St. Peter Catholic Church

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First Sunday in Lent





February 18, 2018



Mass intentions:

Saturday 4:00pm (Sugarloaf) In memory of Michael Ramelli by Sis and Darrell Dye

Saturday 5:30pm: In memory of Alice Myers by Sue Myers

Sunday 8:30am: In memory of Marge Boran by Mike and Kathy Conley

Sunday 11:00am: Special Intention of Dick Stroia by Joanne Swope

Monday 2/19: 9am: In memory of Helen Swiacki by Laurita Miller

Tuesday 2/20: 9am: In memory of Nicholas by Lisa and Jack Lewis

In memory of the Oettle Family by Jim Oettle

Wednesday 2/21: 9am: Special Intention of Magda Trott (Birthday) by Sue Cummins

In memory of Richard Conrady by Olga Conrady

Thursday 2/22: 9am: Special Intention of Jim Burns (Birthday) love, Mom and Dad

Friday, 2/23: 9am: Special Intention of the Colleen Gobert Family love, grandma and Grandpa

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what you current family or marital situation, no matter what your past or present religious situation, no matter your personal history, age, background, race, etc,; no matter what your own self-image or esteem—you are invited, welcomed, accepted and respected at St. Peter Catholic Church.

Fr. Peter Scott will be doing a Lenten Day of Recollection on Saturday, February 24 from 8:30-2:30pm. Due to the very limited air-conditioned space, we are forced to limit the number of participants to 60. Norma Thompson will be at all the Masses this weekend to register people until it is full. There is a \$7.00 fee for lunch. You MUST pre-register!

Prayer List:

Please call the office at 305-872-2537 to have a name put on the prayer list. All names will be purged at the end of each month—please call each month if you wish to have a name remain on the list.

Hilda Doody, Roger Lederer, Guenther Glatt, Rachel Miles, Mark Knez, Mary Doris Scheidell,

St. Peter Parish Weekly Meetings

Mondays

10:30 a.m. Faith Sharing/Cathy Golder Faith Sharing/Mike Copolla 7 p.m.

RCIA/Laurita Miller 7 p.m. Knights of Columbus 7 p.m.

Gerry Bauer, 305-757-4772 (1st Monday of the month)

Tuesdays

1:00 p.m. Faith Sharing/

Norma Thompson

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. Faith Sharing/

Laurita Miller

Thursdays

1:00 p.m. Faith Sharing/

Rosemary Farrell

Music Ministry (every other 6:30 p.m.

Thurs.—except before Christmas and Easter—then

it's every Thurs)

Charlotte Rudy (305-304-4051)

<u>Fridays</u> 4:00pm

Centering Prayer (Chapel) Connie Hauk (305-872-2537)

<u>Saturdays</u>

4:00 p.m. Faith Sharing/Mary Quirk

<u>Sundays</u>

Rel. Ed. CCD Classes 9:30 a.m.

Nancy McCrosson

5:30 Mass Saturday, February 17

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Jack

Lector: B. Bud Luks

Altar Servers: Hannah Burke

8:30am Mass Sunday, February 18

Eucharistic Minsters:

Lector:

Altar Servers: Nick Jude

Louis Rosasco

11:00am Mass Sunday, February 18

Eucharistic Ministers: Rosalinda Hally

Lector: Laurita Miller

Chloe Wicht Altar Servers:



CCD Classes are in the Ministry Center

from 9:30-10:45 on Sundays. It's not too late—you can still register--we have room for more students! Please pray for them and their teachers as they are trying to make up for lost time.

See Miss Nancy for the schedule of CCD events for the rest of the school year.





St. Peter's weekly 50/50!! Deposit your envelope in either the first or second collection at Mass.

Criteria: the envelope must include \$5.00 cash or check and your name and the date on the outside as well, please—this is in addition to your regular offering. Those of you with Direct Debit can sign up for Direct Debit for the 50/50 as well. #95 was drawn but did not play, so the jackpot rolls over to \$675.00!

Thank you to William Scheidell who made all of the beautiful wooden crosses (275 of them) that were given out at the Ash Wednesday Masses!

Xt3 Lent Calendar 2018

The Xt3 Lent Calendar 2018 App is available now for download on Apple and Android devices and it can also be viewed online at www.xt3.com/lent. The first feature of the calendar will be unlocked on Ash Wednesday, 14 February 2018. The Xt3 Lent Calendar provides daily content, including videos, meditations and podcasts, to assist you to prayerfully journey through Lent.

The choir is looking for YOU—if you love to sing and/or play an instrument and would like to join us for the season. You don't need to read music.

We will be practicing every other Thursday at 6:30pm in the Ministry Center.

See any choir member after Mass or call the church at 305-872-2537

or Charlotte at 305-304-9051.



Our Hurricane Support Group is no longer meeting. Our facilitator, Grief Counselor, Mary Quirk, would be happy to talk with you if you have issues with Hurricane-related stress, or issues with grief over a loss. You may call her at 305-849-1879 or contact her at aquirk@gmail.com.

Go to stpeterbpk.org and click on the Photos tab or follow us on Facebook to look at the photos taken at recent events at St. Peter Church!

Pope Francis has called for a

"Special day of Prayer and Fasting for peace in the world" on Friday, February 23, 2018—particularly for peace in the conflict-stricken nations of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan. He invited Catholics and other Christians as well as followers of other religions and people of good will to join in this event.

The DRC (formerly Zaire) is a vast country in central Africa of almost 80 million people, 70% of whom are Christian (50% of the population is Catholic) with vast mineral wealth and economic resources. Until recently the DRC has been at the center of what has been called "Africa's world war," a multi-state conflict that has claimed as many as 6 million lives due to armed conflict. South Sudan is an oil-rich, ethnically diverse country of an estimated 10-12 million people that gained independence from Sudan in 2011 after a 20 year civil war. Around 60% of the population is Christian, mainly Catholic (37% of the population) and Anglican, while over 30% are followers of African Traditional Religions.

In his announcement, Pope Francis told pilgrims, "Our Heavenly Father always listens to his sons and daughters who cry to him in their pain and anguish. I make a heartfelt appeal so that we too listen to that cry and each of us, in our own conscience, ask ourselves before God, 'What can I do for peace?'" "Certainly we can pray, but not only that: Each one an concretely say NO to violence inasmuch as it depends on him or her. Because all the victories gained by violence are false victories, but to work for peace does good to us all!"

Stacey Fraterrigo and family known as

The Band Anastazja

will be in concert

This Sunday, February 18, 6:30pm St. Peter Pavilion.

This family of 11 is from upstate
New York where making music is a
way of life. A free will offering will
be taken.



Rite of Christian Initiation

Last Sunday, our RCIA candidates participated in the **Rite of Welcoming** at the 8:30 Mass. During this Rite, the



RCIA participants, who had been baptized into the family of God, affirmed their desire to learn more about the Catholic faith in preparation to be fully initiated into the Church. We as their parish family welcome **Jim Bouquet,**

Steve Chapman, Craig Crouthamel, Nancy Torres and Javier Herrera and offer them our love and support.

Archbishop Thomas Wenski issued this statement February 14, 2018 regarding the school shooting:

"It is with great sadness I learned of the tragic shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland (Broward County) Florida. I offer my prayers and those of the entire Catholic community for those affected by this senseless tragedy; we pray for the deceased and wounded, for their families and loved ones, for our first responders and our entire South Florida community.

We are all understandably outraged when innocent children are made victims of senseless violence. But, even as we are still learning about the appalling dimensions of this tragedy, we must come together as a community to support one another in this time of grief. This Ash Wednesday, we begin our Lenten Season that calls us to penance and conversion. With God's help, we can remain strong and resolute to resist evil in all its manifestations. May God heal the broken hearted and comfort the sorrowing as we once again face as a nation another act of senseless violence and horrifying evil."

St. Peter Community Food Bank has re-opened:

Winter hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday —9:30am-12 noon

Closed all other days

Horas por INVIERNO ABIERTO Lunes, Moartes, Miercoles y Jueves 9:30-12 de la manana Donations of non-perishable goods are welcome and are greatly appreciated!

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!



Thank You!

THANK YOU to everyone who generously made a commitment to the 2018 Archbishop' Charities and Development Drive (ABCD). To date, 45 of our families have responded. However, we need the support of all members of St. Peter's of we are to be successful in reaching our parish goal of \$16,000.00

ABCD is our opportunity to unite together as one Catholic family to answer Jesus' call to help our brothers and sisters in their time of need—even a small gift can make a big difference. Whether your gift is \$50, \$365, \$500 or even \$1,000, it is truly impactful and appreciated. If you have not yet responded to the 2018 ABCD, please consider making a gift—a gift from the heart—by using the pledge envelopes available in the back of the church, in the office or from an usher—or by making a gift online at www.isupportabcd.org.

Thank you for all you do and the spirit in which you do it! God bless you!



Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent at 3pm in the Pavilion

Spend some time this Lent reflecting on God's great love for us, shown on the Cross.

February 23 -- Richard G. Furey, C.Ss.R. Join us as we walk with Mary on the Way of the Cross

March 2 - St. John Paul II, 1991. Come and meditate on Jesus' Passion and Death through the Scriptural Station of the Cross.

March 9—Paul Claudel Come pray and reflect on Jesus' suffering on the Cross for us.

March 16 – - Creighton University Ministries—Reflect on the Stations of Cross as seen Through the Eyes of Mary

March 23--Sharon A. Mason—Join us for the last reflection on the Way of the Cross.

(All adapted)