

St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

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Big Pine Key, FL 33043



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Office: 9:30am-3:30pm Mon.-Fri.

www.stpeterbpk.org

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Jesus "Jets" Medina

Property Manager/Bookkeeper:

Nancy McCrosson
nancy@stpeterbpk.org

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Connie Hauk
connie@stpeterbpk.org

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Deborah@stpeterbpk.org

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MASSES:

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

Daily Masses: 9am Mon-Fri.

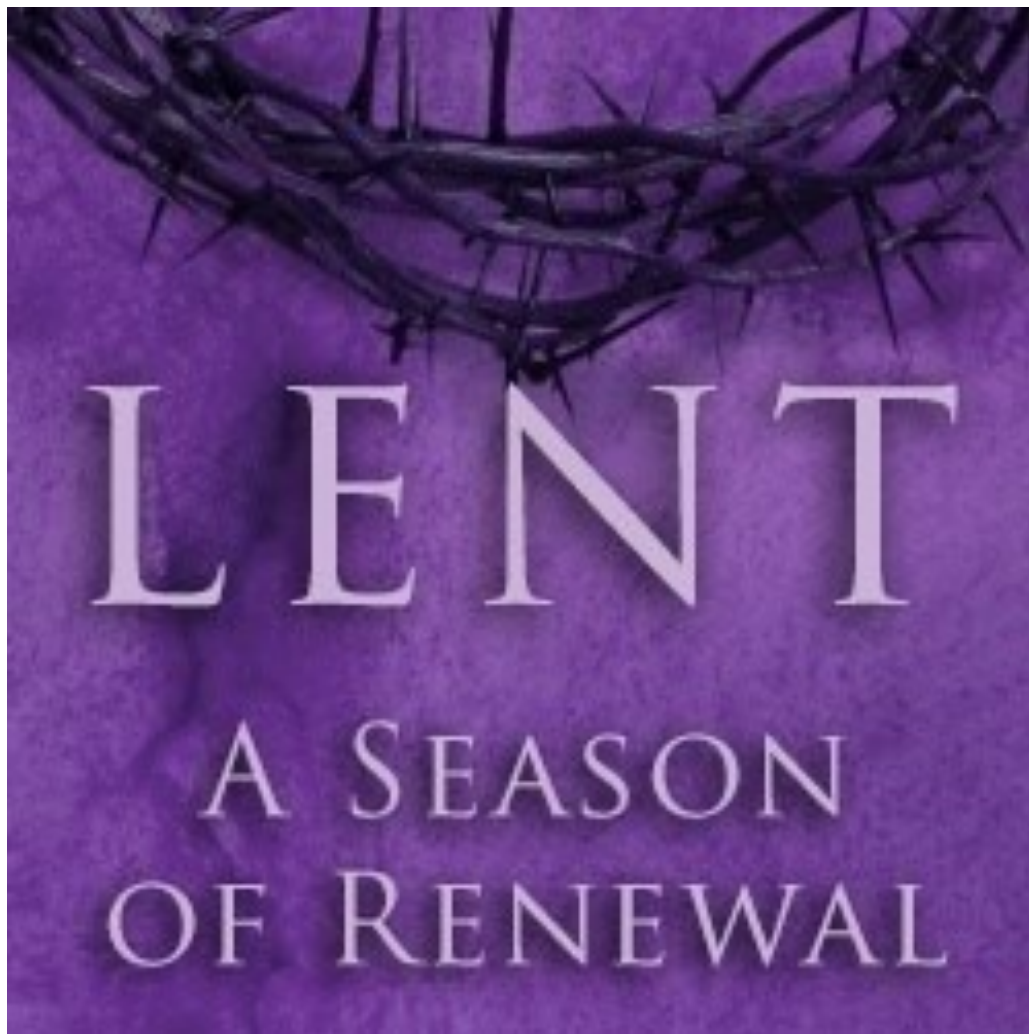
HOLY DAYS: Vigil Mass 6 pm
Holy Day Mass 9 am

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, February 25, 2023

5:30pm: +Frank Page by Steve & Joanne Siltman

Sunday, February 26, 2023

8:30am: +Henry & Augustus Fretz by Joan Fretz

11:00am: +Marshall Tissot by Clara & Bob Harrell
S.I. CCD Students, Parents & Teachers

Monday, February 27, 2023

9:00am: S.I. Rev. Ray Ackermam by Kathy Pierce

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

9:00am: +Deceased members of the Donoghue Family
by Kevin Donohugh

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

9:00am: S.I. Deacon Bill Rich by Sue Cummins

Thursday, March 2, 2023

9:00am: S.I. Mariadas Manti by Kathy Pierce

Friday, March 3, 2023

9:00am Anne Mescal & Deceased Family Members
by Margaret Burns

+Elizabeth Beaton by Gary Beaton (Anniv. married
68 years ago)

Saturday, March 4, 2022

5:30pm: +All her Deceased Relatives & Friends by
Betty Maier

Sunday, March 5, 2023

8:30am +Lizbeth Hernandez & Anthony Blanco by
Kacper Jachym

11:00am: S.I. the Montejano Family by Rosalinda Hally

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention

for March 2023:
for Victims of Abuse:

We pray for those who have suffered harm from
members of the Church: may they find within the
Church herself a concrete response to their pain
and suffering.

This week in our parish:

Monday, February 27, 2023

9:00am Mass

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

9:00am Mass

9:30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
until 10:30am

Faith Sharing—Ministry Center 11:30am & 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 29, 2023

9:00am Mass

Divine Mercy Novena after Mass
10am Bible Study—Ministry Center
Food Bank open 9:30-11:30am

Thursday, February 23, 2023

9:00am Mass

Friday, February 24, 2023

9:00am Mass

Farmer's Market 9am-2pm
Stations of the Cross: 4pm in the church
Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 5:00pm

Saturday, February 25, 2023

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday February 26, 2023

8:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

We now have a Christian Book Exchange!!



TAKE A BOOK Browse the
books on the table in the back of church.
Take a book and keep it as long as you
need. Return the book to the table.

GIVE A BOOK Donate a Christian book to
the exchange by putting it into the basket
under 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: Feb. 18/19, 2023

1st Collection: \$ 5,920.00

2nd Collection \$ 825.00 (Summer Blues)

Direct Debit \$ 665.00 (weekly)

Direct Debit \$ 2,530.00 (monthly)

Direct Debit Rebuild \$ 535.00 (monthly)

Once Monthly Blue Building Fund

Envelopes (February) \$ 804.00

Ash Wednesday \$1,913.00

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!

Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

We ask your prayers for Parishioners and friends:
Guenther Glatt, Rachel Miles, Bill Carver, 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, Katie Rocha, Bonita Boski, Jim Thompson, 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, Ann Daus, Tim Age, Fr. Darin Robert, Maria Sims, Nancy Lopez.

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.

Understanding the "Summer Blues Fund" as a 2nd Collection taken at Masses

Off season and summer time in the Keys is typically associated with the season of warmest weather, longer days and many empty pews in church every week as our seasonal parishioners are back up north.

However, in the parish finance world, the summer months are also associated with low or loss of financial support to adequately cover parish overhead costs, also known as the "Summer time Blues." So, to assure coverage of our property expenses during these summer financially lean months, the 2nd Collection named "Summer Blues Fund" will help with our property overhead financial needs.

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



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 Rebuilding Fund on the website now!



Anniversary Blessings



**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:

Thank you to our CCD students and their families. The **Souper Bowl of Caring** was a huge success. So many families will benefit from your kindness and generosity!

We are also very grateful to the Peterites who consistently donate food, personal care items, Winn-Dixie gift cards and dollars.

You are truly changing lives.

A personal Thank You from Mary Quirk: "I want to express my admiration for and gratitude to Magda Trott. Magda has been my mentor, guide and inspiration for what it means to care for others. Magda, as godmother of St. Peter Food Bank, continues to be a vital part of our mission. As a native Cuban, Magda is now helping us to communicate with our Spanish-speaking people as they adjust to life in their new home. Thank you Magda, for teaching me how to live Jesus' message."

"It is necessary for knowledge to become practice through listening to and receiving the least, the frail and those regarded as rejects by society."

Pope Francis

This motivates our Food Bank volunteers.
We hope the spirit is contagious.

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.

Stations of the Cross
Friday, February 24
4:00 pm In the Church



*Come join us for a traditional reflection
of the journey of
Jesus on His way to the Cross.*

Respect Life Ministry
thanks all who donated
diapers to the Diaper
Drive
last weekend!
You were very
generous, and many
Lower Keys
families will benefit
from your donations!



This year, once again, we
thank William Scheidell
for making all our
wooden crosses for Lent!

It has been the tradition
for many years here at St.

Peter's for parishioners to take and
wear one of the crosses all during Lent
to remind us of the season. At the
Easter Vigil Mass when we have the new
fire, we throw our crosses into the fire,
and those ashes are saved for next
year's Ash Wednesday. You can pick up
your cross in the Narthex.

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***



Lent & Holy Week Schedule

Lenten regulations: Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics in good health on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed by all Catholics in good health between the ages of 18 and 59 on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means 1 full meal plus 2 smaller meals and no solid food between meals.

Ash Wednesday Masses

February 22, 9am and 6pm

Lenten Fish Fries by Kof C

Fridays, 5-7 pm (**February 24, March 3, 17, 24, 31**), Parish Hall

Lobster Dinner

March 10, 2023

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30am

Divine Mercy Weekly Novena

Wednesdays after the 9am Mass (**Feb. 15– April 5**)

Stations of the Cross

Fridays, February 24, March 3, March 10, March 24, March 31 5pm in the church

Penance Services

(Confessions)

Tuesday, March 21, after the 9am Mass, and
-Wednesday, March 22, 6pm

April 2: Palm Sunday

Saturday Vigil, 5:30pm

Sunday Masses, 8:30 & 11:00am

April 6: Holy Thursday

(no 9am morning Mass)

12 noon-3pm Church is open for silent prayer

6pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper & Washing of Feet, and Adoration of the Holy Eucharist

April 7: Good Friday Liturgy

(no 9am morning Mass)

3pm, The Passion of the Lord & Adoration of the Cross

April 8: Easter Vigil Mass

8:00pm (no 5:30pm Vigil Mass)

April 9: Easter Sunday

Masses at 8:30 & 11:00am

Easter Egg Hunt after 11am Mass





Our President's Day Fund-raiser

was a great success!

Many thanks to all our
dedicated volunteers!!

Vendor spot fees \$630.00

Bake Sale \$318.00

Furniture sales \$4,508.00

(Plus pending sales this Sunday after
8:30 & 11:00am Masses)

50/50 tickets Sold \$370.00

(\$185.00 to the winner
and \$185.00 to the church)

Grand Total realized: \$5,641.00



ABCD—Legacy of Love. We are humbled by your generosity and support of the Archbishop's Charities and Development Drive (ABCD). Your sacrificial generosity to the ABCD truly bears witness to our faith and helps us to bring Christ to people no matter who they are or where they are.

If you have yet to respond to this year's ABCD, we need you! Please prayerfully consider mirroring the love of Christ by putting your faith into action by making a gift today. Even a small gift can make a big difference. You can obtain a pledge envelope from the parish office or you can make a gift online at www.isupportabcd.org.

Names of Archbishop's Charities and Development Drive (ABCD) donors:

(initial donors—new names will be added as we get the information back from the Archdiocese)

Knights of Columbus	William Scheidell
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FARMERS MARKET EVERY FRIDAY ST. PETER CHURCH

31300 Overseas Hwy.

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{MM 31.5} 9am-2pm

{305}872-2537

For vendor info call Nancy

WWW.STPETERBPK.ORG



**HELP
US
SPREAD THE
WORD!**





Thank you for your generous donations to the Souper Bowl of Caring and thanks to all volunteers!

Collected: \$486.00 and
85 food items for our St. Peter Food Bank

For more information:

Rosalinda Hally 305-942-9975

rosalinda@stpeterbpbk.org



Religious Education

Religious Education Classes:

CCD classes resume this
Sunday,
February 26th at 9:45am
in the Ministry Center.
There will be a Children's
Mass this week at 11am.

Understand Your Catholic Faith with *The Catechism in a Year* Podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz!

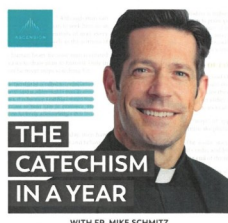
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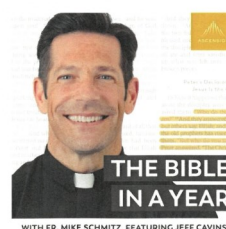
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Email interest to:
Nancy McCrosson,
Property Manager/Bookkeeper



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!

We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for:



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A percentage of the \$25.00 goes to our Religious Education Fund and helps finance our Religious Ed. and Scholarship Programs.

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(cash or check only)***

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

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 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



Jesus said to St. Faustina, “...whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day (**The Feast of Divine Mercy**) will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment.” That’s a great promise! So, let’s prepare for the Feast of Divine Mercy (The Sunday after Easter) by praying the nine-week Divine Mercy Novena. We began on Wednesday, February 15th, immediately following 9am Mass in the church, and continue each Wednesday morning for nine weeks. Hope to see you there! Informational pamphlets and Novena guides are available in the back of the church.



We welcome Joel Gleason into the family of St. Peter.

He received the Rite of Election at 5:30pm Mass last week and will be received into full communion with the church at this year’s Easter Vigil Mass, April 8th.



Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Dinners

**February 24,
March 3, 17, 24, 31**

5-7pm in the Parish Hall

\$15.00

Menu: grilled or fried Mahi
fries, coleslaw, cornbread &
dessert.

Takeout available



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

Dear Parishioners,

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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!



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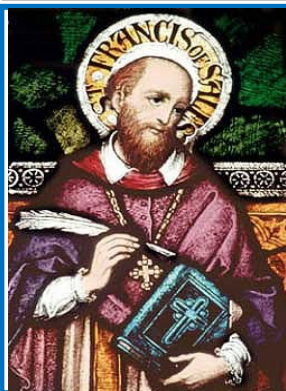


Answer the call!

The Knights need
a few good men.

Become a Knight!

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



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.

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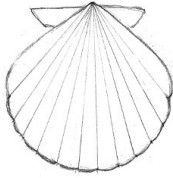
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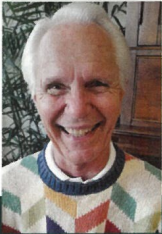
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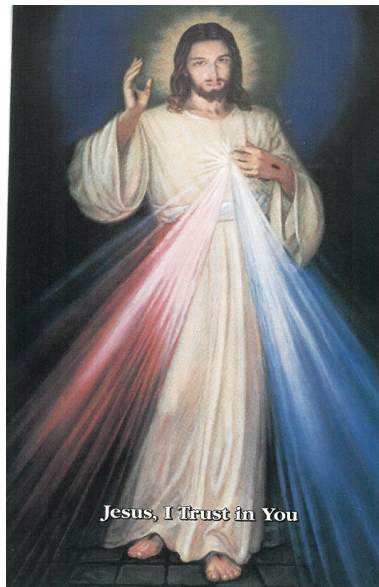
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Gary Beaton



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