

# St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

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## AUGUST 14, 2022

### 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### PARISH STAFF:

##### Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Jesus "Jets" Medina

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Chris Cassidy

#### MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm  
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 Church (or by appointment)

BAPTISMS, FUNERALS and WEDDINGS Please call the office for an appointment with Fr. Jets.

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



# 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.*



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, August 13, 2022

**5:30pm:** S.I. Ann Stella by St. Peter Parishioners

### Sunday, August 14, 2022

**8:30am:** +Robert DePicciotto by Tessie Urbanovitch

**11:00am:** +Mary Griffin by Rosalinda Hally

**(We will have our regular 9am Mass on Monday, August 15, the Feast of the Assumption. Since it falls on a Monday, it is not a Holy Day this year.)**

### Monday, August 15, 2022

**(Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)**

**9:00am:** + Jean T. Evans by St. Peter Parishioners

### Tuesday, August 16, 2022

**9:00am:** +Jerry Bauer by Richard DiBonaventura

### Wednesday, August 17, 2022

**9:00am:** +Jim Burns by Margaret Burns

### Thursday, August 18, 2022

**9:00am:**

### Friday, August 19, 2022

**9:00am:** Communion Service

Friends & Benefactors of St. Peter Church

### Saturday, August 20, 2022

**5:30pm** +Casper Orzel by Rita Orzel

### Sunday, August 21, 2022

**8:30am:** S.I. Erica & Brandon Bilecki  
by Pauline & John Snyder  
+Raisa & Rigoberto Gonzalez  
by Raisa Gonzalez

**11:00am:** +Jim Burns by Margaret Burns

## This week in our parish:

### Monday, August 15, 2022

#### The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Mass

### Tuesday, August 16, 2022

9:00am Mass

### Wednesday, August 17, 2022

9:00am Mass

Food Bank open 9:30-11:30am

### Thursday, August 18, 2022

9:00am Mass

### Friday, August 19, 2022

9:00am Communion Service

Centering Prayer 4:00-5:30 in Church

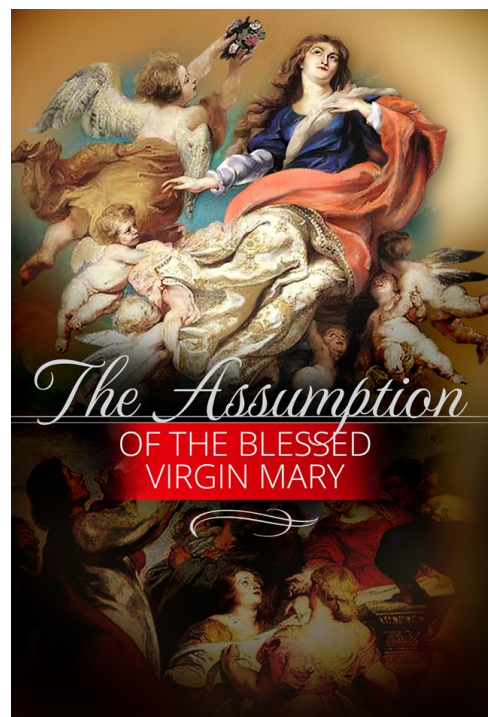
### Saturday, August 20, 2022

5:30pm Vigil Mass

### Sunday August 21, 2022

8:30am Mass

11:00am Mass







*Thank You*  
FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,  
TALENT AND TREASURE

### **Collections:**

#### **Donations received:**

##### **July 30-31:**

1st Collection: \$ 3,040.00

2nd: Collection \$ 729.00 (Rebuild)

Direct Debit weekly: \$695.00

##### **August 6-7**

1st Collection: \$ 2,071.00

2nd Collection \$ 418.00 (Seminary Burse Fund)

Direct Debit weekly: \$695.00

**Thank you** to those of you who regularly mail your donations to us, and **Thank you** to those of you who elected to increase or 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***

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's!

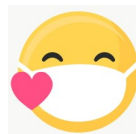
**You can also donate to our Rebuild Fund on the website now!**

### ***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, 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 Lance Hill, Randy Reinhart, Patrick Mescal, Mickey McEnaney, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Ruth Fidler, Kaylee Mescal, Nita Bigelow, Olga Nunez, Chad Barnick, Br. Bud Luks, Dolores Gibson, Sarah Peteck, John Spencer, Cornelia Meyers, Colleen Burns, Ted Kruzel, Larry Dorry, Fr. Darin Roberts, Katie Rocha, Pat DiBonaventura, Bonita Boski, Jim Thompson, Eliseo Pombo, Carmella Russo, Nathaniel Burgess, Penny Holum, Scott Bush, Sean Piniero, Larry Johnson, Lynda Haring, Elaine & Stewart Caplin. Michael Courterier, Deacon Bill Rich, Fr. Paul Milanowski., Terry Seymour, Roxanne Brown, Terri Roman.

**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.**

**The Archdiocese has informed us that masks are now optional inside the church and hall, and we do not need to socially distance any longer.**



### **Grief Support**

**If you are dealing with the loss of a loved one, grief support is available.**

**Contact Mary Quirk at 305-849-1879, or through the church office at 305-872-2537.**

We are looking for someone to trim palms and pull weeds on church property. Please help us to keep our church grounds beautiful!

Call the office  
if you would like to volunteer.



Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request in praying for this special intention.

### **Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for August 2022: Small Businesses:**

"We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crises, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities."



### **Prayer for Hurricane Season:**

**Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands.**

**Protect us, and all your people during this season of storms and hurricanes.**

**Calm our fears, and help us to prepare our hearts as well as our homes.**

**Help us to see you in all we may encounter, and help us to minister to each other in your name.**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord.**



Thank you on behalf of the Missions for saving cancelled stamps, eyeglasses, tabs from pop top cans, and rosaries—broken or whole. Donna Dye, a parishioner, Sacristan and Eucharistic Minister, will see that they get where they are most needed.

We are temporarily suspending collection of pill bottles—we will ask for them again in the future.





August Birthday Blessings







The Most Blessed Virgin Mary, when the course of her earthly life was completed, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven,”” says the Catechism of the Catholic Church, “where she already shares in the glory of her Son’s Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of His Body.” “In the mystery of her Assumption, Mary experiences immediately what we all will experience eventually, a bodily resurrection like Christ’s own.”  
says the U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults.

Although Scripture does not give an account of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, it has been a longstanding belief in Catholicism. Interestingly, it was not formalized into dogma—the divinely revealed truth of our faith—until Pope Pius XII did so in 1950.

The Assumption is not to be confused with the Ascension, in which the risen Jesus, in the presence of his apostles, was lifted up into heaven.

The Ascension of the Lord is celebrated forty days after Easter Sunday.

Speaking on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary to a sunbaked crowd in St. Peter’s Square on August 15, 2017, Pope Francis had this to say: “Celebrating Mary assumed into heaven, we want her to once again bring us, our families and our communities that unique Grace which we must always ask for before the other graces that also are important to us—the grace that is Jesus Christ.”

### Make a difference!

An unrestricted bequest in your will or trust of a specific sum of money will help to ensure a secure future for our Catholic Community. Email Nancy at [nancy@stpeterbpc.org](mailto:nancy@stpeterbpc.org) or the Archdiocese today to learn more: [spaulnoel@theadom.org](mailto:spaulnoel@theadom.org).

“Consider how He endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart, in your struggle against sin.” Hebrews 12:3-4.

St. Paul heartens us not to grow weary or lose heart, but to persevere in following Jesus.

Our willingness to give of ourselves, even in the face of conflict and division, is one way to measure our discipleship.



# Catechists needed!

Help lead our children to Jesus!



**Catechists are needed for grades 4-5 and Grades 6-7**

**Assistant Catechists and substitutes**

**also needed for the 2022-2023 Religious Education school year which will begin September 18th.**

**Catechists are teachers of the Catholic Faith,  
and are part of a very important ministry in the Church.**

**The Religious Education Program is looking for teachers  
who want to learn more about the faith  
while teaching the young people of our parish  
about Jesus!**



**Religious Education**

For more information:

Rosalinda Hally 305-942-9975

[rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org](mailto:rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org)



## Free Children's Liturgy of the Word Videos!

In response to the pandemic, Heidi and Mark Witte have been producing free 30 minute Children's Liturgy videos every week since March 2020. The interactive program encourages children to participate, appeals to various learning styles, and helps young children understand Scripture and their faith more fully! Free coordinating coloring pages are available each week for download at [linktree.com/kidsliturgy](http://linktree.com/kidsliturgy).

You can access this free catechetical resource by visiting their YouTube Channel by searching for "Heide Witte—Kid's Liturgy" on YouTube. Their program also airs on [CatholicTV](http://CatholicTV) each Sunday at 8:30 am and 6pm EST.



## **Top 10 reasons why you should be a Catechist.**

**10. We are all called to continue to grow in our own faith, and the best way to learn is to teach.** When you instruct others, your own understanding increases. If your own faith education ended years ago, the resources and materials you are exposed to as a catechist will surely refresh and expand your own knowledge.

**9. Catechists tell the truth.** In today's chaotic world, people are searching for what is real and what isn't. Catechists are like the little boy who told the emperor he wasn't wearing any clothes. Catechists speak the truth about God, faith and morals. The world needs the message of the gospel and the way to true happiness; as a Catechist, you offer a hungry world that sustenance.

**8. Sharing the faith is an honor.** It's estimated that fewer than 1% of Catholics are catechists. If you've been approached to be a catechist, or if you feel the call, you are being asked to do something special for God, for the Church, and for your fellow Catholics.

**7. Your own faith will come alive.** By acting on what you believe, you become a participant in building up God's kingdom. After all, Jesus told us not to put our light under a bushel basket, and that means not hiding it behind a missalette either. As a catechist, you will discover that prayer, liturgy, and your own relationship with God will become more vibrant and meaningful.

**6. You will become an active part of the most active part of your parish.** One criticism of Catholic churches is that they don't offer as much "fellowship" as some others. When you join the catechists in your parish, you enter a community that will support you on your faith journey, pray for and with you, and encourage you in your Catholic way of life.

**5. A Catechist is a role model.** Ask young people who their role models or heroes are, and you'll get a litany of movie and sports stars. While looking good and being athletic are fine qualities, young people also need examples of ordinary people who do the right thing just because it is the right thing. As a catechist, you get to model behaviors young people might not learn anywhere else.

**4. You will be practicing stewardship.** In these difficult economic times, families are struggling with rising prices and shrinking incomes. Being a catechist is a way of being a good steward by giving a bit of your most precious resource—your time. You might not be able to donate as much money as you would like, but we all have time and talent to share.

**3. You show your own family that you value religious education.** Taking time out of your life to teach the faith shows your own children, grandchildren, siblings and family members that you put a high priority on religious education. You may find you are teaching them as much by your example as you are your students by your lesson plans.

**2. It's Fun.** Spending time with energetic, enthusiastic young people gives you renewed energy and vitality. Kids remind adults to live and laugh in the moment and get enthused about things like holy days and stories of saints. Not to mention, there's nothing like it when a kid "gets" one of the tenants of the faith, like the Real Presence.

**1. It's what we are called to do.** At the end of his earthly ministry, Jesus said: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always until the end of the age'" (Mt. 28:19-20). By teaching the next generation about the Good News, you are fulfilling your part of the Great Commandment. It may be the most important thing you ever do.

Source: OSV/Woodeene Koenig-Bricker

## **Virtus: (Protecting God's Children and Vulnerable Adults)**

If seasonal parishioners who are Virtus certified with their "back home" parish are volunteering at St. Peters, they can have their Virtus accounts mirrored with both Dioceses/Churches. This also works in reverse if our full time parishioners want to volunteer in another location. If this pertains to you, email [helpdesk@virtus.org](mailto:helpdesk@virtus.org) or call Virtus National at 1-888-847-8879 and have your account mirrored with the Archdiocese of Miami, St. Peter Church, Big Pine Key.

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

**There are Respect Life prayer cards available in the back of the church.**

**We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for:**



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***Milagro has relocated from Big Pine Key to Key West at 1401 Simonton St.***

**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)***

***Credit card purchases can be made in the Parish Office during working hours only.***

**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](http://respectlifemiami.org).**





## **St. Peter Community Food Bank**

**Wednesdays from 9:30am—11:30am**

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

*St. Peter Catholic Church is a 501(c)(3) corporation*

Your Parish contact person for all things related to the Food Bank is Director,  
Mary Quirk: [azquirk@gmail.com](mailto:azquirk@gmail.com)

305-849-1879

## **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 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

## **Calling for More Ushers**

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*We are looking for more ushers to serve at Mass. Training will be provided. 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 at 305-872-2537 to volunteer.*





## Advertise in our Bulletin!

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- Church bulletin advertising is a key component to an effective marketing strategy
- 97% of Catholic Church bulletins taken home every single week
- 85% of church bulletins are kept and referred to during the week keeping your name and phone number right at hand.

If you would like to participate, now is a wonderful time to do so!  
Contact Nancy McCrosson in the Parish Office M-F 9:30am-3:30pm at 305-872-2537 or email [nancy@stpeterbpk.org](mailto:nancy@stpeterbpk.org)

**Thank you!**





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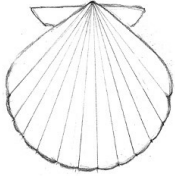
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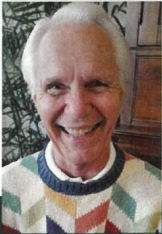
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