



ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Dominican Parish

Established in 1840



The Ascension of the Lord May 24, 2020

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OFFICE HOURS

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

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.

The Ascension of the Lord (A) May 21 or 24, 2020
[Acts 1: 1-11; Ephesians 1: 17-23; Matthew 28: 16-20](#)

From today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles"

While meeting with the apostles,
 Jesus enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem
 but to wait for

"The promise of the Father about which you heard me speak."

Reflection by Jude Siciliano, OP:

Jesus has gifted us with the same powerful Spirit that animated and sustained him, not only through his preaching and healing ministry, but through his long suffering and death. Thanks to the Spirit, we are called and empowered to be modern witnesses to the living Christ, who is reaching out in a new age to do through us, what he did in his life-time—preach the gospel, heal the sick and bring people back to God.

So we ask ourselves:

- What gifts has God given me to use in the service of Jesus' gospel?
- How am I exercising these gifts now?

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee encourages all victims, or parents of minors who are victims, of sexual abuse by a bishop, priest, deacon or diocesan employee or agent, to report such abuse by phoning any of the following numbers:

- Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline (1-877-237-0004)
- Victim Assistance Coordinator (901-652-4066)
- Dir. of Child and Youth Protection (901-359-2027)

All reports will be treated in a confidential manner. The Diocese of Memphis offers a program of psychological and spiritual assistance to abused victims in need.

To plan a Baptism, Funeral or Wedding at St. Peter,
 please call the parish office at (901)527-8282.

PRAYER LIST—If you would like to be added to the Prayers of the Faithful during Mass (daily or Sunday) or the Prayer List in the bulletin, please contact Jane Scharding Smedley at mrsjane@stpeterchurch.org

ST. PETER PRAYER MINISTRY Would you like to join our prayer ministry team? Members receive a weekly Flocknote (email) with prayer intentions of our parish. To sign up, please email Christina Klyce at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org. All welcome....we really need your prayers during this time!

EMERGENCY LINE—If you need to contact the priests when the parish office is closed, please dial the office number, 901-527-8282 and then press "9".



The altar flowers were given by
Brittany & Rick Saviori
 in loving memory of
Mary Ouellette Saviori (Lette).

Liturgical Music Notes – ASCENSION

The Welsh tradition has given us several lilting hymn tunes dating from the 18th c., originally accompanied by their national instrument, the harp. Melodies like those sung this weekend (*Llanfair, Hyfrydol*) allow many voices to join as one in words of praise, thankfulness, and joy. Even as we wear masks to protect one another, we can lift our hearts and spirits through the beauty of music. Sing as you are comfortable – or read the words quietly from the service sheet. For safety, our hymnals have been temporarily removed from the pews. But our song continues!

Dispensation Extension—Bishop Talley has extended the dispensation from attending Mass until June 30th. It is up to each parishioner to decide what is the best plan for you and/or your family. In particular, those who are experiencing any sickness, those with any health vulnerability or similar concerns, are encouraged to consider waiting until later in May or June to attend. All of our Masses will continue to be streamed online, and we will continue to offer virtual gatherings at least through the end of June. We appreciate everyone's prayers from home, and we look forward to the day when we can ALL gather together safely at St. Peter.



Virtual Rosary Saturdays at 3 PM- Our parish rosary team is leading a rosary on Zoom on Saturdays at 3 PM. Rosary will be prayed from 3 – 3:30, with optional sharing and discussion following. Contact Christina, cklyce@stpeterchurch.org. Also, Pope Francis is inviting everyone to “rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home” during the month of May. His letter which includes special rosary prayers may be read at <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-04/letter-on-the-month-of-may-full-text.html>



BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES - Congratulations to all of our 2020 graduates! Our prayer ministry team is praying for you, and we are planning to have a special blessing for you during a Sunday Mass in July. Please contact 527-8282 or secretary@stpeterchurch.org with the name and school of each graduate (high school, college, graduate and professional schools)

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

We are continuing to meet with children 6th grade and younger via Zoom video conferencing. Sessions include reading the Sunday Gospel, discussion and prayer. If your child would like to participate, please contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

PRAYER LIST FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS

Please email the office, secretary@stpeterchurch.org, if you would like you or your loved ones added to the prayer list. This includes anyone that works in a hospital, is in a medical profession of any kind, or works in a place where they are at risk of being exposed to COVID-19.

SACRAMENTS- Next weekend at 5 PM Mass on Saturday, May 30 when we celebrate the Great Vigil of Pentecost, we will also celebrate the Easter Sacraments with several of our parishioners and RCIA candidates. Please pray for them on this joyful occasion!

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism
 Danielle Christine Meyers

Receiving First Communion
 Donald Dwight (Dewey) Drinkard III

Reception into Full Communion of the Catholic Church
 Donald Dwight Drinkard Jr.
 Megan Elizabeth Meyers
 Grant Edward Meyers

Receiving First Communion & Confirmation
 Matthew Van (Max) Heeran

Receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation
 Charles Ambrose Fletchinger III

ST. PETER ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS



You can continue to share your offertory by mail or online. Every donation we receive supports our programs and maintains our beautiful church. Thank you for your generosity!

Mail to 190 Adams Ave. Memphis TN 38103

Online - Vanco is available if you would like to donate to our offertory online.

- Go to St. Peter Website online.
www.stpeterchurch.org/give/
- Select GIVE on the top right-hand side of the page
- Select VANCO
- Select CREATE PROFILE if you do not already have a profile or LOG IN.
- Regular donations: Offertory, Literary Society & Miscellaneous Collections
- ⇒ Select ADD TRANSACTION at left hand side of page – use regular donations for your offertory.
- ⇒ Select your Donation Amount, Frequency and Start Date (use a weekday date rather than weekend date to start)
- ⇒ Miscellaneous Donations can use the same procedures as the regular offertory donations. Scroll down to view the miscellaneous option donations.

Second Collections and Holy Day Giving: by specified month only

- Select the second collection and the amount of your donation
- Select annual for the frequency
- Select Start Date (use a weekday date rather than weekend date to start) in the date field that corresponds to the month next to the second collection i.e. Catholic Relief Services (March) should have a March date in the date field.
- Select CONTINUE at bottom of page
- SETUP a Donation Information Account
- Select PROCESS

You have completed your contribution. Thank You!

RESOURCES FOR PRAYER AT HOME

A list of online resources for home study and prayer are available at www.stpeterchurch.org/online-resources-for-prayer-and-study In addition, we have a few copies of the May and June *Give Us This Day*. If you would like a copy, please contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION STUDIES WITH FR. RAMON

- Scripture Study on Genesis – Tuesdays at 10 AM & 7 PM.
- Wednesday Discussion on Various Topics – Wednesdays at 10am. This month Fr. Ramon is repeating parts of his class he taught last year on Orthodoxy and Roman Catholicism. Future topics TBD.

Both groups will meet via Zoom through July 15th. For more information, contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY CURIOUS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

Our RCIA group is meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7 via Zoom. In addition, members of our RCIA Team are available to talk over the phone or via email. If you have friends who are asking questions about the Catholic Church, online Masses or would like to learn more, we are happy to help. Please contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

Kroger Community Awards

Do you shop at Kroger? If so, please consider linking your Kroger rewards account to St. Peter Church. It's free and easy to use, and Kroger sends our parish a quarterly check that goes to support our ministry to children and youth. Once you link your card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your shopper's card. To link your card to an organization, sign into your digital account. Under "account dashboard" select "community rewards". Select St. Peter Church as your organization and click "save". For more info., contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.



Have a safe and blessed
Memorial Day!

Office Closed Monday

Public Mass Notes

PLANNING TO COME TO ST. PETER

- We have a reservation system for Masses. **To reserve a pew: Call our office at 901-527-8282 Monday – Thursday, from 8AM to 4PM, and Friday, from 8AM – 1PM. MaryPat and Lori can assist you in reserving your pew. You will be given a pew number for your reference.** Note: No reservation is required for Daily Mass, which we celebrate Monday – Friday at 12:05PM in the Main Church.

COMING TO ST. PETER

- Masks and/or other protective face coverings are **always required**. If you do not have either, then we can provide a mask. *These supplies are limited.*
- When you arrive at our property, maintain six (6) feet of distance between you and people who are not members of your household.
- As you enter the church, an usher will direct you to your pew. Please pick up a bulletin from a table at the rear of the church. Due to risks of contamination, no missalettes or hymnals will be available at this time.
- If you want to use hand sanitizer upon entering or leaving, we will have a cleaning station available.

DURING MASS

- Please remain in your pew at all times, unless you need the restroom.
- If you bring children, you are responsible for ensuring they stay in your pew. The quiet room and nursery **ARE NOT** available during this time.
- Ushers will collect the offertory at the usual time, using long-handled baskets to ensure as little physical contact as possible.
- For Communion, **stay in your pew**. A priest will bring the host to you. The cup will not be offered at this time. We will ensure those who need low-gluten hosts receive them.
- Receiving Communion **is the only time** anyone is permitted to remove masks or other protective face coverings.

Let's practice the 3 Rs: 1) Remove, 2) Receive, 3) Replace.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF MASS

- **Ushers will go to each pew and direct you to leave** – from the back of the church to the front. This will assist in maintaining safe physical distances. Please do not make a dash for the door.
- As you leave, take all personal items with you, including bulletins. You may throw them away in the receptacles provided.
- Please do not linger on the steps or in front of the church. You will need to go directly to your vehicle or walk to your next destination.
- The priests will not be interacting with people on the front steps.

BETWEEN THE MASSES

- Our building will be locked between Masses to allow our volunteers to clean our space in preparation for the next Mass. Unfortunately, no other facilities will be open on our property during this time.

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

Saturday, May 23	The Rose Family +	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 24	Lette Saviori +	8:30 a.m.
	For the Parish	11:00 p.m.
Monday, May 25	John V. Pender, Sr. +	12:05 p.m.
Tuesday, May 26	John Stefanac +	12:05 p.m.
Wednesday, May 27	Mark Gliddon +	12:05 a.m.
Thursday, May 28	Clarabeale O'Callaghan +	12:05p.m.
Friday, May 29	Louise Cantrell +	12:05 p.m.
Saturday, May 30	Bobby Leatherman +	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 31	Lette Saviori +	8:30 a.m.
	For the Parish	11:00 p.m.

PRAYER LIST

~ Call the church office to update this list. ~

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Vida Anne Wolfe-Bridges, mother of Lois Meyers.
 May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Parishioners who are homebound:

Myra Wilson, Lynn Eastin, Mike Fitzmorris

Parishioners, family & friends who are requesting prayer:

Henry Slutz	Jennifer Warren Rhem	Lena Reese
Beth Brooks	Caleb Brannon	Martha McIntosh
Mary Sharp	Willie Lee Phillips	Tara Chambers
Joe Clark	Gene Gianini	Fran Costa
Marilyn Dilworth	Pam Campbell	Mitch Morgan
Jennie Latta	Camille Angele Pool-Owen	Brian Hudgens
John Bryant	Robert Thornton	Rachel Yarbrough
Eleanor Klyce	Parker Anthony	Willie Mae Ellis
Ceylon Blackwell	Susan Harris	Laurie Viglietti
Lane Whitehead	Kate Sevier Cole	J. Patrick Dilworth, M.D.
Carrie Robinson	Jennifer Munn	Judith Ann Sansone
Jan Payne	Christian James Gorman	Susie Glenn Sullivan
Leigh Ann Poole	Mathew Dickson	John Novarese
Jim Heirigs	Frank Palumbo	Frank & Mary Dudley
Ronald Carrozza	Kirk Williams	Dr. Mary Avery Poole

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

Megan & Robert Latta	May 16
Sara and Patrick Boyer	June 25
Meg & Reese Hodge	July 16
Graciela & Marco Horton	September
Lauren & Adam Thornton	September 3
Halie & Taylor Kitzman	September 4
Whitney & Nathan Vrazel	September 28



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: *Pvt. Jonathan Paul Shiberou, Ensign Walker Sims, CPL Miles Mason, Jr. USMC, Capt. Robert Campbell, William Perry, Lt. Col. Steve Reed.*

Prayers for Healthcare and Essential Workers during this Pandemic. Tony Harrington, Lieutenant and Paramedic for the Shelby County Fire Department, Lori Harrington, Registered Nurse at Methodist Germantown. Dr. Brian Anthony, runs the ICU at Hancock County Memorial, Charles Fletchinger, Registered Nurse on the Covid-19 Floor at Baptist Hospital. Kelli Arnold.

These names are in a special book brought to the altar at every Mass.

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

If you wish to participate in any of these ministries, contact for details:

PRAYER

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May 24 + Ascension of the Lord + 2020

Welcome to our worship! Parts of the Liturgy sung by ALL are capitalized.
Please join in the sung and spoken responses as you are comfortable.
Remain in your pew unless visiting the restroom, located through the door on your right.
Please note that the Quiet Room and Nursery are not available.

Tower Bell ~ Organ Prelude *On the Welsh Hymntune 'Llanfair'* Schack

HYMN (623) LET THE EARTH REJOICE AND SING *Llanfair*

Let the earth rejoice and sing: Alleluia! Jesus, Victor, hear our prayer: Alleluia!
At the triumph of our King: Alleluia! In your triumph let us share: Alleluia!
Who ascends from mortal sight: Alleluia! Lift our minds and hearts above: Alleluia!
Reigns now at our Father's right: Alleluia! Strengthen each one in your love: Alleluia!
Text: M. Farrell

Greeting

SPRINKLING RITE - *Al* echo each phrase after Cantor: *Vidi Aquam/Ward*

I saw water flowing - from the right side of the temple -
The water brought God's life - and God's salvation -
And the people sang in praise - Alleluia!

GLORIA: HYMN 314 *Vermulst*

Collect

~ *Liturgy of the Word* ~

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

PSALM (*sing after Cantor*):

Psalm 47/iss



God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trum-pets for the Lord!

Second Reading

Ephessians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ,

raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

GOSPEL ALLELUIA (*repeat after Cantor*)

O Filii et Filiae

Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Homily

Nicene Creed

Prayers of the Faithful: Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

~ Liturgy of the Eucharist ~

At the Offertory

*5 PM – Fantasia for Flute
Sunday – This Is My Song (Finlandia)*

*Telemann
Sibelius*

Please note that the SECOND COLLECTION for Catholic Communications will be taken up by the Ushers immediately after the Offertory Collection.

MASS ORDINARY: (HYMN 378-381)

Mass of Creation/Haugen

At Communion

I Am the Bread of Life

Englert

*Please remain in your pew and one of the priests will bring the Host to you.
As the priest approaches, remove your mask, receive, then replace your mask.
Those needing low-gluten hosts will receive them. The cup will not be offered.*

Post-Communion Prayer

2nd Collection: *Catholic Communications*

Final Blessing and Dismissal

HYMN (745 - 1, 2)

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

Hyfrydol

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood,
Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by his blood.**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us, Faith believes nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore"?**

*After the Hymn: Ushers will direct worshippers to leave, starting from the back of church.
As you exit, please take all personal items with you, as well as Bulletins/service sheets.
You may deposit paper copies in the receptacles near the door, or take home.
Please do not linger on steps or front of church to maintain safe distancing.*

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