

St. Peter Catholic Church

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Big Pine Key, FL 33043



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

www.stpeterbpk.org

JULY 25, 2021

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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



Married love "is a
deeper love, a lifelong
decision of the heart."

(Amoris Laetitia, 163)

*Natural Family Planning
protects spousal love!*



#NFPweek

July 25: World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 25, 2021



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Today is the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly!

"It is important for grandparents to meet their grandchildren and for grandchildren to meet their grandparents, because — as the prophet Joel says — grandparents, before their grandchildren, will dream, and have illusions [great desires], and young people, taking strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy." – Pope Francis, January 31, 2021



Natural Family Planning Awareness Week

July 25–31, 2021

"To have ... To hold ... To honor, Natural Family Planning, Supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage" is the theme of this year's National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week, an educational campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to celebrate God's vision for marriage and promote the methods of Natural Family Planning.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a general title for ethical, natural, safe and effective methods for both achieving and avoiding pregnancy in marriage. NFP methods teach couples how to observe and interpret the wife's signs of fertility and infertility. In the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, NFP methods "respect the bodies of the spouses, encourage tenderness between them and favor the education of an authentic freedom." (CCC, no. 2370)

The Catholic Church invites all the faithful to embrace God's plan for married love. Learn more about these beautiful teachings which support the use of NFP in marriage at usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/church-teaching.

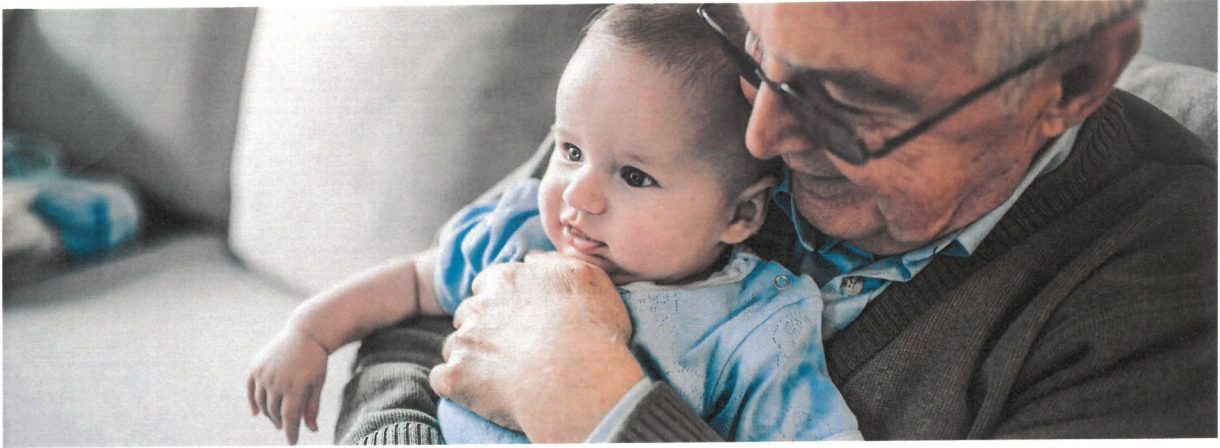


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BULLETIN

Blessing of Grandparents



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This blessing may be used at special family visits (such as holidays), at the beginning or end of a visit, or at another appropriate time. If possible, the oldest grandchild might serve as the leader.

When the grandparents, parents, and children have gathered, all make the sign of the cross.

Leader: Blessed be God, who is faithful through all generations.
R/. Blessed be God forever.

The leader introduces the blessing in these or similar words:

Grandparents are cherished members of our family. They bring gifts of wisdom, experience, and love and share with us their life of faith. We thank God for their example and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health.

Then the Scripture is read:

Listen to the words of Psalm 128:
Happy are you who fear the Lord,
who walk in his ways!
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
happy shall you be, and favored.
Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
Your children like olive plants

around your table.
Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the Lord.
The Lord bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.
May you see your children's children.
Peace be upon Israel!

(The family Bible may be used for an alternate reading, such as Ezekiel 37:24b-27.)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
R/. Thanks be to God.

After a time of silence, all join in prayers of intercession and in the Lord's Prayer. Then the leader prays:

Lord God almighty,
bless our grandparents with long life,
happiness, and health.
May they remain constant in your love
and be living signs of your presence
to their children and grandchildren.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R/. Amen

All make the sign of the cross as the leader concludes:
May God bless us and keep us
all the days of our lives.
R/. Amen



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Prayer from: *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*

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PRAYER RESOURCE



Our Second Collection next week will be for the
Seminary Burse Fund of the Archdiocese of Miami.

Archbishop Wenski reminds us:

“As we continue to recover from the hardships happening in our world,
your contribution will aid the men discerning their vocation to the
priesthood of Jesus Christ.

As we approach the August 4th Feast Day of St. John Vianney, patron
saint of parish priests, we commend the seminarians of the Archdiocese
to the intercession of St. John Vianney and St. Joseph that they may be
good shepherds and good fathers, the very best priests ready to give
themselves to you, their family, as a gift.”

Stop Your Taxes from Paying for Abortion!

Congress is trying to force Americans to pay for abortion.

For decades, Congress has protected your money from paying for abortion. Now, some powerful government officials are trying to change that.

Stop your
tax dollars from
going to **abortion.**

NoTaxpayerAbortion.com

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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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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, July 24, 2021

5:30pm +Edward Baugh by Cathy Baugh

Sunday, July 25, 2021

8:30am: +Harry Lopez by Nancy & Chuck McCrosson

11:00am: +Imael Lopez by Rosalinda Hally

Monday, July 26, 2021

9:00am Communion Service —Benefactors and Friends
of St. Peter Parish

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

9:00am Communion Service —Benefactors and Friends
of St. Peter Parish

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

9:00am Communion Service—Benefactors and Friends
of St. Peter Parish

Thursday, July 29, 2021

9:00am Communion Service — Benefactors and
Friends of St. Peter Parish

Friday, July 30, 2021

9:00am Communion Service —Benefactors and friends
of St. Peter Church

Saturday, July 31, 2021

5:30pm: +Edward Baugh by Irene Majeske
and the Baugh Family

Sunday, August 1, 2021

8:30am: S.I. Fr. Steve Matthews
by Margaret & Jim Burns

11:00am: + George & Elizabeth Pienkowski by
Bob Pienkowski

**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
the planners and workers that 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 or 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



Thank You
FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,
TALENT AND TREASURE

Collections for the Weekend:

Donations received this past week:

1st Collection: \$2,328.00

2nd Collection \$ 600.00 (Rebuild)

Direct Debit: \$ 590.00

**Once monthly Direct Debit for July:
\$ 489.00**

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.

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!



Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

We ask your prayers for Parishioners and friends:
Guenther Glatt, Rachel Miles, Bill Carver, Lani Dugger, John Mescal, John Snyder, Javier Herrera, Ann Fisher, Katherine Fasano, Frank Fasano, 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, Dolores Gibson, Sarah Peteck, John Spencer, Cornelia Meyers, Colleen Burns, Ted Kruzel, Larry Dorry and Fr. Darin Roberts.

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 .

We are now mask optional for those who are fully vaccinated—however we will still observe social distancing in the pavilion.



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.

The Gospel for All Ages

Family Catechesis

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FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • July 25, 2021

Sunday Gospel: John 6:1-15

Family Corner

About the Gospel

You are never too young to help Jesus! In Sunday's Gospel, a little boy gave all the food he had to Jesus. Jesus performed a miracle and fed thousands of people with the little boy's gift. Jesus was showing us that later he would feed thousands of us with the Holy Eucharist.

Visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings to read this Sunday's Scripture.

In Church

Look for things that
remind you of the Gospel.

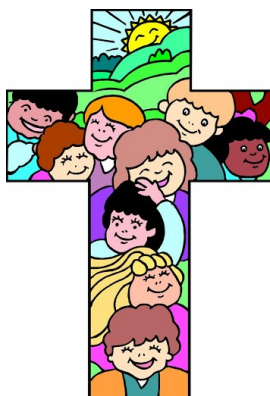
Question of the Week

What gifts do you have that
Jesus could multiply to help
others?



Family Prayer

Jesus, sometimes we are hungry too! We
hunger for love, encouragement, or peace.
Please help us to turn to you to give us all
the things we hunger for. Amen.



CCD teachers needed for this Fall

We will begin our
in-person CCD classes
in September and are
looking for teachers and substitutes.
If you believe, as we do, that our chil-
dren are the future of the Church,
and would like to be a part of won-
derful Ministry, please call the office
at 305-872-2537
and ask for a volunteer application.



Prayer for Protection From Hurricanes

Father,

**All the elements of nature
obey your command.
Calm the storms and hurricanes that
threaten us and turn our fear of your
power into praise of your goodness.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Your Son who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
forever and ever.**

Amen



THE BASILICA SCHOOL *of Saint Mary Star of the Sea*

High School Feasibility Study Survey

The Basilica School of St. Mary Star of the Sea in Key West has embarked on a six month feasibility study to see whether or not it may be possible to add grades 9 through 12 to the current school's program. This study will explore all aspects of a potential school including facilities, finances, curriculum, staffing, athletics, student life and more. We would like to have you participate in a short survey to help us determine support and demand on this educational option. Please take a couple of minutes to visit our parish website or Facebook page to answer a few short questions. The survey should take less than two minutes to complete. We thank you in advance for your participation.

Robert Wright, M.S.Ed, Principal
The Basilica School of St. Mary Star of the Sea
700 Truman Avenue, Key West, FL



The music ministry at St. Peter's exists to enable the sung prayer of the whole assembly, as well as to add its unique contribution of harmony and the various sounds of the instruments. All of the efforts of the many people who make up our music ministry are oriented toward the goal of raising hearts and minds to God through active participation in music and song. To this end, we are always looking for choir members, cantors and instrumentalists.

Adult Choir: The adult choir usually sings at the week-end Masses and on other holy days and holidays as needed. Rehearsals are weekly at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

Youth Choir: Junior high through high school teens are encouraged to participate. Students of college age are also welcome to join this group or sing with the Adult Choir as your schedule permits. Rehearsal time to be announced.

Cantors: Cantors are recruited from and rehearse with the other choirs. Anyone interested in cantoring should join a choir that sings at a Mass that suits their schedule.

Instrumentalists: Individuals who are competent in various musical instruments are encouraged to apply.

For more information about any of the music ministry groups, contact Jack Loudon at 770-870-8334 or e-mail jack@stpeterbpk.org.

July Wedding Anniversary Blessings



Thank you for saving cancelled stamps and eyeglasses for the Missions!

There is now a new request:

Matthew 25 Ministries has a **Pill Bottle Recycling Program!** They ask for clean, empty pill bottles with labels removed. They then put them in plastic bags marked "clean" and ship them along with other medical supplies to hospitals and clinics in developing countries around the world.

You may bring your pill bottles, eyeglasses and cancelled stamps with you to church, or bring them to the office during business hours, and Donna Dye will see that they get to where they are most needed!



We are looking for more ushers to serve at Mass in the new Church. The Usher Ministry will hold a seminar-workshop. Please consider serving the Lord and our parish in this wonderful and essential ministry to keep a safe and sacred worship space. Men, women and couples are welcome to serve together. Please call the office or email our Head Usher Ms. Debbie Krieger (Deborah@stpeterbpc.org) to sign up. Thank you.

St. Peter Community Food Bank

Wednesdays from 8:00am-10:00am 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@stpeterbpc.org



If you are thinking of joining St. Peter's Youth Ministry team, please know that you will receive more than you give.

The opportunities, the sharing, and the teaching are truly amazing. To know that you have touched the heart of one teen for Jesus is so rewarding!

Some of the exciting opportunities are;

Christmas Caroling to the homebound,

helping with the Pumpkin Patch,

helping the Knights with the Fish Frys,

trips,

Steubenville Florida Youth Conference,

National Catholic Youth Conference

.....just to name a few.

Our youth are the future of the Catholic Church and

we need your help to make this happen!

If you feel God is calling you to this Ministry, please call the office.

Pope Francis asks us:

"Let us encourage the generosity which is typical of the young and help them to work actively in building a better world. Youth do not solely need material things.

Above all, they need to have those non-material values which are the spiritual heart of a people ... spirituality, generosity, solidarity, perseverance, fraternity, and joy."



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



Square Grouper

Milagro

RE: Milagro: *has relocated from Big Pine Key to Key West at 1401 Simonton St. You can use your gift certificates in their KW location .*

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. (cash or check only)



You can make a lasting impact at your Parish without affecting your current budget. Simply name your Parish as a beneficiary of your IRA, life insurance Company or annuity. 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 truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." (John 6:14)



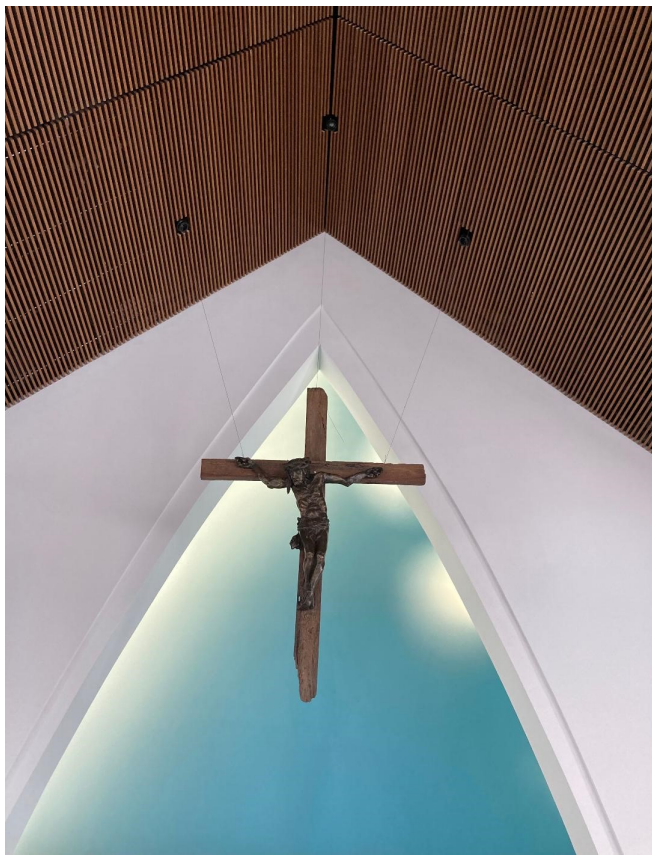
Prayer:

O God of Hope and Spirit of Consolation, we offer you our humble attempts, our brilliant successes, and our fumbled flops.

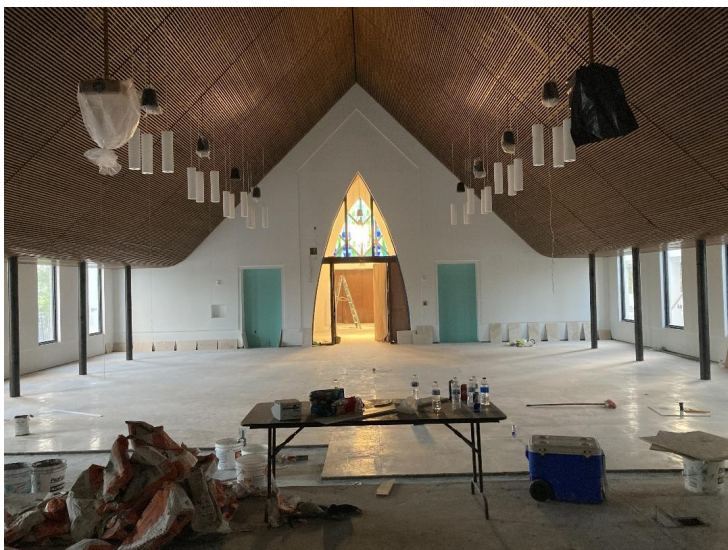
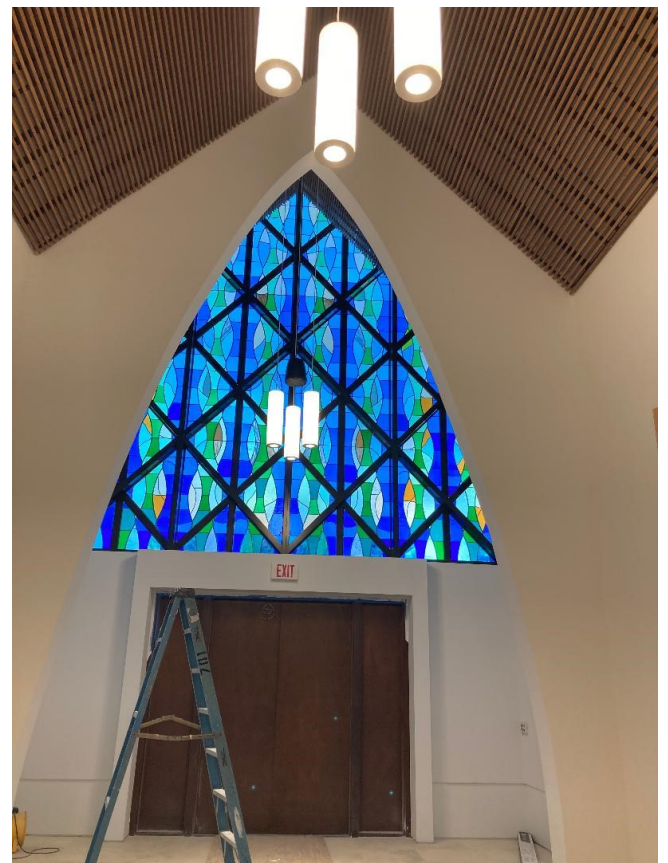
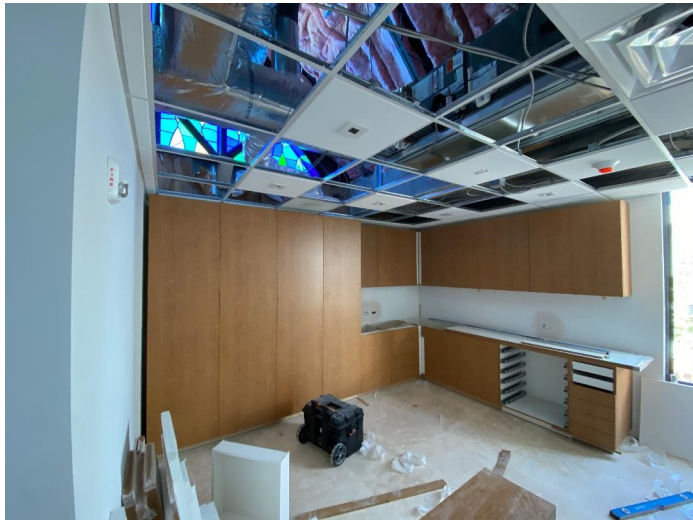
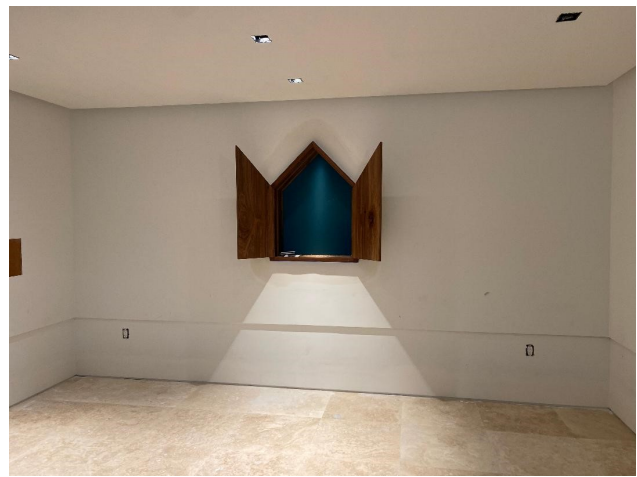
Guide us beyond the eye of the storm and give us a listening ear, that we may constantly seek your voice as we work for the Kingdom.

Amen.

Jill Maria Murdy, St. Frances Cabrini Parish, West Bend, Wisconsin



Inside the church, chapel and offices





The outside of the church
at night

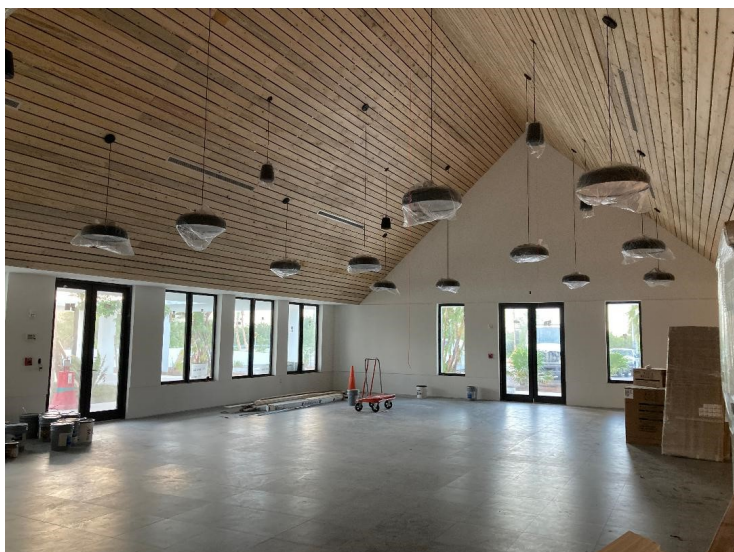
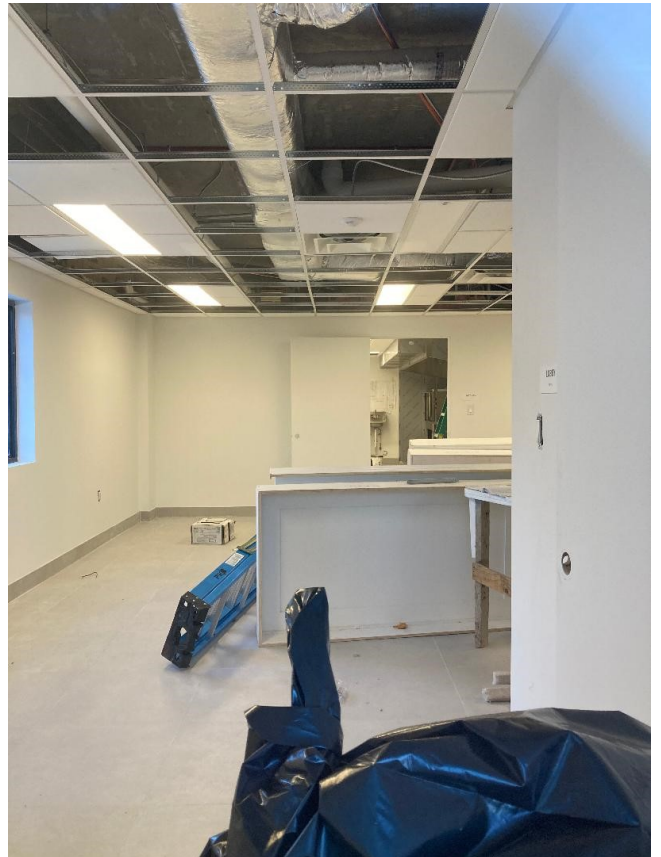


Rectory





Parish Hall, kitchen
and Food Bank





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- Information and referrals
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- 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

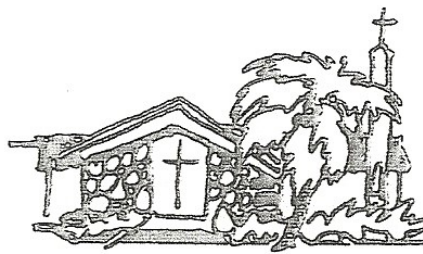
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Dear Peterites and Friends of St. Peter's,

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 the 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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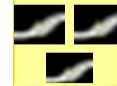
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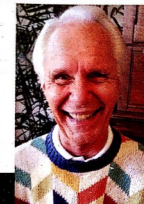
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