

Weekends

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.
Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30, 9:00 Children’s Liturgy and Choir,
10:30 a.m. with Adult Choir and 12:00 N
Spanish Mass – 5:00 p.m.
Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday through Saturday - 7:30 a.m.
Monday through Friday -12:10 Noon
(HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday - 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must begin to make arrangements at least 8 months prior to their wedding date by contacting the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Attendance at pre-Baptism class is required before the Sacrament is celebrated. Classes are held on the second Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. in the Rectory. Please pre-register by calling 203-743-2707. Baptisms will take place every Sunday at 1:15 p.m. except the second Sunday of the month.

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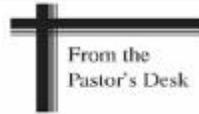
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NOVEMBER



Returning this year after having been suspended last year, the Saint Augustine Medals of Service were awarded to women and men in our parishes, schools, and diocesan organizations. Bishop Caggiano presented the medals in two ceremonies yesterday. Our parish and school were included in the 1:30 p.m. ceremony at the cathedral. This year I selected Geovanny Chalco as our recipient. Geovanny serves the parish in many ways and never says no to any request or call to help. Geovanny sets up the acoustical and operates the streaming equipment every weekend for the 5 p.m. Mass. At that Mass, in addition, he makes the announcements at its conclusion, informing the folks in Spanish of the activities of the parish at large. Geovanny is the representative from our Hispanic parishioners on the Parish Council. We turn to him all the time as our liaison to and translator for our Spanish speakers. It is Geovanny who each year recruits young men like himself to move and set up the tables for the parish picnic. On Sundays, Geovanny gives Barbara and Rakel a hand with the many organizational tasks and parent contacts that are always taking place. Everyone who knows Geovanny likes him for his pleasant manner and energy and admires him for his sincere devotion to the Church and to our parish. We sincerely thank him for all he does for the life of St. Peter Parish and congratulate him.

St. Peter School Principal, Marylou Torre, nominated Steven Sweeney who has served on the St. Peter School Board as its financial advisor. Steve is a certified public accountant, and until his retirement last year, the CFO and Vice President of Parsons & Whittmore Group. Steve has lent his expertise to the operation of the school since 2015. He has put in a tremendous number of hours preparing budgets, creating spread sheets, attending meetings, and having phone conversations with his counterparts at the chancery. The Principals he served and his fellow Board members are indebted to him for the way in which he was able to analyze and synthesize the finances for the rest of us. Besides providing astute financial advice, Steve could see through policy questions and, best of all, add a laugh or two to any meeting. Steve concluded his service on the Advisory Board in June. He is ready to slow down and with his wife enjoy more time with their grandchildren.

Next week all parishes will take up a collection for the "Health and Welfare Fund for the Retired Priests" of our diocese. This collection was introduced last year. Its purpose is to offset the costs related to insurance benefits and supplement pension contributions. The Bishop wants to emphasize that the collection is exclusively for our retired priests and should not be confused with the

6 SAT	5:00 PM	†	Felice Joaquim
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
7 SUN	7:30 AM	†	James Kovacs
	9:00 AM	†	Trong Ta
	10:30 AM	†	Sheri Dylewski
	12:00 N	†	Parish Memorial Mass
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
8 MON	7:30 AM	†	Rose and James Kearney
	12:10 N		Mary, Michael and Aidan Needham
9 TUE	<i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>		
	7:30 AM		Jennifer Miller
	12:10 N	†	Elizabeth McCaffery
10 WED	<i>St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Souls in Purgatory
	12:10 N	†	Marybeth Garavel
11 THU	<i>St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Veterans of the Russo Family
	12:10 N	†	Marines who have passed
12 FRI	<i>St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Al Palestroni
	12:10 N	†	Henry Stegerhoff
13 SAT	<i>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Souls in Purgatory
	5:00 PM	†	Vincent Pannocho
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
14 SUN	7:30 AM		Our Parishioners
	9:00 AM	†	Maria Ta
	10:30 AM	†	Joseph Gaulard, Jr.
	12:00 N	†	Paul Hart
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass

On the weekend, if the intention of the Mass is yours, please see an usher about bringing up the gifts.

Our weekly goal.....	\$10,500
SACRIFICIAL GIVING—October 31, 2021.....	\$ 7,376
Online Giving—October 31, 2021.....	\$ 1,932
Shortfall.....	\$ 1,192

Thank you for your support. Father Mecca



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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

collection for the retirement fund for religious which takes place in December.

Today at the noon Mass we will remember all our parishioners and family of parishioners who died since the last All Souls Day. As Carol prepared the list of names from our death register, she counted a total of 87 entries which represent funeral Masses and funeral home and graveside services. That's a great many, but the number includes former parishioners who return to their hometown as well as unaffiliated families. During this month of remembrance, we pray for the souls of everyone whom we buried and with great fondness our sisters and brothers who were part of the fabric of our parish. We thank God for their lives here and for their witness to the Faith. We pray for their eternal rest and happiness.

Almighty God and Father, it is our certain faith that your Son, who died on the cross, was raised from the dead, the firstfruits of all who have fallen asleep. Grant that through this mystery your servants who have gone to their rest in Christ, may share in the joy of his resurrection.

—Fr. Mecca



SAINT PETER SCHOOL NEWS

This week St. Peter School teachers travelled to Norwalk for a full Professional Development Day with colleagues from across the Diocese. The day began with Mass celebrated by Bishop Caggiano. Our guest speaker was Sister Clare who was quite inspirational! She reminded us that life is a lot like a ball game and Jesus is at home plate. She shared many stories with the audience and provided us with lots of thoughts to reflect upon. The rest of the day was spent in workshops on social emotional learning, special education, teaching strategies, and so much more! The teachers particularly enjoyed having time to chat with colleagues and share ideas.

Our Box of Joy service project is wrapping up and we are so pleased to have been able to fill the fifty boxes with mighty treasures. We hope the boxes will bring a smile to the faces of children in need, a Christmas blessing that says, "God loves you and so do we!" It was eye-opening for our students to become aware of the fact that other children in the world don't have enough food to eat, clothes to wear, materials for school, or toys to play with. It was wonderful to watch the small groups of children ponder over which items should go into each box to bring joy to another child in another part of the world. Cross Catholic Outreach does a fabulous job of "delivering food, shelter and hope to the poorest of the poor."

Thank you for contributing to the Wreath Fundraiser!

—Mrs. Mary Lou Torre, Principal

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This past Sunday the CREW helped at the praying of the Rosary in the school yard. The Religious Ed students, parents and parishioners circled the Blessed Sacrament. The prayer service was a beautiful way to end the month of October dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Check out some of our photos.

—Michael Falbo, Youth Minister



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SAINT PETER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Calling All Shepherds and Angels : We need you for the living Nativity during the children’s Mass on December 24. If your child would like to participate please contact us at spreligioused@stpeterdanb.org We will have a dress rehearsal December 19 at 12:15 pm after religious education classes. Costumes will be selected at this time.



Religious Education Updates : Parents, please remember to check your email on a regular basis for updates and information about your child’s class.

Come, See, Restore Project : To date \$517.55 has been donated. The latest update is that Tracey has begun the process of repairing and restoring our statue. She’s sculpted two fingers and one toe replacing the broken ones. She is beginning to sand away the layers of paint from the years. Shortly we will have photos on the website. So keep checking under Faith Formation.

Calendar of Events

November

7 – Lesson 5

14 – Lesson 6

21 – Lesson 7

28 – No Class

December

5 - Lesson 8

—Barbara Siano, Director of Religious Education

Vespers for the Feast of Christ the King

Mark your calendars! We will be having Sung Vespers for the Feast of Christ the King on Friday, November 19, at 7pm in the Church. Vespers is an ancient and contemplative liturgy that includes the singing of psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. It’s a wonderful way to prayerfully unwind after a hectic week. Come join us on the evening of November 19 as we celebrate Christ our King!



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¿Porque creemos EN la Iglesia?

1.- Creo en la Iglesia por gracia de Dios. La fe es un regalo inmerecido que libremente recibimos.

2.- Creo en la Iglesia porque creo en Jesucristo. Quien cree que Jesús es Dios debe creer también en todo lo que Él ha hecho y dispuesto para nuestra salvación. La Iglesia nace de su costado traspasado de donde vertió agua y sangre. La Iglesia sigue viviendo del agua (Bautismo) y de la Sangre (Eucaristía) derramada en la Cruz.

3.- Creo en la Iglesia por la Eucaristía. Dios hace muchísimos milagros para recordarnos las verdades de la fe. Muchos de estos son verificados por rigurosos estudios científicos: Lanciano, Lourdes, Guadalupe y muchos otros. El milagro más grande es la Eucaristía. El dijo: “El que come mi carne y bebe mi sangre, tiene vida eterna, y yo le resucitaré el último día” Juan 6,54. Es El mismo Cristo en la Eucaristía quien se hace realmente presente cada día en más de 500.000 iglesias católicas en todos los continentes.

Algunos dicen: “Jesús está en todas partes. Para que ir a la Iglesia”. Hay que enseñarles: Sí, Jesús está en todas partes, pero sólo en la Eucaristía está presente en forma substancial para que lo comamos y tengamos vida nueva. Para sanarnos, liberarnos del mal, unirnos en la Iglesia y darnos fuerza para vivir la santidad. Sólo en la Iglesia se encuentra a Cristo Eucaristía. Cristo ha venido para reunirnos, como un pastor recoge a sus ovejas. Quiere así que seamos su Cuerpo Místico para que en EL seamos todos hijos del Padre. Quiso hacernos familia suya. Por eso funda una sola Iglesia, con una sola fe, un solo bautismo.

4.- Creo en la Iglesia porque es obra de Dios y no de hombres.

No escojo a la Iglesia como podría escoger mi plato favorito. La Iglesia es institución divina y no capricho humano. Los hombres pueden fundar otras muchas iglesias y religiones para reunirse y hacer cosas buenas. A estas guardo respeto y a quienes buscan la verdad con sinceridad les tengo admiración. Pero no por eso olvido que Jesús, Dios y hombre verdadero, quiso reunirnos en UNA IGLESIA, la que El fundó.

¿Sabía usted que cada día hay en el mundo 50.000 nuevos católicos? Cada mes hay un millón y medio de católicos más que el mes anterior. Cada año hay 18 millones de católicos más que el año anterior. Durante el gobierno del Papa Pablo VI, la Iglesia Católica pasó de 600 millones a 750 millones. Durante el gobierno del Papa Juan Pablo II el número de católicos ha pasado de 750 millones a 1,086 millones en 2003. Esto a pesar de un esfuerzo intenso de parte del mundo para desprestigiarla y destruirla.

Bautizos

Cuartos Domingos de cada Mes. Contacten con Ana Espinal para el formulario y la información sobre la clase pre-bautismal.

Confesiones

Domingos a las 4:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Calling the young people of the parish!!!

Would you like to serve Jesus in a special way? We are looking for Altar Servers! If you are interested, please contact Michael Falbo at 203-743-1048.



**This weekend,
November 6 and 7**

St. Peter Parish Council is holding a

Ministry Fair

after ALL the Masses.



**Come, enjoy breakfast prepared
by the Men's Society,
and visit our Ministry Fair
for volunteer opportunities!**



Community Concerns is happy to announce that the bags for Thanksgiving donations are back this year!

In light of the inflated cost of food at this time we have decided to run the event as a pantry to allow for a broader range of foods available to our families who are among the working poor in our area. As such you will find the bags with either of two lists attached. One list has the traditional Thanksgiving selection and the other a broader range of foods that would appeal to our recipients. Please take either bag and provide a few items from the list and bring to the parish hall on Sunday 11/21. If cash or food cards are more convenient please just drop into the basket on either of the next two Sundays.

Stew Leonards will once again in their generosity be providing 50 turkeys.

We wish each of you a happy and holy Thanksgiving and thank you for your continual generosity.

May we all be truly grateful this year for all that our loving God has provided for us today and always.

HARVEST BREAKFAST

Sponsored by the Men's Society



**Today, Sunday, November 7
Parish Hall following 7:30,
9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Masses**

Adults \$6; Children \$4; Family \$20.

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