

St. Peter Catholic Church

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

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JULY 4, 2021

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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

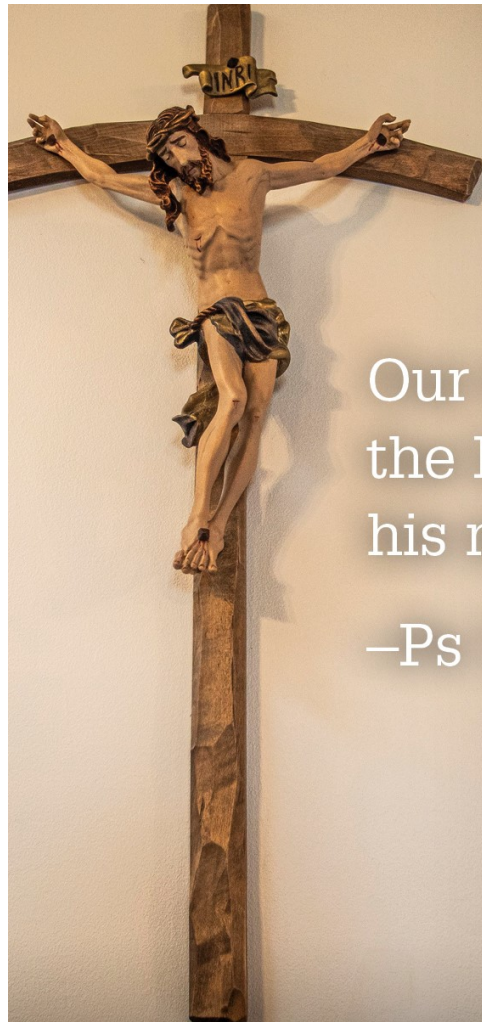
CONFESSIONS:

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



Our eyes are fixed on
the Lord, pleading for
his mercy.

—Ps 123:2cd



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A Prayer for Independence Day



God, source of all freedom,
this day is bright with the memory
of those who declared that life and
liberty
are your gift to every human
being.
Help us to continue a good work
begun long ago.
Make our vision clear and our will
strong:
that only in human solidarity will
we find liberty,
and justice only in the honor that
belongs
to every life on earth.
Turn our hearts toward the family
of nations:
to understand the ways of others,
to offer friendship,
and to find safety only in the
common good of all.
We ask this through Christ our
Lord.
R/. Amen.



Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator,

from your provident hand we have received
our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

You have called us as your people and given us
the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God,
and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit,
you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world,
bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel
to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us
in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty.

Give us the strength of mind and heart
to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened;
give us courage in making our voices heard
on behalf of the rights of your Church
and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father,
a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters
gathered in your Church
in this decisive hour in the history of our nation,
so that, with every trial withstood
and every danger overcome—
for the sake of our children, our grandchildren,
and all who come after us—
this great land will always be “one nation, under God,
indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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Newly registered Bob and GiGi Sovis receiving their blessing



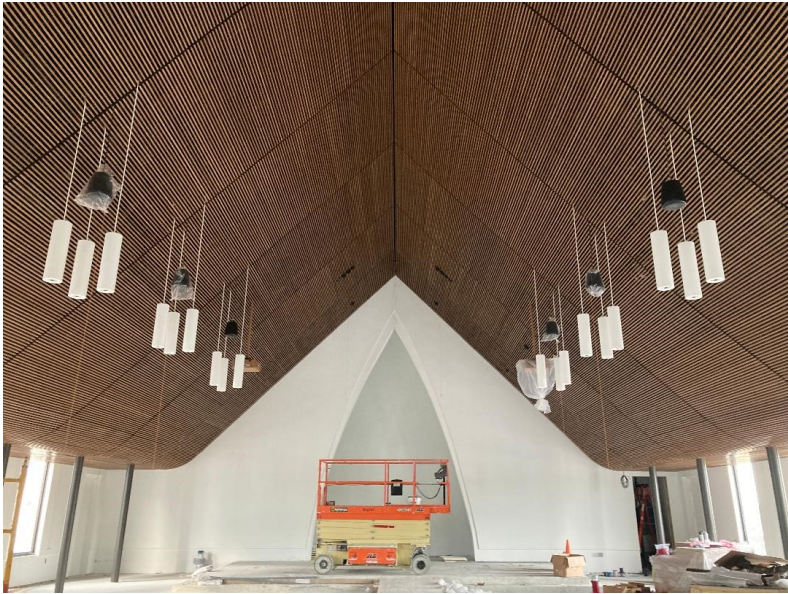
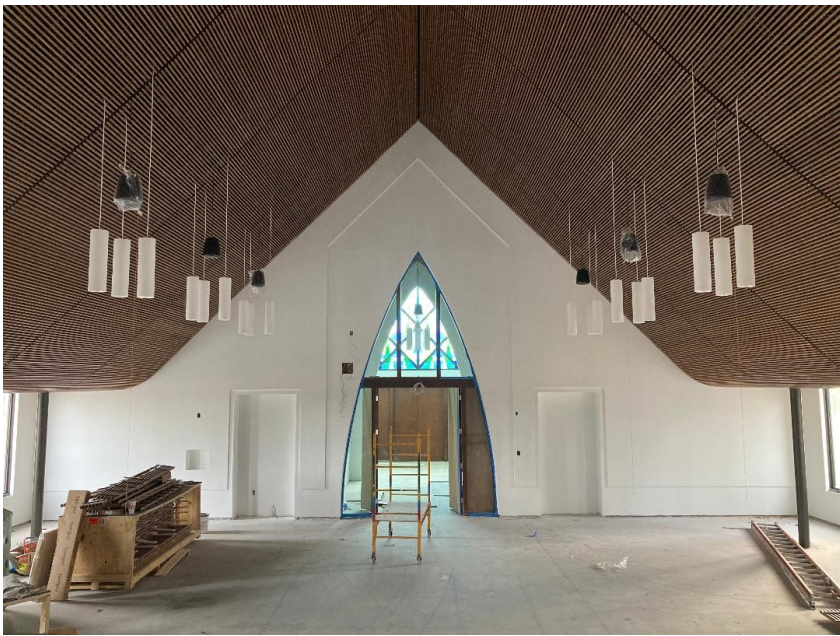
Cantor Michelle McCusker receiving her farewell blessing from Fr. Jets.



Father Jets anoints those with infirmities due to illness, injury or age.

Look who is out and about again!
Jimmy Oettle!





White paint on my nose?....what
white paint on my nose??

Rectory





Parish Hall





We have been protecting and watching our Nighthawk, Lady Isabeau, and her offspring, Fuzz, ever since we discovered mom sitting on the gravel nurturing her egg on Memorial Day. Can you find them in the photo to the right?

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 3, 2021

5:30pm +Deacon Jack Pierce

by Richard & Barbara Shenk

Sunday, July 4, 2021

8:30am: S.I. Jean Paul by Isabel & Steve Paul

11:00am: +Ismael Lopez by Nancy & Chuck McCrosson

Monday, July 5, 2021

no Mass—no Communion Service—Office Closed

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

9:00am +Roger Lederer (1st Anniversary of his death)

by Linda Lederer Gibson

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

9:00am +Garrett Zamarron & Family

by Marcia Seymour

Thursday, July 8, 2021

9:00am + Beth Wells by Lisa & Jack Lewis

+Jamie Blanke & Family by Marcia Seymour

Friday, July 9, 2021

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

Saturday, July 10, 2021

5:30pm: +Nina Shenk

by Richard & Barbara Shenk

Sunday, July 11, 2021

8:30am: +Harry Lopez by Nancy & Vicente Lopez

11:00am: +Dolores Noury by Nancy Herlehy

**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



Thank You

FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,
TALENT AND TREASURE

Collections for the Weekend:

Donations received this past week:

1st Collection: \$2,039.00

2nd Collection \$ 579.00 (Peter's Pence)

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, 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 and Cornelia Meyers.

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.



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 various sonorities of 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.



We are looking for more ushers to serve at Mass in the new Church. The Ushers 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@stpeterbpk.org) to sign up. Thank you.

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**

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@stpeterbpk.org



We are looking for adult volunteers who would like to share their faith with Middle School and High School youth in our Youth Ministry program. We will be planning

**faith events,
service opportunities
and fun activities**

for them and their families.

This is an opportunity to help guide our young people into a closer relationship with Jesus and ensure that every child receives the tools they need to joyfully be a living example of Jesus' love for others.

Please pray about it, and 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."

The Gospel for All Ages

Family Catechesis

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FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • July 4, 2021

Sunday Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a

Family Corner

About the Gospel

Last Sunday, we saw Jesus perform great miracles because of faith. This Sunday is quite different. People in Jesus' hometown could not see who he really was. They only recognized the person they remembered from when he was younger. Because of their lack of faith, he did not perform many miracles.

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

In Church

Listen carefully to the Gospel.
Consider whether you would
struggle to believe Jesus could
do miracles.

Question of the Week

Why did the people in Jesus'
hometown have trouble seeing
him as the Messiah and doubted
he could do miracles?



Family Prayer

Dear Jesus, it is normal to doubt
things sometimes. Please help
us to look past our doubt and
trust in you for everything.
Amen.



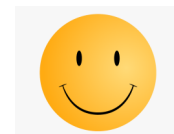
CCD teachers needed for this Fall

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 children
are the future of the Church, and would
like to be a part of wonderful Ministry,
please call the office at 305-872-2537
and ask for a volunteer application.

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





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.



"Do not be afraid; just have faith." (Mark 5:36)

Jesus spoke these simple words to the synagogue official before curing the little girl. We are all faced with challenges and tribulations daily. Do we truly have faith as good stewards and place things in His hands or are we afraid and feel troubled?

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 events at St. Peter Church!

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



PETITION **Save Hyde. Save lives.**

Taxpayer dollars should NOT pay for abortion.

The majority of Americans agree with this - both Democrats and Republicans. For 45 years, the Hyde amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from being forced to pay for elective abortion.

The Hyde amendment has been signed into law every year since 1976, whether the Congress and the White House were led by Republicans or Democrats.

The Hyde Amendment has saved nearly 2.5 million babies and mothers in difficult circumstances from the tragedy of abortion.

An overwhelming majority of Americans, including low-income women and women of color who are most impacted by it, support the Hyde Amendment and laws that prevent government-funded abortion.

We urge you, in the strongest possible terms, to ensure that the Hyde Amendment and all similar life-saving appropriations riders remain in place during the 117th Congress and beyond.

Do not force Americans to subsidize the taking of innocent life. Oppose any bill, including any appropriations bill, that expands taxpayer funding of abortion.

To Sign the petition, go to usc.cb.org



THANK YOU FOR TAKING ACTION!

Governor DeSantis Vetoes Public Funding of Abortifacients

On June 2, 2021, Governor DeSantis approved a record \$100 billion budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021. Before signing the budget, the governor used his line-item veto authority to cut \$1.5 billion from the spending plan approved by the legislature.

We are happy to report that included in his line-item vetoes was a new \$2 million recurring appropriation for family planning providers, such as Planned Parenthood, to promote and provide Hormonal Long-acting Reversible Contraception (HLARC). HLARCs alter the uterine lining and create an inhospitable womb for implantation of newly-conceived life.

We are grateful for you and the thousands of Floridians who joined us in urging the governor to veto the HLARC appropriation, and we thank Governor DeSantis for listening and taking action!



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- Pregnancy tests
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- 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

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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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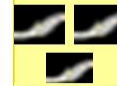
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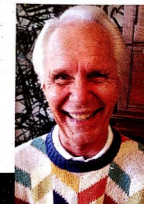
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