

St. Peter Catholic Church

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MAY 9, 2021

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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MASSSES:

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

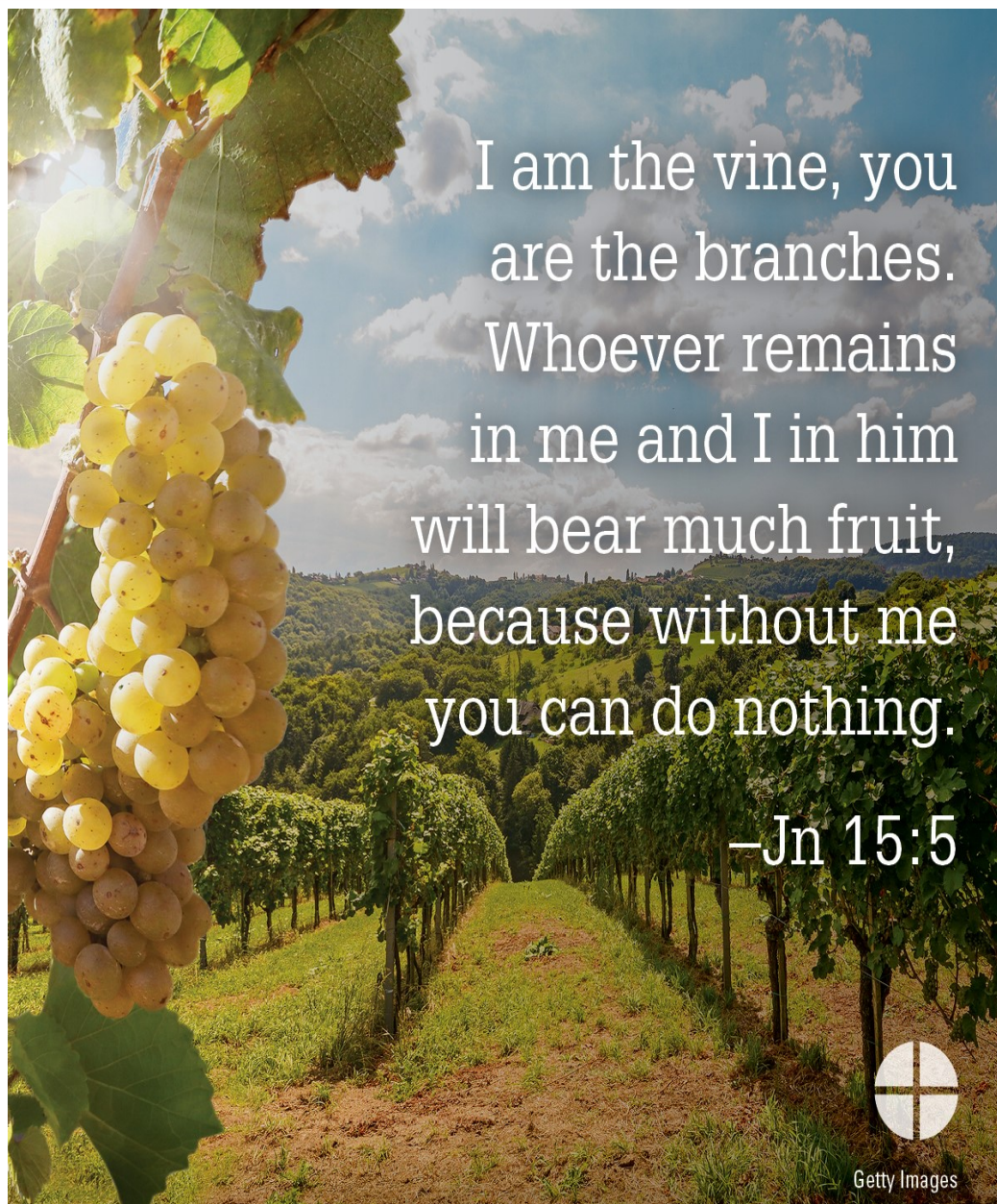
CONFESSIONS:

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



I am the vine, you
are the branches.
Whoever remains
in me and I in him
will bear much fruit,
because without me
you can do nothing.

—Jn 15:5



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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

MAY 2, 2021



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May is the Month of Mary!

As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (Lumen Gentium, no. 53)

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.

Foster Care Awareness Month

May is Foster Care Awareness Month! Join us in praying for all foster parents and children.

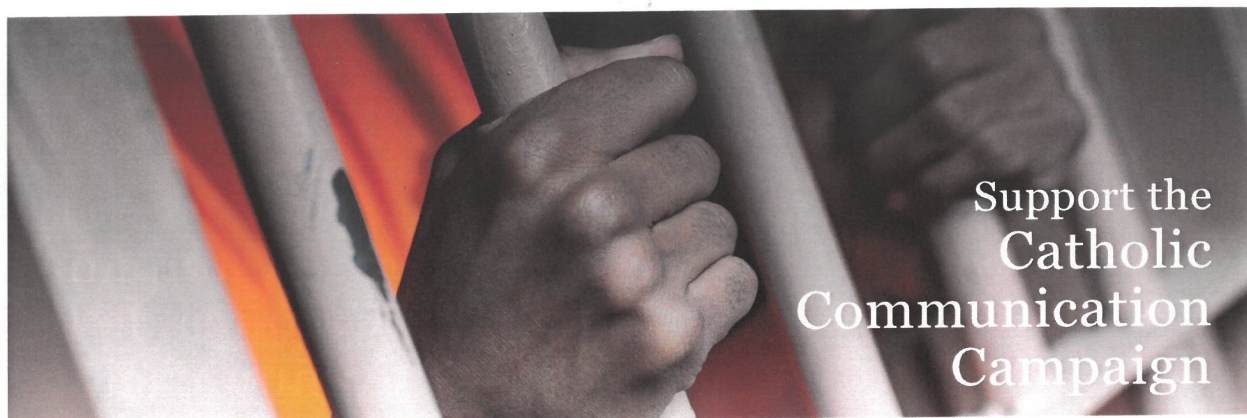


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BULLETIN

Next week (May 15/16) our second collection will be for the Catholic Communication Campaign

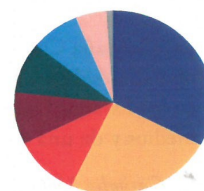


The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) is an opportunity to bring truth and hope to people across the United States and around the world through the media and effective communication.

Dedicated to the mission of ending capital punishment, Catholic Mobilizing Network works to incorporate the principles of restorative justice into the U.S. criminal justice system through prayer, education, and advocacy. In 2019 Catholic Mobilizing Network fostered discussion and raised awareness of injustices in capital punishment by creating a study guide to accompany the film *Just Mercy*. The film describes how, in 1988, Walter McMillian was convicted and sentenced to death in Alabama for a crime he did not commit. *Just Mercy* presents the true story of his quest for justice, and the study guide empowers viewers to examine the story through the lens of Catholic teaching on racism, criminal justice, and poverty—elements that impact the issue of capital punishment.

This valuable resource was made possible through the Catholic Communication Campaign. By participating in the campaign, you help foster dialogue around the country on important faith and community issues.

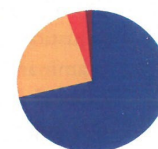
2019 DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS: \$3,835,606



News & Information Services:	\$1,253,159	33%
Media Evangelization:	\$926,466	24%
Developing Nations Projects:	\$402,834	11%
Web-Based Communications Projects:	\$338,400	9%
Building Media Capacity:	\$332,097	9%
Documentaries and Videos:	\$324,438	8%
Preserving Church History:	\$208,212	5%
Media Training:	\$50,000	1%

EXPENSES

Allocations-Internal Grants*	71.55%
Grants and Donations	23.07%
Promotions and Fundraising Expenses	4.02%
Program Costs	1.36%
Total Expenses Including Internal Grants	\$4,138,187



*Catholic News Service, USCCB.org and other projects of the bishops' conference

WHERE DO YOUR DONATIONS GO?

Half of the collected funds remain in your diocese to support local communications projects. The other half support national projects in the United States and around the world.

To learn more about the CCC and the projects it supports, visit www.usccb.org/cc.



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FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,
TALENT AND TREASURE

STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the Weekend:

Donations received this past week:

1st Collection: \$5,246.00

2nd Collection \$1,113.00

Direct Debit: \$ 580.00

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, 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, Pat McCullah, Lance Hill, Randy Reinhart, Patrick Mescal, Mickey McEnaney, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Diane Neault, Ruth Fidler, Kaylee Mescal, Nita Bigelow, Tom Vreeland, Jim Burns, Olga Nunez, Chad Barnick, Br. Bud Luks, Tonya Marbry and Sarah Peteck.

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.

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, May 8, 2021

5:30pm Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Sunday, May 9, 2021

8:30am Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

11:00am Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Monday, May 10, 2021

9:00am Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

9:00am Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

9:00am Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Thursday, May 13, 2021

9:00am Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Friday, May 14, 2021

9:00am Communion Service —Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Saturday, May 15, 2021

5:30pm: Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

Sunday, May 16, 2021

8:30am: Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

11:00am: Intentions of all mothers in the Mothers Day Novena

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

Enrolled in our Mother's Day Novena so far:

+Elizabeth Pienkowski
S.I. Sarah Fonseca
+Unita Eggert
+Ann Lombardi
+Marcella Kuhn
S.I. Rachel Rebagliati
S.I. Sara Bleich
S.I. Gisella Rebagliati
+Bertha Lopez
+Erna Hally
S.I. Mimi Myers
S.I. Denise Myers
S.I. Allison Myers
+Alice Myers
+Henrietta Mengel
S.I. Mary Stanley
S.I. Georgiana Peteck
+Helen Swiacki
+Billie Schmidt
S.I. Karlene Punancy
+Gertrude Baulch
+Nellie Matlosz
+Helen Holmes
S.I. Monica Matlosz
S.I. America Rivera
S.I. Luisa Lopez
S.I. Madeline Deane
+Marion McCrosson
S.I. Christine Barrows
S.I. Jillian Francis
S.I. Joan Height
+Lou Ann Francis
S.I. Sarah Francis
+Theresa Walters
+G.G. (Grace Lahey)
+Gladys Smith Jenkins
+Thelma Mari Scheidell
S.I. Connie Medina
S.I. Annabelle Medina-Ricasio
S.I. Elinor Medina-Faldas
+Verona Ebel
+Anna Ebel
+Justina Janicek



Our Mothers Day Novena of masses from May 8 through May 16 here at St. Peter's. The Spiritual Bouquet envelopes are on the altar and we will pray for all those enrolled at every Mass from the 8th through the 16th.

S.I. Annette Miller
S.I. Canice Kobus
S.I. Geri Ebel
S.I. Linda Ebel
+Wanda Sue Bach
+Delores Dorsey
+Betty Schling
S.I. Jean Paul
S.I. Marta Palacid
+Margot Estrocha
+Ruby Mae Weidig
+Anna Mary Paul
Living and deceased Mothers
of the families of
Metler, Rolando,
Rupert, Houze, Sovis
and Williams
+Gladys Anna Jenkins
+Thelma Scheidell
+Anne Coyle Scheidell
+Gerry Scheidell
+Theresa Coppola

S.I. Mollie C. Lamar
+Mollie Mallory
+Roberta Darnell
S.I. Nancy Castillo
S.I. Melva Garcia
S.I. Matty Frank
+Maria Ganot
S.I. Theresa McMonagle
+Laura Izo
+Evelyn Seymour



First Reconciliation



First Reconciliation:

Christian Barrows
Annabel Tipler
Edith Godlewski
Olivia Gosselin
Tomas Gosselin
Fr. Jets
(Daisy Threlkeld will
do her First
Reconciliation this
Sunday)



Special thanks to Christine
Godlewski for providing
snacks for the children
after they received the
Sacrament of
Reconciliation!



May Birthdays



5:30 Mass Saturday



8:30am Mass Sunday



11:00am Mass Sunday



Looking toward the altar



Looking out the front doors of the church



Food Bank area



Kitchen area



Parish Hall

Rectory Back

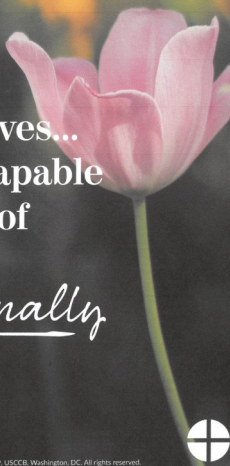


Rectory Front

Front Office Entrance



Office area



We find ourselves...
with the inescapable
responsibility of
choosing to be
unconditionally
pro-life.

The Gospel of Life, 28

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Save a life. Contact Congress.

WHAT

Congress is trying to force Americans to pay for abortion.

HOW

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that *both* Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century.

WHAT HAPPENS WITHOUT THESE PROTECTIONS?

Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion.

TAKE ACTION

Sign the petition to Congress at NoTaxpayerAbortion.com!



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- Pregnancy tests
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- Pregnancy and post- partum counseling
- Information and referrals
- Earn While You Learn classes (EWYL): Women learn about fetal development and how to take care of their babies. During class they earn points which can be spent in the boutique.
- Project Joseph: Men learn about fetal development, finances, infant CPR, and how to be a supportive husband/partner, while earning points to spend in the boutique.
- Material Assistance and Boutique (diapers, formula, baby clothing, strollers, car seats, etc)

305.273.8507 to schedule appointment

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.

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



Do you enjoy singing or playing an instrument? Would you consider sharing your God-given talents with the St. Peter's worship community?

Please consider signing up today by sending an email to jack@stpeterbpk.org.

Come and join a wonderful group of singers!

St. Peter Community Food Bank

Wednesdays from 8:00am-11:00am only



The weather is warmer now—we need to keep our food cooler (our clients & volunteers too). Food is being distributed from the temporary, portable 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@stpeterbpk.org

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.



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 call the parish office at
305-872-2537



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!



Legacy gifts come in all shapes and sizes. You can choose to gift items such as artwork, collectibles, books, equipment or other tangible items. 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.



"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

(John 15:12-13)

Jesus' commandment is that His disciples love one another, even to the point of laying down their lives, if necessary. What gifts of myself—my skills and talents, my time and resources—will demonstrate my love for God's people?



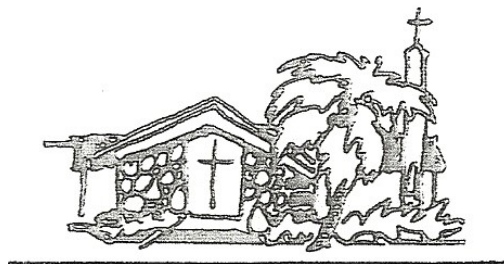
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Dear Peterites and Friends of St. Peter's,

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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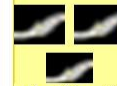
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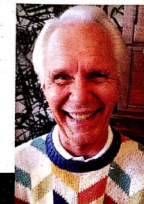
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