St. Peter Catholic Church

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MARCH 29, 2020

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

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MASSES:

All Masses suspended until further notice due to covid-19

HOLY DAYS: Vigil Mass 6 pm Holy Day Mass 9 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:45 pm to 5:15 pm in the Ministry Center (or by appointment)

BAPTISMS, FUNERALS and WEDDINGS (by appointment)



".....He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to him, "Untie him and let him go."

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done, began to believe in him."

(John 11:43-45)

All Are Welcome

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter what your 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 self esteem,
YOU are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved and Respected
here at St. Peter Catholic Church.



Mass Intentions

All Masses are suspended until further notice. Fr. Jets will continue to offer these Mass intentions as he says Mass privately each day.

Saturday, March 28, 2020

- +Anthony "Buddy" Grosse by St. Peter Parishioners
- +Wendy Anderson by Kim & Vincent Padron

Sunday, March 29, 2020

- + Fr. Randy Musselman by Katie McCarthy
- +Fr, Randy Musselman by Connie Hauk

Monday, March 30, 2020

+Rob Wright by Mike Coppola

Tuesday, March 31 2020

+Michael Coppola Sr. by Mike Coppola

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Living & Deceased members of the Mescal Family by Margaret & Jim Burns

Thursday, April 2, 2020

S.I. Pauline Snyder (Birthday) by John Snyder

Friday, April 3, 2020

+Deceased members of the Burns & Mescal Families by Jim & Margaret Burns

Saturday, April 4, 2020

S.I. Fr. Jets Medina (Birthday) by your Parishioners

Sunday, April 5, 2020

S.I. Carolyn Bouquet by St. Peter Parishioners
Living & Deceased members of the Mescal Family by
Margaret & Jim Burns



Prayer for the Rebuilding of St. Peter Church:

Heavenly Father,
We ask your blessings on all those involved in our church rebuilding.

We ask you to guide the minds and the hands of the planners and workers and may they know they are doing Your work.

We ask you blessings on those who have made the rebuilding possible through their generous donations that their lives may be enriched.

We ask your blessings on the family of St. Peter that we may continue to flourish through the challenges we face as we rebuild and renew ourselves as true and loving community.

May we listen to Jesus' words and act on them so that we will be like the wise man who built his house on rock and pray the psalm..

"Only goodness and love will pursue me all the days of my life. I will dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come."

Amen



St. Peter Community Food Bank

Hours: Monday, Wednesday 9:30 am to Noon

Thank you for your food and cash donations! Together we are brightening up many days for the needy in our community.

Most needed items year-round are: Hearty soups, canned meats—especially 12 oz canned hams, tuna, Chef Boyardee products (flip top cans appreciated).

You can also take your non-perishable donations to the Food Bank during open hours;

Monday and Wednesday

9:30am-noon.

St. Peter Catholic Church is a 501(c)(3) corporation

St. Peter Catholic Church Website

Visit the St. Peter Church website at http://www.stpeterbpk.org



Click on the Photos tab or follow us on Facebook to look at the photos taken at recent event at St. Peter Church!

You can also donate to our Rebuild Fund on the website now!



Look familiar?

St. Peter has spent many years out by the highway blessing people who pass by St. Peter's.

Now he is relaxing in the garage until he finds a home on our property when our new Church is built.

Thank you to Haack Excavating for safely transporting him to his new temporary home!





Steubenville, FL July 17-19 "Restore US"

St. Peter Youth are now invited to register for Steubenville, FL in Orlando. This is open to all teens entering 9th grade in the fall through 12th grade.

Please contact Barbara Jackowski for more information at 305-304-8191

Grief Support

If you are dealing with the loss of a loved one, grief support is available. Contact Mary Quirk at 305-744-0139, or through the church office at 305-872-2537.



How long hs it been since you updated your will? Does it still express your wishes? Does it leave a gift to your church to carry on its ministry after your death? Please contact Nancy in the office at 305-872-2537 or the Office of Planned Giving at 305-762-1112 to learn more.



Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" (John 11:40)

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe and put our trust in the Lord?

When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need.

It opens our hearts to see God's active presence

t opens our hearts to see God's active presence in our daily lives.



Choir sing-a-long on Stock Island

On the afternoon of Sunday, March 8, St. Peter's choir members met at the Health and Rehabilitation Center on Stock Island in Key West for a "sing-a-long" to cheer up the patients there.

This gathering was designated as an outreach program to the Key West community for members of St. Peter Church. Present were choir members Charlotte Rudy (our keyboardist), Clara Harrell, Sue Myers, Betsy Shew, Susan Berenz, Andy Jakubosky, Diane Westerfeld and Lee Kiser.

It turned out to be a very joyous occasion to reminisce over "old-time songs" for everyone present.

Thanks to Mary Quirk and her Quilting Group, we were able to distribute lap warmers to all those patients who attended as a little bonus gift. These quilts really came in handy to warm all the patients on a cool day in Key West.

We enjoyed the sharing so much that we look forward to returning to the Center later on for another opportunity to sing with the patients again!



Updates from Marty Mara:

Construction:

Our church site has now been cleared and levelled in preparation for the start of forms for concrete footings. Materials are arriving daily. Some compactable fill has been brought to the site. Coronavirus has not impacted us at this point although some supplies of needed materials are being monitored. Plans are in place to supply all contractors with sufficient documentation to get through the County roadblocks at the end of the 18 mile stretch. Other than traffic delays, we are OK for now and continue to pray for the health of all of our workers.

Food Bank:

We have cut back our hours and are now open only on Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:30 to Noon. Bags are being packed by staff and distributed outside the building.

Our goal is to stay healthy and stay open as long as we have food to distribute. Thank you for all of the donations, especially from the Summerland Cove Association who had their annual food drive this week. Your timing was perfect! There is a cart under the Ministry steps for donations. Vincent will secure them indoors for us. As you know, we do not share in the grants available to some of the other food banks. We have depended on the generosity of our parishioners, residents and local businesses for over 25 years. Thank you!

Building Committee

All of our weekly meetings with contractors, Archdiocese, architect and project manager are now being done by conference call. Alternative plans are being developed to mitigate any future impacts of the virus, including the use of a private inspection service acceptable to Monroe County during their shutdown. So far we are on schedule.

Finance Committee

As usual for this time of year, the parish is running in the red. We did away with the "Summer Blues" collections in favor of Rebuild donations, plus, as many of you were forced to leave early and Masses being cancelled, our income has dropped drastically.

Thank you to those who continue to support us via mail. Personally, I have used "direct debit" for over 3 years. it is flawless, secure, and very convenient. Consider leaving Nancy a message (305-872-2537), and she will set it up for you. Thank You!

Marty Mara

Director of Community Food Bank

Chairman, Finance Committee

Chairman, Building Committee

Trust in Prayer:

A Message from Archbishop Wenski on 3/17/2020

O Mary,

you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.
O loving Mother,
you know what we need.

you know what we need, and are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection.
Amen.



Collections for the Weekend:

<u>Donations received this past week:</u> \$605.00

Direct Debit: \$370.00 (weekly)
Direct Debit: \$2,380.00 (monthly)

Monthly Rebuild \$375.00

Thank you for your generosity!





There is a a **Financial Transparency binder** in the bookkeeper's office with detailed statements, financial reports and parish budget history. This information is available to registered parishioners who wish to view it. Call and make an appointment with Nancy in the office at 305-872-2537.

Want to go paperless in 2019 with Direct Debit pulled from your checking account?

Let us know....

Call Nancy in the office for information.

Direct debit options are:

- ♦ Weekly
- ♦ Weekly 50/50
 - ♦ Monthly
- Monthly to Rebuild Fund

Are you registered?

If you are not sure, call us in the office and we can check.

Thank you for your help!

Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

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We ask your prayers for Parishioners and friends:
Roger Lederer, Guenther Glatt, Rachel Miles, Mary Doris
Scheidell, Doug Krout, Bill Carver, Lani Dugger, John Mescal,
Ismael Lopez, John Snyder, Javier Herrera, Ann Fisher,
Katherine Fasano, James Archambeault, Pat and Connie
Medina, Belle Medina-Ricasio, Beth Rodman, Bill Van Ryn,
Flo Boyle, Judy Mescal, Gerry Bauer, William Scheidell,
Mike Graham, Mason Skiver, Tiffany Howard, Nancy Lopez,
Jim Oettle.

Please let us know in the office if you or someone else is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist at home. Call the office at 305-872-2537.

Address Change: We have closed our Post Office box. Our only mailing address now is: 31300 Overseas Highway, Big Pine Key, FL 33043.



50 / 50 Weekly Jackpot

In the drawing for March 8, A Direct Debit parishioner won \$335.00! For March 15, #178 did not play, so the new jackpot will be \$257.50 when we resume again.

The 50/50 has been suspended until we are able to start having weekend

Masses again.



We thank God and all our donors! We met our \$39K goal and more before the Pandemic. We have \$44K pledged or donated—\$5K above!

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St. Peter Catholic Church Education Fund Scholarship Program

Accepting applications now—Contact Honora at Honora@stpeterbpk.org.



The St. Peter Catholic Church Education Fund mission is to help members of the parish pursue their educational goals. Scholarships are awarded on an annual basis. The funds are earmarked for tuition. Funding is limited and unfortunately, some candidates may receive less that the amount requested or may be denied a scholarship and invited to reapply the following year.

The requirements for applicant are as follows:

- A completed application and a personal interview.
- Participation in parish activities such as altar server and youth group.
- A 2.5 grade paint average while attending high school, university, college, or vocational school—whichever is applicable.
- An official transcript from the educational institution they are attending.
- Evidence of the effort made to obtain funding from other sources, includ-

All applications must be in by this Wednesday, March 31.

CCD classes are suspended until further notice due to the corona virus

Our bodies are the temples of the Holy Spirit. In Baptism, we were cleansed with water of Original Sin and the Sanctifying Force of God

began to flow through us for the first time.

In Confirmation, we receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and through Anointing, we are strengthened to live Christ-like lives exhibiting the Fruits of the Spirit in our daily interactions with others.

In the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we are united with Jesus Christ as He enters our body and we go forth from the Mass to bring Jesus into our daily life, in our families, our schools, our workplace.

Our body is the only body that Jesus has today to continue his work in our world and in this Parish.

This is what we learn and hope to practice through our Religious Education Program at St. Peter Church.

Thank you! Honora Shaffer, DRE 774-239-2872 or Honora@stpeterbpk.org.

Sorry—the Easter Egg Hunt has been cancelled this year due to the coronavirus pandemic.



Would you like to be a **Prayer Partner to a Confirmation Student?**



If so, contact their CCD teacher,

Rowena Frank at rowenafrank@gmail.com for details.



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