St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

31300 Overseas Hwy Big Pine Key, Fl 33043



305-872-2537 Office: 9:30am-3:30pm Mon.-Fri. www.stpeterbpk.org

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PARISH STAFF:

Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Jesus "Jets" Medina

Property Manager/Bookkeeper:

Nancy McCrosson nancy@stpeterbpk.org

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Jack Louden Jack@stpeterbpk.org

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Connie Hauk connie@stpeterbpk.org

Debbie Krieger <u>Deborah@stpeterbpk.org</u> <u>Maintenance Staff</u>

Chris Cassidy

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm Sunday Masses 8:30 and 11:00am

Daily Masses: 9am Mon-Fri.

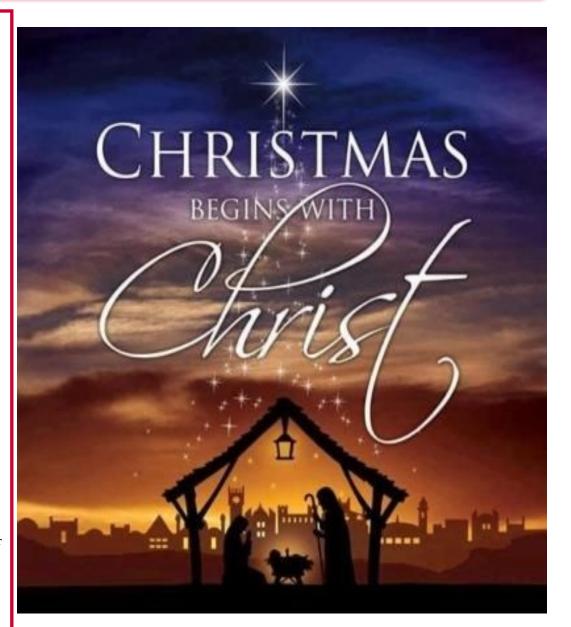
HOLY DAYS: Vigil Mass 6 pm Holy Day Mass 9 am

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, December 24, 2022 Christmas Eve

5:30pm: S.I. CCD Students, Teachers & Families S.I. Jesse Tree Families and Donors

10:00pm: +Elizabeth Beaton by Gary Beaton Sunday, December 25 2022 Christmas Day

- 8:30am: S.I. Virginia Lucci Gibson (90th Birthday) by Rosalinda Hally
- **11:00am**: +Cleveland Mathis by Dennis Hayden & Bonita Boski

Monday, December 26, 2022

9:00am: + Elizabeth Beaton by her children **Tuesday, December 27, 2022**

9:00am: S.I. Living & Deceased Members of the Gamuza Family by Margaret Burns

Wednesday, December 28 2022

9:00am: S.I. Ed Robb by Sue Cummins

Thursday, December 29, 2022
9:00am: +Thomas Estrada by Isabell Paul
Friday, December 30, 2022
9:00am +Jim Burns by Connie Hauk

Saturday, December 31, 2022 New Year's Eve 5:30pm: +Gary Ebel by Connie Hauk Sunday, January 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God

8:30am:+Elizabeth, Catherine & Marie Godfrey by Elizabeth Maier

11:00am: +Vernon Basham by Bob & Clara Harrell

This week in our parish:

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Monday, December 26, 2022 9:00am Mass office closed today

Tuesday, December 27, 2022 9:00am Mass 9:30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:30am office closed today

Wednesday, December 28, 2022

9:00am Mass Food Bank open 9:30-11:30am

Thursday, December 29, 2022 9:00am Mass

Friday, December 30, 2022

9:00am Mass Centering Prayer 4:00-5:30 in Church

Saturday, December 31, 2022

5:30pmVigil Mass

Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God

8:30am Mass

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for December 2022: Volunteer Not-for-profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

We now have a Christian Book Exchange!!



TAKE A BOOK Browse the

books <u>on</u> the table in the back of church. Take a book and keep it as long as you need. Return the book to the table.

<u>GIVE A BOOK</u> Donate a <u>Christian</u> book to the exchange by putting it into the basket <u>under</u> the table. We would like to review it

> before putting it on the table. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank You FOR SHARING YOUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Collections:

Donations received: December 17/18

1st Collection: \$ 3,257.00

2nd Collection \$ 824.00 Direct Debit \$ 665.00 (weekly)

Once monthly regular Building Fund envelopes for December \$434.00 Parish Christmas Party Bar Donations \$555.00

Bar tip donations \$157.00

50/50 House Portion \$230.00

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!

<u>REBUILD PROJECTS</u> <u>REMAINING</u>

- Property Entrance Marquee
- Property directional signs
- Food Bank handwash sink
 - Food Bank food sink
- Stained Glass Studio utility sink
- Permanent waterline run to pavilion
 - Rectory generator
 - Rectory garage doors

2nd Collection-Rebuilding Fund donations have provided for the parish the needs not covered by insurance or not covered fully by insurance reimbursements.

The above items are in process and 2nd collection Rebuilding Fund will thankfully conclude this 2022 calendar year.

Thank you for your continued generosity. For detailed information, see Nancy in the Parish Office.

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, Pat and Connie Medina, Belle Medina-Ricasio, Beth Rodman, 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,
Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Ruth Fidler, Kaylee Mescal, Nita Bigelow, Olga Nunez, Br. Bud Luks, Dolores
Gibson, Sarah Peteck, John Spencer, Cornelia Meyers, Colleen Burns, Ted Kruzel, Larry Dorry, Fr. Darin Roberts, Katie Rocha, Bonita Boski, Jim Thompson, Eliseo Pombo, Carmella Russo, Nathaniel Burgess, Penny Holum, Scott Bush, Sean Piniero, Larry Johnson,

Elaine & Stewart Caplin, Deacon Bill Rich, Roxanne Brown, Terri Roman, Brenda Haskins' mother, Greg Oarsley, the Paans family, the Pontecrovo family Mindy & Tom Carlson, Lani Duggers and Ann Daus, Tim Age.

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.



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 <u>http://www.stpeterbpk.org</u>



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 Rebuilding Fund on the website now!

Amazon offers the opportunity to donate .5% (one half of one percent) to the charity of your

<u>choice</u>. This is free and does not affect your rewards or other benefits. You must do a one time registration and choose St. Peter, then go to Amazon Smile every time you enter Amazon.

- 1. Go to smile.amazon.com
- 2. Enter your email and password for your Amazon account.
- 3. Choose St. Peter Catholic Church Big Pine Key as your charity.
- 4. Bookmark Amazon Smile so that you enter Amazon through it.

After you are registered, St. Peters will get .5% of every purchase. You can check the amount donated on the site.

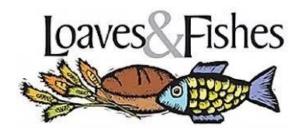
Thank you for your donations.

Calling all Past, Present & Future Altar Servers!!

We have re-established our Altar Server Ministry. We are looking for those who have received First Communion and are at least in the 3rd grade, but there is no maximum age

limit. Parents, you are welcome to participate with your son or daughter, if you like. Please contact the parish office.





St. Peter Community Food Bank

Wednesdays from 9:30am-11:30am

An update on your Food Bank Activity: Dear Parishioners: Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

We continue to assist many people in the community enduring difficult times and needing food.

Because of your generosity, we were able to provide food for more than 150 people this Thanksgiving. As we depend totally on donations, this is truly remarkable. We are so proud to represent your caring. You are truly the wind beneath our wings. Thank you!! Your Food Bank Volunteers

We find our needs also now include personal care items—-laundry detergent, shampoo, hand soap, body wash, bug spray, etc. The Dollar Stores are a great resource for these items—affordable and in smaller sizes.

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 305-849-1879

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.

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<u>Hiring Now</u>:

Organist/Music Coordinator

<u>At</u>:

St. Peter Catholic Church

31300 Overseas Hwy. Big Pine Key, FL 33043 305-872-2537

<u>Email interest to:</u>

Nancy McCrosson, Property Manager/Bookkeeper



Pope Francis has encouraged parishes to provide opportunities for Eucharistic Revival

St. Peter will be offering a five-week Eucharistic Reflection. We invite you to join us for a weekly 45 minute sharing using the booklet "Take, Bless, Break, Share" by Cardinal Blasé J. Cupich

We will meet in the chapel on Tuesday mornings at 8:15am before the 9:00 Mass.

Those who choose to may also stay for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass from 9:30-10:30

January 3-31, 2023

In order to have enough books, please sign up in the back of church

2022-2023 Advent & Christmas Seasons Schedule

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> Tuesdays 9:30-10:30 a.m. Holy Hour of Adoration resumes

(Holy Day of Obligation) Wed. Dec. 7, 6 p.m. Vigil Mass of The Immaculate Conception Thur. Dec. 8, 9 a.m. Mass of The Immaculate Conception

 Tues. Dec. 20, 9:30 a.m. Advent Confessions with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 Wed. Dec. 21, 6 p.m. Advent Confessions with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 (Individual Confessions with Fr. Darin or Fr. Jets)

Sat. Dec. 24, 5:30 p.m. Christmas Children's Pageant Mass

Sat. Dec. 24, 10 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass preluded at 9:30 pm by Christmas Carols Sing-Along with the Choir

Sun. Dec. 25, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Christmas Day Masses

Sat. Dec. 31, 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass of Mary, Mother of God

Sun. Jan. 1, 8:30 & 11 a.m. Mass of Mary, Mother of God

Sat. Jan. 7, 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass of The Epiphany of the Lord Sun. Jan. 8, 8:30 & 11 a.m. Mass of The Epiphany of the Lord

Mon. Jan. 9, 9 a.m. Mass of The Baptism of the Lord (Christmas Season ends)









Success of a single Dad!



Congratulations to Michael Cassidy, son of Chris Cassidy, our maintenance supervisor. Michael graduated from Florida International University this past week with a major in computer science.

Father Jets attended the graduation.

FARMERS MARKET

EVERY FRIDAY ST. PETER

CHURCH

31300 Overseas Hwy. Big Pine Key, FL 33043 {MM 31.5} 9:30am-2pm

{305}872-2537 For vendor info call Nancy WWW.STPETERBPK.ORG

In memory of Vincent ZafaSana by Chris Howard In memory of Rex Schulz & Sally Mabesoone by Carol Schulz In memory of Victoria Grasha by Victoria Grasha In memory of the Lewis & Holzenthal Families by Jack & Lisa Lewis In memory of the Mallory & Castillo Families by Roberta Castillo In memory of the McCrosson & Deane Families by Chuck & Nancy McCrosson To celebrate 12 Moriarty Grandkids In memory of Melanie & Carol Elfers by Larry Elfers In memory of Philemon & Leona Gilbert by Elizabeth (Betty) Zydek In memory of Stanley & Luiclle Zydek by Fred Zydek In memory of Joseph E. Liefbroer by Pamela Cebelak & Butch Landman In memory of Tomas & Margot Estrada, John & Joan Paul by Steve and Isabel Paul In memory of Tekla White & Mrs. Hayden by Bonita Boski In memory of Alejandra Migue by Risalina Cano In memory of the Lahey & Meister Families by Donna Lahey In memory of the deceased Members of the Lynn Family by Martin Mara In memory of Deceased Members of the Mara Family by Martin Mara In memory of Edward Baugh by Michele White In memory of Victoria Grasha by Ronald Grasha

Memorial Poinsettias Donated:

In memory of Domingo Rivera by Nancy Lopez In memory of Harry Lopez by Vicente Lopez In memory of the Lopez & Hally Families by Rosalinda Hally In memory of Unita Eggert & Pat Parenty by Becky Parenty In memory of Elizabeth Beaton by Gary Beaton In memory of George Madden by Sheila Madden In memory of Jennie & Alva Harrell by Clara & Bob Harrell In memory of Ignatius Vincent Warque by Michael & Pi Reinstein In memory of Nicolas & Terecita Warque by Michael & Pi Reinstein In memory of Verona, Harold & Gary Ebel by Connie Hauk In memory of Ulises and Lourdes Ramos **By Jorge Ramos** In memory of Louis & Julia Gonzales By Virginia Gaster In memory of Alexander & Stephan Zotos by Joanne Zotos In memory of Doris & Ernest Molan, and Rita & Frank DiBonaventura by Richard DiBonaventura In memory of Dana Owen Vogelsang by Madeline Vogelsang

Amelia & Ethan Solis by Carlos Solis Victoria Juliette Crouthamel and Doloree Mary Brisson by Diane & Christian Brisson and Craig Crouthamel



In Memory of Olga Majeske, Chester Majeske, Frank Majeske and Madeline (Majeske) Lee by Catherine (Majeske) Baugh In memory of the Rennwald Family by Arlene Sporer In memory of the Sporer Family by Tony Sporer In memory of Patricia Markin & Betsy Harrington by Denise & Bill Kruppa In memory of Tink & Judy Rooney by Peter Rosasco In memory of Daniel & Flora Garcia by Peter Rosasco In memory of Daniel Rosasco by Peter Rosasco In memory of Louis J. & Laura Huard by John & Pauline Snyder In memory of William & Mildred Hahn by John & Pauline Snyder In memory of George & Elizabeth Pienkowski by Bob Pienkowski In memory of William & Florence Mannix by Sharon Jones I memory of Tom & Betty Smith and Dean & LouAnne Smith & T.J. In memory of Stephen & Marie Martor and by Kristine Beal

In memory of Philip & Phyliss Fisher by Kristine Beal

Advent Prayer for Life:

God of Life, We rejoice in the promise of your coming.

You have sent your Son, born in Bethlehem.

He is the Prince of Peace, and the one in whose name all oppression shall cease.

May we welcome His coming each day and prepare for His Coming at the end of time.

May we build a culture that welcomes Him by welcoming every child, born and unborn.

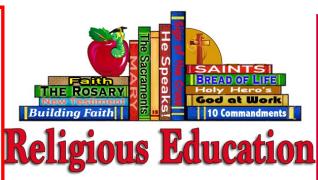
> We pray through the same Christ our Lord.

> > Amen

In memory of Philip & Phyliss Fisher by Kristine Beal In memory of Stephen & Marie Martorand by Kristine Beal In memory of Digiacomo & Parker Families In memory of the Sherko and Marich Families by Lynda & George Sherko

In Memory of Lee Jansen by Diane Neault





Religious Education Classes on Sundays: 9:45-10:45am in the Ministry Center.

We look forward to the arrival of our Lord Jesus Christ and presenting the Christmas Story on Saturday, December 24th at the 5:30pm Mass. CCD classes will resume January 8th at 9:45am.

For more information: **Rosalinda Hally** 305-942-9975 rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org



Loving Father, Help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men. Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be your children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen



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 always 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. Thank You!

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 <u>helpdesk@virtus.org</u> 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: <u>Ellen@stpeterbpk.org</u>

Calling for More Ushers

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



Jesse Tree

Thank you for helping to make Christmas happier for needy families in our community!

You generously purchased gifts for 49 children from 21 local families!



We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for:



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.

Advertise in our Bulletin!

It is time to renew our existing Bulletin advertisers and sign-up new ones.

Dear Parishioners,

Are you interested in advertising your business and promoting your company with a trusted resource that Parish families use every day?

Your Ad will include:

Full size business card spot. A digital business ad displayed on the Parishes Online - www.stpeterbpk.org with a direct link to your website.

An annual price of \$600.00 per calendar year.

Not a "Business Owner"? As a parishioner, support this vital church fundraiser, become a "Friend of St. Peter Church," buy an annual full size business card square displaying your family name.

Your advertisement supports the in-parish office publication of our weekly **bulletin.** The bulletin is *the most* trusted resource that Parishioners use when they need services, targeting a responsible and responsive family market.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING WORKS!

- You have a captive audience your church Community
- A reliable source of referrals or word of mouth advertising

 Potential customers will see your business name every week, building awareness

- Affordable local, targeted community advertising
- Shows your support for your community, in turn parishioners will support you
- Your business seen as a trusted source by parish families
- 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

Thank you!



Peter L. Rosasco, CPA peter@keyscpa.com

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Have no fear for what tomorrow may bring. The same loving God who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. He will either shield you from suffering or give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

St. Francis DeSales



Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for Us. **The Hally Family**



Answer the call! The Knights need a few good men. **Become a Knight!**

Ask a Knight or call Dan Ford for information: 931-206-9487

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