

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND DEC. 10TH - 11TH

1st Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11 2nd: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Dec. 3 5 PM Judge John B. Getz +
Sunday, Dec. 4 8:30 AM Dr. Emil Jacquin +
11:00 AM People of the Parish
Monday, Dec. 5 NO MASS
Tuesday, Dec. 6 Mary Margaret McCauley +
Wednesday, Dec. 7 Billy Rose, Jr. +
Thursday, Dec. 8 (Noon) Healing for Olivia Crider
& Collyn Wood
Friday, Dec. 9 Daniel Dugan +
Saturday, Dec. 10 5 PM Anne Vilag +
Sunday, Dec. 11 8:30 AM Kay Jones +
11:00 AM People of the Parish

*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 requesting prayers: 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.

Family and friends requesting prayers: Joy Cook, Jennifer Munn, Dr. Mohan Gehi, Allen Mitchell, Bayli Kathryn Titus, 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 pray for the soul of: *Kay Walsh, sister of St. Peter parishioner, Eileen Henry, who died recently. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.*

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)

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.*

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (November 27, 2011)

Weekly budgeted amount: \$ 15,770

Last Sunday's collection (November 27) \$ 8,716

A convenient option to make contributions is on-line banking.

Call or e-mail Brenda in the Church office, 527-8282.

SECOND COLLECTION: Our second collection is for Catholic Charities of West Tennessee which receives many requests for assistance this time of year. Please be generous. All donations from this collection will assist local needs.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for 2012 are in the back of church (East side) for pick up beginning this weekend. 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/offertory concerns.**

2012 Calendar: 'Saints of the Americas' are in the Welcome Corner. **PLEASE 1 PER FAMILY.** We thank Lois & Steve Meyers for their generosity. *(Produced by Catholic Extension. The only calendar that gives 100% of its proceeds to benefit poor and isolated Catholic communities throughout America.)*

HOLIDAY GIVING: ANGEL TREE Deadline: **Tues., Dec. 6**
GIFTS FOR GOD'S CHILDREN Deadline: **Sun., Dec. 11**
Please return your 'gifts' to the east transept. Thank you!

NEED: We just received word that the **DeNeuville Learning Center** is looking for gift sponsors for 70 women and children. **If you are interested in helping, please contact Sr. Lakshmi Napagoda, Executive Director at (901)726-5902.** **DeNeuville Learning Center's** mission is to assist women of all backgrounds and cultures in learning the skills needed to make positive choices for themselves and their families.

NEW ALTAR SERVER INFORMATION SESSION:

THIS Sunday, December 4 at 9:45 a.m. School-age parishioners, Grade 5 and at least 10 years of age who have made their First Communion (along with adults, as well) are all welcome. If this ministry appeals to you, or a member of your family, please join us for an **information session this Sunday, December 4th at 9:45 in the Church. School-age parishioners must attend with a parent!**

If you are unable to attend this session, but are still interested in the Altar Server Ministry, please contact Karen Klawinski kklaw@bellsouth.net.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION- Will be celebrated on **Thursday, December 8. Masses will be at 12:00 noon and 6:00 PM.** You can pick up parking passes for the noon Mass from an usher this weekend; no pass is needed at 6:00 PM. We will serve pizza after the 6:00 PM Mass; please sign up in the Welcome Corner of the Parish Hall if you'd like to join us... light side dishes and desserts will be provided.

JOHN ANGOTTI & FRIENDS CONCERT: *Only two more weeks!!! Extraordinary Love'. Sunday, December 18th, 7:00PM. at the Cannon Center. To benefit the Homeless Services programs of Catholic Charities of West Tennessee and St. Martin de Porres Shrine and Institute. For tickets, please contact Sharon Farley at stmartinshrine@bellsouth.net*



HOUSE FIRE: One of the families in our parish, the Caviness family, (John, Margaret, Trey, Meg, and Ben) suffered a tragic house fire on Monday. Thankfully, no one was injured, but their house and contents suffered major damage. In order to assist them at this time, we are collecting gift cards. Please bring the cards of any amount, either for stores, or generic (Visa, American Express, etc.) to the office during the week, or place in the collection basket during Masses this weekend. *Please keep them in your prayers.*

BREAKFAST: Join us in the Parish Hall this **Sunday, Dec. 4th** for a delicious Breakfast prepared by Steve Meyers and his TEAM. *Donations collected will go to the Caviness family.*

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Now is the time to place your order for Christmas flowers to decorate the church. It's a wonderful way to remember a loved one or honor someone special for Christmas. Please include your check and the names of your loved ones in an envelope provided in the pews.
Deadline DECEMBER 18TH.

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. PETER: All registered parishioners should have received a stewardship letter and a pledge card in the mail. If you did not, extra pledge cards are available in the pews. St. Peter's urges all parishioners to make a pledge to support your parish this year. You can also pledge online through our website, www.stpeterchurch.org

****Thanks to those parishioners who have pledged to the 2012 Stewardship Campaign updates:**

Church..... 125 families pledged \$426,399
Literary Society..... 40 families pledged \$42,243

GIFTBEARERS NEEDED: *Be a Giftbearer during Advent! 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 special significance to you. Giftbearers are needed for all 3 Masses, every weekend, year round.*

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS AT 5:00 PM -

-- STILL NEEDED --

Pageant Players: 1 Shepherd (Teen or Adult); 1 Angel (girl 7th grade or older) Please contact Jane at mrsjane@bellsouth.net or 527-8282, ext. 15

See the Bulletin insert - Christmas weekend Mass schedule.

SAVE THE DATE: Trivia Night! Friday, January 20th at 6PM.

---- STUDY ----

Contact Christina Klyce at cklyce@bellsouth.net or call 527-8282 for more information on any of the following items:

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: St. Peter Welcomes.....
Fr. David Knight on Dec. 4, 11 and 18th after 8:30 Mass.
Author / Pastor / Teacher / Retreat Leader / Spiritual Director - Come to the Choir Room this Sunday after breakfast in the Parish Hall.

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, December 15 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!*

RELIGIOUS ED DECEMBER SCHEDULE:

CHILDREN'S ATRIUM SESSIONS will meet as usual on Dec. 4, 11, 18.

YOUTH (GR. 7-12) RELIGIOUS ED will meet on Dec. 4 and 11. All youth are invited to the Youth Group Breakfast on Dec. 18.

THERE WILL BE NO SESSIONS ON DEC. 25 OR JAN. 1.

Contact Christina Klyce at cklyce@bellsouth.net for more information on any of these items.

Baptismal Preparation Class at St. Peter will resume in February: 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, Feb. 11, 2012 at 10:30AM.** If you would like to attend, please call *the Church Office to reserve your place.*

YOUTH GROUP EVENT SCHEDULE - DEC. & JAN.
12/18 Youth Group Christmas Breakfast - 9:45AM
1/8 Catholic Heart Work Camp Meeting - 12:15PM

- 'Like' us on Facebook to stay up to date!
- T-SHIRTS have arrived! *Pick up in the Gathering Area*

THE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP will continue their scripture series on **Sunday mornings in between the masses at 9:45 AM** in the **Saint Martin de Porres Chapel.** If you have any questions or would like any further information, please contact **Kristy Farley** at kristy.farley12@gmail.com (*see this week's bulletin insert for Young Adults Christmas Party info*)

---- COMMUNITY ----

SAVE THE DATE.. for the Second Women's Morning of Spirituality in the diocese of Memphis. Last year over 800 women came together for a 'faith lift' and were inspired to live their faith in a meaningful and exciting way. We will come together again on **Saturday, Feb. 18th from 8:30 to 1:00 at Church of the Incarnation in Collierville.** The theme is **'Rejoice! God delights in you'.** That means YOU are God's delight! Doors will be open at **7:30AM** with a continental breakfast in the gym.

SAVE THE DATE...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.**