul assisting. Burial immediately followed at Boerne Cemetery and a reception was held in the Cana Ballroom. Our prayers go out to the family.

† **Catherine Sheckarski**, mother of Beth Pai, passed on Saturday, November 6th. The rosary was held in St. Peter's Sanctuary on December 3rd, 2:00 pm, led by Deacon Paul Rayburg. The funeral service followed at 2:30 pm with Fr. Tony Cummins as Celebrant and Deacon Paul assisting. Burial immediately followed at Boerne Cemetery. Our condolences to Catherine's family and friends.

Our deepest condolences to their families, friends and loved ones. May God's peace be with them

*If you are grieving the death of a loved one, and need support and help through the grieving process, please join the **bereavement support group**, **Seasons of Hope**. Please see their webpage for more details and upcoming sessions — stpetersboerne.com/s/seasonsofhope.

Sincerely,
FR. NORMAN A ERMIS
Pastor

ULTREYA
Tu ultreya te espera

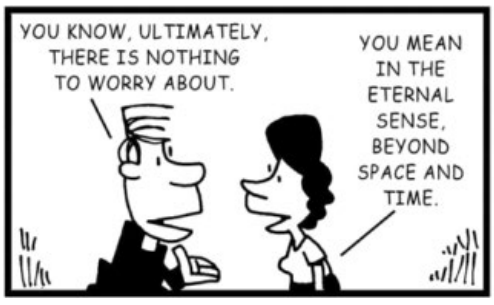
Te invitamos a nuestra ULTREYA reunion, cada viernes, 7:00 pm a 9:00 pm en el FLC donde compartimos temas de gran interés y canciones para crecer en nuestra vida spiritual. ¡Los esperamos! No falten. Todos son bienvenidos y temenos guarderia. *Cursillos de cristiandad*. Para más información, favor de llamar:

Emeteria Hernandez
(210) 827-0525

José Villegas
(830) 446-9546

Findings and Recommendations of School Feasibility Study, Phase I

At long last the **Meitler School Feasibility Study Phase I Report and Recommendations** were summarized in a report to all interested parishioners on Monday, November 29th at 7:00pm in the Cana Ballroom. Meitler Representatives, Angela Gunderson and Maria Schram, led the report and provided video graphics. A question-and-answer session was held at the end. Approximately 75 parishioners were in attendance and another approximately 40 viewed the live-streamed session. Basically the study confirmed that St. Peter's could successfully and sustainably open a Catholic School in Boerne from Pre-K through 6th Grade and then incrementally open other grades, eventually possibly even a high school. The video is posted online of the report session for you to review at your leisure on St. Peter's Facebook page — facebook.com/stpetersboerne — and You Tube channel — youtube.com/c/stpetersboerne. Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting. Earlier in the day a comprehensive report of the findings was given to the School Feasibility Study Steering Committee. We appreciate having the Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Marti West, in attendance as well. A decision will need to be made regarding whether or not to continue the Feasibility Study by moving to Phase II, a thorough and comprehensive financial analysis. This decision will need to be made in consultation with Meitler, the Archbishop and his Auxiliary Bishops, the Superintendent of Catholic Schools, and St. Peter's Parish Pastoral Council, Financial Council, Stewardship Council, Staff, and Fr. Norman. We will keep you updated on the process.



Sanctuary Light Memorial

December 12—December 18, 2021

LUTHER BURGON

In Sympathy / Con dolor

Condolences to families who have recently lost loved ones. May the Lord comfort the family in their time of need and welcome the deceased into heaven.

Martha Doenges, Warren Riggs, Catherine Sheckarski

Condolencias a las familias que han perdido recientemente a sus seres queridos. Que el Señor consuele a la familia en su momento de necesidad y acoja al difunto en el paraíso.

In Our Prayers
En nuestras oraciones

Please pray for the sick of our parish—Por favor oren por los enfermos de nuestra parroquia

Jim & Edna Baldwin, Lou Butaud, Elizabeth Copeland, Stephanie Cross, Martin Escajeda, Daniel Fogarty, Gabriel Juliano, Chase Christian Mann, Sr. Carmen Martinez, Jesse Martinez, Frank McKeever, Elizabeth Mulik, Reed Neal, Celia Quintanilla, Matthew Rheinhart, Melissa Santos, Barbara Smith, Stephen Smothers, Alice Wiederhold, Larry Zatopek

Please contact pastoral care for family requests to In Sympathy and In Our Prayers—Por favor, llame a la oficina pastoral para las solicitudes de la familia a Con dolor y En nuestras oraciones.

Need a prayer?
(210) 912-3432 • (830) 816-5657

Mass Readings
Lecturas de Misa

Readings for the week of December 12, 2021

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a, and 13b [2a]/Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17

Saturday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25

Next Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Las lecturas de la semana del 12 de diciembre de 2021

Domingo: Sof 3, 14-18/Is12, 2-3. 4. 5-6 [6]/Flp 4, 4-7/Lc 3, 10-18

Lunes: Nm 24, 2-7. 15-17/Sal 24, 4 -5. 6 y 7. 8-9 [4]/Mt 21, 23-27

Martes: Sof 3, 1-2. 9-13/Sal 33, 2-3. 6-7. 17-18. 19 y 23 [7]/Mt 21, 28 -32

Miércoles: Is 45, 6-8. 18. 21-25/Sal 84, 9 y 10. 11-12. 13-14 [Is 45, 8]/ Lc 7, 18-23

Jueves: Is 54, 1-10/Sal 29, 2 y 4. 5-6. 11-12. y 13 [2]/Lc 7, 24-30

Viernes: Gn 49, 2. 8-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 3-4. 7-8. 17 [cfr. 7]/Mt 1, 1-17

Sábado: Jr 23, 5-8/Sal 71, 1-2. 12-13. 18-19 [cfr. 7]/Mt 1, 18-25

Domingo siguiente: Miq 5, 1-4/Sal 79, 2-3. 15-16. 18-19 [4]/Heb 10, 5 -10/Lc 1, 39-45

ADOPT-A-FAMILY
St. Vincent de Paul

Once again St. Vincent De Paul gives you an opportunity to “Adopt" a family in need this Christmas. Beginning December 1, you may call or email us to help a family celebrate the season by providing a Christmas for them.

IDEAS: Clothes, gift cards, that parents can use to buy children's gifts and/or help with Christmas meal, or you can choose something from the children’s Wish List. You choose how to share this sacred season with your “adopted” family.

SVDP thanks you in advance for all you do to help us help others.

For more information or to adopt a family, contact:

Linda Garza at (210) 394-1161 or lindachaparita@att.net

Jeanna Moravits at (830) 816-5657 or jeanna@stpetersboerne.com

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My Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

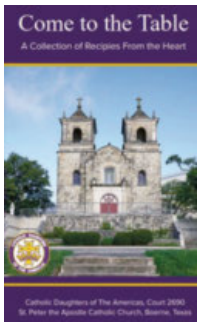
I just want to give you an update on our daughter, Elizabeth Copeland, after her brain surgery and 21 days in ICU at University Hospital. Praise God, Elizabeth is home with her husband Chris and their two boys, Corbin 5, and Lincoln 3. She is starting home OT, PT, and ST therapy this week. She has a way to go, but her recovery has been nothing short of **miraculous**, prayers answered for sure. The tremendous outpouring of care, concern, love and **prayers** from this community for Elizabeth and our family have been a beautiful example/manifestation of God’s love and care, real and present for the world and our lives!!!!! God is good, all the time!!! Humbly, from the depths of our soul, THANKS and BLESSINGS to you!!!!

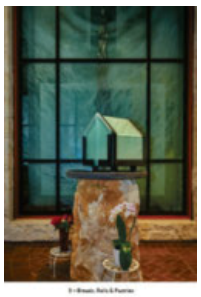
Donna and Leroy Ferry

SECOND COLLECTION
Retirement Fund for Religious

December 11th & 12th

Give in gratitude. A donor to the Retirement Fund for Religious writes, “I Still remember the lessons the sisters gave us and how they instilled in us the love of our faith.” Show your thanks for the prayerful service of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your gift to the second collection helps provide care, medicine, and more. Please be generous.





St. Peter’s CDA Cookbook!

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #2690 have created a cookbook with our most favorite recipes!

Over 200 recipes from our family to yours.

Each book is a 3-ring binder that has lots of helpful information with room to add more.

There are 8 chapters of delicious, tried and true recipes with beautiful pictures of St. Peters included.

Each book is $25 and shipping is available for an additional cost.

Come to one of our tasting events after each mass the weekend of December 11th & 12th and try out some recipe samples!

Order online at CDA Court St. Peter the Apostle #2690 – Unity & Charity (cdacourt2690.org)

Contact Michelle Lee at odysseylee11@hotmail.com with any questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 24
Christmas Eve

4:00 pm
Children's Mass in Sanctuary with Children's Choir

4:10 pm
Mass in Cana Ballroom

6:00 pm
Mass in Sanctuary

9:00 pm
Mass in Sanctuary

Saturday, December 25
Christmas Day

9:00 am
Mass in Sanctuary

11:00 am
Spanish Mass in Sanctuary

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, December 25

5:30 pm
Vigil Mass in Sanctuary

Sunday, December 26

9:00 am
Mass in Sanctuary

11:00 am
Mass in Sanctuary

1:00 pm
Spanish Mass in Sanctuary

5:00 pm
Life Teen Mass in Sanctuary

Reminder

Catholics are obligated to participate in one Mass for the Christmas celebration and in one Mass for the Feast of the Holy Family on Saturday evening or Sunday. Attending a Saturday, Christmas Day Mass, does not fulfill the Feast of the Holy Family obligation. Attending the Saturday, December 25th, 5:30 pm Mass does not fulfill the Christmas obligation.

Attendance at two Masses is required—one from the left column and another from the right column.

Office & Campus Closures due to holidays

Christmas
Thursday, December 23, 2021
Friday, December 24, 2021
Monday, December 27, 2021

New Year's Day (observed)
Monday, January 3, 2022

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, January 17, 2022

See ads for more information

December 11, 2021
For liturgical reasons, Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held on the morning of December 11th. There will be no dinner this year.

6:15 am—Las Mañanitas

7:00 am—Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

Immediately following Mass, there will be an Our Lady of Guadalupe re-enactment in the Sanctuary, performed by St. Matthew's Guadalupanas, and a dance performance in the courtyard by St. Peter's Marachines.

8:00 am—Our Lady of Guadalupe Gathering

December 11 & 12, 2021
In-person viewing of baskets for Fall Festival Baskets Extravaganza after all Masses

December 14, 2021
7:00 pm—Parish Las Posadas

December 15, 2021
6:30 pm in Sanctuary
Judith Calhoun Organ Recital

December 17, 2021
Last day to purchase Vehicle Raffle tickets (5:00 pm) and bid on Baskets Extravaganza silent auction (7:00 pm)

December 19, 2021
10:30 am—Vehicle Raffle Drawing

Scan to purchase tickets

Fall Festival 2021

1100 tickets already sold
ONLY 400 TICKETS LEFT!

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Fall Festival 2021 Fundraiser Pandemic Style

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VEHICLE RAFFLE

New 2022 LEXUS RX 350

Atomic Silver, 4-door, V6-3.5L, 8-speed automatic, SUV

EACH TICKET $100 — Only selling 1500 tickets!
All Taxes & Transfer Fees are paid via prepaid credit card to winner

Drawing for vehicle will be held
Sunday, December 19, 2021 at 10:30 am

Ticket sales end on December 17, 2021 or when all 1500 tickets are sold.
Need not be present to win. Must be 18 years or older. Disclosure: purchase of ticket is not tax deductible.
Tickets may also be purchased after weekend Masses, in the Parish Office during regular business hours, and by calling the Parish Office at (830) 816-2233.

SCAN ME !

BASKETS EXTRAVAGANZA!!!

The online auction is now live! Don't forget to visit the library this weekend to see baskets in-person. Scan the QR code to go to the auction site, or go to https://www.texasbid.com/auction/128.

BASKETS VIEWING
December 11th & 12th after all Masses, in St. Peter's Library

Vehicle Raffle Underwriters Needed

If you are interested in underwriting our vehicle raffle, please contact St. Peter's Finance Manager, Martin Scott, at (830) 816-5659. If you are a company, we will display your logo on our Fall Festival website and in our bulletin.

SCAN ME !

Escanear para comprar boletos

Fall Festival 2021

1100 entradas ya vendidas

¡SOLO QUEDAN 400 ENTRADAS!

SCAN ME !

Recaudación de fondos de festival de otoño 2021, estilo pandémico

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RIFA DE VEHÍCULO

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Todos los impuestos y tarifas de transferencia se pagan con tarjeta de crédito prepaga al ganador.

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Domingo 19 de diciembre de 2021 a las 10:30 am

La venta de entradas finaliza el 17 de diciembre de 2021 o cuando se hayan vendido las 1500 entradas.
No es necesario estar presente para ganar. Debe tener 18 años o más. Atención: la compra del boleto no es deducible de impuestos.
Los boletos también se pueden comprar después de las misas de fin de semana, en la oficina parroquial, de 9:00 am a 5:00 pm, y llamando a la oficina parroquial al (830) 816-2233.

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CANASTAS EXTRAVAGANZA

¡La subasta en línea ya está lista! No olvide visitar la biblioteca este fin de semana para ver cestas en persona. Escanee el código QR para ir al sitio de la subasta o vaya a https://www.texasbid.com/auction/128.

EXHIBICIÓN DE CANASTAS

11 y 12 de diciembre después de todas las misas, en la biblioteca de la iglesia San Pedro

Se necesitan donaciones financieras para la Rifa de Vehículo

Si desea hacer una donación para ayudar a cubrir el costo del vehículo, llame al Director de Finanzas, Martin Scott, al (830) 816-5659. Si es una empresa, mostraremos su logotipo en nuestro sitio web del Festival de Otoño y en nuestro boletín.

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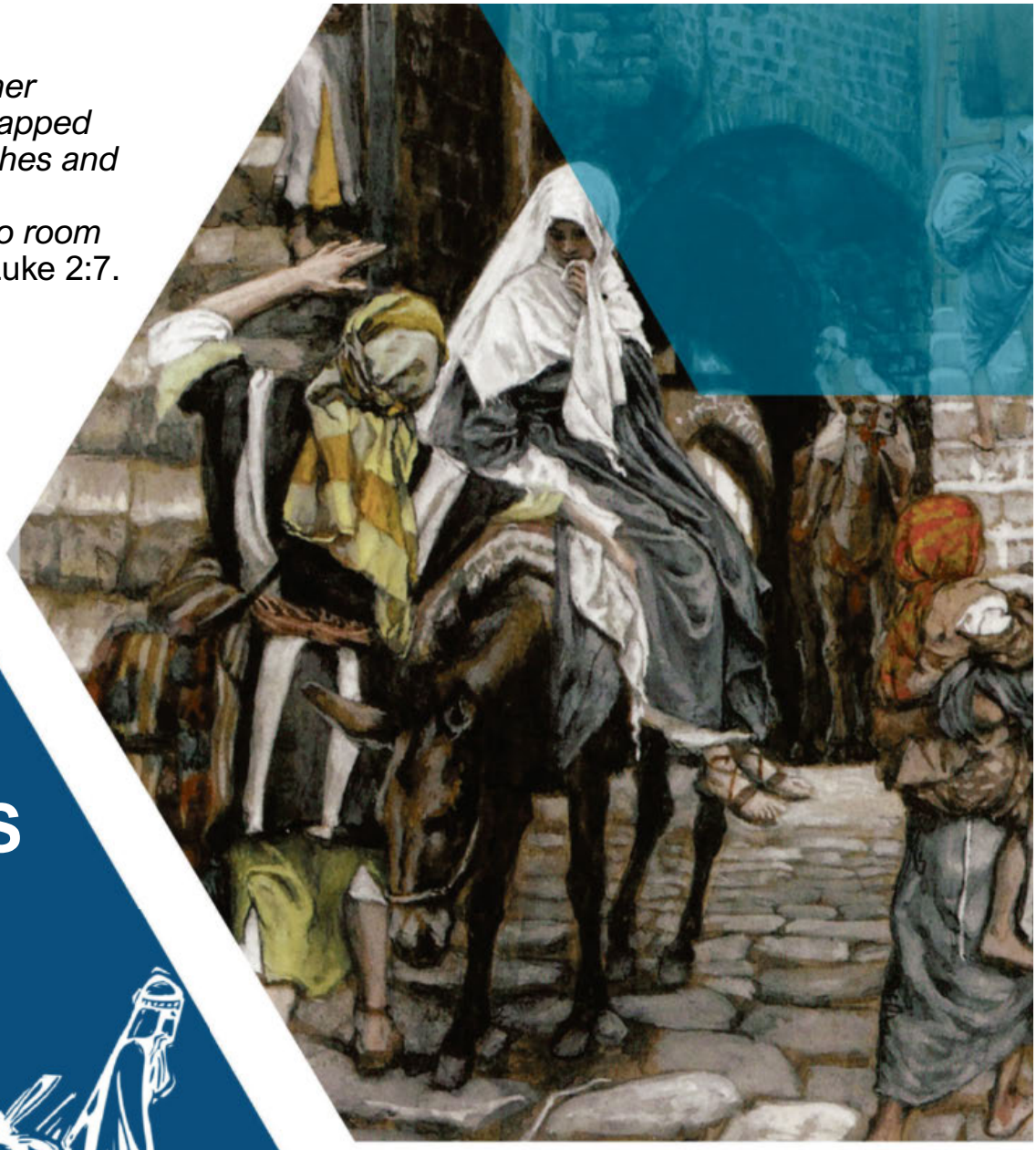
"*...she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn*" Luke 2:7.



LAS POSADAS

DECEMBER 14
Tuesday

7:00 pm
Sanctuary

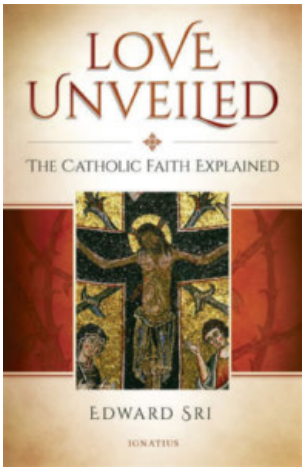
Gathering to follow in FLC

Las posadas, meaning "the inns," begin on December 16th and continues 9 days until Christmas. The festival is based around a reenactment of Mary and Joseph trying to find lodging at numerous inns and being turned away.

Now, throughout Mexico, children process through their towns as adults follow, carrying candles. The leader of the procession is a child dressed as an angel. A little girl plays Mary and a boy plays Joseph. The other children dress as shepherds and shepherdesses.

The procession goes from house to house, singing Villancicos para pedir posadas (Searching for an Inn). Those in the house sing back, denying the procession lodging. Finally, one innkeeper tells them they can stay in the stable. The doors are open to all at this final house, the Rosary is prayed and a big party begins!

Join St. Peter's parish at a modified Las Posadas held on campus and stay for fellowship and refreshments!



Journey Together

BOOK STUDY

Spring Session 2022

January 13, 2022—May 12, 2022
Thursdays, 10:00 am—12:00 pm
Room 151-153

Reading
***Love Unveiled* by Edward Sri**

Purchase at:

Ignatius Press
ignatius.com

Amazon
amazon.com

For more information or to register contact:

Susan Markworth
smarkworth@yahoo.com

NURSERY IS OPEN!

The Nursery is open for Sunday Masses at 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm.

¡LA GUARDERÍA ESTÁ ABIERTA!

La guardería está abierta para las misas los domingos a las 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. y a la 1:00 p.m.

For the safety of the children, we will be limiting the number of children and ask that all adults wear a mask when entering the Nursery to drop off and pick up.

For more information or to request the nursery for your ministry, please contact:

Para la seguridad de los niños, limitamos el número de niños y pedimos que los adultos usen una máscara al ingresar a la guardería para dejar y recoger.

Para más información o pedir guardería para su ministerio, comuníquese con

Laura Balderrama Contreras
(830) 816-5668
laura@stpetersboerne.com

Part-time Cana Ballroom Attendant
Assists with special events, requires flexible schedule, includes nights and weekends and will not have guaranteed minimum hours. Required skills include experience in customer service, attention to detail, and physical tasks such as placement of tables, chairs, etc. If interested, contact Doreann Sommers, Cana Ballroom Events Manager at (830) 816-5673 or doreann@stpetersboerne.com.

VIRTUS
Safe Environment Training & Background Check

virtus.org

If you need to take your Safe Environment Training or renew your background check, please go to virtus.org and log in. If this is your first time logging in, create an account and answer the questions about how you are going to volunteer. Training modules will be assigned accordingly. If you do not see the option to renew your background check, or you need any assistance, please contact:

Angela Spino
(830) 816-5664
goodshepherd@stpetersboerne.com

Online Prayer Wall
St. Peter's now has an Online Prayer Wall with almost 100 participants already. You can scroll through prayer requests to add to your prayers, and you can add your own requests. To join, go to stpetersboerne.com, Parish Life, Ministry WeGather Groups, and then Prayer Wall. Then join the group or request to join.

Communications
Comunicaciones

Bulletin Advertising

St Peter the Apostle has Liturgical Publications (LPI), to print our weekly bulletin. The bulletin still has available spaces and needs your support! Your ad or sponsorships in the bulletin will allow parishioners to receive a bulletin at no cost to the church.

Tina Watson, from LPI, is securing new sponsorships and ads for the bulletin. For more information contact Tina at (512) 431-9413 or twatson@4lpi.com. Thank you for your support!

Bulletin Submissions

Regular bulletin submissions are due by 8:00 am on Monday. Send to bulletin@stpetersboerne.com.

Upcoming submissions due dates:

Wed, Dec 15, 8:00 am—EARLY
For Dec 26th bulletin

Tue, Dec 21, 8:00 am—EARLY
For Jan 2nd bulletin

Mon, Jan 3, 2022, 8:00 am
For Jan 9th bulletin

Mon, Jan 10, 8:00 am
For Jan 16th bulletin

Mon, Jan 17, 8:00 am
For Jan 23rd bulletin

Mon, Jan 24, 8:00 am
For Jan 30th bulletin

Christina Galvez,(830) 816-5660
bulletin@stpetersboerne.com

Flocknote

Flocknote is a method of communicating via email and texts, and allows participants to subscribe to threads on specific topics such as Funeral notifications. Log into your account to join threads.

If you request to be removed from the main thread, you are removed from Flocknote altogether.

New parishioners will automatically be entered into Flocknote. If you do not wish to receive Flocknotes, simply unsubscribe by responding STOP. You can sign up by going to https://StPeterBoerne.flocknote.com. If you need assistance, please call the parish office.

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

SUPPORT GROUPS

FAMILY GRACE

Support for family & friends of an adult living with mental health issues.

Family Grace Support Group will not meet in person during December. We will be available by phone or email.

If you would like to engage in a phone conversation with Donald or Mary O'Connor, please call (830) 368-4112 and leave your first name, phone number, and indicate that you are calling about the Mental Health Ministry. We will return your call.

Likewise, if you or someone you know is interested in taking the 8-week, NAMI Family-to-Family Education Class to learn more about mental health, please call. We need at least 8 participants to hold a class. The class would begin early 2022. You can learn more about the class and mental health resources in the San Antonio area at www.nami-sat.org.

LIVING GRACE

This support group is for adults who are living with, and often struggling, with a mental health condition (depression, anxiety, bipolar, schizophrenia, etc.). You do not have to be diagnosed. The group participants share their struggles, their hopes, and their strategies for dealing with their mental health issues. Sharing is optional and voluntary. We gather to support one another through listening, sharing, and offering suggestions when appropriate.

1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursdays of each month

6:00 - 7:30 PM, ZOOM MTG

Please contact Jenny Russell at jlr8546@yahoo.com for ZOOM CODE.

Share, Listen, Learn, Pray, Grow, Recover!

Bereavement Support Group

When you or someone you care about is suffering from the loss of a loved one, the process of grieving is a natural part of healing. Grief, however natural, can be intense and experienced in very individual ways. It is sometimes hard to know, "Is what I'm going through 'normal' or natural?"

The **Seasons of Hope** Adult Bereavement Support Group at St. Peter the Apostle offers a safe and understanding environment for those whose loved one has died. This program, rooted in Catholic tradition, conveys God's consolation through scripture, prayer, reflection and sharing our faith.

Each **Seasons of Hope** session is offered for six consecutive weeks and group members may continue in additional sessions as needed. The program is open to anyone over the age of 18 who has experienced the death of a loved one.

Dates for the next sessions:

Saturdays—9:30 am - 11:00 am

St. Peter's Upon this Rock Campus
416 W. Highland Drive
Boerne, TX 78006

Session II
December 4, 11, 18, 2021,
Jan 8, 15, 22, 2022

Session III
March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 2022

Session IV
June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 9, 16, 2022

Pre-register to:
Jeanna Moravits
(830) 816-5657
jeanna@stpetersboerne.com

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St. Peter the Apostle
Catholic Church
April 6, 2022, 9:00 to 1:00 pm

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you someone or do you know someone who…

- Has never been Baptized?
- Is Baptized Catholic, but has not yet celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation?
- Is Baptized in another faith tradition, and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith and possibly become Catholic?

Or, if your child is:

- age 7 or older and has not been Baptized?
- age 7 or older, already Baptized but never enrolled in Faith Formation classes?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions as an adult, or regarding your children, you are a parishioner and/or family who would benefit by entering the R.C.I.A. process. **R.C.I.A. for Adults and R.C.I.A. Adapted for Children prepares you to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist**. If you fit into any of the above categories, please inquire with our parish staff about an interview to discuss the R.C.I.A. process. Set aside any reluctance you may have and reach out to our pastoral staff listed below with contact information. We address you and your family's situation personally and confidentially.

R.C.I.A. offers an opportunity to come together in a small group learning environment to nurture a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and acquire more knowledge and insight about our Catholic faith, teachings and traditions. Adults meet with adults and children meet with children in separate groups. We do accommodate families together when parents and children both can benefit from the R.C.I.A. sessions.

If you are interested in the R.C.I.A. to help you grow spiritually and in your faith, please call one of the following parish Staff members:

Angela Spino
(830) 816-5664
goodshepherd@stpetersboerne.com

Deacon Marty Lee
(210)-317-8685
deaconmarty@stpetersboerne.com

Please start your inquiry with our Staff at your soonest convenience. Sessions will be held every Sunday starting with attendance of Mass at 9:00 am, then continuing in faith formation sessions until 11:00 am. We look forward to your participation. Welcome!

Blood Drive Ministry

Upcoming Blood Drives

Boerne Family YMCA
Monday, December 13, 2021,
8:30 am - 1:30 pm
820 Adler, Boerne, TX 78006
https://donor.southtexasblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/130507

HEB Plus Boerne
Wednesday, December 15, 2021,
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
420 West Bandera Road
Boerne, TX 78006
https://donor.southtexasblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/130920

Hill Country Community Boerne
Monday, December 20, 2021
01:00 pm - 05:00 pm
1381 S. Main Street
Boerne, TX 78006
https://donor.southtexasblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/130903

Enchanted Spring Ranch
Tuesday, December 20 & 21, 2021
10:00 am - 03:00 pm
242 Hwy 46 West
Boerne, TX 78006
https://donor.southtexasblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/131359

Anniversaries

Aniversarios

Congratulations to all who are celebrating anniversaries.

Felicidades a todos los que están celebrando aniversarios

November 21
Bubba & Debbie Simnacher (34)
Gloria Villanueva & Eloy Saenz

November 25
Bill & Dorothy Scheidt (60)

November 27
Michelle & Steve Viro

November 29
Carmel & Jim Widner (35)

December 2
Michelle & Bob Weiss (54)

December 17
Mike & Stephanie Fincke (27)

December 20
Chelsea & Kyle Marlowe

December 22
Richard & Maria Garansuay (55)

December 27
Mary Francis Teniente & Rey Salinas

December 28
Judy & Jeff Joseph
Karin & Jim Startin

December 30
Agnes & Aloysius Leopold (60)
Dianna & Greg Roberts

December 31
Tara & James Castro

January 2, 2022
John & Beth Dewey (51)

January 13
Susan & Vernon Markworth (49)

If you are celebrating a wedding anniversary and would like to be included in the bulletin, please email bulletin@stpetersboerne.com or call (830) 816-5660.

Si está celebrando un aniversario de boda y desea ser incluido en el boletín, mande su información a bulletin@stpetersboerne.com o llame a (830) 816-5660.

Parish Calendar

Please contact the lead of your ministry or event to make sure it is still meeting.
Please contact Christina at bulletin@stpetersboerne.com or (830) 816-5660 for modifications or to report errors.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

Second Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

9:00 am - 10:00 am MASS
9:30 am - 11:30 am RCIA in FLC
10:00 am - Hospitality (hosted by the Pastoral Council) in Courtyard
11:00 am - 12:00 pm MASS
11:00 am - 1:30 pm RICA in FLC
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Misa en español
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Choir Practice (Life Teen) in Bride's Room
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Texas Magic Basketball in Gym
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm Scouts BSA Troop 180 Christmas Party at UTRC
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Life Teen MASS
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Life Teen Christmas Party in Cana

After all Masses

CDA Christmas Ornament Sale in Courtyard
CDA Cookbook Tastings in Courtyard
Fair Trade Coffee and Chocolate Sale in Courtyard
Fall Festival Baskets Extravaganza Viewing in Library

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021

10:00 am - 12:00 pm ABFS Jesus, the Way… in FLC
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm CDA Epiphany Party Planning in FLC
5:15 pm - 6:30 pm Shepherds of Christ in FLC
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia in FLC
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Daily MASS—Jim Gleason
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm ABFS Bible Timeline in FLC
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Scouts BSA Troop 18 Court of Honor in Gym

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021

8:00 am - 9:00 am Daily MASS—Dana Buchawiechi
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary
4:30 pm - 9:00 pm CYO Basketball Practice in Gym
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Reconciliation in Day Chapel
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm First Reconciliation Mock Confession in Sanctuary
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm RICA in FLC
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Las Posadas in Sanctuary
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Knights of Columbus Agenda Officers Meeting at UTRC
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm ABFS Estudio Biblico para Hombres en FLC
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Venturing BSA Crew 18 in FLC
7:45 pm - 8:30 pm Las Posadas Gathering in FLC

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2021

8:00 am - 9:00 am Daily MASS—Sarah Garza
9:00 am - 12:00 pm Blessings in a Backpack in Gym
9:30 am - 12:00 pm Archives Committee in FLC
10:30 am - 12:30 pm Spiritual Direction in FLC
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Together, Living with Cancer at UTRC
3:00 pm - 6:30 pm Adoration in Day Chapel
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Judith Calhoun Organ Concert in Sanctuary
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm SWACTS Directors Meeting at UTRC

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2021

8:00 am - 9:00 am Daily MASS—Betty Hensley
9:00 am - 10:00 am Retired Police at Pavilion (inclement weather only)
10:00 am - 12:00 pm Journey Together in FLC
12:30 pm - 3:00 pm Faithful Quilters in FLC
4:30 pm - 7:00 pm Tour de Boerne at UTRC
4:30 pm - 9:00 pm CYO Basketball Practice in Gym
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm First Reconciliation Mock Confession in Sanctuary
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Coro de San Pedro Apóstol at UTRC

Thursday, December 16, 2021, continued...

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Hope & Healing Ministry for Divorced & Separated at UTRC
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Living Grace in FLC
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Family Grace in FLC

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2021

6:30 am - 8:00 am Men's Faith Sharing in FLC
10:00 am - 11:00 am Daily MASS—Oswald Kisgen
11:00 am - 5:00 pm Adoration in Day Chapel
11:00 am - 12:30 pm ABFS Follow Me in FLC
4:30 pm - 9:00 pm CYO Basketball Practice in Gym
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ultreya in FLC

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2021

9:00 am - 5:00 pm CYO Basketball Games in Gym
9:30 am - 11:00 am Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry at UTRC
9:30 am - 1:30 pm Environment Committee in Sanctuary
10:00 am - 11:00 am Reconciliation in Day Chapel
4:30 pm - 5:15 pm Saturday Mass Choir Practice in Bride's Room
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm MASS—Richard & Maria Garansuay (55th Wedding Anniversary)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021

9:00 am - 10:00 am MASS—Jesus & Aurora Saldaña
9:00 am - 10:30 am Baptism Class in FLC
9:30 am - 11:30 am RCIA in FLC
11:00 am - 12:00 pm MASS—Amy Nakhleh
11:00 am - 1:30 pm RICA in FLC
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Misa en español—Maria Cervantes
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Faith Formation Advent Adoration in Sanctuary
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Choir Practice (Life Teen) in Bride's Room
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Texas Magic Basketball in Gym
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Life Teen MASS—St. Peter's Parishioners

Room assignments are posted in the building.

FLC=Family Life Center
UTRC=Upon this Rock Campus

HOLIDAY BREAK
DECEMBER 12TH THROUGH JANUARY 15TH

Sacramental Preparation:

Dec. 14th / 16th—Book Check and Presentation
January 11th/13th—First Meditation
January 18th/20th—Second Meditation
January 25/27—Third Meditation

VACACIONES: 12 DE DICIEMBRE AL 15 DE ENERO

Preparación sacramental:

14/16 de diciembre—Revisión de libros y Presentación
11/13 de enero—Primera Meditación
18/20 de enero—Segunda Meditación
25/27 de enero—Tercera Meditación

Dr. Villareal's class read the Christmas story from the Gospel of Luke and celebrated with treats and a special reading of Dr. Villareal's Christmas book!!

Miss Angelina's class learned about the Advent wreath.

Employment Opportunity

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

Parish Operations Director

Job Type

Full-time

Position Summary

Under the Pastor's guidance, this position is responsible for the effective planning, directing and execution of parish management functions: finance, human resources, facilities, communications, technology, office administration, pastoral care, faith formation, community services partnerships, and others as may be assigned. Directs and leads parish staff in performing duties that enable and support the Pastor's responsibilities to the parish. Collaborates with the Pastor and other parish advisory groups to facilitate appropriate parish governance. Assures compliance with local, state and federal laws/regulations, and with diocesan rules, regulations and policies. Naturally employs a servant leader approach that positively reflects the mission of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

Requirements and Competencies

Communication & Teamwork: Ability to effectively share information and ideas of various degree of difficulty and sensitivity through different means of communication and to diverse audiences. (Verbal and/or written) Ability to listen and respond constructively with others fostering collaboration and team success.

Critical Thinking & Solutions Oriented: Ability to actively and skillfully process and generate information and belief using a set of core skills – analysis, evaluation, inference, deductive reasoning, and inductive reasoning. Ability to identify various challenges, think outside the box, be innovative, and formulate possible solutions.

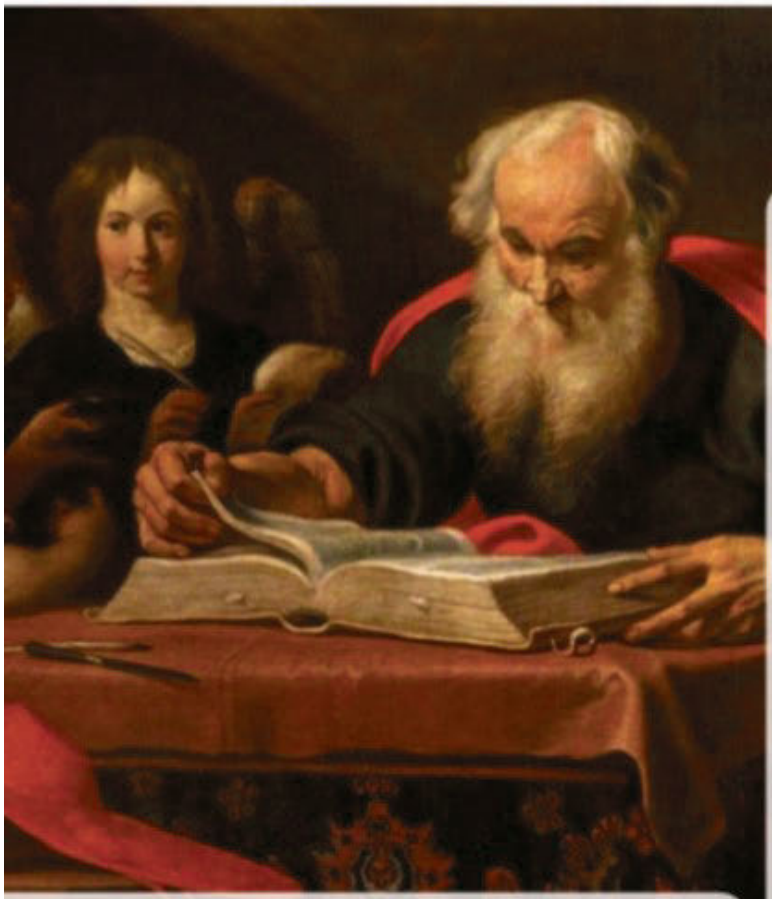
Integrity / Honesty: Ability to conduct self in ways that are in concert with the organization's standard of conduct when advocating for and influencing others, and executing responsibilities.

Resilience & Stress Management: Ability to deal effectively with pressure, and remain optimistic and persistent, despite challenging situations. Ability to remain focused and use emotional intelligence despite stressful situations and competing priorities.

Thorough & Results Oriented: Ability to provide great care and attention to detail while meeting deadlines. Ability to remain focused on objectives of the organization/program and being able to meet or exceed desired outcomes and deliverables.

To view the entire job posting, which includes a complete list of Essential Functions, Minimum Qualifications, and Minimum Knowledge and Skills, or to apply, visit the Archdiocese of San Antonio Employment website at archsa.org/employment.

THE BIBLE *and the* CHURCH FATHERS



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St. Peter the Apostle

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Beginning 1/19/22 - 4/6/22
from 10:00am - 12:00pm
in FLC 148

Presented By:
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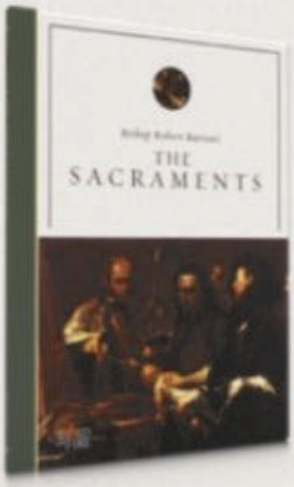

The great sacraments of the Church—Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, Matrimony, and Holy Orders—have endured for thousands of years and structured countless lives. Everything in the Church's life comes from and returns to them. But there is far more to these ancient rites than meets the eye.

In this follow-up to *The Mass*, Bishop Barron looks at the great sacraments of the Church in all their theological depth, spiritual effects, and pastoral promise. The Sacraments will help you understand these signs and channels of grace and discover the secret behind their persistence down the ages: the presence and power of the Savior himself.

WWW.WORDONFIRE.ORG + SACRAMENTS.WORDONFIRE.ORG

DATE, TIME, LOCATION	COST / REGISTRATION	CONTACT
(follows EFF calendar) Sundays, January 16, 2022 through February 20, 2022 Wednesdays, January 19, 2022 through February 23, 2022	FREE abfs@stpetersboerne.com	(follows EFF calendar) Sundays 9:40 am to 10:40 am FLC Facilitator: Marvin Abney mdared@gmail.com Wednesdays 4:40 pm to 5:40 pm FLC Facilitator: Mary Ann Matteson abfs@stpetersboerne.com

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ARCHBISHOP'S Appeal for MINISTRIES
CAMPAÑA DEL ARZOBISPO PARA LOS MINISTERIOS

UPDATE / ACTUALIZACIÓN
December 1, 2021

Goal
25% household participation

St. Peter's Parish
10.9%
$161,959
Archdiocese: $4,524,507

Thank you to all who have participated in this year's Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries. Our goal this year is to encourage everyone to give something, no matter how small, to support the wonderful ministries of our archdiocese. In that spirit, we invite all who've not yet had an opportunity to participate to do so today. This yearly Appeal for Ministries speaks to our strength and unity as Catholics ready to serve the people in our archdiocese. The Appeal supports the training of seminarians and deacons, and, as you know, our parish has been blessed with two new deacons, Marty Lee, and Del Eulberg, as a result. The Appeal also supports college campus evangelization, and the sharing of Christ's love through caring for retired clergy, and protecting God's most vulnerable — the hungry, homeless, elderly, unborn, sick, imprisoned, and lonely.

Please pray and discern in your heart, how you and your loved ones may participate, offering a gift of love.

You may offer your gift via Text-To-Give at (210) 750-6712, keyword APPEAL, online at www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp5fdbaf7f59c3d or call (210) 734-1604. Please make sure to designate **St. Peter Church-Boerne (3716)** as the parish.

Thank you and May God bless you.

Our parish thanks Greg Jaeger, Dr. Jerry Muehlberger and Gregg Muenster for leading our AAA process this year.

Children's Choir

Children's Choir rehearsals are on Tuesdays, from 4:15 pm to 5:15 pm. All children aged 6-10 years old are welcome to join! Our first Mass with the Children's Choir will be on Friday, December 24th at the 4:00 pm Mass.

Adam Olmos—(830) 816-8686

Environment Committee

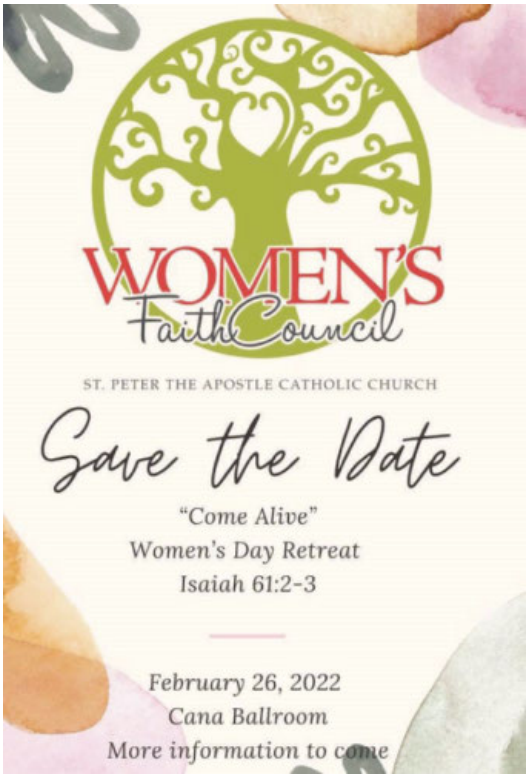
Help set up our Sanctuary for Christmas!

Saturday, December 18
9:30 am to 1:30 pm

We will assemble creche and set up Christmas trees, which need "fluffing!" Please call Kathy Hossenlopp at (830) 755-4398.

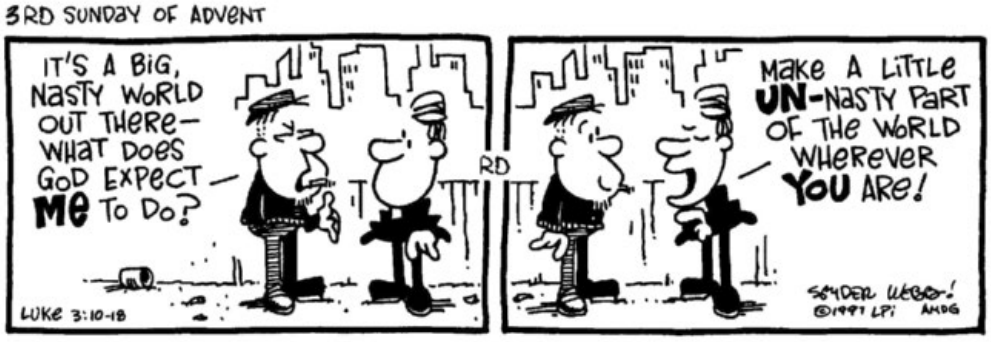
Scouting News

Troop180 has three new members and more expected to join in the next couple of months. There are two scouts currently working on their Eagle Scout Rank requirements and are looking forward to these being completed soon. In the coming months the Troop will be working on the following adventures: Theater, Aviation, Horsemanship, and Bird Study. Any interested girls (5th grade through high school) are welcome to come check out the Troop on Monday nights at 7:00 in the Family Life Center.



The High School Confirmation Retreat was held December 3-5 at Camp Capers. We had 66 retreatants, 12 senior leaders, and 15 adult chaperones. The weekend was filled with the Holy Spirit and it was awesome to see the teens grow deeper in their faith and build community with each other! Thank you to the adult and teen leaders for helping with the retreat and sharing their witness of the Catholic faith! Please continue to pray for our Confirmation teens!

Please join us for Family Adoration! Don't forget to bring the Peace Dove ornament you received at the Advent Family Event and place it on the Christmas Tree in the Narthex. We are also accepting toiletry donations for St. Vincent de Paul. ©LPi



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Stephen Ministry

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Now offering new care receiver training beginning **January 8, 2022 and finishing April 30th**. For more information, please contact:

Patti Jetter — (361) 293-8643

Elizabeth Anne Dashiell Library

stpetersboerne.com/s/library

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Thank you to the library volunteers who so graciously accommodated the Work for Human Hands Sale and Fall Festival by closing to allow the library to be used to hold their items. These volunteers are working hard to bring some exciting new programs to the library. Keep monitoring the bulletin and website for announcements regarding these programs.

Remember to check out the library website for Library News! Our librarian hours are now posted, as is the link to our Amazon wishlist. To view the amazon wishlist, go to https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3DJEE8EZAHUH1 or scan the QR Code below. Please remember to change the shipping address to St. Peter's! Thank you for your continued support and to all who have already donated new books!

SCAN ME

SAVE THE DATE

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Friday, January 14, 2022
St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church's Cana Ballroom

6:00 pm • Doors Open
7:00 pm • Dinner
8:00—10:00 pm • Music and Dancing

All currently active St. Peter's Volunteers and 1 guest are invited.
Must be at least 21 years old.
More information soon!

RCIA
A JOURNEY IN FAITH

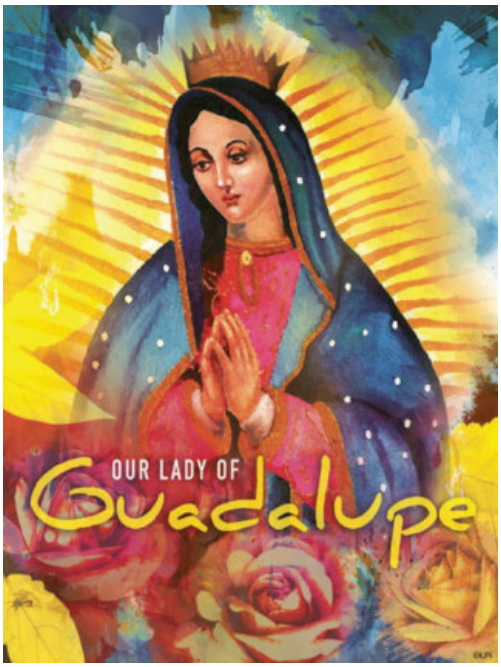
We invite all parishioners to support the following individuals who, on November 21st, celebrated the Rite of Welcome and Acceptance. Please pray for them as they continue on their journey of faith and welcome them to the St. Peters community.

Invitamos a todos los feligreses para que apoyen a las siguientes personas que, el 21 de noviembre, celebraron el Rito de Bienvenida y Aceptación. Ore por ellos mientras continúan su camino de fe y déles la bienvenida a la comunidad de San Pedro.

Daniel Austin, Thomas Bearden, Landon Brosh, Preston Brosh, Jorge Cantu, Charlys Carranza, Jose Cervantez, Bretny Contreras, Paul Coyro, Natalia Estrada, Allie Florez, Andrea Florez, Angelina Florez, Ruben Florez, Orlando Granado, Elizabeth Hubbert, Rebecca Lehman, Jayden Lopez, Charles Miller, Dorothy Miller, Jason Miller, Deborah Pattillo, Christian Perez, Madyson Perez, Brianna Ramos, Mani Reyes-Diaz, Aracely Rico, Juan Rodriquez, Danielle Rushing, Jason Salinas, Keily Santana, Matthew Zarb

*Prayer cards for each individual are available in a basket in the narthex.

**Las tarjetas de oración para cada individuo están disponibles en una canasta en el nártex*



WHERE TO DONATE

We are blessed with an extremely large parish, offering parishioners 100+ ministries in addition to services. All these wonderful ministries and resources are funded by the generous donations you make. To help you make your decision as to where to donate, please refer to the list below. When you give a donation, please designate how and where you want it to be used. **Find all these funds and donate at stpetersboerne.com/s/giving-opportunities**.

GENERAL OFFERTORY

These donations are used for the day-to-day operation of the parish and its programs, which includes staff salaries, utilities, supplies, etc, - basically anything that is required to run the parish and office. The bulk of all donations can best be used in this general fund that keeps our very busy parish operational. You can donate to this offertory in collection baskets at Masses, in the offertory envelopes collected in the offertory baskets or in the office, or by going online and making a one-time or recurring donation.

COMBINED CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Donations to this fund are used to pay the loan taken out for the purchase of the Upon this Rock Campus, and to fulfill St. Peter's obligation to the Archdiocese of San Antonio's On the Way—¡Andale! Capital Campaign. You can donate to this fund online or by calling the parish office at (830) 816-2233 for additional methods.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL

Donations for the Annual Archbishop's Appeal go to St. Peter's obligation to the Archdiocese of San Antonio, which funds ministries at the Archdiocesan level. Once we reach our goal paid amount, 50% of the excess is returned to our parish. You may donate to this fund online by going to https://www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp5fdbaf7f59c3d —in the parish option, make sure to select **St. Peter Church-Boerne (3716)** to ensure it is recorded under our parish. For additional methods of donating to this fund, please call our parish office at (830) 816-2233.

CATHOLIC ENDOWMENT FUND

A Catholic Community Foundation (CCF) where funds grow through Catholic, socially responsible investments managed by financial experts, and are reinvested for the good of the Catholic Community. Go to https://www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp5d2cb0ccd5da1 and under Gift Setup, make sure to check **Catholic Endowment Fund** and then under "Choose your fund," select **St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church (Boerne) Endowment Fund (CCF074)**.

MAINTENANCE FUND

St. Peter's is blessed to have so many facilities to offer our many ministries, parishioners and guests. Your generous donations to the Maintenance Fund will be dedicated to building maintenance, landscaping and repairs of both campuses of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

ACTS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The ACTS Scholarship Fund helps those retreatants who cannot afford the full fees. This money will be held in escrow until it is needed in the 4 retreats held yearly. We want to have a corpus of $10k to $15k. To donate to this fund you can send in a donation and designate it as ACTS Scholarship or donate online.

AMAZON

Amazon will donate a % of your purchases to St. Peter's! Go to smile.amazon.com, designate St. Peter's as recipient and shop as you normally would. Make sure to bookmark Amazon Smile otherwise your purchases will not count toward St. Peter's!

OTHER

There are many other opportunities to donate to a specific fund, ministry or organization. Go to stpetersboerne.com/s/giving-opportunities to donate or call the parish office at (830) 816-2233 for more information.

For giving opportunities such as real estate, life insurance, corporate matching gifts, family foundations and community funds, donor advised funds, required minimum distributions from retirement accounts, qualified charitable distributions and estate planning, please call to make an appointment with St. Peter's Finance Manager, Martin Scott, at (830) 816-5659.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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SACRAMENTS & EVENTS / SACRAMENTOS Y EVENTOS

Baptism / Bautismo

For more information, contact Debra Martini. For a list of upcoming Baptism class dates, visit our website.

Para más información en español, llame a (830) 816-2233. Para una lista de las próximas fechas de clases de bautismo, visite nuestro sitio web.

First Reconciliation and Eucharist / Primera Reconciliación y Eucaristía

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Marriage / Matrimonio

Deacon Brad Wakely
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TO REPORT ABUSE / INFORMAR ABUSO

If you have knowledge or suspicion that a child has been abused or neglected, report online at txabusehotline.org, call / Si tiene conocimiento o sospecha de que un niño ha sido maltratado o descuidado, se puede hacer un informe a txabusehotline.org, o llame a

Boerne Police Department / Departamento de Policia de Boerne
(830) 249-8645

Child Protectice Services (CPS) / El Departamento de Servicios para la Familia y de Protección (DFPS)
1-800-252-5400

Office of Victim Assistance & Safe Environment / Oficina de Asistencia a Victimas y Ambiente Seguro
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To report sexual harassment or abuse against the Archdiocesan Code of Conduct, call the reporting hotline at (844) 709-1169. / Para denunciar el acoso o abuso sexual contra el Código de Conducta Arquidiocesano, llame a la línea directa de denuncias al (844) 709-1169.

END OF YEAR AND CHRISTMAS GIVING

At this time of year many families are reviewing their financial situations and making decisions for charitable giving in light of possible tax advantages. A statistic published recently states that for many non-profit organizations, including churches, up to one-third of their yearly income for budgeting comes from charitable donations given between November and December. St. Peter's Parish experiences a significant amount of its yearly income donated at this time of year as well, through the incredible generosity of our membership.

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church is a mission-driven parish following the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We share in a very transparent way how your generous contributions are used responsibly, fulfilling that mission while also preparing for our future growth. Our bulletin is a major vehicle of direct communication with the parish about the specific ways in which our organizations, ministries and services reach deep into the parish and larger Boerne community, serving people's needs in light of Bible teaching.

Catholic parishioner donations are made in light of the fact that, in the Christian Tradition, we believe that everything we have is a blessing and gift from God. Our charitable giving throughout the year is instructed by the biblically-based, long-held tenets of Stewardship - giving of Time, Talent and Treasurer.

We are now celebrating Advent and Christmas, marking the preparation for and celebration of the greatest gift in history - God's gift of His only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. The story of the Three Kings or wise men seeking and finding the Christ-Child is the backdrop of the tradition of gift-bearing and giving at this time of the year. As stewards of God's abundant blessings and gifts to us throughout this year, let all our families consider and pre-plan for how you may include St. Peter's Parish in your charitable giving before year's end.

Your donations can be made to our parish general fund, our Capital Campaign, our newly established St. Peter Endowment Fund or specifically to an organization or ministry of the parish. You should designate your intentions at the time of your donation. Below we have reprinted the "Methods of Giving" pages we developed for uses in parish life. We trust it will be helpful in summarizing possible ways of giving from your resources. Thank you!

Fr. Norman, Pastor

METHODS OF GIVING

Selecting the best way of giving for you depends on your personal financial situation and goals. As tax laws are always changing, and each individual's financial situation is different, donors are encouraged to consult a professional advisor (See "Note 1"). Consider the following suggested ways of donating:

Donate to Ongoing Combined Capital Campaign

We are approximately four years into our Campaign, with most pledges fully paid. Some families have extended pledge payment periods and we encourage them to fulfill their commitments, if possible. As previously reported, we have already completed paying for the $3,942,000.00 loan to purchase the new property and buildings from the Benedictine Sisters, now called the "Upon this Rock Campus." As part of the Archbishop's Archdiocesan On the Way—¡Andale! Capital Campaign, St. Peter's was assessed a proportional amount of $1,568,100.00. To date we have paid $1,176,074.91, leaving a balance due of $392,025.09. If anyone would like to make a one-time gift to help defray this final portion, it would be greatly appreciated. Our parish is part of the overall structure and mission of the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Through such donations you are supporting the joint mission and expanding the

outreach of the Catholic Church in our area of Texas.

WHAT YOU CAN DONATE

You can donate cash, check, money order or electronic money transfer in any amount and increment you decide. You may also make payments using credit cards, automatic withdrawal through online banking from your checking or savings account or through our online platform, *WeGather* (see "How to Donate).

You can donate stocks, bonds, mutual funds, EFTs, CDs, gold, free-and-clear owned real estate, art, life insurance policies, etc.

Real Estate. Current tax law allows donors of real property, which have been held for at least 12 months, to take an income tax deduction equal to the full market value with no capital gains tax.

Life Insurance. You may donate to the campaign by making St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church owner and beneficiary of your fully paid policy. The parish office will assist you with the correct wording.

Corporate Matching Gifts. A matching gift program provided through your employer or board membership may allow you to increase the value of your gift. Many companies match charitable gifts of their employees, retirees or board members. Consult your employer's human resources director or community outreach director to see if your company has a matching gift program.

Family Foundations and Community Funds. While we conduct research to discover foundations whose mission aligns with St. Peter's projects, there are many family foundations not listed in publications, especially those managed by a community fund. If you have a family foundation or contribute to a donor-advised community fund and you would like to invest in the future of St. Peter's and the archdiocese, please contact Martin Scott or Debra Martini at (830) 816-2233.

Donor Advised Funds (charitable accounts), once legally set-up and active, allow holders to receive deductions for donations immediately while spreading payments over the next several years. Grants from these funds can be made to qualified charities, such as your parish.

Required Minimum Distributions from Retirement Accounts. If you are at the age 72, when you must make a required minimum distribution (RMD) from your retirement account, that distribution is usually taxable at your ordinary income tax rate. However, by making a qualified charitable contribution directly from your retirement account to St. Peter's, you can fulfill your RMD requirement without paying any taxes on it. The parish office can provide more information about this method of fulfilling your pledge.

Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), also called charitable IRA rollover. The requirements for QCDs are summarized at https://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-faqs-regarding-iras-distributions-withdrawals:

- Donor must be $70^{1/2}$ or older.
- QCD is limited to $100,000 per taxpayer per year.
- Donation must be from a traditional IRA (not SEP, SIMPLE, or beneficiary IRA).
- Donor-advised funds are not eligible to receive QCDs.
- Direct your IRA trustee to send funds directly to a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization (churches qualify). The charity you donate to will not have to pay taxes on your donation, maximizing the benefit of your charitable contribution.
- Distributions will be reported as "Normal Distribution" on your IRS Form 1099-R. You will need to keep track of your donations in order to exclude them from income.
- Follow instructions for QCD on line 15 of your IRS Form 1040, or notify your tax preparer.

If you itemize deductions, remember that you cannot deduct the charitable contribution if you have already excluded it from

- income. You are allowed just one tax break, not two.

  Note 1: There are many types of qualified accounts including 401(k), 403(b), 457 plans and others in addition to IRAs, and they are all subject to the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). However, under current rules, you can only do the QCD from a traditional IRA. If you want to apply this strategy to another type of qualified account, such as a 401(k) or a 403(b), you would need to roll that account over into an IRA. You would want to discuss such a move with your financial advisor or tax professional.

  Note 2: You can also use your QCD to meet all or part of your IRA's Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). This RMD is usually taxable at your ordinary income tax rate. However, by making a qualified charitable contribution directly from your retirement account to St. Peter's, you can fulfill your RMD requirement without paying any taxes on it. Traditional IRA owners must start taking RMDs at age $70^{1/2}$ or face tax penalties. The charity must receive your donation by December 31st for you to apply it to that year's tax return. Roth IRAs do not require distributions while the account holder is alive. It has been said that the QCD/RMD is one of the best remaining tax reduction incentives and means of charitable contributions one can make today.

Tip: With the 202 tax law changes, there's 1 additional factor to consider: you may take advantage of the higher standard deduction ($12,400 for single filers, $24,800 if married and filing jointly). This means that if you claim the standard deduction, you won't be allowed to itemize things like charitable donations. However since QCDs are not includable in income the QCD is also not deductible. As such, the QCD can remain an option for your charitable giving, even if you claim the standard deduction in a given year.

Donate through your Last Will and overall Estate Plan. Such gifts are a lasting memorial and expand our parish's ability to continue its growth and be a strong Catholic presence in Boerne and surrounding Texas Hill Country.

HOW TO DONATE

We strongly encourage online electronic giving through *WeGather*, used in our parish for your convenience. Go to our parish website and click on "Give Now" at the top right of the screen and follow instructions. It allows you to donate using specific approved credit cards. Call Martin Scott, our Finance Manager, if you have any specific questions or difficulties in setting up a donor account.

Disclosure 1: Any of the foregoing type donations should be executed only with the professional consultation and specific advice of your banker, broker, financial/ investment advisor, accountant, tax professional, tax attorney, etc. There can be significant tax advantages to your donations, but all IRS laws must be followed for such purposes with full professional advice.

Disclosure 2: St. Peter's Parish has a brokerage account with Frost Bank to facilitate direct transfer of publicly traded securities (without your selling them) to meet IRS rules and for maximum tax benefit. After professional advice, you must instruct your financial/ investment advisor/IRA trustee to transfer any assets you wish to donate. It cannot be done by our parish staff on your behalf. Please contact Martin Scott, our Finance Manager, at (830) 816-2233 to receive instructions on how to transfer such donations to our parish through the Frost Bank account.

ST. PETER'S PARISH

COMBINED CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

A recommended focus for End-of-Year and Christmas Giving

ASSURING COMBINED CAPITAL CAMPAIGN SUCCESS: EVERYONE TAKING OWNERSHIP FOR OUR PARISH AND ITS SUCCESS

To complete our Combined Capital Campaign with the greatest degree of success, the ongoing generous cooperation of our parishioners is needed in the following ways to meet and exceed our "Transformational Goal" ($6.6 million):

* That individuals/families who already made pledges fulfill them over the three-year, or extended, pledge fulfillment period.
* That the large percent of parishioners and families who have not yet made a one-time donation seriously consider doing so while praying for inspiration of the Holy Spirit in that decision. Completion of payment of new pledges made now can be fulfilled in the two-year period from 2021 until 2022 or 2023.
* That the very generous parishioners who have already made one-time donations, and some who have even made additional one-time donations, consider giving additional gifts if you determine your capability to do so and wish to bless the parish in this way. Thank you and congratulations.

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

ENDOWMENT FUND

Another Recommended Focus for End-Year and Christmas Giving

Our **Senior Advisory Group (SAG**), now called the **Stewardship Council**, continues to work on re-envisioning parish governance, overseeing our Stewardship Giving, and other aspects of charitable giving in the parish. The Council has been discussing two important things: 1.) The wisdom of establishing a long-term investment for future normal and emergency maintenance of the parish campus as it grows, develops, ages, (not for capital improvement projects), and 2.) how to encourage parishioners to remember the parish in their general donations but specifically in their Last Wills, Estate Plans and Bequests by establishing an endowment fund for the parish.

A couple of the parish who wish to remain anonymous donated $5,000 of "seed money" and on August 28, 2020 established the "St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Endowment Fund" with the Catholic Community Foundation (CCF). The CCF was established by Archbishop Gomez many years ago for Archdiocesan parishes, organizations and agencies to pool their investments under professional financial management. Our present Archbishop Gustavo hopes that every parish of the Archdiocese sets up an endowment fund for specific parish purposes. **As an incentive for parishes to set-up an endowment with a $5K deposit, the CCF adds another $2,500 to the account. That means we are starting the Endowment with an automatic $7,500.00 deposit, thanks to the generosity and vision of this anonymous couple.**

Since inception of the Endowment, we have had additional donations sent in and investment returns added, bringing the total value of the account to $28,063.92 as of October 31, 2021. Investment income to date has been $4,376.14 at a rate of return of 18.47%.

The Endowment Fund Agreement states the Purposes of the Fund in the following way: "The purpose of the St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Endowment Fund is specifically limited to providing annual distributions to St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church currently located at 202 W. Kronkosky, Boerne, TX 78006, with said distributions only (1) to be used for the purposes of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Parish, its operations, buildings, grounds, ministries, schools and programs as directed by the pastor; or (2) to be donated by St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church to the Catholic Community Foundation for the Roman Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of San Antonio to be returned to the corpus of the St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Endowment Fund." We thank Deacon John Benage, the Vice President of Planned & Estate Gifts of the CCF, for helping establish this Endowment.

Our Stewardship Council will be further discussing this Endowment Fund and developing an information sharing ("marketing") plan for it. Announcements will be made later regarding the results of their deliberations. This anonymous gift to the parish will be a blessing for generations to come. The donor couple are an inspiration for other parishioners to be as generous. This Endowment will assure further financial stability as our parish grows with age and grace, meeting the needs of Catholics in Boerne and the Texas Hill Country. We assure you that this Endowment is not and will not become another capital campaign. It will be advertised and made available as a means of parishioners giving donations toward it while alive or at the time of their death. Should you be interested in donating toward this Endowment Fund, please call either Fr. Norman, Deacon Brad Wakely, our Parish Operations Director, or Martin Scott, our Finance Manager. Again, thanks to the donors!

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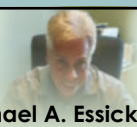

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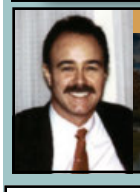

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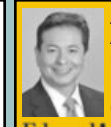

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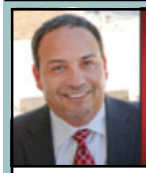

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