

St. Peter Catholic Church

31300 Overseas Hwy
Big Pine Key, FL 33043



305-872-2537

Office: 9am-3pm Mon.-Fri.

www.stpeterbpk.org

MARCH 14, 2021

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH STAFF:

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Vincent Padron

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30-pm
Sunday Masses 8:30 and 11:00am

Daily Masses: 9am Mon-Fri.

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

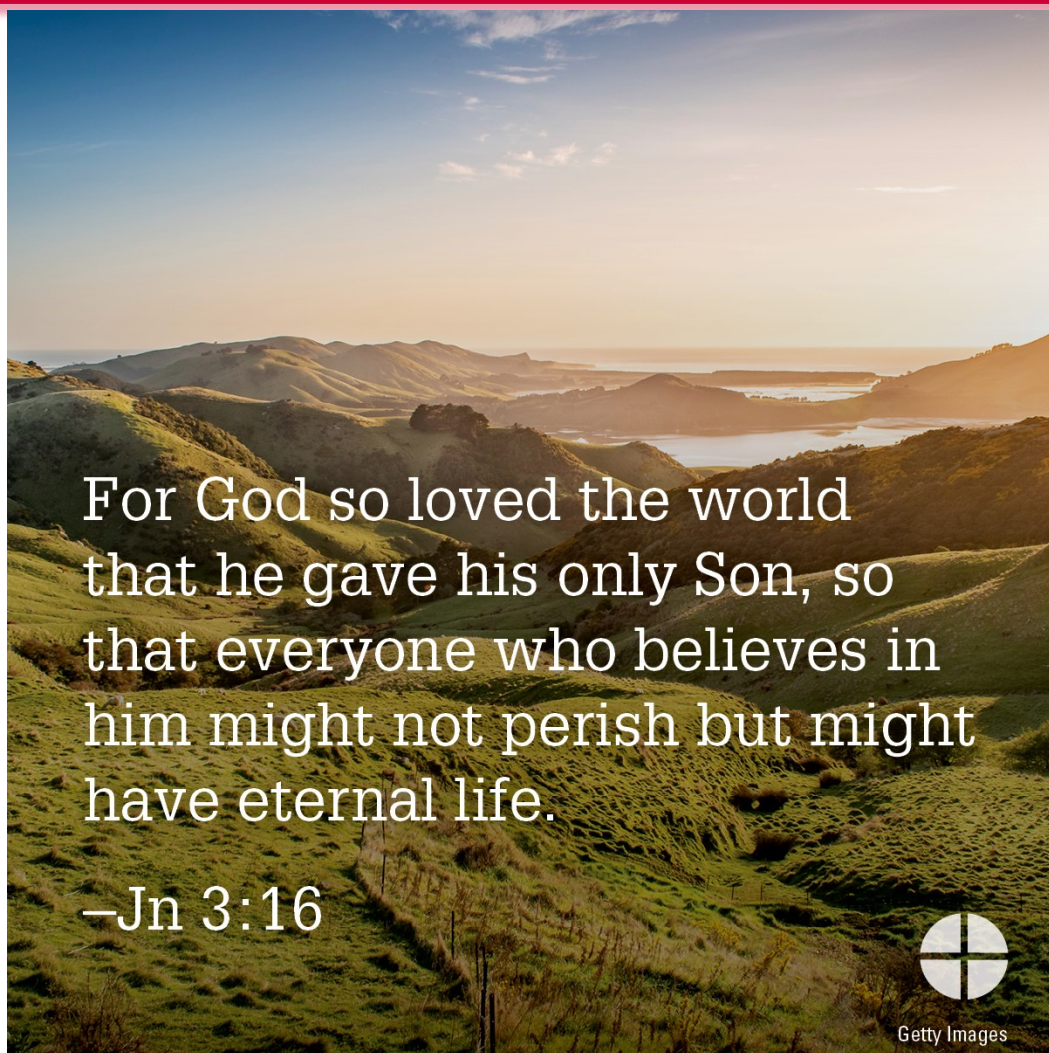
CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:45 pm to 5:15 pm
in the Pavilion Chapel
(or by appointment)

BAPTISMS, FUNERALS and WEDDINGS (by appointment)

Contact Nancy or Connie in the parish office

Office Hours: M-F 9:30am-3pm



The Fourth Sunday of Lent is the midpoint and known as Laetare Sunday. Laetare means "rejoice" and the church expresses hope and joy in the middle of our penitential Lenten practices.

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

Saturday, March 13, 2021

5:30pm S.I. Stacey by Margaret & Jim Burns

Sunday, March 14, 2021

8:30 am S.I. Richard DiBonaventura by Mike Coppola

11:00: +Wayne & Grace Lahey by Donna Lahey

Monday, March 15, 2021

9:00am +Pasquale Coppola by Mike Coppola

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

9:00am S.I. Pinneiro Family by Margaret & Jim Burns

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

9:00 am S.I. Burns Family by Margaret & Jim Burns

Thursday, March 18, 2021

9:00am S.I. Richard & Pat DiBonaventura
by Roland and Eileen

Friday, March 19, 2021

9:00am Benefactors and Friends of St. Peter Church

Saturday, March 20, 2021

5:30: S.I. Campbell Family by Margaret & Jim Burns

Sunday, March 21, 2021

8:30: +Louis Coppola by Mike Coppola

11:00am S.I. Pineiro Family by Margaret & Jim Burns

**All in-person Ministry activities, with the
exception of Mass, have been
temporarily suspended.**

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
by planners and workers and may they know
they are doing Your work.

We ask your 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 a 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

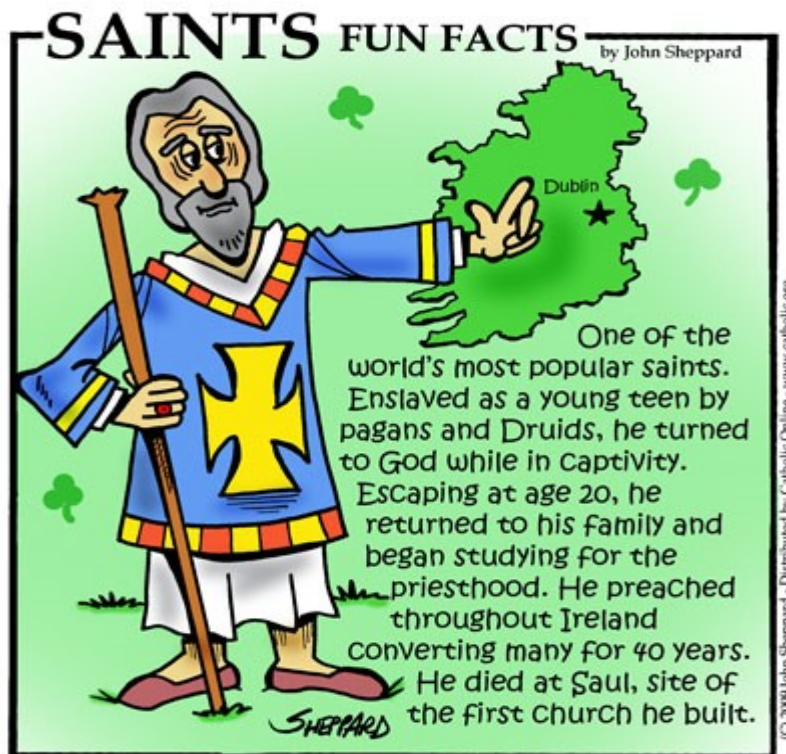
Norma Thompson, St. Peter Church

**If you cannot attend Mass in person and attend
on line or on tv, here is another variation of the
Spiritual Communion prayer
(often recited by Blessed Solanus Casey).**

Lord, please come to me in Spiritual Communion.
Send your body and blood gushing through my
veins. Send your love into my heart, my soul and
my mind. Lift me up to your bosom and infuse
me with your divine love. Amen

The Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis issued an apostolic letter, *Patris corde* ("With a Father's Heart"), for the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St. Joseph as patron of the universal Church. To mark the occasion, the pope proclaimed a year dedicated to Mary's husband, Joseph, foster father to Jesus. The special "Year of St. Joseph" will be held through Dec. 8, 2021



St. Patrick

March 17 is, of course, St. Patrick's Day, and Friday, March 19 is the feast day of St. Joseph.

March 19, 2021

On March 19, 2021, the fifth anniversary of the Apostolic Exhortation [*Amoris laetitia*](#), on the joy and beauty of familial love, Pope Francis will inaugurate the Year "*Amoris Laetitia* Family," which will conclude on 26 June 2022 on the occasion of the X World Meeting of Families in Rome. The Year "*Amoris Laetitia* Family" is intended to spread the message of *Amoris laetitia*, and it is in that exhortation that the objectives of the Year can be found.





Thank You

FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,
TALENT AND TREASURE

Collections for the Weekend:

Donations received this past week:

1st Collection: \$ 5,574.00

2nd Collection \$ 832.00 (Church in Latin America & the Caribbean)

Direct Debit: \$ 580.00

Rebuild \$ 460.00

Thank you to those of you who mailed your weekly donations to us, and **Thank you** to those of you who elected to change to Direct Debit!

Thank you for your generosity!



There is 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 2020 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:

We ask your prayers for Parishioners and friends:

Guenther Glatt, Rachel Miles, Doug Krout, Bill Carver, Lani Dugger, John Mescal, Ismael Lopez, John Snyder, Javier Herrera, Ann Fisher, Katherine Fasano, Frank Fasano, James Archambeault, Pat and Connie Medina, Belle Medina-Ricasio, Beth Rodman, Bill Van Ryn, Flo Boyle, Mary and William Scheidell, Mike Graham, Tiffany Howard, Jim Oettle, Kate Menser Hughey, Marilyn Nichols, Mark Stump, Bob Gaster, Dorothy Bauer, Pat McCullah, Lance Hill, Randy Reinhart, Patrick Mescal, Mickey McEnaney, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Diane Neault, Ruth Fidler, Kaylee Mescal, Gerry Bauer, Nita Bigelow, Tonya Marbry, Jim Burns.

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 .

Check this out!! Have you ever wondered why the person next to you never puts anything into the collection basket? Could be that person has signed up for Direct Debit and his or her donation comes directly from his or her checking account—they don't have to mess with envelopes or checks or cash. If that sounds good to you, call Nancy in the office at 305-872-2537 and she can get you started.



50 / 50 Weekly Jackpot

The 50/50 has been suspended until we are in our new church. Your Direct Debit 50/50 account will not be charged, and please do not turn in your \$5 50/50 envelopes until we resume. Thank you!

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.

2021 ABCD

ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITIES & DEVELOPMENT DRIVE

Thank You! With a grateful heart, thank you to those who generously made a commitment to the 2021 Archbishop's Charities and Development Drive (ABCD). Because of your sacrificial giving, the ABCD can bring hope by serving others in their time of need, help our students continue on their journey of learning and prepare them for the future and raise a unified voice for peace and dignity of all human life. Together, we are the Church.

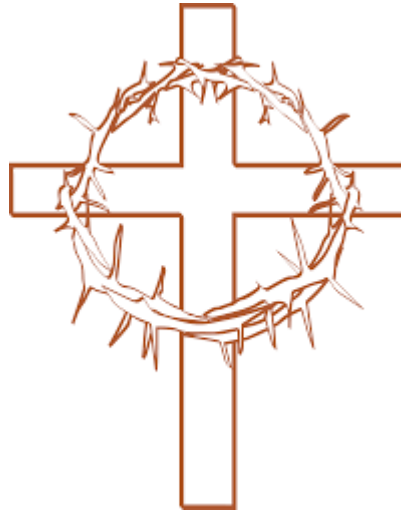
We have reached our **parish goal of \$37,000.00 and exceeded it by \$11,680.00!!** If you still would like to donate, remember that anything over our goal is returned to us. www.isupportABCD.org.

Make sure you indicate our Parish name: **St. Peter Church**. If you need assistance, please call Nancy at 305-872-2537. You can obtain a pledge envelope from the parish office or the back of the pavilion. The names below are names of parishioners who have donated so far—this list will be updated each time we get a new report from the Archdiocese.

Thank you and God bless you!

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| Knights of Columbus | Deniz Fonseca | Louis Martin | Robert Sangrey |
| Barbara Barzen | Daniel Ford | Bruce Maxwell | Thomas Schoonbeck |
| Catherine Baugh | Rowena Garcia-Frank | Charles McCrosson | Carol Schulz |
| Gary Beaton | Virginia Gaster | Fr. Jets Medina | Honora Shaffer |
| Mark Berenz | Stephen Golder | William Miller | Richard Shenk |
| Sarah Bielich-Wilcox | Rosalinda Hally | Dominic Monaco | George Sherko |
| Howard Bleich | Christopher Hanley | Ralph Montanaro | Jerry Sims |
| Armand Boisselle | Neil Haring | Sue Myers | Tamara Snider |
| Bonita Boski | Robert Harrell | Donald Nelson | Lurana Snow |
| Vivian Brummer | Connie Hauk | James Nichols | Anthony Sporer |
| Larry Bullock | Mary Ann Henderson | Jim Oettle | Chris Stangler |
| Thomas Carbone | Kathleen Henry | Pat Parenty | Peter Stella |
| Albert Casagrande | Margaret Hoffman | Stephen Paul | Leonora Stulken |
| Roberta Castillo | Thomas Janzen | Georgianna Peteck | Enrique Suarez |
| Bennett Chamberlin | Sheri Jude | Robert Pienkowski | Jean Tarlton |
| Edward Christie | Patrick Kennedy | Patricia Pollotta | James Thompson |
| Olga Conrady | Pat Kersey | Eliseo Pombo | John Threadgill |
| Michael Coppola | Lee Kiser | Mike Quirk | Steve Wagner |
| Patricia Cumberbatch | Richard Klessens | Jorge Ramos | Norma Washabaugh |
| William Devlin | Deborah Krieger | Michael Reinstein | Melina Wicht |
| Richard DiBonaventura | Bill Kruppa | Kathleen Rhodes | Nicki Will-Mowery |
| Terry Dusseau | Katharine Lawrence | Barrie Ricketts | David Wise |
| Darrell Dye | Daniel Leffers | Antonio Rodriguez | Edward Wiseley |
| Larry Elfers | Vicente Lopez | Peter Rosasco | |
| Paul Engel | Sheila Madden | | |

Lenten Stations of the Cross



Fridays in March at 3pm

In the Pavilion

Dates: March 5, 12, 19 and 26

A different version of the Stations is prayed each week
with music and silent meditation.

Please come and bring a friend - all are welcome.

Safety precautions will be observed: proper wearing of masks and
safe distancing.

2021 LENT - HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

DIVINE MERCY Weekly Novena (Feb. 3 - March 31)
—Wednesdays after the 9 a.m. Mass

STATIONS of the CROSS (March 5 - 26)
—Fridays at 3 p.m.

Lenten RECONCILIATION
—Saturdays, 4:50 - 5:20 p.m.
—By appointment, please call the office at 305-872-2537
—Father may also be available after Masses



PALM SUNDAY Masses, March 27 - 28:
—Saturday Vigil, 5:30 p.m.
—Sunday, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



HOLY THURSDAY, April 1, **6 p.m.** (No 9 a.m. daily Mass)
Celebration of The Lord's Supper and Washing of the Apostles Feet
followed by Adoration of the Holy Eucharist after the Mass

GOOD FRIDAY Liturgy, April 2, **3 p.m.** (No 9 a.m. daily Mass)
Celebration of The Passion of the Lord and Adoration of the Cross
DIVINE MERCY Daily Novena (April 2 - 10) begins at noon



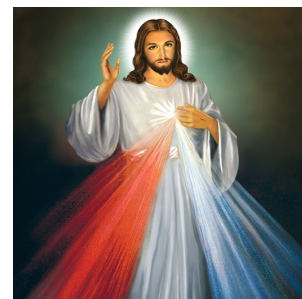
EASTER VIGIL MASS: Saturday, April 3, **8 p.m.** (No 5:30 p.m. Mass)
Vigil Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection



EASTER SUNDAY MASSES, April 4:
—8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Easter EGG HUNT, Sunday, April 4:
—after the 11 a.m. Mass in the (once) Soccer Field (west end grassy area)

DIVINE MERCY Daily Novena (April 2 – 10)
—April 2 (Good Friday) at 12 noon followed by silence until 3 p.m.
(Good Friday liturgy)
—April 3 (Holy Saturday) at 9 a.m.
—April 4 (Easter Sun) at 10:15 a.m.
—April 5 to April 9 (Mon-Fri) after the 9 a.m. daily Mass
—April 10 (Sat) at 9 a.m.





The Pumpkins Are Coming, The Pumpkins Are Coming ARE THEY?

Due to COVID-19, our Patch was cancelled last year, and due to COVID-19 we are reaching out to the Parish to make sure the Pumpkin Patch is back for 2021. We would like this to be a Parish function. What we need from you, our Peterites, is for someone, or a group of someones, to commit to taking over the Patch and continuing the enormously satisfying community service project. People stop from all over and love to walk our patch and take pictures with their children. The deer become your friends while eating our pumpkins. We need story tellers, patch sitters, pumpkin painters. You can even add to what has been done in the past.

If you are interested, and need more information, please contact
Barbara Jackowski, 305-304-8191.



St. Peter Catholic Church



Education Fund Scholarship Program

(Application forms are available in the parish office)

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 than the amount requested or may be denied a scholarship and invited to reapply the following year.

The requirements for applicants are as follows:

- ♦ A completed application and a personal interview.
- ♦ Participation in parish activities.
- ♦ A 2.5 grade point 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 efforts made to obtain funding from other sources, including, but not limited to parents.

In order to be considered, all applications must be submitted
prior to March 28, 2021.



Rice Bowls will be available from Ash Wednesday through Lent. Each family should have a Rice Bowl box in their homes for the entire family to sacrifice their pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars to help feed the poor aided by Catholic Relief Services.

Pray harder, sacrifice more and give to the poor this Lent.



Lenten Journey to Easter

We walk this Lenten journey
with immigrants and refugees,
lost, unsure of their journey's end,
still longing for a home.

We walk with those in poverty,
unable to live lives of dignity,
besieged by hunger and fear,
trying to hold on day by day.

We walk with those mourning,
what is happening to God's creation,
calling us to better care and stewardship
of the earth, its creatures, and all growing things.

We walk with women who are trafficked,
who are abused, who are harassed,
who still live in the silences,
and who want to flee the darkness.

We walk with peacemakers
walking a very rocky road toward peace
where so much conflict rages
and so many fan the flames of violence.

We walk with all those carrying burdens
yet we walk in faith and in hope.
Despite the suffering of the Cross
we walk toward to an Easter dawning.

We move toward the seemingly impossible
Resurrection, a time of justice and peace.
We walk, called forward through the darkness
by the Risen Christ.
In His name we pray.

Amen

Grades 6, 7 & 8 will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation
at 10 am this Sunday, March 14.



Easter Egg Hunt!!

April 4, 2021 after 11am
Mass (about noon)

This is a Religious Education Function. The Knights of Columbus have generously volunteered their time and talent to organize this event!! Thank you Knights!!

You can help by donating:

Individually wrapped candies to put inside the eggs such as: Jolly Rancher, Life Savers, bubblegum, Sweet Tarts, gummies, etc.
(NO peanuts or chocolate please)

Plastic Eggs (all sizes)

Prizes: individual or multipacks —example: balls, jump rope, frisbees, jars of bubbles, **or \$** so that we can buy prizes.

Deadline for donations: March 28

Drop off at Masses in bin marked “Easter Egg Hunt”
or in the Parish Office 9:30-3:00pm M-F

We also need volunteers to help with: stuffing plastic eggs ahead of time, putting eggs out in the grass, etc.

To volunteer your time, please email Chris Stangler
cbstangler@gmail.com

*Masks will be required during the Easter Egg Hunt.

March Birthday Blessings



More March Birthday Blessings



Lenten Faith Formation Opportunity:

Are you interested in enhancing your Lenten experience and learning more about your Catholic Faith? Join us each Friday during Lent (February 19th – April 2nd) from 12:00 – 1:00 for a Zoom gathering as we explore the 7 themes of Catholic social thought using resources available through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Relief Services.

Because we will be using zoom, this opportunity is open to Catholics from Key West to Key Largo. To register, or for more information, please call Patrice Schwermer at 305 807 4503 or email pschwermer@ccadom.org.



If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you.

Ascension's *Bible in a Year* Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz and featuring Jeff Cavins, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2021.

Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

- two to **three scripture readings**
- a **reflection** from Fr. Mike Schmitz
- and **guided prayer** to help you **hear God's voice in his Word**.

Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension's *Bible in a Year* Podcast for Catholics follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure *Bible Timeline*® learning system, a **groundbreaking approach to understanding Salvation History** developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

Tune in and live your daily life through the lens of God's word!

You can listen using any free podcast app on your smartphone or tablet or via your browser at ascensionpress.com/bibleinayear.



Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena at St. Peter's
Weekly on Wednesday after 9 am Mass -- February 3 until
March 31

Daily from April 2 to April 10

Please come and pray the Novena - All are welcome!

Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

God asked Saint Faustina to become the apostle and secretary of God's mercy, a model of how to be merciful to others, and an instrument for reemphasizing God's plan of mercy for the world. This message of mercy is now being spread throughout the world,

Through Saint Faustina, Jesus also revealed special ways to live out the response to His mercy—one of which is praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, as both a novena and a prayer. As a novena, the Chaplet is usually begun on Good Friday and completed on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Sunday following Easter. During each day of the Novena, which is prayed on Rosary beads, Jesus asked that different groups of souls be brought to his merciful heart to receive His graces and the gifts of His mercy. A second option is to pray the novena weekly, for nine weeks leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday. In this weekly format, the groups of souls are prayed for weekly. Both options are available this year at St. Peter Church.

As we prepare to transition to our new and permanent church, we turn to God in gratitude, devotion and petition. Surely, if we put out a little extra effort to pray this Novena during Lent, our parish will experience many blessings and conversions, God's mercy will increase in the world and we will live out the response to God's mercy as requested through St. Faustina.

Please prayerfully consider participating in the Divine Mercy Novena this year. Choose the option that works best for you, or come to both if possible:

WEEKLY on Wednesday after 9 a.m. daily Mass in the pavilion from February 3 to March 31, AND

DAILY from Good Friday, April 2 to Saturday April 10, before Divine Mercy Sunday.

All are invited to pray this powerful prayer. Of course, the option to join in praying the Divine Mercy Novena from home is available.



We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for the
KiKi's Sandbar



Square Grouper

Milagro

RE: Milagro: *Milagro Restaurant in Big Pine has closed and will re-open in Key West on May 1st at 1401 Simonton St. You will be able to use your gift certificates in their KW location as of May 1, or you can return them to us for a refund or exchange.*

A percentage of the \$25.00 goes to our Religious Education Fund and helps finance our Religious Ed and Scholarship Programs.

Gift Certificates can be purchased through the office during office hours, M-F 9:30am-3pm, or call the office at 305-872-2537 to make other arrangements.

St. Peter Catholic Church Website

Visit the St. Peter Church website at
<http://www.stpeterbpc.org>



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

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



Matching gifts are an excellent way to maximize the impact of your personal donation. Check with your company's Human Resources Department to see if it sponsors a matching gift program that will match your gift to ABCD or For more information on what and how to give, contact the Office of Planned Giving at 305-762-1112 or contact Nancy in St. Peter's office at 305-872-2537 to learn more.



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..."

(John 3:16)


Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.





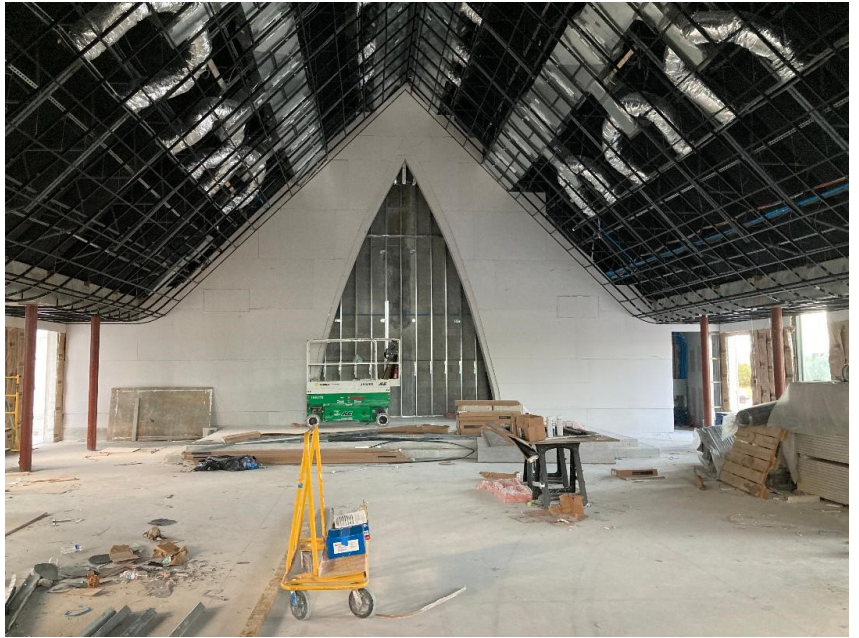
Two week look ahead
March 11, 2021

2-Week Look Ahead

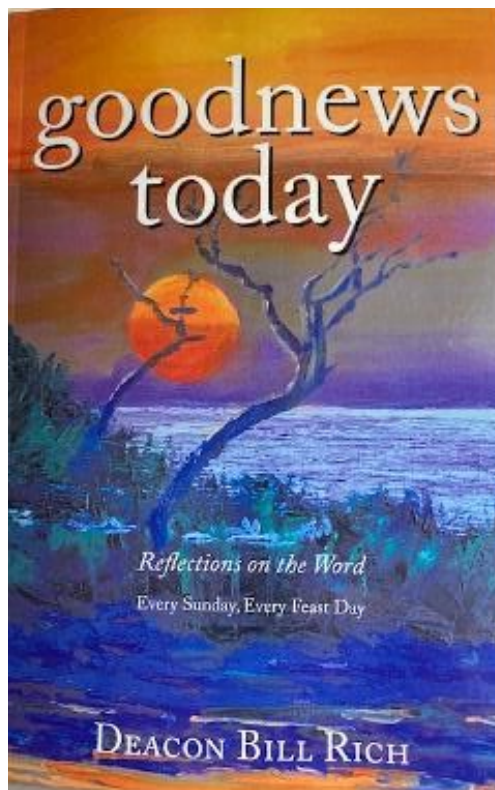
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| 3/19/2021 | March | 8-Mar | 9-Mar | 10-Mar | 11-Mar | 12-Mar | 13-Mar | 14-Mar | 15-Mar | 16-Mar | 17-Mar | 18-Mar | 19-Mar |
| Description | | M | T | W | T | F | S | S | M | T | W | T | F |
| Ceiling Frame at Church/ Acoustical frame at Parish | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Walls insulation and hanging GWB at Parish Hall and Church walls/insulation/ Tape and Finish | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rough electrical installation at Ceilings for ligths at Office, church. Install ext. lights, Wiring MDPs | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rough Plumbing at office, Rectory & main water conections at Buildings | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Installation of wood bucks, Windows and Exterior doors | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alarm system | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AHU & Condensing Units installations(refrigerant lines) Office, Church and Parish Halls | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stucco Church and Parish Halls details(windows) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stone and tiles Installation | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rectory Main Building Work | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kitchen hood installation | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Painting Exterior | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gas Line installations | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Landscaping | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Retention areas and wetlands | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

TENTATIVE
HOLIDAY

TO PERFORM







Many thanks to Deacon Bill Rich who has donated 15 copies of his new book to our St. Peter Education Fund. We will be selling them for the cover price of \$28.99 with all the proceeds going to our Education Fund which supports CCD, Vacation Bible School, Adult Faith Formation and Scholarships.

His book, Good News Today, has reflections for every Sunday and every feast day for cycles A, B and C. The source materials for the book are three years of short reflections he did for a multi-parish website many years ago called "Good News Today".

This book is written for any Christian who would like to celebrate the good news in his or her life or is looking for thought-provoking reflections based on selected Gospel passages; or would just like to have a thoughtful homily to reflect on every Sunday.

Deacon Bill and his wife Frannie served for many years at St. Peter Parish and Bill was the driving force behind 12 years of Emmaus Retreats here. They now live in Juno Beach, Florida.

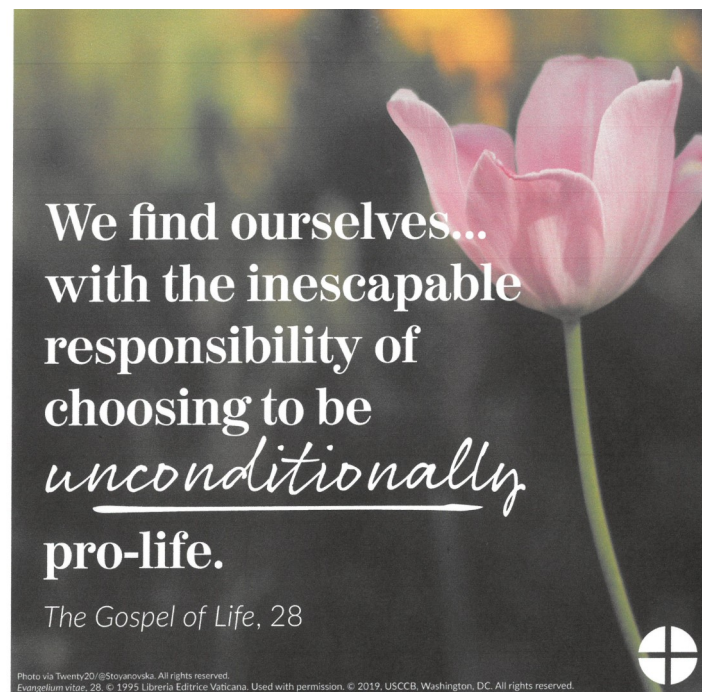
Anyone who would like to write a review of this book on Amazon is eligible to receive a print of the cover painting. It was painted by Deacon Bill from an Easter Sunday Sunrise service here in the Keys. If you have written such a review, please let us know in the office and we will forward the info to Bill and he will send you a print.

Legislators seek to ban abortion at 20-weeks gestation

During a virtual press conference organized by the Susan B. Anthony List and other pro-life allies, Senators Ana Maria Rodriguez and Ray Rodriguez and Reps. Tommy Gregory and David Borrero announced their support and sponsorship of the Florida Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

To be filed for the upcoming legislative session which began March 2, the bill would ban abortions at 20-weeks gestation, a point by which science reveals unborn babies feel pain. Florida already prohibits abortions in the third trimester and when a baby is viable outside the womb. This proposal would further limit when an abortion can be performed. Twenty-three states have already passed similar legislation, including neighboring states like Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and South Carolina.

Ingrid Delgado, FCCB (Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops) associate for social concerns/ respect life, also participated in the news conference. The FCCB looks forward to the day that abortion is not only illegal, but unthinkable. For this reason, Catholic ministries provide support to mothers who may need assistance with baby items, parenting classes, housing, child care, and job readiness programs. However, as long as abortion is legal, we support incremental improvements such as prohibiting abortion at 20-weeks gestation.



“We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’. We find ourselves not only “faced with” but necessarily “in the midst of” this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life.” (The Gospel of Life 28) *(This quote is from Evangelium Vitae, by Pope St. John Paul II)*

For more information and ways to participate and volunteer in the respect life ministry in our parish, please contact Maria Sims at 305-394-7857 or the parish office, Please review the information in more detail at the website respectlifemiami.org.

Florida Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

In the Florida Senate, this bill is SB744: The State Senator for our District (District 39) is Ana Maria Rodriguez. Her district office is at 8401 Northwest 53rd Terrace, Suite 107, Doral, FL 33166. Phone # 305-470-2552. You can contact her by email if you go to flsenate.gov/Senators, select her name from the list of State Senators and email her from there.

In the Florida house of Representatives, this bill is HB351: The Representative for our district (Dist. 120) is James “Jim” Mooney, Jr. 1102 The Capitol, 402 South Monroe St. Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300 (850) 717-5120. You can contact him if you go to MyFloridaHouse.gov. Select Rep. Mooney and click on “contact him” and you can email him.

Respect Life Ministry exists to uphold the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death;

The four pillars are:

- 1.) Public information and education to deepen understanding of the sanctity of life and the moral evil of intentionally killing innocent human beings.
- 2.) Prayer, that the culture of death will be replaced by a culture of life and love (both individual and communal).
- 3.) Public policy efforts that are directed at restoring legal protection to the lives of unborn children by providing morally acceptable alternatives to abortion.
- 4.) Pastoral care which involves care for women with problems related to pregnancy and for all those who have been involved in abortion.

Your parish contact for all things related to the Virtus (Protecting God's Children and Vulnerable Adults) program is Ellen Age: Ellen@stpeterbpbk.org



Pick up a Lenten Rice Bowl at Church, and help Catholic Relief Services relieve suffering in over 100 countries! CRS takes one of the lowest percentages in administrative costs—93.4% of your donation reaches the poor. Turn in your donations Easter Sunday or the week following.

Participate in Winn-Dixie's Giving Tag Program

which runs all year long. All you have to do is purchase the Community Bag for @2.50 at any Winn-Dixie and follow the instructions on the attached Giving Tag to direct a \$1 donation to the **St. Peter Community Food Bank**. To learn more about this program, please visit seg.bags4mycause.com.

St. Peter Community Food Bank

We are now open only on Wednesdays from 9:30-noon — food is temporarily being distributed from the tent in the parking lot



Dear Peterites: THANK YOU for your generosity and continued support! Because of your good deeds we were able to continue to help many clients with food during difficult times. We pray the Lord blesses your giving hearts abundantly.

Gratefully: the Food Bank Volunteer Staff

Most needed items are: canned goods: tuna & chicken, Vienna sausage, Hearty soups, canned meats—Chef Boyardee products (flip top cans appreciated), canned vegetables & fruit.

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Your Parish contact person for all things related to the Food Bank is Director, Bob Pienkowski: bob@stpeterbpbk.org

Donna Dye asks that we continue to bring cancelled stamps, eyeglasses and rosaries for the Missions. You can bring them to church and put them in the collection basket. Below is a thank you letter for the latest batch of rosaries she sent to the Rosary Project for Africa.

ROSARY PROJECT FOR AFRICA

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Silver Spring, MD 20901
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October 10, 2020

Ms. Donna Dye
St. Peter's Church
17046 Almanda Dr. W.
Sugarloaf Shores, FL 33042-3707

Dear Ms. Dye,

We thank you very much for donating rosaries to our **Rosary Project for Africa**. We are very grateful to you for supporting our mission of distributing rosaries free of charge to people in Africa. God bless your heart.

Great things have been happening in spite of the Corona virus lockdown. We have managed to ship out 7 barrels of rosaries during this lockdown period... each barrel containing around 13,000 rosaries. God is great.

Christians are being persecuted in some countries of Africa, Asia and the Middle East. They need our prayers. The Rosary is our mighty weapon and with it, the Sacred Heart of Mary will triumph.

Let us also pray for an end to abortion and other forms of population control, senseless wars and human exploitation. Our prayers also go to our relatives, friends and neighbors who are suffering from cancer and other deadly diseases. God save all of us from this Corona virus.

Wishing you and your family good health and God's blessing during these difficult times of Corona pandemic.

To Jesus through Mary,



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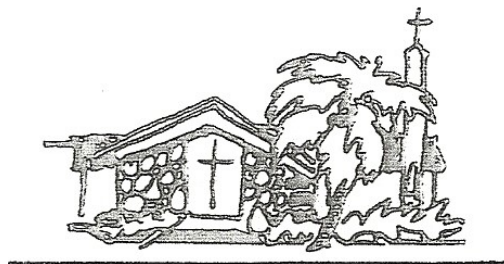
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Dear Peterites and Friends of St. Peter's,

St. Peter Catholic Church invites you to consider the option of Direct Debit, an electronic collection program to automate your regular weekly offerings, pulled directly from your checking or savings account.

Would you prefer to go paperless and take advantage of any of the following Direct Debit choices?

Here are the choices currently available to consider:

Weekly Offering: Funds pulled weekly.

Weekly 50/50: Suspended until we are in the new church.

{The 50/50 Drawing: ACH weekly debits & collecting of cash or checks have been suspended until we are in the new church.}

Monthly Choices:

Funds pulled on next Business Day after 20th of the Month.

Monthly Rebuild Offering: Funds pulled on next Business Day after 20th of the Month.

Direct Debit giving is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for our parish, especially during these times. There is no cost for you to participate.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And if you are seasonal or when future travel opportunities resume, illness or other circumstances like what we are faced with currently, prevent you from attending Mass with us here at St Peter's, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue uninterrupted.

To get started, simply call and speak to Nancy McCrosson in the Parish office to answer any questions you may have #305-872-2537.

We thank you for your continued support to our parish here at St. Peter and we pray all of you and your loved ones are safe and well.

God Bless You,

Nancy McCrosson



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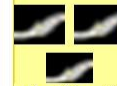
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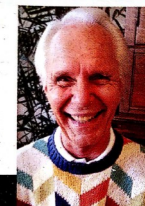
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