



ST. PETER
CATHOLIC CHURCH
A Dominican Parish

Established in 1840



Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2019

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OFFICE HOURS

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

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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.*

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A) Dec. 22, 2019

Isaiah 7: 10-14; Psalm 24; Romans 1: 1-7; Matthew 1: 18-24

From today's Gospel reading:

Joseph, her husband, since he was a righteous man,
yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly.

Reflection by Jude Siciliano, OP:

Joseph is a man burdened with heavy concerns. With struggle and difficulty, he has made up his mind to resolve this awkward situation as quietly and lovingly as he can. But then, like Ahaz (in our first reading), he is confronted by a messenger of God. With open mind and willing heart, he risks believing in his dream and then living it into a future. He, with faith and trusting expectation, joins with Mary in bringing to birth God's presence among us – Emmanuel!

So we ask ourselves:

† As you come to the end of this Advent season:
Do you come with a spirit of weariness, unable to imagine a different future? Or, do you come with the spirit of a dreamer who believes that God continues to be Emmanuel, God-with-us, coming in ways unknown before and in ways unexpected?

~ EVENTS OF NOTE at ST. PETER ~

Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve	5 P.M.	Family Mass
	10:30 A.M.	Lessons and Carols
	11 P.M.	"Midnight Mass"
Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day	10 A.M.	Christmas Day Mass
Friday, December 27	6 P.M.	Gattas/Verzwyvelt Rehearsal
Saturday, December 28	7 P.M.	Gattas/Verzwyvelt Wedding

- ◇ **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

House of Worship: Security Training for Greeters and Ushers | Tuesday March 3, 2020 | 6 – 10 p.m. at St. Peter Church

Presenter: Stuart Frisch, Regional Director of the Secure Community Network

A four (4) hour class covering security and safety topics for ushers, greeters, other volunteers and staff/employees of religious congregations.

Mr. Frisch has an extensive background as a security professional, with more than 20 years of experience planning, developing, and implementing diversified security programs across the military, corporate, and government sectors. He is a certified trainer through both the U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Prior to joining SCN, Mr. Frisch served as Coordinator of Security Operations for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, where he was responsible for creating security policy for a workforce of more than 5,000 employees in 17 countries. Mr. Frisch served with the Memphis Police Department, Office of Homeland Security for more than a decade, and previously served in a Special Operations capacity with the Israel Defense Forces (IDF).

Members from all religious congregations welcome. There is no cost to attend, but you need to register before Feb. 1. Light dinner provided

Registration available at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/house-of-worship-security-training-for-ushers-greeters-tickets-85858550235> or contact the parish office at 901-527-8282.

First Major Recording: our Casavant Organ!

2018 marked the 95th Anniversary of our pipe organ, one of the oldest in continuous use in the region. A professional recording by Patrick Parker and Katie Pollorena of music by Josef Rheinberger is now available (\$15 cash/check) Copies may be purchased on-line via our Parish website Vanco – indicate “music”).

 **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/**

2019 Christmas Mass Schedule

www.stpeterchurch.org/Christmas

Tuesday, December 24th

5 P.M. - Family Mass (*Doors open at 4pm, children's activities in Parish Hall*)

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

Adult Faith Formation News | Sundays, January 19 through February 13 at 9:45 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?

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.

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.

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.

There will not be a Sunday Social after Mass this Sunday, December 22.



The Church Office will be closed December 25—January 2. Happy Holidays!

St. Peter's Parent Party! It will be at the home of Colleen and Chris Canale on Thursday, January 16 at 6:30 at the home of Colleen and Chris Canale. More details to follow.

Marriage Preparation Session | Tuesday, January 21, 7 – 8 p.m. For those who are interested in getting married or discerning marriage, Fr. Auggie will present his marriage preparation class.

Baptism Preparation Session | Tuesday, January 21, 7 – 8 p.m. Call the office to register, 527-8282

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

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

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 a.m.
Monday, December 23	James H. Pendergast, II †	12:05 p.m.
Tuesday, December 24	Christine King †, Dorothy Blackwood†	5:00 p.m.
	For the Parish	11:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 25	Carolyn Bercegey †	10:00 a.m.
Thursday, December 26	Mary Gavin †	12:05 p.m.
Friday, December 27	Deceased members of the T.H. Hogan Family †	12:05 p.m.
Saturday, December 28	Warren & Claire Johnson †	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 29	Frank Jefferson, Jr. †	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	Sherman Benton	

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

Sanne & Kenny Latta	February 5
Megan & Robert Latta	
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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December 22 + 2019 + Advent IV

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

Tower Bell

Organ Prelude *Savior of the Nations, Come* *Buxtehude*

Welcome

HYMN 504 SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS, COME *Nun Komm*

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 34 *Isaiah 7:10-14*

PSALM, page 35 *Psalms 24*

Second Reading *Romans 1:1-7*

GOSPEL ALLELUIA, page 35 *French*

Holy Gospel *Matthew 1:18-24*

Homily

Creed, page 102

Prayers of the Faithful: Come, Lord Jesus, hear our prayer

~ Liturgy of the Eucharist ~

HYMN 529 LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING *Es Ist Ein Ros'*

MASS ORDINARY HYMN 260 ~ 262 ~ 264 *Joncas*

AGNUS DEI (repeat: "have mercy on us", then "O grant us peace")

COMMUNION Organ ~ *Come, O Long Awaited Savior* *Callahan*

(11) Anthem ~ *People, Look East (Hymn 495)* *Dietterich*

Post-Communion Prayer

Pulpit Announcements ~ Welcome of Visitors

Final Blessing and Dismissal

HYMN

Tune: Hyfrydol

Come, O long-awaited Savior. Born to set your people free;
From our fears and sins release us, Save us from life's misery.
Israel's strength and consolation, you the hope of all the earth;
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, Bring salvation by your birth.

Born to free your captive people, Born a child and yet a King.
Born to reign in us forever Now your gracious kingdom bring.
By your own eternal spirit, rule in all our hearts alone;
By your all-sufficient merit Raise us to your glorious throne.

No hymn has a longer association with Advent than "Savior of the Nations, Come". The original Latin text and melody (*Veni Redemptor Gentium*) are attributed to St. Ambrose, 4th c. bishop of Milan. In the 16th c. it was translated into German and set to a simplified form of the chant (*Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland*) by Martin Luther, allowing lay people to sing this marvelous poetry in their own language. Today's English version descends from this. The fourth banner shows the symbol of the O Antiphon: *O Daystar*.

*Serving in Liturgical
Ministry this weekend*

5:00 p.m. VIGIL MASS

Lector Don Smith (C)
Kathy Kenwright (I)
EM Sandra Douglass
Kay Johnson
Deborah Yeager
Cantor..... Warren Johnson
Greeter..... NEED
Server..... Julianna Palazola
Ushers..... Bob Nieman
Kenneth Vilag
Sandra Douglass
Lowry Whitehorn
Giftbearer
Sacristan Sandra Desarantz

8:30 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

Lector..... Patti Berry (C)
Beth Mitchell (I)
EM..... Michelle Grzybowski
Chuck Henry
Bitsy Quinn
Marian Taylor
Rachel Thorne
Cantor..... Pierre Landaiche
Greeter..... Christine Pascus-Flis
Server..... Emily Thorne
Freddie Thorne
Ushers..... Michael Berry
Robert Hardwick
Patrick Quinn
Brian Quinn
Robert Hardwick
Giftbearer
Sacristan...Katheryne Cooper

11 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

Lector..... Adam Thornton (C)
Valerie Hall (I)
Molly Sicuro (II)
EM..... Ed Ansbro
Richard Buchignani
Ann Leatherman
Rene Lee
Liz Neel
Mike Neel
Glenda Owen
Martha Payne
Cantor..... Bill Pope
C.L.O.W. Cecilia Cahill Bryant
Greeter....
Server..... Lillian Baker
Andrew Harrington
Mack Meyers
Ushers..... Chris Cornaghi
Darren Meyers
Louis Montesi
Bill Robinson
Martin Thompson
Giftbearer
Sacristan Chas Higgins
Sandwich
Deliverer Barry Owen