

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

DEC. 31ST – JAN. 1ST 1st Numbers 6:22-27
2nd: Galatians 4:4-7 **Gospel:** Luke 2:16-21

READINGS FOR THE WEEKEND OF

JAN. 7TH – JAN. 8TH 1st Isaiah 60:1-6
2nd: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 **Gospel:** Matthew 2:1-12

(For your convenience, our parish website has a link to the USCCB's Daily Readings. Go to www.stpeterchurch.org)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Dec. 24 Fr. Val McInnes + 5:00 PM
Arssie Douglass + 11:00 PM
Sunday, Dec. 25 People of the Parish 10:00 AM

Monday, Dec. 26 through Friday Dec. 30 -- NO MASS

Saturday, Dec. 31 Peggy & Salvatore Palazolo + 5PM
Sunday, Jan. 1 Daniel Dugan + 8:30 AM
People of the Parish 11:00 AM
Monday, Jan. 2 NO MASS
Tuesday, Jan. 3 Richard Phelan +
Wednesday, Jan. 4 Patsy Bartow +
Thursday, Jan. 5 Dina D'Geralamo +
Friday, Jan. 6 Marie Stovall Webster +
Saturday, Jan. 7 Judge John B. Getz + 5:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 8 Billy Rose, Jr. + 8:30 AM
People of the Parish 11:00 AM

Call the church to reserve a Mass intention date --
*Saturday Mass 5PM, Sunday Mass 8:30AM,
or Tuesday – Friday 12:05PM*

Parishioners who are homebound: Rosemary Ozanne,
Myra Wilson, Fannie Conner, Billy Riggins, Louise Cantrell,
James Robinson, Robert Estabrook

Parishioners, family and friends requesting prayers:
Courtney Anthony, Becky Stukenborg, Scott Gallagher,
Jim Lauck, Bill Rose, Rita Lara, Clement Santi, Lisa LaVigne,
John Shea, Joe Baier, Jim Barnett, Gerri Berretta,
Celine Croce, Marvin Sanford, Jim Boland, Lily-Kate Anthony,
Lauren Rotzoll, Jim Mathis, Joy Cook, Jennifer Munn,
Dr. Mohan Gehi, Allen Mitchell, Thomas Ray Morris

(Names published here for 3 weeks) You can include prayer requests in the books in the Church and the Shrine at any time.

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE....

When a parishioner of any age is admitted to the hospital, family members are encouraged to call the rectory 527-8282 (or in an emergency after hours 529-1255)

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (December 18, 2011)

Weekly budgeted amount: \$ 15,770
Last Sunday's collection (December 18) \$ 13,987
*A convenient option to make contributions is on-line banking.
Call or e-mail Brenda in the Church office, 527-8282.*

Remember the following parishioners and/or family members who are serving in harm's way around the world: Lt. Col. Alex Kulesa, III, Capt. Austin Jackson, Michael Beauchamp, Tom Tufts, Jr., Gregory Tufts, Capt. William Perry, Amber Martin, David Zeleski, Capt. Robert Latta, Barclay Montgomery and Lt. Col. Steve Reed. These names are in a special book that is brought to the altar at every Mass. *Please notify the church office of changes.*



The St. Peter Church Staff and Dominican Community Wish You and Yours a Joyous Christmas & a Blessed New Year!!

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
DEC. 26 & 27 AND JAN. 2
NO WEEKDAY MASS DEC. 27-30**

**THE NURSERY WILL BE CLOSED
ON DECEMBER 25, BUT OPEN ON JANUARY 1.**

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for 2012

Available on the tables near the Cry Room. If you did not pick up your 2011 envelopes or you do on-line banking, you have now been assigned to non-envelope status. Green envelopes are for Literary Society donations only. *Contact Brenda in the church office for any envelope concerns.*

ST. PETER GOES WIRELESS!!

Wireless internet is now available throughout the church and on all floors – sanctuary, choirloft, towers, Parish Hall, classrooms, Crystal Room and Choir Room. Thanks go to the Men's Group for assisting with this project and to Tony Rotzoll of T&M Electrical Services, Inc. for providing installation.

SAINTLY SENIORS

Our monthly luncheon will be Thursday, January 5, 2012 at the home of Glenda Jones--171 Avon Road, Memphis (3 blocks north of Walnut Grove Road). Come celebrate Epiphany with songs led by Father Tom Condon. We will play Bingo after lunch. Inexpensive gifts are needed for prizes--re-gifting encouraged! Please wrap prize and designate for a man or a woman. Lunch will be served at 11 a.m. and the Rosary will be prayed at 1 p.m.

TRIVIA NIGHT 2012 !!!

Mark your calendars for Trivia Night 2012, Friday, January 20. This year's theme is "Trivia by the Dozen in 2012." Team Captains can register their teams of six NOW! Go to www.stpeterchurch.org and follow the Trivia link.

GIFTBEARERS NEEDED!

This is a wonderful ministry for families and individuals to participate in the Liturgy. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Welcome Corner. You could choose a date that has a special meaning for you and your family. Giftbearers are needed for all 3 Masses, every weekend, year round.

---- STUDY ----

Contact Christina Klyce at cklyce@bellsouth.net or (901)527-8282 for more information

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

There will be no sessions on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

*Sessions for PreK – Gr.8 resume on Sunday, Jan. 8th;
High school Sunday morning study will resume on Jan. 22nd.*

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2012

It's that time of year again!!!

Sacramental preparation sessions will begin

Sunday, January 22 at 9:30 AM. These are required for all children (Catholic, private, public, or home schools) who will receive First Communion or Confirmation this spring. ----

On Wednesday, January 18, at 6:00 PM, there will be a meeting for Confirmation candidates, sponsors, and parents. It is expected that at least one parent attend. Location TBD.

Please contact Christina Klyce at cklyce@bellsouth.net if you have any questions. Looking forward to a blessed season of sacramental preparation!

PARISH BOOK PROGRAM

The book "My Life with the Saints" by James Martin, SJ, will be given to each family in attendance at St. Peter for all Christmas Masses! The winner of a Christopher Award and a Catholic Press Association Book Award, this book is an enjoyable and easy read.

Thank you to Lee & Eliot Morris for making this possible.

'MY LIFE WITH THE SAINTS' Study Group

Beginning Jan. 8, Jennie Latta will lead a Sunday morning study at 9:45 in the Choir Room. Study guide will be provided.

THE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

If you have any questions or would like any further information, please contact Kristy Farley at kristy.farley12@gmail.com.

Youth Group News

The youth ministry team has created a survey for 6-12th grade parents to take. It has been emailed to you and is also available on the parish website under the Youth Ministry tab. Please take a few minutes to fill this out at your earliest convenience!



There will be an informational meeting on Jan. 8 at 12:15pm for those interested in going to **Catholic Heart Work Camp** next summer. We will be attending the Austin, TX camp July 8-14 and Schlitterbahn waterpark (rated #1 in the nation) on our free day!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS RESUMES

For new parents having their child baptized and for godparents. Class attendance is mandatory for those having their first child baptized at St. Peter.

NEXT CLASS: Saturday, January 14, 2012 at 10:30AM.

Upcoming Schedule: Feb. 11, Mar. 10, Apr. 14, May 12.

No class during June and July.

All classes meet on Saturday morning at 10:30AM.

Please call the Church Office to reserve space in class.

RCIA

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Maybe you've been thinking of becoming a member of St. Peter, or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. On Thursday, January 5th at 7:00PM, we will meet as usual upstairs in the Crystal Room. *St. Peter parishioners, if you know someone who would like to learn more about our faith, please invite them to attend!*

WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY –

The St. Martin de Porres Shrine and Institute will host its annual retreat for women on Saturday, January 21st at Our Lady Queen of Peace Diocesan Retreat Center. The day will begin with breakfast at 8:30AM and will conclude at 4:00PM. Please join us for a day to relax and unwind after the holidays.

Retreat Leader: The Rev. Deacon Mimsy Jones

---- COMMUNITY ----

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS UNIVERSITY

Trivia Night on **Friday, January 13**, featuring world-renowned Quiz Master, Brother Ignatius Brown. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Teams can consist of 6-8 people. Registration is \$15/person prior to January 11. All proceeds benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. To register, visit www.cbu.edu/trivia, or call (901) 321-3254.

ITALIAN WINTERFEST

Sunday, January 15, 2012 at the Racquet Club of Memphis - Center Court Ballroom. Featuring food from area restaurants – including Pete & Sam's / Frank Grisanti's / Coletta's / Folk's Folly and many others. **Benefitting: Ave Maria Home and Catholic Education Scholarship Funds.**

BIRTHRIGHT of MEMPHIS

"Champagne & Diamonds" February 11, 2012
35th Annual Birthright Ball at OLPH Catholic Church

Celebrate life with the love of your life.

For more information, call (901)327-8109

SECOND WOMEN'S MORNING OF SPIRITUALITY

Saturday, Feb. 18th from 8:30 to 1:00

Church of the Incarnation in Collierville

Last year over 800 women came together for a 'faith lift' and were inspired to live their faith in a meaningful and exciting way.

Doors will be open at **7:30AM** with a continental breakfast in the gym.