



ST. PETER
CATHOLIC CHURCH
A Dominican Parish

Established in 1840



Third Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2019

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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.*

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A) Dec. 15, 2019

Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10 Psalm 146 James 5: 7-10 Matthew 11: 2-11

From today's Isaiah reading:

Say to those whose hearts are frightened:

Be strong, fear not!

Here is your God, who comes with vindication;
with divine recompense. God comes to save you.

Reflection by Jude Siciliano, OP:

*We celebrate "Rejoice Sunday" today, because, as Isaiah points out,
"Here is your God, who comes with vindication...." Our just God is
going to set things right. That should give us hope and determina-
tion to continue (or begin!) our efforts to cooperate with God's just
plans now in the world around us. Happily we are not relying on our
own efforts because we trust the prophet's assurance that God is
close.*

So we ask ourselves:

- † *In what concrete ways do I experience the closeness of God in my life now?*
- † *Do I see that the good works I do enable others to experience God reaching out to them?*

~ EVENTS OF NOTE at ST. PETER ~

Wednesday, December 18 6:30 P.M. R.C.I.A.
Thursday, December 19 7 P.M. Christmas Choir Practice

- ◇ *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



ANGEL TREE gifts to support Catholic Charities LAST pick up will be TOMORROW! Questions? 527-8282.



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 THIS Wednesday, Dec. 18th.

Save the date for the next St. Peter's Parent Party! It will be on Thursday, January 16. More details to follow.

INTERNATIONAL EPIPHANY CONCERT, SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 at 4:30 pm | St. Martin de Porres National Shrine and Institute will host an International Epiphany Concert. Refreshments will be served afterwards. All are welcome. There is no admission fee. A free-will offering will be taken up; half of the proceeds will be given to the Dorothy Day House which serves families in crisis.

2019 Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 24th

5 P.M. - Family Mass
10:30 P.M. - Lessons and Carols
11 P.M. - Midnight Mass

Wednesday, December 25th

10 A.M. - Mass of Christmas Day

Sat./Sun., December 29/30

Sat.—5 P.M.- Sun -8:30 & 11 A.M
Feast of the Holy Family

Wednesday, January 1st

10 A.M.- Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

In a recent survey, 50% of “non-church-going” Americans said that they would go to church on Christmas if they were invited. Please invite others to celebrate the birth of Christ with us. We'll make sure they want to come back to hear the rest of His story.



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. www.DominicanVocations.com, 786-452-3479, vocations@opsouth.org



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/

Adult Faith Formation News

Mysticism in The Sacred Quest: with Sr. Cathy Galaskiewicz OP

Sunday, Dec. 15, Meet in the Crystal Room 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.

Coming in 2020....

Genesis in Depth: Chapter 1 through 11

Fr. Ramon Gonzalez O.P.

Stories in the opening chapters of Genesis are complex and offer colorful insights into our human condition. Come explore the insights offered by the Hebrew text as we look at its details. Make these stories part of your prayerful repentance.

When was the last time you studied the Book of Genesis?

Sundays, January 19 through February 13 at 9:45

LoveEd Parent Session

Sundays, January 12 and 19, 9:45 – 10:40 a.m.

LoveEd is a Catholic program that helps parents teach the theology and science of human sexuality within the context of God's plan for love and life. It offers parents tools to talk with their children about how their bodies are changing and how babies are made, so that families can be the moral authority for their children, rather than society. Designed for parents of children ages 2 - 14, but grandparents, godparents, family members, teachers, and catechists welcome also. Led by Jenny and Hunter Sharpe. To reserve a copy of the book, please email Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

Faith Formation Holiday Schedule

There will be no sessions on December 22, 29, or January 5 due to the Christmas Holidays. All sessions resume on Sunday, January 12.

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, Dec. 15, 22 . (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 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.

NOTE: R.C.I.A. will not meet Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

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

Saturday, December 14	Peggy & Salvatore Palazolo †	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 15	Daniel Dugan †	8:30 a.m.
	For the Parish	11:00 a.m.
Monday, December 16	George Zanone †	12:05 p.m.
Tuesday, December 17	Joanne Hayes McCauley †	12:05 p.m.
Wednesday, December 18	The Lugris Family †	12:05 p.m.
Thursday, December 19	Patricia Walker (special)	12:05 p.m.
Friday, December 20	Malcolm Wood †	12:05 p.m.
Saturday, December 21	Elizabeth & Steve Orians (special)	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 22	Amie & Walker Sims (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
Beth Brooks	Leigh Fiedler Marek	Lois Ruleman
Jim Heirigs		

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 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.

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Advent III + December 15 + 2019

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

Tower Bell

Prelude *How Brightly Shines the Morning Star* Pachelbel
(11) Choral Introit for Advent Proulx

Welcome

HYMN 550 (1, 2) HOW BRIGHTLY SHINES THE MORNING STAR

Greeting

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

Collect

(11) CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the WORD (all sing) Picard

We send you forth to hear the Word of the Lord
Take these words to heart and walk in God's way.

~ Liturgy of the Word ~

First Reading, page 31 *Isaiah 35:1-6, 10*

PSALM, page 32 *Psalms 146*

Second Reading *James 5:7-10*

GOSPEL ALLELUIA, page 33 *French*

Holy Gospel *Matthew 11:2-11*

Homily

Creed, page 102

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

~ Liturgy of the Eucharist ~

HYMN 514 PROCLAIM THE JOYFUL MESSAGE (Refrain)

MASS ORDINARY

Joncas

Sanctus HYMN 260

Mystery of Faith HYMN 262

Great Amen HYMN 264

Agnus Dei (repeat "have mercy on us", then "O grant us peace")

At Communion

(5/8:30) Organ *On a French Advent Carol (Hymn 499)* Benoit, OSB

(11) Anthem *Christ Whose Glory Fills the Sky* White

Post-Communion Prayer

Pulpit Announcements ~ Welcome of Visitors

Blessing of December Birthdays & Anniversaries

Final Blessing and Dismissal

HYMN 550 (3) HOW BRIGHTLY SHINES THE MORNING STAR

~ SYMBOLS OF THE SEASON ~

The Third Sunday of Advent is traditionally known as *Gaudete Sunday* (Latin = rejoice), the first word of the ancient Introit chant for this day. The color rose (brighter than purple) signifies joy for the coming of the Messiah. Joy is also conveyed through lighting the rose candle on our wreath, and in lilting melodies of hymns, anthem, and organ works. The rose banner symbolizing the O Antiphon *O Lord of Might* joins banners for *O Root of Jesse* and *O Wisdom*.

*Serving in Liturgical
Ministry this weekend*

5:00 p.m. VIGIL MASS

Lector Craig Cardwell (C)

Don Smith (I)

EM Cali Boyette
Becky Nieman
Kenneth Vilag

Cantor..... Kristin Hennessy-
McDonald

Greeter..... Don Smith
Nelda Smith

Server..... Sr. Maria

Ushers..... Leo Arnoult
Frank Berretta
Pat Desarzent
Bob Nieman

Giftbearer Sandra & Jerry Palazolo

Sacristan Sandra Desarzent

8:30 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

Lector..... Sally Woodmansee (C)

Mary Lee-Hood(L)

EM..... Ed Ansbro
Patty Bladon
Chuck Henry
Linda House
Marian Taylor

Cantor..... Barbara Simmons

Greeter..... Bitsy Quinn

Server..... Addison Hardwick
Ethan Hardwick

Ushers..... Robert Hardwick
Stan Hyland
Brian Quinn
Beau Snowden

Giftbearer

Sacristan...Katheryne Cooper

11 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

Lector..... Lauren Thornton (C)

Didi Dwyer (I)

Annette Askew (II)

EM..... Dede Austin
Chris Brooks
Melissa Brooks
Tommie Cervetti
Patricia Meyers
Cheryl O'Bannon
Terry Pyrdom
Jerry Sharp

Cantor..... Cecilia Cahill Bryant

C.L.O.W. Jennie Latta

Greeter.... Olivia Cabigao

Server..... Annesley Gardino
Andrew Harrington

Ushers..... Joe Cervetti
Chris Cornaghie
Andy Hamm
Bill Robinson
Robert Thompson
Darren Meyers

Giftbearer Saviore Family

Sacristan Chas Higgins

Sandwich

Deliverer Lee Askew