



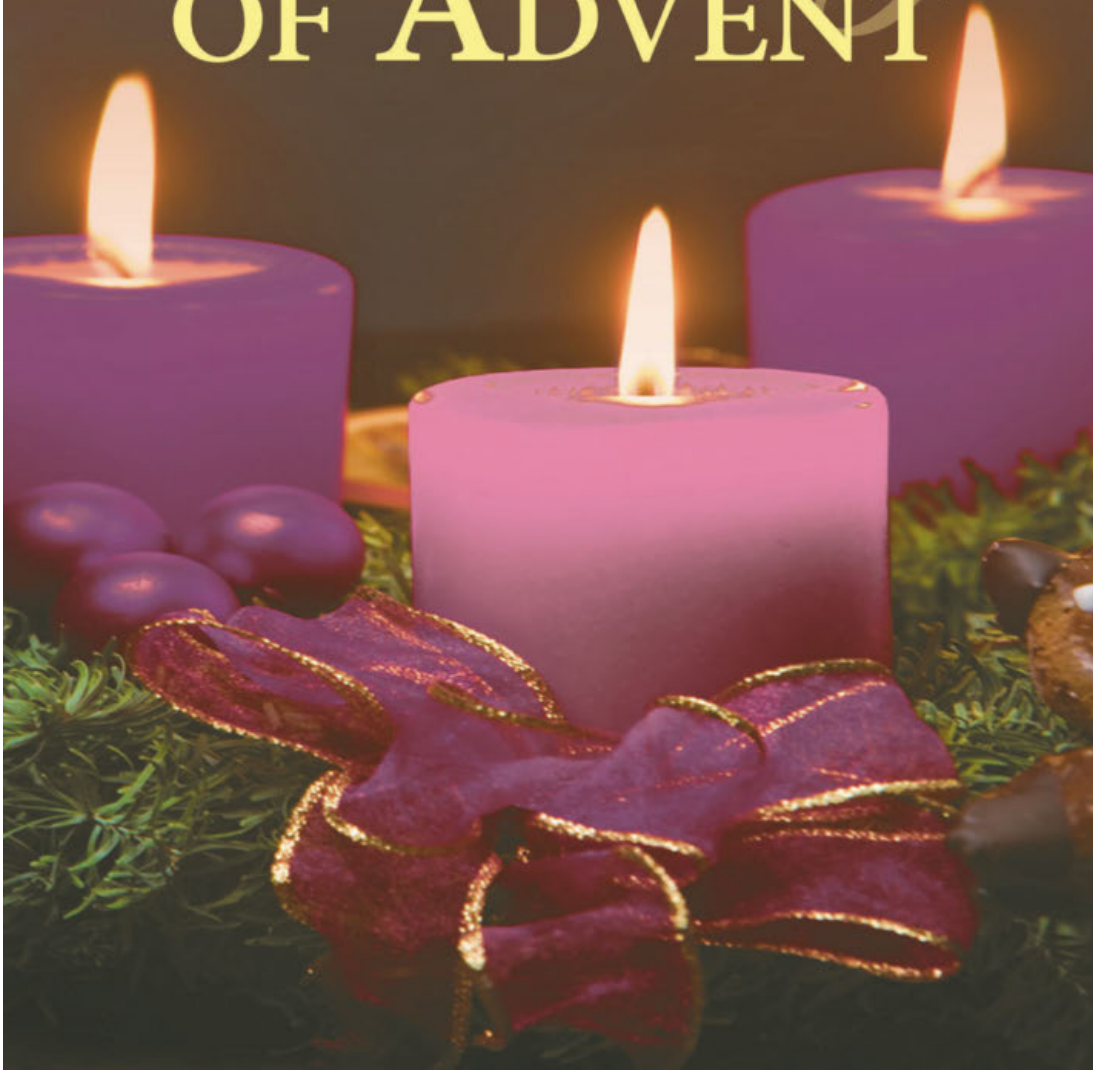
St. Peter the Apostle
Catholic Church of Boerne, TX



3rd Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

3rd Sunday OF ADVENT



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



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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



From the
Pastor's Desk

*This Sunday is the 3rd Sunday of **Advent**. As a community, let us all enter into the Advent season and spirit. There are a lot of special days, holidays and activities throughout Advent. Please see the Advent Schedule in this bulletin, and continue to monitor the bulletin and website for upcoming events. In addition, you should have already received the **Advent Postcard** in the mail. If you did not, please come into the office to get one. Don't miss out on everything St. Peter's has to offer during this Advent and Christmas season. Don't forget our Advent Reconciliation Service with Advent Confessions on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm.

*In the past, we received requests for more organ music and Judith Calhoun has certainly delivered. She even held an organ recital back in May. Judith will perform a **Christmas Organ Recital**, in the Sanctuary, on Thursday, December 15th from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Thank you, Judith for sharing your wonderful talent with us.

*On Saturday, December 3rd, Boerne held it's **Weihnachts Parade** (Christmas Parade), which dates back more than 30 years. As you may recall, in the beginning of September, St. Peter's parishioners and volunteers participated in the Kendall County Fair Parade. It was a wonderful experience and St. Peter's won two ribbons. Immediately afterwards, we received requests to participate in the Weinacht's Parade, which we did. Thank you to Richard Mecke for providing the trailer for the float, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas for once again providing and assembling the handouts, and all the other parish leaders who made the float possible. Thank you to all who participated, as well as everyone who showed up to the parade to cheer us on! Special thanks to Laura Balderrama Contreras, Director of Elementary Faith Formation and Catechesis, and Angela Spino, Director of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, for helping coordinate and for always promoting these events through their formation programs.

*Our **Pastoral Assistant, Jeanna Moravits**, recently announced that she will be resigning her position after more than four years on our Parish Staff. Jeanna brought her many years of experience as a Nurse to her pastoral position here and made great contributions to the various dimensions of her job/ministry. Jeanna's position is multifaceted and Fr. Norman regrets losing her. Jeanna looks forward to spending more time with her family and exploring other things she is passionate about. She will continue to be active in our parish, along with her husband, Allan Moravits. We are greatly appreciative for Jeanna's wholehearted commitment and dedicated service to the parishioners and staff members. Our goal is to hire Jeanna's replacement soon and have Jeanna train him or her before the end of the year. Jeanna will continue on the staff through December 2022.

*On Wednesday, November 30th, another meeting was held to discuss and plan our **Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)**, which is our sports program. Thank to everyone who attended and is helping us bring this program back. In order to do so, we need more volunteers and more interested parents to attend these planning meetings. Please see the ad in this bulletin for more information. If you are interested in participating with the CYO, please call the parish office at (830) 816-2233 or email pastoraloffice@stpetersboerne.com.

*See the ad on the facing page for information on the discussion held regarding **St. Peter's EDGE and Life Teen Programs**.

*Please see as a separate ad in this bulletin a report of the **progress being made through our Stewardship Council** in further developing our parish governance to more effectively and efficiently grow and develop our parish and its mission.

*Thanks to all of our parishioners who have so generously purchased Christmas gifts as part of the **Angel Gift Basket** project, which are given to nursing home residents at the nine nursing facilities in Boerne. Special thanks to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, who are spearheading this whole pastoral project. Our generous parishioners allow these elderly and handicapped residents to know they are not forgotten, and are appreciated and loved. Blessings to everyone!

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Reflection Questions on St. Peter's EDGE & Life Teen Ministries

On Monday, November 28th, Fr. Norman and Mary Ann Matteson, with assistance from Lacey Sorrell, hosted a meeting with 20+ leaders, volunteers and parents of youth in our EDGE and Life Teen programs to discuss the present state of our youth programs and ministries and what might be done to improve and re-envision them with highly qualified new staff members. The questions below were presented and addressed in the two-hour meeting. The answers and discussion will be summarized into a working document, and a follow-up meeting will be set in a few weeks to distill and agree upon attainable "action items." An action plan will be created, using these action items, and will be used going forward to improve our youth programs. If these questions tap the interest of anyone else in the parish, adult or youth, you can send your input to Mary Ann Matteson at maryann@stpetersboerne.com or call (830) 816-5662.

We want the parish to know that we are deliberating these important considerations to improve our outreach to, welcome of, and interest in the youth of our parish who are the next generations of our citizens and country, and, more importantly, the next generation of Catholic faithful, families, and leaders. We will keep you posted on future deliberations and developments in this planning process.

1. When St. Peter's Parish staff and volunteers are at their best with Edge/Life Teen ministry, what is it that we do best (describe the leadership style, content, approach, focus, etc.)?
2. In what ways has our Edge/Life Teen ministries been lacking? What is it that we need to do better?
What could be changed to increase our enrollment?
3. What are the greatest challenges that youth in Boerne and the surrounding Hill Country area are facing and coping with?
4. What are the greatest challenges that parents are facing with their children who are age appropriate to our Edge/Life Teen programs?
5. Are you aware of our neighboring parishes (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Francis of Assisi, and St. Joseph's in Honey Creek) and what they are doing effectively in their EDGE & Life Teen programs? What can we learn from them?
6. What "best practices" are you aware of in other churches/denominations that make their youth programs attractive and successful? Would any of these practices be appropriate in a Catholic context (consistent with our theology and spirituality)?
7. What level of importance and role do you think each of these topics should play in a successful youth program?"
 - * Family-oriented focus
 - * Entertainment of youth
 - * Music/song including youth concerts
 - * Missionary work
 - * Evangelization of other youth
 - * Other? Please provide details.
8. How can we solicit more parental participation in our youth programs? What type of involvements would attract them in connecting with their teens?
9. What uniquely does the Catholic faith and Church have to offer youth as they grow and develop into the next generation of citizens and civic and church leaders?
10. Any suggestions on how to navigate through the rest of this year as we rely on volunteers to lead our programs?



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.

Readings for the week of December 11, 2022

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

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

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

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

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Las lecturas de la semana del 11 de diciembre de 2022

Domingo: Is 35, 1-6. 10/Sal 145, 6-7. 8-9. 9-10/Sant 5, 7-10/Mt 11, 2-11

Lunes: Zac 2, 14-17 o Ap 11, 19; 12, 1-6. 10/Jdt 13, 18. 19/Lc 1, 26-38 o Lc 1, 39-47

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

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

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

Viernes: Is 56, 1-3. 6-8/Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 7-8/Jn 5, 33-36

Sábado: Gn 49, 2. 8-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 3-4. 7-8. 17/Mt 1, 1-17

Domingo siguiente: Is 7, 10-14/Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [7. 10]/Rom 1, 1-7/Mt 1, 18-24

Upcoming Second Collections

December 11—Retired Men and Women Religious

December 25—Assumption Seminary

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*The **Parish Posadas** were Monday, December 5th. This was a modified Posadas on campus, followed by a gathering in the Family Life Center with fellowship, pan dulce (Mexican sweet bread) and hot cocoa. Thank you to everyone who coordinated this beautiful re-enactment of Mary and Joseph looking for shelter at the inns. Special thanks to everyone who attended.

*The traditional **community Posadas** returns this year, which consists of an evening visit to a different house every night for 9 days, beginning Friday, December 16, 2022. The schedule is listed later in this bulletin. Even if you are not able to attend all evenings, I encourage you to attend one or two, especially the final evening. This traditional Posadas is a great inspirational event to experience.

*Please review the beautiful **Our Lady of Guadalupe** two-page flier in the bulletin and plan to attend the December 12th events. If you're reading this after a Sunday Mass, that's tomorrow! This day is filled with beautiful celebrations, beginning with Las Mañanitas at 6:15 am, followed by a gathering, then 6:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, followed by our traditional dinner. This year's entertainment at the dinner includes Los Matachines, mariachis and ballet folklórico. Invite your friends and family! Everyone is invited!

*I would like to give a big shout out to Los Matachines. **St. Peter's Los Matachines** is a Native American dance troupe that dances in veneration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. They performed at both parades this year, the Fall Festival, and have been diligently practicing for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th. Come celebrate with us on December 12 and you can enjoy the performance by Los Matachines after the 6:30 pm Mass and the dinner that follows.

*Parents of children, when coming to Mass, please notice that we now have **children's religious books in baskets by each door of the church** that you can pick-up and keep your children engaged with. Please remember to return them to the baskets as you exit so they are available for families in the following Masses. These books are periodically rotated with new ones from St. Peter's Elizabeth Anne Dashiell Library to

keep the interest of your children. As you may recall, these are just some of the books that were purchased through the Scout Merit Badge project of Annabelle, daughter of P.J. Lozano & Kerri Mecke-Lozano, and then donated to the library.

*Once again, the next few bulletins will include a few pages on the many different methods you can donate to St. Peter's Parish as your **End-of-Year and Christmas Giving**. Please review this material carefully and prayerfully. We appreciate your consideration, and thank everyone for their continued generosity. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call our Finance Manager, Marilyn Belcher, at (830) 816-5659.

*Our condolences to families of our parish who have lost loved ones:

†**Janet Nabb**, the mother of Sloan Nabb and sister of Patricia Finke, our parishioner, passed away recently. Fr. Norman celebrated the Anointing of the Sick, Litany of the Saints and Final Commendation soon before her death. Her services were held on Thursday, December 1st with Visitation at 9:00 am, followed by Rosary at 10:00 am, and Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 am, with Fr. Norman as Celebrant. Burial was at the Benedictine Sisters Monastery Cemetery. A reception and meal followed in the Cana Ballroom. Our sentiments to Sloan and Pat, their extended family and friends.

†**Richard DuVon**, husband of Bama DuVon, passed away recently at his home in Fair Oaks Ranch. Fr. Norman celebrated the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick with Richard, Bama, and their son, in their home shortly before his passing. Richard will be cremated and funeral plans are pending. Our condolences to Bama, her extended family and friends. Blessings to you all.

Sincerely,
FR. NORMAN A. ERMIS
Pastor



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Christmas Organ Recital

featuring

Judith Calhoun

St. Peter the Apostle Organist

Thursday, December 15, 2022

12:00 pm noon in Sanctuary



Thank You

A special thanks to all the parishioners who participated in the CDA Angel Gift Basket project by taking a tag and purchasing a gift for a nursing facility patient. Your generosity has made it possible for every resident of 7 of our local facilities to be remembered at Christmas. The activity directors have thanked the parish for their thoughtfulness. You are simply the BEST!! God Bless!

Sanctuary Light available as a memorial

Just a reminder that St. Peter's offers the ability to dedicate the Sanctuary Light to memorialize or honor a loved one. The Sanctuary Light is located in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and is visible from the Main Sanctuary. There are many dates open in 2023. Each name is published in the bulletin and honored for a one-week period. The recommended donation is \$20. Please call the Pastoral Office at (830) 816-2233 to secure your date.



In our prayers
En nuestras oraciones

Sanctuary Light Memorial

December 11—December 17, 2022

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.

Brenda Allen, Richard DuVon, Irene Havelka, Janet Nabb, Estelle Pierce, Celia Quintanilla

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

Michael Arredondo, Stephanie Cross, John Daly, Robert Evans, Hugh Exton, Daniel Fogarty, Mark Haas, Christine Hanna, Sebastian Hernandez, Corianna Jordan, Carol Jung, Sara Justice, Aaron King, Agnes Leopold, Rudy Molleda, Blane Parker, John Peterson, Eva Soto, Betty Stewart, Patrick Weakland, Kamren White, Dylan Wild, Landon Zeiner

Please contact pastoral office at (830) 816-2233 for family requests for *Sanctuary Light* and *In Sympathy and In Our Prayers*—Por favor, llame a la oficina pastoral a (830) 816-2233 para y las solicitudes de la familia a *Monumento a la luz del santuario y Con dolor y En nuestras oraciones*.

Need a prayer?

(210) 912-3432 • (830) 816-5657

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 11, 2022

Second Collection: Retired Men and Women Religious

8:30 am - 11:30 am RCIA in FLC
9:00 am - 10:00 am MASS—intention: Fritz Duhon
 9:30 am - 10:45 am ABFS 60 Minutes in FLC
 9:30 am - 10:45 am Elementary Faith Formation (EFF) in FLC
 10:00 am Sunday Hospitality (hosted by Pastoral Council) in Courtyard
 10:15 am - 11:45 am Good Shepherd in St. Francis
11:00 am - 12:00 pm MASS—intention: Ricardo Salinas
 11:30 am - 2:30 pm RICA in FLC
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm MISA (en español)—intention: Los feligreses de la Iglesia de San Pedro Apóstol
 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Scouts BSA Troop 180 Court of Honor in FLC
 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Moms Ministry Leadership Meeting at UTRC
 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Moms Ministry at UTRC
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Choir Practice (Teen) in Bride's Room
 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Texas Magic Basketball in Gym
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Life Teen MASS—intention: Rosa Maria Aguila

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022

6:15 am - 7:00 am Las Mañanitas in Sanctuary
 7:00 am - 8:30 am Las Mañanitas Gathering in FLC
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Daily MASS—intention: Our Lady of Guadalupe
 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Cub Scouts Pack 18 in FLC
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm ABFS Bible Timeline in FLC
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia in FLC
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Women's Faith Council in FLC
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Scouts BSA Troop 18 in Gym
 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Dinner in Cana

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022

8:00 am - 9:00 am MASS—intention: Jimmy Mahler
 9:30 am - 11:00 am Good Shepherd in St. Francis
 9:30 am - 11:30 am Tuesday Morning Ladies Scripture Study in FLC
 4:15 pm - 5:45 pm Good Shepherd in St. Francis
 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Crestmont Prep Basketball in Gym
 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm Shepherds of Christ in Blessed Sacrament Chapel
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Building Committee at UTRC
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Advent Reconciliation Service in Sanctuary
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Knights of Columbus Agenda Officers Meeting at UTRC

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022

8:00 am - 9:00 am Daily MASS—intention: Marianne Willis
 9:00 am - 11:00 am Liturgy Committee in Conference Room
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Blessings in a Backpack in Gym
 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Archives Committee in FLC
 10:00 am - 11:30 am Moms Ministry Advent Study in FLC
 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm Adoration in Day Chapel
 4:15 pm - 5:45 pm Good Shepherd in St. Francis
 4:30 pm - 5:45 pm ABFS 60 Minutes in FLC
 4:30 pm - 5:45 pm Elementary Faith Formation (EFF) in FLC
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Choir Practice (9:00 am, 11:00 am Masses) in Bride's Room
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Choir Practice (Spanish Mass) in Bride's Room
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Scouts BSA Troop 180 Phoenix Patrol in FLC
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Family Grace Support Group in FLC
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Estudio Biblico para Hombres en FLC

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022

10:00 am - 11:00 am MASS—intention: Asención Fernandez
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Journey Together in FLC
 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Faithful Quilters in FLC
 10:30 am - 2:00 pm Young at Heart Christmas Party at UTRC
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Christmas Organ Recital in Sanctuary
 4:15 pm - 5:45 pm Good Shepherd in St. Francis
 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Come to the Table at the Pavilion
 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Crestmont Prep Basketball in Gym
 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm Eagle Scouts Board of Review in FLC
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm That Man is You in FLC
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Coro de Ultreya at UTRC

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022

6:30 am - 8:00 am Men's Faith Sharing in FLC
10:00 am - 11:00 am Daily MASS—intention: Cliff Mahler
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Moms Ministry Cookie Decorating Party in FLC
 11:00 am - 12:30 pm ABFS Lectoria: Mark in FLC
 11:00 am - 5:00 pm Adoration in Day Chapel
 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Crestmont Prep Basketball in Gym
 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Jail Ministry Christmas Party at UTRC
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ultreya in FLC

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2022

9:30 am - 1:30 pm Environment Committee in Sanctuary
 9:30 am - 11:00 am Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry at UTRC
10:00 am - 11:00 am Reconciliation in Day Chapel
 4:30 pm - 5:15 pm Choir Practice (Saturday Mass) in Bride's Room
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm MASS—intention: Henry Canamar

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2022

8:30 am - 11:30 am RCIA in FLC
9:00 am - 10:00 am MASS—intention: Doug & Barbara Vogt
 9:00 am - 10:30 am Baptism Class (in English) in FLC
11:00 am - 12:00 pm MASS—intention: David Belter
 11:30 am - 2:30 pm RICA in FLC
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm MISA (en español)—intention: Miguel Salas
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Choir Practice (Teen) in Bride's Room
 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Texas Magic Basketball in Gym
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Life Teen MASS—intention: Louis Lutz

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS ARE POSTED IN THE BUILDING.

FLC = Family Life Center

UTRC = Upon this Rock Campus



Advent Schedule

Monday, December 12, 2022 — Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:15 am..... Las Mañanitas, followed by gathering

6:30 pm..... Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, followed by dinner & celebration

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

7:00 pm..... Advent Reconciliation Service (with individual Confessions)

Thursday, December 15, 2022

12:00 pm.... Christmas Organ Recital in Sanctuary, featuring Judith Calhoun

Friday, December 23, 2022 — Christmas Break

Note: The office and campus will be closed for Christmas Break.

Saturday, December 24, 2022 — Christmas Eve

4:00 pm..... Mass in English

4:10 pm..... Mass in English, (in Cana Ballroom)

6:00 pm..... Mass in English

9:00 pm Mass in English

Note: There will be no Reconciliation

Sunday, December 25, 2022 — Christmas Day

9:00 am..... Mass in English

11:00 am.... Mass in Spanish

Monday, December 26, 2022 — Christmas Break

8:00 am Mass in English (no 6:30 pm Mass)

Note: The office and campus will be closed for Christmas Break.

Las Mañanitas y Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Invitamos a los niños que vengan a las Mañanitas y a la Misa de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe vestidos como angelitos o campesinos mexicanos. Las Mañanitas serán a las 6:15am y la Misa a las 6:30pm el 12 de diciembre.

We invite children to come to Mañanitas and the Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe dressed as little angels or Mexican peasants. Las Mañanitas will be at 6:15am and Mass at 6:30pm on December 12.

Lost & Found

Over the last year many lost items have been collected and have not been claimed. Beginning January 7th through January 15th, there will be a table in the Narthex with these items. Please take a moment to look for any missing items. On January 16th we will donate the remaining items to a local organization.

Durante el último año se han recogido muchos artículos perdidos y no se han reclamado. Desde el 7 de enero hasta el 15 de enero, habrá una mesa en el Narthax con estos artículos. Tómese un momento para buscar cualquier artículo que falte. El 16 de enero donaremos los artículos restantes a una organización local.



Online Stewardship/Donations to St. Peter's Parish

All of our parish mission, administration, facilities, and operations are funded through the generous donations of our parishioners. We do not get any funding from the Archdiocese, Chancery or even Rome! Since Online Giving has been made available through new technologies and our banking partners, St. Peter's Parish has seen a slow but steady increase of families who choose to donate on a regular basis in this way.

Online Giving is easier and less work over time on the part of each individual family and household, and our parish staff and volunteers. Presently, online donations range anywhere from 28% to 57% of the weekly collections. We would encourage even more families to consider giving in this same way.

As you know, we recently announced that we changed our online giving platform. **We are now using the ParishSOFT Giving portal. It is quick and easy.** To begin giving, or log into your account, go to giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stpetersboerne. You can also access online giving by going to St. Peter's website at stpetersboerne.com and selecting GIVING at the top, right-hand side of the screen. If you have any trouble navigating the website to set-up or make changes to your account, please call either Debra Martini at (830) 816-5669 or Marilyn Belcher at (830) 816-5659. They will be happy to walk you through the process or answer any specific questions you may have.

We appreciate your generosity in support of our parish mission.

Fr. Norman A. Ermis, Pastor

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe





**La iglesia católica de San Pedro Apóstol
St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church**

invita cordialmente a todos a la

Celebración de
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

lunes 12 de diciembre de 2022

Las Mañanitas

6:15 am • en el Santuario

Música
Coro de Ultreya

Recepción de Las Mañanitas

después de Misa a 6:15 am • FLC 151/153
Pan dulce y chocolate caliente

Misa de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

6:30 pm • en el Santuario

Celebrante y homilista
P. David Garcia

Co-Celebrante
P. Norman Ermis

Música
Coro de San Pedro Apóstol

Cena de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

7:30 pm (después de Misa) • Salón de Cana

Entretenimiento

Procesión de la Misa al salón de Cana
dirigida por Los Matachines

Maestro de Ceremonias
Gerardo Gonzales

Mariachis

Ballet Folklórico de Las Lupitas

Baile de Los Matachines

*Únase a nosotros en la celebración de la
Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe,
Patrona de las Américas, en conmemoración
de la aparición de María al campesino
mexicano Juan Diego en 1531.*

cordially invites all to the

Celebration of
Our Lady of Guadalupe

Monday, December 12, 2022

Las Mañanitas

6:15 am • Sanctuary

Music by
Coro de Ultreya

Las Mañanitas Gathering

after 6:15 am Mass • FLC 151/153
Mexican sweet bread & hot cocoa

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

6:30 pm • Sanctuary

Celebrant & Homilist
Fr. David Garcia

Con-Celebrant
Fr. Norman Ermis

Music by
Coro de San Pedro Apóstol

Our Lady of Guadalupe Dinner

7:30 pm (after Mass) • Cana Ballroom

Entertainment

Procession from Mass to ballroom
led by Los Matachines

Master of Ceremonies
Gerardo Gonzales

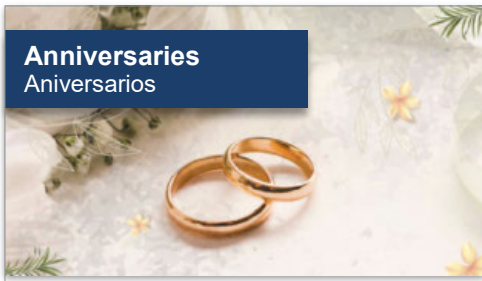
Mariachis

Ballet Folklórico by Las Lupitas

Performance by Los Matachines

*Join us in celebration of the Feast Day of Our
Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the
Americas, commemorating the appearance of
Mary to the Mexican peasant Juan Diego in
1531.*

Anniversaries Aniversarios



Congratulations to all who are celebrating anniversaries.
Felicidades a todos los que están celebrando aniversarios

November 12

Congratulations to **Jeanette & George Vacek** who are celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary with a special blessing by Fr. Norman at the Saturday, November 12th, 5:30 pm Mass.

November 18

Karen & Bill Walsh (55)

November 21

David & Maricela Nasis (24)
Debbie & Bubba Simnacher
Gloria Villanueva & Eloy Saenz (35)

November 30

Rick & Vicky Zapf (54)

December 2

Michele & Bob Weiss (55)

December 13

Joyce & Daniel (Dan) Pedrotti, Jr (36)

December 16

Gil and Melissa Siller (22)

December 22

Maria & Richard Garansuay (56)

December 23

Albert & Lily Obregon (30)

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.

AWAKEN

Blessed Woman

Saturday, February 18, 2023

A day retreat featuring Emily Wilson Hussem, Catholic speaker & author

Registration coming soon!



Presented by The Women's Faith Council of St. Peter's Boerne

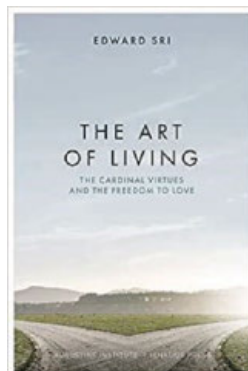
Thank you

I would like to thank all of my friends at St. Peter's for the phenomenal outpouring of love you have shown me in the wake of JT's death: checking in on me, offers of help, renewal of friendships and lots of hugs and kind words. I have never experienced this type of loss so close to me (my parents are almost 90 and still thriving)! I have stayed strong because of my community here at St. Peter's. Thank you also to our loving staff, Father Norm and all the deacons, whom I all consider my friends and family. I also thank all of you who loved JT - how could you not? He was just starting to get more involved in the parish and I know this is a great loss for all of us. Susanne Henslee

32 SUNDAY OF ADVENT



33 SUNDAY IN ADVENT



Journey Together Book Study

Spring Session 2023

Thursdays, January 12 — May 11, 2023
10:00 am to 12:00 pm, noon, in FLC

Reading: *The Art of Living* by Edward Sri

For more information or to register, contact Susan Markworth at smarkworth@yahoo.com.

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Visit St. Peter's Journey Together webpage at stpetersboerne.com/journey-together.

Stewardship Council Update:

The Stewardship Council has met monthly for a number of years with the objective to support the pastor and parish in promoting stewardship as a way of life regarding the gifts of time, talent, and treasure. The council makes recommendations to the Pastor on parish operations and the allocation of the Parish offertory, and other parish resources with respect to implementing parish goals and objectives. To further these goals and improve parish governance, the Council has been working on establishing the following committees: **Evangelization Committee; Vocations Committee; Parish Facility Committee** and **Development Committee** (i.e., wills, bequeathments, etc.) and on an "as needed" basis, a **Capital Campaign Committee**, and **Increased Offertory Committee**.

Chairperson: Deacon Del Eulberg

Vice Chair: Myra Sabine

Members: Father Norm, Deacon Brad Wakely, Mike Lyle, John Belter, Phillip Hunter, Marilyn Belcher

An example of recent efforts, **the Facility Committee** has been formed and has met to begin the process of developing St Peter's Campus Development Plan. The plan would involve short term projects (present to 2 years); Mid-Term Projects (2-4 years), and Long-Range projects (5-10 years). The committee will review and help scope facility requirements (major maintenance & repair as well as capital projects) as well as develop a budget and plans for execution. The committee will be supported by members of the parish, the parish staff, and key ministries (on an "as needed basis"), such as youth directors, Good Shepard, faith formation, etc. The Committee will provide recommendations to the Stewardship Council as well as the Pastor. Updates will be provided to the Parish as this new committee continues its work.

Initial Parish **Facility Committee Members**: Deacon Del Eulberg, Rick Martini, Tony Skwara, Richard Mecke, Paul Lampe, Reyes Moreno

What is Spiritual Direction?

Spiritual Direction is setting aside time to explore the actions of God in your life. During hard times and good times, we need to see where God is in our lives. The more we see Him in our everyday lives, the better we grow in our relationship with Him.

When we see a Spiritual Director, it is one Christian to another Christian, sharing personal experiences about God in our lives. We discern what God is saying to us, what He wants us to do. We start with a prayer and ask the Holy Spirit to be with us. The Holy Spirit is present, and He guides us as we speak. He is the one in charge. He is the true Spiritual Director.

A Spiritual Director listens with sacred presence and attends to the entire person. A Spiritual Director offers a gentle, confidential and nonjudgmental place of welcome.

We have several Spiritual Directors at St. Peter's. You can find a list of approved Spiritual Directors from the Archdiocese in the parish office or on the St. Peter Upon the Water website at stpeteruponthewater.org. Spiritual Direction brochures are located in the Narthex and contain contact information. You can also view St. Peter's Spiritual Direction Ministry webpage at stpetersboerne.com/spiritual-direction.



Family Ministries



Moms Ministry

Welcoming and spiritually enriching ministry for mothers to gather in prayer and fellowship. All moms with kids 0-18, scan the QR code to register for 2022-2023, or email stpetermomsministry@gmail.com for the link. Find us on Facebook under St. Peter Moms Ministry.

Children's Storytime

First Friday of the month at 11:00 am in the Elizabeth Anne Dashiell Library, located in the Family Life Center.

Friday Cookie Day

Celebrate the end of the week with cookies on St. Peter's playground, 3:15 pm to 4:15 pm.

Family Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the Day Chapel.

Children's Mass

1st Sunday of the month at 9:00 am Mass. Monitor bulletin for practice dates and times. For more information: Laura at laura@stpetersboerne.com or Angela at goodshepherd@stpetersboerne.com.



Precious Gift

Provides love, support and comfort for those who have suffered a miscarriage or infant loss by providing prayers, a care package, and a meal train. If you or someone you know in the Boerne area has experienced a miscarriage or infant loss, please scan the QR code so that we may serve them during this difficult time. You may contact us at preciousgiftstpeters@gmail.com if you want more information, or would like to help this ministry.

St. Peter's Parish

RAFFLE FUNDRAISER WINNERS

Congratulations to all of the Raffle winners as annotated below! Special thanks to our Raffle co-leaders, Brett Haas, Phillip Hunter and Greg Jaeger, who made the raffle fundraiser such a grand success. A full report on the proceeds will be printed in a future bulletin once the account is fully reconciled. We will also announce where the proceeds will be designated for parish projects. We thank all of our parishioners and outside supporters who purchased tickets for the raffle. If you would like to see the livestream of the raffle drawing, please go to our St. Peter's Facebook page at facebook.com/StPetersBoerne. Our gratitude to Mr. Clarence Kahlig and Dusty Clayton of the Kahlig Auto Group, who so generously worked with us on this fundraiser. Blessings to everyone during this Advent Season and coming Christmas festivities! —Fr. Norman, Pastor



Pictured above, from left to right: Phillip Hunter, Dusty Clayton (Kahlig Auto Group representative & St. Peter's parishioner), Fr. Norman Ermis, Lisa Byrd (truck raffle winner & parishioner), Cary Byrd, Brett Haas.

GRAND PRIZE (1st ticket drawn)

New 2022 Ford F150 STX 4x2 Supercrew, 2.7L V6 Ecoboost

Sticker MSRP: \$45,725

WINNER — LISA BYRD

Additional Prize Winners:

2nd ticket drawn: \$2,500 Americus Diamond Pendant—WINNER: **Perry Bush**

3rd ticket drawn: Callaway Mavrik Max Golf Clubs—WINNER: **Mary Callahan**

4th ticket drawn: 2 Night Stay at The Kendall Hill Country Inn—WINNER: **Margaret Eck**

5th ticket drawn: Razor Electric Scooter—WINNER: **Gil Siller**

Thank you to all our sponsors and anonymous donors!





Gospel Meditation

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

"Be strong, fear not!" Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life's roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life's unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives. We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God's merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us.

We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God's child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist's message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life's distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this?



Elizabeth Anne Dashiell
Library

Thank you for the book donations we have received, and for the monetary gifts donated to the Library! Our plan is to have a rolling book cart to offer parishioners the opportunity to purchase duplicate books that we have found! This will be our ongoing effort to continue purchasing new books with the money earned. And, please, visit the Library on Friday mornings after 10:00 am Mass... there is a wonderful group of young mothers and their children enjoying a "Storytime" with their children. The children have learned, also, about checking books out and then returning the books the next week!

For adults and our bible study parishioners, we are so happy to be informed that a complete set of The Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture, published by Baker Academic, will be delivered to our Library in August. This will be a new scriptural resource for all to use in their studies. We have an entire shelf waiting to receive this gift from the donor. Stay tuned!

We have now a couple of shelves that have been dedicated to the Popes, the encyclicals of different Popes, and other information related to the Vatican. Come and see!



**Scan QR Code to
view St. Peter's
Elizabeth Anne
Dashiell Library
Amazon wishlist.**

**Scan QR Code to
donate to St.
Peter's Elizabeth
Anne Dashiell
Library fund**



We are so blessed to have library-loving supporters! Again, many thanks. Please come by the library to see what's new! You can also visit our website at stpetersboerne.com/s/library.



Las Posadas

de la comunidad / in the community

Todos son bienvenidos a nuestros Las Posadas de la comunidad, comenzando a las 7:00 pm cada noche. Para más información, favor de llamar a:

All are welcome to join us at the community Las Posadas, beginning at 7:00 pm each evening. For inquiries, please call:

Rosa (830) 331-2893

Friday, December 16, 2022

Guillermo y Andrea Perez
116 Highway 46 W, Boerne, TX 78006

Saturday, December 17, 2022

Esteban y Emitteria Hernandez
118 Skylight, Boerne, TX 78006

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Francisco y Soledad Arellano
515 Graham St., Boerne, TX 78006

Monday, December 19, 2022

Arturo y Cecilia Ibarra
105 April Lane, Boerne, TX 78006

Tuesday, December 20, 2022

Javier y Maria Cervantez
1010 River Rd. #2B, Boerne, TX, 78006

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

28848 Waterview, Boerne, TX 78006

Thursday, December 22, 2022

Julio y Maritza Esquivel
705 Walnut Way, Walnut Hills, TX

Friday, December 23, 2022

Santos y Rosa Muñoz
623 O'Grady St., Boerne, TX 78006

Saturday, December 24, 2022

Maria Morales
414 July Lane, Boerne, TX 78006



Young at Heart

ALL SENIORS ARE INVITED TO JOIN:

To: The Young at Heart Senior Ministry
Christmas Party

Where: Upon this Rock Campus
416 W. Highland Drive
Boerne, TX 78006

Date: December 15, 2022

Time: 11:00 am

Cost: \$10 per person

We must have an accurate count of the number of guests coming; so please RSVP by December 12, 2022, to one of the following:

Marti De La Garza: (210) 365-4093; martirichard@gvvc.com

Esther Faecher: (830) 336-2375; estherfaecher@gvvc.com

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. There is still time to adopt a family. Please call Lacey Sorrell for more information.

Please drop off your donations in the parish office by December 16th.

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

Lacey Sorrell

(830) 816-5663 or lacey@stpetersboerne.com

Altar of the Dead / Altar de los Muertos

If you provided a picture or a nicho for the Altar of the Dead, please stop by the office to pick it up.

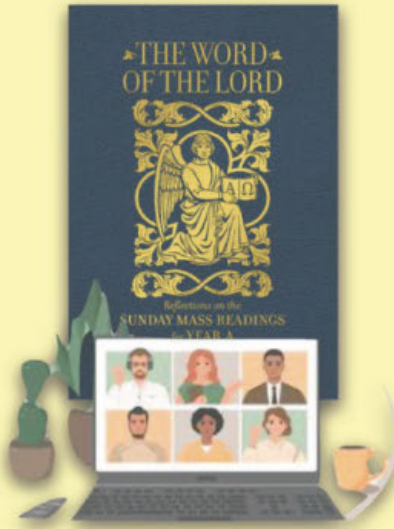
Si trajo un cuadro o un nicho para el Altar de Muertos, favor de recogerlo a la oficina.

ABFS ADULT BIBLE AND FAITH STUDIES

Thursday Evenings 7- 8:30 PM ~ *December 1, 2022-April 6, 2023

Zoom Online Study for parishioners who are homebound or it's easier for their schedule to stay home and yet study together with others.

Preparation for



Sunday Mass Readings From the Comfort of Home!

Cycle "A" Year

Our study timeline is to cover the Sunday readings within the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Our preparation goal is to get the most from each Sunday's *Word of the Lord* at Mass; be more receptive to the Word of God; and experience the Sacrifice of the Mass to its full purpose.

Each Thursday evening we will prepare for the lectionary Bible readings for the weekend Masses so that our hearts and minds may grow in knowing what it means to have Jesus in our lives.

Together, we will follow Jesus in His earthly journey as we explore the context of the Old and New Testaments, the history of those times, the people, the theme of the combined weekly readings, and more.

In our Zoom study group we will view a brief video presentation from our individual electronic devices followed by a group discussion and sharing our personal insights.

The video presenter each Thursday is Fr. Hezekias Carnazzo founder of the Institute of Catholic Culture along with a guest on occasion, a staff member, a Biblical Scholar and/or Theologian. As a resource, the Facilitator will use Dr. John

Bergsma's Lectionary book for "Cycle A."

If you enjoy diving deeper, an option, we recommend you buy the above-mentioned resource book of commentary reflections, The Word of the Lord Sunday Mass Readings Year "A" the lectionary book written by John Bergsma, PhD., Theologian, Biblical Scholar, and Professor at Franciscan University at Steubenville.

If interested in buying Dr. Bergsma's Lectionary book for the entire Cycle "A" Year these are two links: [St. Paul Center Books](#) or [amazon.com](#). Available in hard bound \$34.95 or eBook \$22.95

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To Join this Zoom study or if you have any questions, please contact:

Facilitator, Ree Laughlin  
[reelaughlin@gmail.com](mailto:reelaughlin@gmail.com)  
or call/text:  
210-273-3015.

\*Revised start date.





## UPDATE / ACTUALIZACIÓN

November 29, 2022

### Goal

25% household participation

### St. Peter's Parish

**9.5%**

\$174,615 • 249 donors

Archdiocese: \$4,338,253

Thank you to all who have participated in this year's Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries. The numbers listed above represent gifts made or pledged through the end of the year, and are based on all outstanding pledges committed and expected to be fulfilled by December 31, 2022. Please continue to make your pledge payments on a timely basis. 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 those in our archdiocese. The Appeal supports the training of seminarians and deacons. Our parish has been blessed 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.archsa.org/appeal](http://www.archsa.org/appeal) or call (210) 734-1910. Please make sure to designate **St. Peter Church-Boerne (3716)** as the parish.



Thank you and May God bless you.

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



## Stephen Ministries

### Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the **After People**.

### Stephen Ministers are there:

...**after** the phone call you hoped you'd never get.

...**after** the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.

...**after** the relationship falls apart and the bottom falls out of your life.

...**after** the doctors says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."

...**after** the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."

...**after** the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.

...**after** the gavel comes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.

...**after** the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.

...**after** you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

...**after** your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Do you need a Stephen Minister in your life? Know of someone who could benefit from the support of a Stephen Minister? Stephen Ministers are the After People. They are ready to walk alongside you—or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide comfort and support for as long after as needed.

**Patti Jetter**, Referrals Coordinator, (361) 293-8643

*Stephen Ministry is one-to-one lay caring that provides high-quality, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. [stephenministries.org](http://stephenministries.org)*



## Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)

The Mission of the CYO Athletics is:

To offer to all youth sports and recreation programs emphasizing friendly competition through good sportsmanship modeled by adult participants. To invite all participants, Catholic and otherwise, youth and adults, to share in the life of their faith community.

### WE NEED YOU!

St. Peter's needs more volunteers to lead the organization, coach, and participate in the sports programs. We are currently planning and recruiting for the 2023-2024 CYO program. If you are interested in joining our team, please call the parish office at (830) 816-2233 or email [pastoraloffice@stpetersboerne.com](mailto:pastoraloffice@stpetersboerne.com).



Women's Faith Council

# *Paint & Sip*

**Thursday, January 12, 2023**

Doors open at 6:30 pm  
St. Peter's Cana Ballroom

*Bring  
your own  
bottle!*

**\$40 per person**  
Limited to 40 participants

RSVP and pay online at  
[stpetersboerne.com/wfc](https://stpetersboerne.com/wfc) or  
by scanning the QR code.  
You may also pay by check  
or cash in the parish office  
9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

*Ladies  
Only!*



## 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 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:

### 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 Marilyn Belcher 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<sup>1/2</sup> 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<sup>1/2</sup> 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 Marilyn Belcher, 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 Marilyn Belcher, our Finance Manager, at (830) 816-2233 to receive instructions on how to transfer such donations to our parish through the Frost Bank account.



## **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 started the Endowment with an automatic \$7,500.00 deposit, thanks to the generosity and vision of this anonymous couple.**

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 Marilyn Belcher, our Finance Manager. Again, thanks to the donors!



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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Join our team! The following positions are available:

*Hispanic Ministry Liaison*

*Maintenance Technician*

*Youth Minister Coordinator*

Please see job postings on our website at [stpetersboerne.com/employment-opportunities](http://stpetersboerne.com/employment-opportunities), or view all listing and apply at [archsa.org/employment](http://archsa.org/employment).

### NEEDED

Youth Programs

Special Needs Volunteer

Our Youth Ministry Faith Formation programs are in need of someone with special need training to help with high school aged special needs students. If you are interested, or for more information, please contact Mary Ann Matteson at [maryann@stpetersboerne.com](mailto:maryann@stpetersboerne.com).

### BLOOD DRIVE MINISTRY

St. Peter's Blood Drive Ministry is partnering with the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center (STBTC) to help buy gifts for pediatric blood and cancer patients and the San Antonio Food Bank (100 pts = 25 meals). The program is called "DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT." We are asking donors past and present to donate points accumulated by your generous donations of the gift of life!! You can access your points by calling (210) 731-5590 and ask for Sarah Tully or Beth Lowrie. Also, you can call the Bloodline with questions at (830) 816-5661.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Cook for the Omega Retreat Center

The Cook is responsible for various aspects of meal preparation, cleanliness of the food service areas, and service for up to 85 guests at the Omega Retreat Center. Schedule for the position is as needed, based on the Retreat Center booking schedule. For more information call (830) 816-8470 or email

[omegaretreatcenter@gmail.com](mailto:omegaretreatcenter@gmail.com).

## SCOUT NEWS

On November 11, 12, & 13, Troop 18 (boys) and Troop 180 (girls) welcomed the Webelos from Pack 18, who joined them at their monthly campout, which was held at Schreiner Park in Kerrville. Troop 18 was 8 Webelos attending and they were helped by 13 Scouts. Troop 180 had 4 Webelos attending and they were assisted by 9 Scouts. The Scouts showed the Webelos how to set up tents, knife safety, chuck box set up, three pot dish washing method, and the flag ceremony. They also went on a short hike. They all earned the Polar Bear patch as it dropped below 32 degrees on Saturday night. All of the Webelos and Scouts had a great time. The Scouts are looking forward to all the Webelos joining the Troops early next year. Our thanks to all the Leaders that made this campout possible.

## SEASONS OF HOPE

Bereavement Support Group

The **Seasons of Hope Adult Bereavement Support Group** 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 session is offered for six consecutive weeks. Group members may continue in additional sessions as needed. The program is open to anyone age 18+ who experienced the death of a loved one.

### Saturdays—9:30 am - 11:00 am

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

**Session II**—Nov 19, Dec 3, 10, 17, 2022, Jan 7, 14, 2023

**Session III**—Feb 18, 25, Mar 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023

**Session IV**—Apr 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, Jun 3, 2023

### Pre-register to:

Jeanna Moravits  
(830) 816-5657

[seasonsofhope@stpetersboerne.com](mailto:seasonsofhope@stpetersboerne.com)

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### POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR DECEMBER:

#### *Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations*

We pray that non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

### RESPECT FOR LIFE

Nonprofit organizations are the frontline of respect for all life. Pregnancy/family care, food banks, women's & children's shelters, homeless shelters and many more. We are blessed in Boerne with many such organizations. Through Christian hearts and philanthropy, these organizations reach out to those that are most vulnerable. With the New Year approaching, let us pray for God's grace to inspire us to fulfill spiritual works of mercy by researching, volunteering and supporting those issues which may be close to our hearts.

### ANNULMENTS

If you, or any one you know, is in need of an annulment, please contact Deacon Del Eulberg or Lacey Sorrell in the Pastoral Office, to answer any questions, or to begin the process.

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Lacey Sorrell  
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### SPANISH BAPTISM CLASS

Upcoming classes (usually the 1st Monday of the month): Jan 9, 2023, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, Jun 5  
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in FLC

For more information, please call:  
Leobardo Lopez—(210) 844-5345  
Maria Lopez—(210) 844-5347

### NURSERY

The Nursery is open for Sunday Masses at 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. For more information or to request the nursery for your ministry, please contact:

**Laura Balderrama Contreras**  
(830) 816-5668  
[laura@stpetersboerne.com](mailto:laura@stpetersboerne.com)

## Faith Formation

### FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Due to the fact that we will be changing our online parish platform, we will not offer online registration for the 2022-2023 Faith Formation year. Printed forms are available online and in the parish office.

### HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION

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### ADULT CONFIRMATION

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## Ministries



### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Boerne noon AA group meets Monday through Friday, 12:00 pm—1:00 pm at St. Peter's Upon this Rock Campus, 416 W. Highland. Please contact AA Central Service Office at (210) 821-6325 for more information.

### MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

#### *Support Groups*

#### Family Grace

Faith-based support for family and friends of an adult(s) living with mental health issues. Let's listen, share, learn, grow, pray, & recover together.

Every Wednesday in FLC  
7:00 pm—8:30 pm

Facilitators: Don & Mary O'Connor  
(830) 368-4112

#### Living Grace (*new, in-person offering*)

Faith-based support for adult individuals living with, & often struggling silently with, a mental health condition. You do NOT have to be diagnosed. Group participants can share their struggles, hopes, successes & strategies for dealing with mental health issues. Sharing is optional and voluntary. Let's listen, share, learn, grow, pray, and recover together. You are NOT alone! Day and time of day to be determined by participants. Call/text Mary O'Connor (parishioner) H: (830) 368-4112; Text (210) 639-0919.



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### PASTORAL COUNCIL / CONSEJO PASTORAL

The Pastoral Council's primary mission is to set the theological, pastoral and spiritual vision for the parish. Please be part of this process by providing feedback and recommendations to a council member.

#### *Officers / Oficiales*

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**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**  
 For emergency financial assistance:  
 (830) 816-5646



## 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 espiritual. ¡Los esperamos! No falten. Todos son bienvenidos y temenos guarderia. *Cursillos de cristiandad*. Para más información, favor de llamar:

**Alberto Garcia**  
 (210) 577-9098

**Olga Moreno**  
 (210) 818-1264

## Communications

### Bulletin Advertising

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](mailto: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](mailto:bulletin@stpetersboerne.com).

*Upcoming submissions due dates, due by 8:00 am:*

**Wed, Dec 14 (EARLY)**—for Dec 25 bulletin

**Wed, Dec 21 (EARLY)**—for Jan 1, 2023 bulletin

**Mon, Jan 2, 2023**—for Jan 8 bulletin

**Mon, Jan 9**—for Jan 15 bulletin

### 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.

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.

## Parish Ministry Formation

### The Art of Forming Those Called to Ministry

Are you involved in a ministry or would like to be involved? Do you want to learn more about your Catholic Faith?

The Archdiocesan Parish Ministry Formation program provides comprehensive ongoing pastoral formation for those who currently serve or seek to be involved in ministries and services in the Church. These courses seek to ensure that parish ministers have a foundational knowledge and understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church. The Parish Ministry Formation program builds upon our previous rich program.

The program consists of one one-day seminar, titled "Called and Sent," and the following four-session classes: Sacred Scripture, Profession of Faith: Creed, Liturgy & Sacraments, and Life in Christ. The last session is a one-day seminar specific to your ministry. For more information, a comprehensive schedule of offerings, to download a blank Pastor's Authorization form and to find the registration link, go to [www.ArchSA.org/Institute](http://www.ArchSA.org/Institute). You can also contact Laura Balderrama Contreras at [laura@stpetersboerne.com](mailto:laura@stpetersboerne.com) or (830) 816-5668.

## Permanent Diaconate

We need more good, faith-filled, spiritually strong, service-oriented men of St. Peter's Parish, committed to the Catholic faith and Church who may be interested in studying for and being formed for the Permanent Diaconate. It is a five year program/process requiring a vetting process. To become a deacon candidate requires the full consent of the wife who will be required to participate in all classes and formation sessions. Also, it is advisable that any man applying should have already raised his children. If you are interested, consult with one of the deacons or Fr. Norman. If you want to recommend someone as a potential deacon, please let Fr. Norman know.

## VIRTUS

Safe Environment Training & Background Check

[virtus.org](http://virtus.org)

If you need to take your Safe Environment Training or renew your background check, please go to [virtus.org](http://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:

Lacey Sorrell  
 (830) 816-5663

## 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 these opportunities to donate at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stpetersboerne>.**

### 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.

### 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. You may donate to this fund online by going to [www.archsa.org/appeal](http://www.archsa.org/appeal) —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](https://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 <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stpetersboerne> 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, Marilyn Belcher, at (830) 816-5659.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



### Contact Information Información del contacto

### 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

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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](http://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](http://txabusehotline.org), o llame a

#### Boerne Police Department / Departamento de Policía de Boerne

(830) 249-8645

#### Child Protective 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 Víctimas y Ambiente Seguro

(210) 734-7786 • (877) 700-1888  
[ovase@archsa.org](mailto:ovase@archsa.org)

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.



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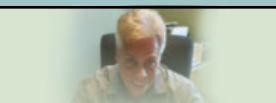
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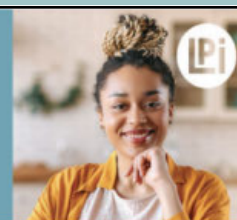
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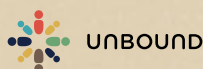
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