



**ST. PETER**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
*A Dominican Parish*

*Established in 1840*



***First Sunday of Advent***  
***December 1, 2019***

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Fridays - 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**[www.stpeterchurch.org](http://www.stpeterchurch.org)**



**Welcome to St. Peter!**

*While we celebrate the rich history of our parish,  
we strive to promote the promise of the future through the  
Four Pillars of Dominican Spirituality—  
Prayer, Study, Community and Preaching.*

**1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT –A– December 1, 2019**

**Isaiah 2: 1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13: 11-14; Matthew 24: 37-44**

**From today's Gospel reading:**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore stay awake!  
For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

**Reflection by Jude Siciliano, OP:**

*As we begin Advent we are asked to reflect on Christ's "second coming." Not just reflect, but live in ways that show we expect his return and are doing what we must to prepare for him when he does come. If we are people who tend to put things off the gospel has an urgency about it, to stir us to action now.*

**So, we ask ourselves:**

- † *What disruptive and wasteful patterns must we address during this Advent time of preparation for Christ?*
- † *In the spirit of Advent how and where are we looking for Christ in our daily lives?*

**~ EVENTS OF NOTE at ST. PETER ~**

Thursday, December 5	7 P.M.	Christmas Choir Practice
Friday, December 6	12:45 P.M.	St. Nicholas Party
	5 P.M.	St. Jude Mass
Saturday, December 7	6 P.M.	Young Adults Thanksmas—Parish Hall
Sunday, December 8	9:30 A.M.	First Reconciliation

- ◇ ***For those with limited mobility; special pews are available in the front right section near the piano.***
- ◇ ***Ministry to the Sick—Call the parish office to let us know when you or a family member is ill, homebound, hospitalized, in an assisted living facility or nursing home. You can arrange a visit by a priest, deacon or lay minister.***
- ◇ ***To plan a Baptism, Funeral or Wedding at St. Peter, please call the parish office at (901)527-8282.***

**MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY VIGIL - 5:00 p.m.  
SUNDAYS - 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**CONFESSION**

SATURDAY - 4:00 - 4:45 p.m

**PROFESSIONALLY STAFFED NURSERY**

available on Sundays (8:30 a.m.-Noon)

**† ST. MARTIN DE PORRES NATIONAL SHRINE †**

*(Shrine Chapel - enter on B.B. King (Third St.)*

**MASS SCHEDULE**

WEEKDAYS: Mon.- Fri. 12:05 p.m.

**CONFESSION**

WEEKDAYS: Mon.- Fri. 11:30 a.m.

**MORNING PRAYER**

*with the Dominican Community*  
WEEKDAYS: Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY:**

Rosary at 11:30 a.m. / Veneration of St. Martin's relic during Mass

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On December 8, 1979, as a response to the rapidly growing Catholic population in the Southern United States, the Order of Friars Preachers (Dominicans) approved the foundation of a new Province - the Province of St. Martin de Porres. Fr. Bert Ebben, O.P., was our first Provincial. Currently we have communities in six Southern States: Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Texas. Since the foundation of the Province, the Catholic Church has experienced unprecedented growth in the South. The Dominican friars preach the Gospel in parishes, on university campuses, in schools, in hospitals, and on retreats and parish missions. The Dominicans are grateful for the prayers and generosity of all of you who support us. With your help we will continue to preach the Gospel in the South for many years to come!

#### Mission Statement

In the footsteps of Saint Dominic and inspired by the charisma of Saint Martin de Porres, we friars preachers embrace the mission of Jesus Christ to proclaim the Kingdom of God to a changing world. Animated by our common life and study, we commit ourselves to proclaim God's Word in pulpits and in print, in classrooms and in the media and arts, in the Southern United States and beyond.


Fr. Thomas M. Condon, O.P.  
Prior Provincial

**ANGEL TREE** to support Catholic Charities of West TN with instructions, sign-up sheet and angels are in the Welcome Corner. Help a child in need have a magical Christmas! Questions? 527-8282. **Deadline to return gifts is December 8.**



#### Christmas Flowers

Women's Guild is accepting donations for Christmas flowers for the altar. If you would like to honor someone or remember a loved one, please fill out the envelope in the pew, make your check payable to St. Peter Women's Guild and drop in the basket. The deadline for publishing in the Christmas bulletin is Wednesday, Dec. 18th.

THIS FRIDAY at 5PM |Join us to celebrate the **Feast of St. Nicholas**, patron saint of children! On the eve of the **St. Jude Marathon**, we will gather for prayer on **Friday, December 6 ~ 5 PM Mass.** A special invitation to St. Jude Runners and all who support the work of **St. Jude Hospital for Children.** 

#### NOVEMBER ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS

##### Mysticism in the Sacred Quest with Sr. Cathy Sundays, December 8, 15 at 9:45

Join us to explore traditional spiritual paths, including Sacred Media, Mysticism, Darkness and Silence, and Action. We will focus on Christian spirituality, with some mention of other religions.

#### THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

- ◆ There will be no faith formation for children, teens or adults on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- ◆ Children's Liturgy of the Word will not meet during 11AM Mass.
- ◆ Thanksgiving Mass celebrated at 10am on November 28.
- ◆ Office Closed Wed. at 1PM through Fri., Nov. 29
- ◆ No Ornament Sales This Weekend!

#### Christmas Eve Family Mass

Tuesday, December 24 at 5:00 p.m. Many ways for children and teens to be involved!

- Shepherds and Angels: Boys or girls ages 9+. Rehearsal will be Sunday, Dec. 22 at 9:45 a.m.
- Children's Choir: Ages 4-10. Rehearsals will be Sundays, Nov. 24, Dec. 8, 15, 22 after Masses. (Children need to attend **at least 2 rehearsals**. Children attending 8:30 Mass will rehearse after 8:30 Mass. Children attending 11 Mass will rehearse after 11 Mass.)
- Teen Singers and Instrumentalists (Rehearsals TBD) to participate in any of the above, please email [mrsjane@stpeterchurch.org](mailto:mrsjane@stpeterchurch.org) ASAP.

#### Curious about the Catholic Church?

Join us for our parish RCIA sessions on Wednesday evenings. We begin with dinner and fellowship at 6:30, continued by prayer and info about the Catholic Church from 7:00 to 8:30. All are welcome, and it's okay to come visit (no obligation to join the Catholic Church if you attend.) RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and is the process for adults who would like to join the Catholic Church. For more information, please contact Christina at [cklyce@stpeterchurch.org](mailto:cklyce@stpeterchurch.org).

#### Dorothy Day House Wreath Distribution

After Masses **next** weekend, the Dorothy Day House will be distributing purchased Christmas Fundraiser items. You may pick up your item(s) in the Gathering Area. Thank you for supporting our mission of keeping homeless families together.

A Holiday tradition continues at St. Peter's!  
**"Christmas with the Memphis ChoralArts"**

Monday, December 9 – 7:00 PM

**Memphis Children's Chorale & Youth Chorale**

Ryan Fisher and Emily Frizzell, Conductors

Free; donations gratefully accepted at the church door.

Recognition to follow.



**CHRISTMAS ORGAN CONCERT**

**First United Methodist Church**

Second & Poplar

Sunday, December 8 – 2 PM

Celebrate the refurbished pipe organ recently installed in their new sanctuary.

Jane will join 4 colleagues in offering music of the season.

Free and all are welcome!



Is God calling you to religious life?

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Dominican Friar (priest or brother), talk to one of the Dominicans or contact our Director of Vocations.

Director of Vocations  
[www.DominicanVocations.com](http://www.DominicanVocations.com)  
phone (call / text): 786-452-3479  
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#### GIFTBEARERS

The ministry of Giftbearer is important in our worship - and open to all. NO Training Necessary! Sign up at the link below. This is a beautiful way to remember family birthdays and anniversaries.

[www.stpeterchurch.org/ministries/liturgical-ministries/](http://www.stpeterchurch.org/ministries/liturgical-ministries/)

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## MASS INTENTIONS *for the week* ~ Call the office to reserve a Mass intention date.

Saturday, November 30	Mary Pritchard Crawford †	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 1	Margot Boyd †	8:30 a.m.
	For the Parish	11:00 a.m.
Monday, December 2	Donna Essary (special)	12:05 p.m.
Tuesday, December 3	Lisa Hord (special)	12:05 p.m.
Wednesday, December 4	Helen Pender †	12:05 p.m.
Thursday, December 5	Mary Margaret McCauley †	12:05 p.m.
Friday, December 6	Billy Rose, Jr. †	12:05 p.m.
Saturday, December 7	Judge John B. Getz †	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 8	Katheryne Cooper (special)	8:30 a.m.
	For the Parish	11:00 p.m.

### PRAYER LIST

~ Call the church office to update this list. ~

#### Parishioners who are homebound:

Myra Wilson, Lynn Eastin, Mike Fitzmorris

#### Parishioners, family & friends who are requesting prayer:

Henry Slutz	Jennifer Warren Rhem	Lena Reese
John Hurley	Caleb Brannon	Martha McIntosh
Mary Sharp	Willie Lee Phillips	Tara Chambers
Joe Clark	Gene Gianini	Perry Gooch
Marilyn Dilworth	Pam Campbell	Fran Costa
Jennie Latta	Camille Angele Pool-Owen	Mitch Morgan
John Bryant	Robert Thornton	Brian Hudgens
Eleanor Klyce	Parker Anthony	Phil Muth
Ceylon Blackwell	Susan Harris	Rachel Yarbrough
Lane Whitehead	Kate Sevier Cole	Alan Mitchell
Ann Herrod	Jennifer Munn	Willie Mae Ellis
Carrie Robinson	Christian James Gorman	Laurie Viglietti
Jan Payne	Mathew Dickson	J. Patrick Dilworth, M.D.
Leigh Ann Poole	Helen Heffernan Mariano	Judith Ann Sansone
	Leigh Fiedler Marek	Lois Ruleman

### Prayers for New Life *Please pray for our expectant parents and their babies!*

Sanne & Kenny Latta	February 5
Justina & Joshua Carter	March 18



**EXPECTANT PARENTS:** Would you like to be included on our Expectant Parents Prayer List? Would you like to receive the Expectant Parent packet? Contact Christina Klyce at [cklyce@stpeterchurch.org](mailto:cklyce@stpeterchurch.org) or (901)527-8282.

**Prayers for Those Serving in Harm's Way:** Remember these parishioners and family members who are serving in harm's way around the world: *Ensign Walker Sims, CPL Miles Mason, Jr. USMC, Capt. Robert Campbell, William Perry, Lt. Col. Steve Reed.* These names are in a special book that is brought to the altar at every Mass.

**COLUMBARIUM:** St. Peter Church has a columbarium in the Shrine courtyard. Each niche provides for the placement of two urns. For more information about the columbarium, call Jerry Schwartz (901)581-5390.

#### How to contribute to our church

Go to <http://www.stpeterchurch.org/give/> to donate online or visit your mobile app store, download the free Vanco app, and search for St. Peter Catholic Church to donate now. Thank you!

# December 1 + 2019 + Advent I

Welcome to our worship! Parts of the Liturgy sung by ALL are capitalized.  
Hymn numbers refer to the pew Hymnal, page numbers to the Missalette.

Tower Bell

Organ Prelude      *Variations on 'Veni Emmanuel'*      *Uehlein*

Welcome

HYMN 498 (1-5)    O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL    *Veni Emmanuel*

Greeting

Blessing & Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*The Gloria, omitted in Advent, returns at Christmas as the Angel's Song*

Collect

*(11) Children will not be dismissed this morning*

## ~ Liturgy of the Word ~

First Reading, page 19

*Isaiah 2:1-5*

PSALM, page 20

*Psalm 122*

Second Reading

*Romans 13:11-14*

GOSPEL ALLELUIA, page 21

*French*

Holy Gospel

*Matthew 24:37-44*

Homily

Creed, page 102

Prayer of the Faithful Response: Come, Lord Jesus, hear our prayer

## ~ Liturgy of the Eucharist ~

HYMN 683    LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE    *Picardy*

MASS ORDINARY

*Joncas*

Sanctus

HYMN 260

Mystery of Faith

HYMN 262

Great Amen

HYMN 264

Agnus Dei ~ *echo Cantor: "have mercy on us", "O grant us peace"*

COMMUNION HYMN 961    CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT (*Refrain*)

Post-Communion Prayer

Pulpit Announcements ~ Welcome of Visitors

Final Blessing and Dismissal

HYMN 498 (6-7)    O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL    *Veni Emmanuel*

*On Sunday, Children's Choir practice for Christmas Family Mass will take place right after Mass ~ meet at the Pulpit*

## ~ SYMBOLS OF THE SEASON ~

We begin a new Liturgical Year rich in symbols: royal purple, circle of candles, prophetic words echoed in hymns - all invite us into this time of expectation called Advent (Latin *adventus* = coming). The lighting of a wreath is rooted in the winter solstice, when days in our Western hemisphere are shortest. Each Sunday, the ring of light increases, heralding the coming of the Messiah.

The *O Antiphons*, as sung in "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (this season's theme song) are based on seven Old Testament titles for the Messiah: *O Emmanuel, O Wisdom, O Lord of Might (Adonai), O Branch/Root of Jesse, O Key of David, O Dayspring/Daystar, O Desire of Nations*. Symbols of these Antiphons grace our Advent processional banners: today - the Lamp of Wisdom.

*Serving in Liturgical  
Ministry this weekend*

### 5:00 p.m. VIGIL MASS

Lector ..... Sandra Douglass (C)  
Don Smith (L)  
EM ..... Amanda Vanover  
NOT FILLED  
NOT FILLED  
Cantor..... Katie Autry  
Greeter..... NOT FILLED  
Server..... Julianna Palazola  
Ushers..... Leo Arnoult  
Frank Berretta  
Pat Desarzant  
David Whitehead  
Giftbearer Cannon Family  
Sacristan Sandra Desarzant

### 8:30 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

Lector..... NOT FILLED (C)  
Patti Berry (L)  
EM..... Margaret Benton  
Chuck Henry  
Linda House  
Marian Taylor  
Sherry Williams  
Cantor..... Pierre Landaiche  
Greeter..... Patti Berry  
Server..... Theodore Krausser  
Ushers..... Michael Berry  
Patrick Quinn  
Brian Quinn  
Lowry Whitehorn  
Giftbearer Need  
Sacristan...Katheryne Cooper

### 11 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

Lector..... Molly Sicuro (C)  
Terry Pyrdom (I)  
Ainsley Harrington (II)  
EM..... Lee Askew  
Chris Brooks  
Melissa Brooks  
Tommie Cervetti  
Ann Leatherman  
Patricia Meyers  
Cheryl O'Bannon  
Martha Payne  
Cantor..... Bill Pope  
Greeter.... Louis Montesi  
Server..... Lillian Baker  
Andrew Harrington  
Duncan Soldan  
Caroline Weems  
Ushers..... Joe Cervetti  
Chris Cornaghie  
Andy Hamm  
Louis Montesi  
Bill Robinson  
Robert Thompson  
Giftbearer Silvestri-Higgins Family  
Sacristan Chas Higgins  
Sandwich  
Deliverer Joe Cervetti