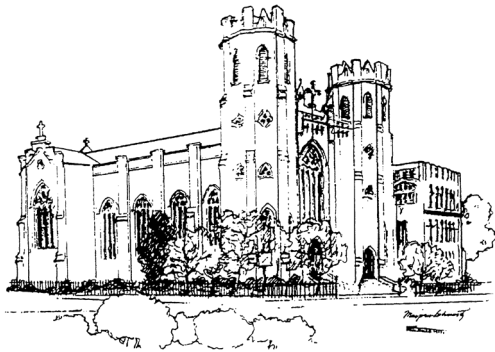




ST. PETER
CATHOLIC CHURCH
A Dominican Parish

Established in 1840



Twenty-Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 20, 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.*

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A) – September 20, 2020
Isaiah 55:6-9 | Psalm 145 | Philippians 1:20-24, 27 | Matthew 20:1-16

From today’s reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah:

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.”

Reflection by Br. Carlos Salas, OP:

It is challenging to be a Christian. It is easy to empathize with the laborers who worked all day; I would also want a greater pay! Those are our human expectations. But Jesus uses this parable to help us understand what the Kingdom of Heaven is like. While we are still part of the ‘Church Militant’ here on earth, we need to continue to develop a life of virtue and allow God to infuse His grace in our soul, that He may transform us. “The Lord is near to all who call upon him,” so it is heartbreaking to see brothers and sisters who are not yet allowing God into their lives. We may get discouraged, but we must continue to pray for the conversion of the world. Let us pray that we may all be open to God’s grace, that one day we may receive what our Lord promises to us, eternal life with Him.

Something to think about:

- * Am I living a life of Christian virtue that serves as a witness to those whom I encounter?
- * How do I need to let Christ in my life that I may grow in virtue?
- * When did I last pray for someone’s conversion to Christ? Who needs this prayer right 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”.



Liturgical Music Notes

September 20 ORDINARY XXV

Signs of Fall are appearing: the Autumn Solstice, leaves turning orange, cooling temperatures – and a change in our sung prayer! Every September, we return to the *St. Dominic Mass* by priest/composer James Marchionda, OP. Distinct to this setting is a responsorial Sanctus (Holy), a musical dialogue between Congregation and Cantor. When our Choir is able to return to the Loft, their voices will add harmony as well. All are invited to join in the song!

PRAYER LIST FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS

Do you have a loved one who works in a hospital, is in a medical profession, or is at a high risk of exposure to COVID-19 in the workplace? Please contact the office, secretary@stpeterchurch.org or [901-527-8282](tel:901-527-8282), to add them to the prayer list.



Christmas Ornament Sale - Our 2020 St. Peter Christmas ornament fashioned after our own stained-glass window of the Visitation is now on sale. We still have the 2019 ornaments which represent the Annunciation. Cost is \$20 each, packaged in a decorative box — the proceeds support the maintenance of our beautiful windows. The ornaments will be on sale and available for pick up after Mass in the back of church. You may also call the parish office, pay by credit card and pick up after Mass or from the office. *****VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to sell ornaments after the Saturday Mass (5pm) and Sunday Mass (8:30am). Please call Peggy Witt if interested, 305-803-8480, pwitt@ifoneinc.com.**

FALL RCIA

Do you have a friend who is curious about the Catholic Church? Invite them to our fall RCIA sessions. During September and October, we will be meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM via Zoom. RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and is the process for adults who would like to join the Catholic Church. All are welcome, and it's okay to visit (no obligation to join the Catholic Church if you attend.) Note: Friends and family are always welcome also. For more information, contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.



2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Would you like envelopes for next year's offertory? Our Sunday Visitor will mail envelopes directly to your home on a bi-monthly basis. Please contact MaryPat by September 28, 527-8282 or mpjames@stpeterchurch.org if interested.

Joy for the Bereaved—Tuesdays 6:30-8pm. A 6 week workshop those who have lost a spouse. Join us on Sept. 29 at St. Michael Church, For more info., contact Nancy Davis, nancykdavis11@outlook.com.

Baptisms for Children - First time parents are expected to attend one Baptism preparation session via phone and video. You may participate in Baptism preparation before your child is born. To schedule Baptism preparation session or your child's Baptism, contact the office at 901-527-8282 or secretary@stpeterchurch.org

FALL FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

www.stpeterchurch.org/fall

Family Mass

Next Sunday, September 27th at 1 PM.

All families with children and teens welcome, including those in Catholic schools.

Faith Formation Registration

www.stpeterchurch.org/registration

- If your child is preparing for First Communion or Confirmation, or planning to participate in any of the virtual gatherings, please complete the registration form.
 - For safety purposes, we will only give out Zoom or Teams links to families registered for faith formation.
- Also please complete the registration form if you would like to borrow atrium materials to take home.

Prayer Table Kits

This month our focus for family faith formation is Prayer. Each family is invited to set up a prayer table at home (like we have in the atrium). If you did not receive your prayer table kit yet, please contact Christina so that we can arrange a pick up.

First Communion and Confirmation 2021

First Communion books and Confirmation journals went home at last month's Family Mass. Zoom Confirmation sessions start this Sunday. If your child did not receive their materials yet, please contact Christina or Kaitlyn so that we can arrange a pick up.

Parents of 1st Graders and 7th Graders

The Diocese of Memphis requires two years of preparation for First Communion and Confirmation. Usually this happens in 1st and 2nd grades, and then in 7th and 8th grades. If your child is in 1st grade or 7th grade, he/she needs to participate in faith formation this year to prepare for First Communion or Confirmation next year. This "pre-sacrament" year can take place in Catholic school or in the parish.

What does this mean this fall?

- First graders who are not in Catholic school are registered for faith formation at St. Peter. They will have a few home activities each month. For example, in September we are focusing on prayer. Children will set up a home prayer table and make prayer cards. They are also encouraged to attend the monthly Family Masses and participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word (Zoom).
- Seventh graders not in Catholic school are registered for faith formation at St. Peter. They will participate in the Sunday sessions with our youth minister Kaitlyn Pham and the youth team. These are combined for 7th and 8th graders and will meet via Zoom or Teams. They will also be encouraged to attend the monthly Family Masses.

We recognize that this is a difficult year and want to work with everyone to make sure children are on track for their sacraments. If you have any concerns about your child's sacramental preparation, please let us know. We are happy to help with a plan for your family. For more information, contact Christina Klyce, cklyce@stpeterchurch.org or Kaitlyn Pham, youth@stpeterchurch.org or visit our parish website at www.stpeterchurch.org/fall.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION


WITH FR. CARMEN: "The History of the Catholic Church"

- Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Some in-person seating is available. Everyone is invited to participate on-line. To register, email stmartin@stpeterchurch.org. Fr. John Vidmar, O.P.'s book *The Catholic Church through the Ages: A History* will be the text. No charge but donations to the St. Martin de Porres National Shrine & Institute will be gratefully accepted.

WITH FR. RAMON: ABRAHAM AND ANGELS

- Join us on Tuesdays at 10 A.M. & 7 P.M. for the Scripture Study on Genesis. This month we are studying Abraham.
- Join us on Wednesdays at 10 A.M. for interesting topics about our faith. This month we are talking about Angels.

All welcome. Both groups will meet via Zoom. To register and receive the Zoom link, contact Christina, cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

 **Virtual Rosary Saturdays at 3 PM-** Our parish rosary team is leading a rosary on Zoom on Saturdays at 3 PM. All are welcome, and it's okay to join us if you don't know how to pray the rosary. Contact Christina, cklyce@stpeterchurch.org for the Zoom link. We hope to see you on Saturday!



St. Peter ANGEL TREE Catholic Charities 2020 Gifts for God's Children-"Covid-Style"

The need is greater than ever and we want to provide the most joyful Christmas possible for the children, seniors, and families of our community. The plan is for parishioners to either bring their adopted family's items to Catholic Charities or directly to the family. If you're in need of service hours, adopting a family will count as three service hours! Please let us know if you will be participating **by September 30th**. Please contact Lori, secretary@stpeterchurch.org or 527-8282 with the number of families you are willing to adopt.

Public Mass Notes

COMING TO ST. PETER

- Masks are **always required**.
- Maintain six (6) feet of distance between people who are not members of your household.

DURING MASS

- The quiet room and nursery **ARE NOT** available.
- For Communion, **stay in your pew**. A priest will bring the host to you. The cup will not be offered. We will ensure those who need low-gluten hosts receive them.
- Receiving Communion **is the only time** anyone is permitted to remove masks.

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.
- Please do not linger in front of the church. The priests will not be interacting with people on the front steps.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS VIA ZOOM

Thursdays, October 1st and 8th at 7 PM

All are invited to pray Vespers for the Feast of St. Therese of the Child Jesus on 10/1 and St. John Henry Newman on 10/8. On Thursday, October 8th we will also have a reflection on Liturgy of the Hours and Chant. Led by Jennie Latta. We will pray "St. Meinrad style" and all are welcome. You do not need to have a prayer book or previous experience to participate. For more information and the Zoom link, please contact Christina at cklyce@stpeterchurch.org.

The Dispensation from attending Mass will end on October 4. Starting October 10-11 parishioners may renew their spiritual obligation to attend Mass. It is up to each parishioner to decide what is the best plan for you and/or your family. All of our Masses will still be streamed online, www.stpeterchurch.org/live-and-recorded-masses/.



Sandwich Ministry-The Sandwich Ministry is looking for Sunday Sandwich Deliverers & Makers. Let us know if you'd like to sign up for a specific Sunday. Please contact the office or Annette Askew, aaskew3@comcast.net. Sandwiches may be brought to the church during office hours or before Mass. ***There is still a great need for sandwiches due to the pandemic!*

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 website online, www.stpeterchurch.org/give/
- Select GIVE on the top right-hand side of the page
- Select VANCO
- Select CREATE or LOG IN.
- Regular donations: Offertory, Literary Society & Miscellaneous Collections
- ⇒ Select ADD TRANSACTION – 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!

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

Saturday, September 19	Josephine Restivo †	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 20	Kate Collier †	8:30 a.m.
	For the parish	11:00 p.m.
Monday, September 21	James C. Rainer, III †	12:05 p.m.
Tuesday, September 22	Friends of St. Peter	12:05 p.m.
Wednesday, September 23	All the Souls in Purgatory †	12:05 a.m.
Thursday, September 24	Heather & Owen McGuire (special)	12:05p.m.
Friday, September 25	Lucy Gonzalez †	12:05 p.m.
Saturday, September 26	Whitley Mitchell †	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 27	Eulis King †	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

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	Janet Kelly	Brian Hudgens
John Bryant	Charlie Schaffler	Rachel Yarbrough
Eleanor Klyce	Parker Anthony	Willie Mae Ellis
Lane Whitehead	Susan Harris	Laurie Viglietti
Carrie Robinson	Kate Sevier Cole	John Novarese
Jan Payne	Jennifer Munn	Frank & Mary Dudley
Jim Heirigs	Mathew Dickson	Camille Angele Pool-Owen
Beth Miller	Frank Palumbo	Felice Carrozza

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

Graciela & Marco Horton	September
Whitney & Nathan Vrazel	September 28
Liz & Dan Woodcock	December 1
Beth & Roy Messina	December 20
Lana & Darren Meyers	January 29
Kathleen & Jack Byrnes	January
Cali & Richard Boyette	February 8



Congratulations to Halie & Taylor Kitzman on the birth of their son, Graham William Kitzman, born on September 9!

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, Capt. Robert Campbell, William Perry, Lt. Col. Steve Reed.*

Prayers for Healthcare and Essential Workers during this Pandemic.

Lori & Tony Harrington	Dr. Brennan McCullar	Julie Jones	Chandler Williams
Dr. Brian Anthony	Michelle Grzybowski	Aja Jenkins	Jessica Galtelli
Charles Fletchinger	Mary Kate Henderson	Kelli Arnold	Freddie Thorne
Dr. Mary Avery Poole	Emily & Will Shorter	Krystal D Way	Sarah Harlan
Staff at St. Francis Park	Sandra Douglass	Martha Mitchell	Matthew Hayes
Hunter Strohm			

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