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

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OCTOBER 3, 2021

27th 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



"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." -Mk 10: 14-15, Lectionary



RESPECT LIFE MONTH 2021 | REFLECTION St. Joseph: Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ "came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph" (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to *Joseph* in a series of dreams how God's plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, "God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child" (PC 5).

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, "in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat'" (PC 3). His "yes" to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

07 October Our Lady of the Rosary

Memorial



This Memorial (originally 'Our Lady of Victories') commemorates the battle of Lepanto (7 October 1571), when the Christian fleet defeated the Turks. The victory was attributed by Pope St Pius V to the recitation of the Holy Rosary. This great Marian prayer is sometimes traced back to St Dominic de Guzman and his confrères, preaching against the Albigensian heresy in the 13th century, although it seems more likely to have its familiar form in the 15th century.

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Since October is the month of the Holy Rosary, as well as Respect Life Month, let us pray the Rosary this month for all who work to defend the lives of the unborn, the sick, the infirm and the aged.



Archbishop Wenski arriving for the Dedication Mass





Photos from the 5:30 Saturday Dedication Mass only—-More Photos next week and the week after—stay tuned!



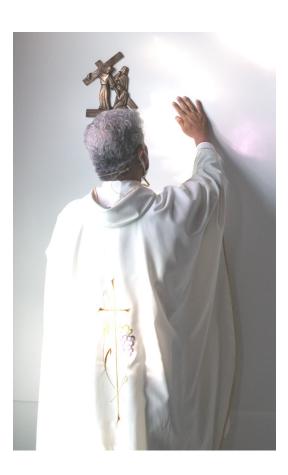


Fr. Jets processing in with the relic of St. Peter for the altar



The Relic—a fragment of St. Peter's bone

Rite of Anointing of the altar and Church Walls: Dedication Mass







Fr. Jets brings incense to those participating in the Dedication Mass from the Parish Hall.



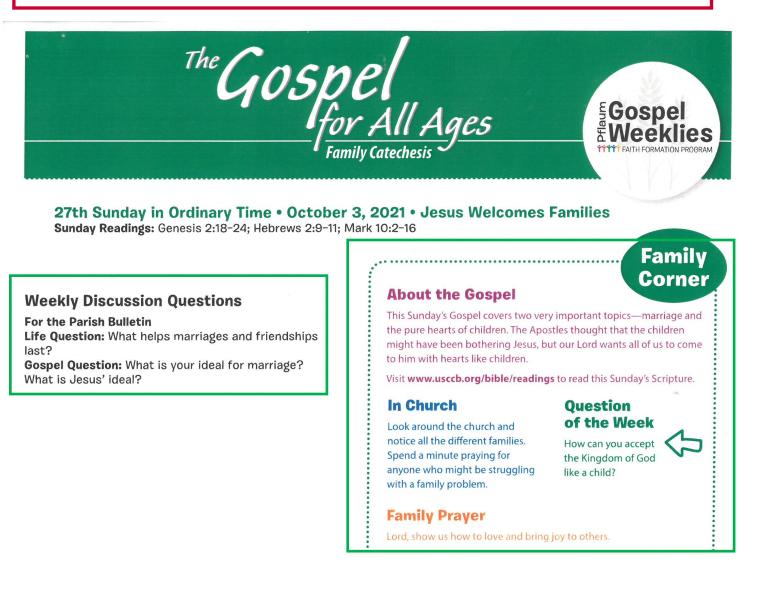




Registration is now open for our Kindergarten through 8th Grade CCD (Religious Education) program which begins in October. Please register early so we

know how many supplies to

order. Classes will be held in the Ministry Center. Rosalinda Hally, our new Coordinator of Religious Education will notify parents of registered students with the details.



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 is, YOU are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved and Respected here at St. Peter Catholic Church.



Saturday, October 2, 2021 5:30pm: S.I. Burns and Mescal Families by Margaret & Jim Burns

Sunday, October 3, 2021
8:30am: S.I. Pineiro Family by Margaret & Jim Burns
11:00am: +Valeria Kon by Makoski Family

Monday, October 4, 2021 9:00am Benefactors and Friends of St. Peter Parish

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:00am: +Judy Mescal by Margaret & Jim Burns

Wednesday, October 6, 2021 9:00am: +Carmella Coppola by Mike Coppola

Thursday , October 7, 2021 9:00am +Rosemary Weiss Mancini by Carol Schulz

 Friday, October 8, 2021
 9:00am Communion Service — Benefactors and Friends of St. Peter Church

Saturday, October 9, 2021 5:30pm: +Erik Schulz by Carol Schulz

Sunday, October 10, 2021 8:30am: +Rob French by Mike Coppola

11:00am: +Bob lacone by Mike Coppola

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

<u>Prayer for the Rebuilding</u> 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 so 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:

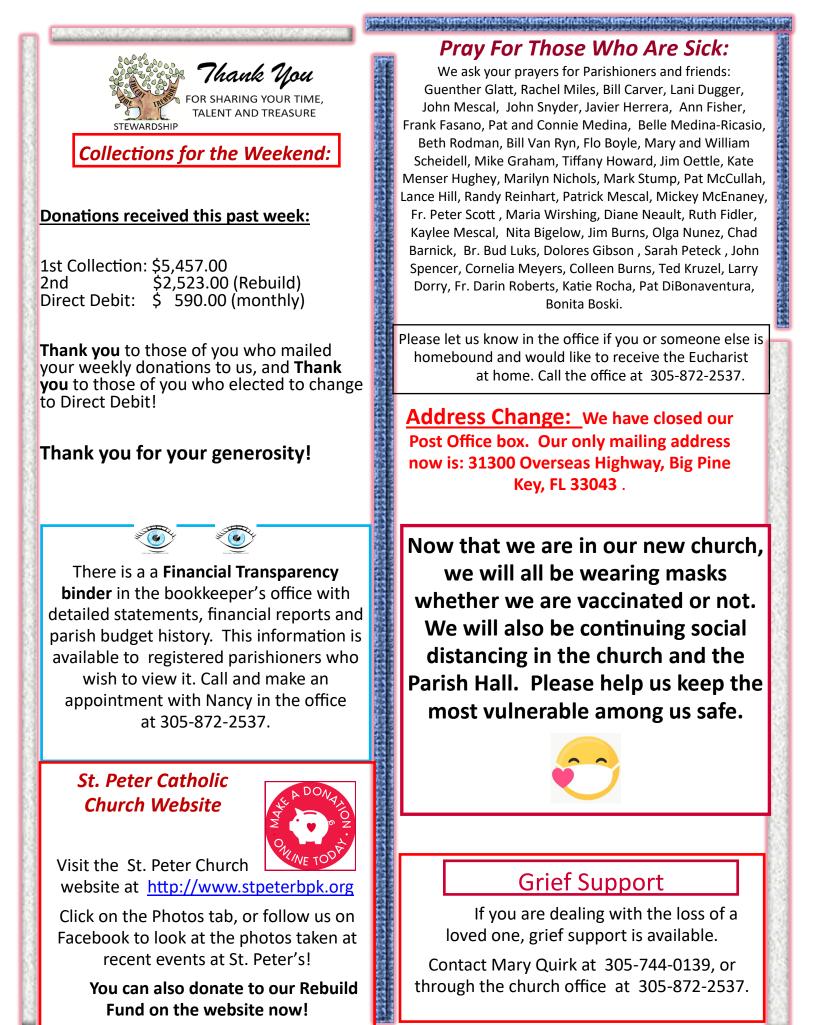
"Only goodness and love will pursue me all the days of my life. I will dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come."

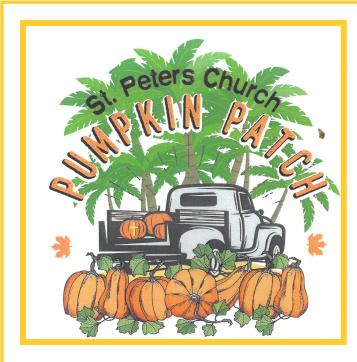
Amen

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





The Pumpkin Patch needs help with:

.Patch Sitting—7 days a week Oct 10-31

Donations of baked goods. for bake sale

.Help with Story Hour

(local school groups will be coming) Please call Donna Lahey at 305-393-3352

Prayer for Protection during Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, *hear the humble voices of your children.* The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control; the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land. and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.





BIG PINE KEY

WE'RE BACK!!!

October 10th – October 31st

To Benefit St. Peter's Youth Group

Monday to Saturday 10am – Dusk Sundays 9:30 – Dusk

Join us every Sunday 9:30-12:30 for Pumpkin Patch pictures and BAKE SALE!

Many thanks to Big Pine's own

Amy Tripp Designs for the new Patch logo!

Thank you for saving cancelled stamps and eye glasses 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, eye glasses and cancelled stamps—-and we are now taking pop tabs again too— bring them 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!

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.

<u>Cantors</u>: 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 a musical instrument are encouraged to apply.

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





The Knights of Columbus will meet this Monday, October 4 at 7pm upstairs in the Parish Ministry Center.

Calling for More Ushers

We are looking for more ushers to serve at Mass. The Usher Ministry will hold trainings. 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.

St. Peter Community Food Bank

Wednesdays from 8:00am-10:00am only

The weather is warmer now, —we need to keep our food cooler, as well as our clients & volunteers. As a result, 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 abundantly blesses your giving hearts. Gratefully: the Food Bank Volunteer Staff

Most needed items are: <u>canned</u> 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

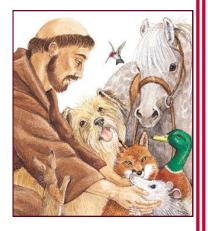


If you are thinking of joining St. Peter's Youth Ministry team, please know that you will receive more than you give. The opportunities, the sharing, and the teaching are truly amazing. To know that you have touched the heart of one teen for Jesus is so rewarding! Some of the exciting opportunities are; 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 Conferencejust 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." This Sunday, October 3, at 12:30 (after the 11:00am Mass) we will have the

Annual Blessing of Animals in the Pavilion area as St. Francis' feast day is Monday, October 4th.





We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for the <u>KiKi's Sandbar</u>



Square Grouper

Milagro





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)



In the end we are all remembered for the lives we touch and the causes we advance.. Call us today to learn more on how to create a legacy through endowed funds. For more information, 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.



"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." (Genesis 2:19)

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, from the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind; it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our church, it is now

our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.



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

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!







South Dade Pregnancy Help Center

Services Free & Confidential

- Pregnancy tests
- Limited ultrasound exams
- 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 <u>respectlifemiami.org.</u>

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.

{<u>The 50/50 Drawing</u>: 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

