

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

MARCH 12, 2023 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Jesus "Jets" Medina

Property Manager/Bookkeeper:

Nancy McCrosson
nancy@stpeterbpk.org

Administrative Assistants:

Connie Hauk
connie@stpeterbpk.org

Debbie Krieger
Deborah@stpeterbpk.org

Maintenance Supervisor

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, March 11, 2023

5:30pm: S.I. Burns & Mescal Families
by Margaret Burns

Sunday, March 12, 2023

8:30am: +Stephan Dollins by Kim & Mike Schulte
11:00am: +Barbara Jean O'Brien by the CCD Teachers

Monday, March 13, 2023

9:00am: +Dennis Carolan by Sandra Carolan

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

9:00am: +Roy & Julia Long by Amy Peper

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

9:00am: +Mark Smith by Richard DiBonaventura

Thursday, March 16, 2023

9:00am: +Fr. Randy Musselman by Amy Peper
S.I. Timothy Lewis by Jack & Lisa Lewis

Friday, March 17, 2023

9:00am +Jim Burns & Deceased Family Members
by Margaret Burns

Saturday, March 18, 2023

5:30pm: +Bob Miksad by Mike & Marcy Matlosz

Sunday, March 19, 2023

8:30am +Madeline Elizabeth Deane by Connie Hauk
11:00am: +Nicholas Florian by Kim Francis

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, March 13, 2023

9:00am Mass

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

9:00am Mass

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

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

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

9:00am Mass

Divine Mercy Novena after Mass

Food Bank open 9:30-11:30am

10am Bible Study—Ministry Center

Thursday, March 16, 2023

9:00am Mass

Friday, March 17, 2023

9:00am Mass

Produce Vendor 9am-2pm

Stations of the Cross: 4pm in the church

Fish Fry 5-7pm

Saturday, March 18, 2023

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday March 19, 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. March 4/5, 2023

1st Collection: \$ 5,251.00

**2nd Collection \$ 866.00 (Church in
Latin America)**

Direct Debit \$ 665.00 (weekly)

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!

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.

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.



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!



Nancy doing her Lobster Dance promoting the Lobster Bake which was held this past Friday, March 10th.

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.



St. Peter Community Food Bank
Wednesdays from 9:30am—11:30am

**"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**

The Food Bank remains very busy with new people coming for help each week.

Any donations of food, personal care items or laundry supplies are greatly appreciated.

Our supplies from Feeding South Florida have been very limited for weeks. It has been necessary to buy supplementary goods.

Needless to say, monetary donations will help us to continue our mission.

I would like to thank our dedicated volunteers. I am so proud of their kindness and commitment to serving this special community of God's children.

It Takes A Village:

1. Wesley House requested donations of diapers.
2. Maria Sims, Right to Life Ministry organized the drive.
3. St. Peter Food Bank collected and stored the diapers.
4. Monroe Co. Sheriff's Office, Lt. Quintero, delivered the diapers to Wesley House.
5. This is how a caring community operates.

Well done, everyone!

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

Stations of the Cross
All Fridays in Lent
4:00 pm In the Church



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

**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.



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 Bake

March 10, 2023 5pm

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

All Fridays in Lent—4pm 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



St. Patrick's Day dispensation from Archbishop Wenski



March 17th is observed by many as St. Patrick's Day. This year March 17 falls on a Friday of Lent, a day of fasting and abstinence. Many have asked for a dispensation from the obligation for fasting and abstinence in order to celebrate this Saint who is the Patron Saint of Ireland and Nigeria. As Archbishop of Miami, I grant the dispensation to anyone who wishes to observe the Saint's Day with a meal that includes meat but, at the same time, I encourage those who will avail themselves of this dispensation to consider substituting on that or another day the Lent Friday Fast and abstinence with another suitable penance, work of charity, or prayer.



+ Thomas G. Wenski
Archbishop of Miami



On Saturday, March 4th, three of our parishioners, Rowena Frank, Rosalinda Hally and Gigi Sovis, attended a Day with Dr. Scott Hahn and Dr. John Bergsma at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Miami Shores. The day began with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Wenski followed by a day of talks on "The Eucharist, the Source and Summit of our Faith". Dr. Scott Hahn and Dr John Bergsma, both converts to the Catholic faith, spoke about their conversion and about the work they do at the St. Paul Center in Steubenville, Ohio.

St. Peter Catholic Church



Education Fund Scholarship Program



**Return Applications
(To Rosalinda in the Parish Office)**

The St. Peter Catholic Church Education Fund mission is to help members of the parish pursue their educational goals. Scholarships are awarded on an annual basis. The funds are earmarked for tuition. Funding is limited and unfortunately, some candidates may receive less than the amount requested or may be denied a scholarship and invited to reapply the following year.

The requirements for applicants are as follows:

- ♦ A completed application .
- ♦ Participation in Parish Ministries.
- ♦ A 2.5 grade point average while attending high school, university, college, or vocational school, whichever is applicable.
- ♦ An official transcript from the educational institution they are attending.
- ♦ Evidence of the efforts made to obtain funding from other sources, including but not limited to parents.

For more information, contact Rosalinda Hally at

rosalinda@stpeterbk.org

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

(If you do not see your name here, be aware that it takes the Archdiocese about 3 weeks to get the names back to us.)

Our goal this year is \$46, 728.00

**Our Total so far is \$25,260.00
so we are only about halfway there.**



Knights of Columbus

Michelle Alexandre

Gary Beaton

Mark Berenz

Sara Bielich

Howard Bleich

Armand Boiselle

Fred Brumfield

John Butcher

Darrell Dye

Larry Elfers

Daniel Ford

Philip Frank

Rosalinda Hally

John Hanley

Robert Harrell

Connie Hauk

Mary Ann Henderson

Kathleen Henry

Javier Herrera

William Jones

Patrick Kennedy

Elizabeth Kreitzman

Katharine Lawrence

Jack & Lisa Lewis

Alvaro Lopez

Vicente Lopez

Louis Martin

Fr. Jesus Medina

Fr. Paul Milanowski

Peter Mohn

Ralph Montanaro

Nancy Muro

Sue Myers

Donald J. Nelson

James Nichols

Robert Paans

Patrick Parenty

Jessi Pereira

Georgianna Peteck

Jorge Ramos

Kathleen Phodes

Antonio Rodriguez

Leyla Safie

Willian Scheidell

Thomas Schoonbeck

Carol Schulz

Richard Shenk

George Sherko

Tamara Snider

Lurana Snow

Bob Sovis

Anthony Sporer

Christopher Stangler

Thomas Thompson

James Thompson

Kathleen Threlkeld

Joseph Trimbur

Teresa Valdes

CCD teachers are preparing students for Reconciliation during Lent. Fr. Paul will hear student confessions on Sunday, April 2.

There will be no Religious Education classes on Sunday, March 19—Monroe County Schools are on Spring Break that week. Classes resume March 26. On March 26 the Children's Mass will be at 11am. Parents and children are encouraged to attend Mass together.

Please keep our First Communicant, Aiden Stettner, and his parents and teacher in your prayers as he continues preparations for First Eucharist in May.



Religious Education

**Religious Education
Classes:**

**CCD classes Sundays,
at 9:45am
in the Ministry Center.**

For more information:

**Rosalinda Hally
305-942-9975**

rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org

**Fr. Paul Milanowski singing with the
Religious Education students last Sunday!**



March Birthday Blessings



Hiring Now:
Organist/Music Coordinator
St. Peter Catholic Church

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

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:



Kiki's Sandbar



Square Grouper
Bar & Grill



Milagro
Restaurant & Bar

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.

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 have 5 parishioners going to World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal in July. The painting displayed in the Narthex, by Richard Threadgill, when sold, will help with their expenses.



Knights of Columbus

Lenten Fish Dinners

March 3, 17, 24, 31

5-7pm in the Parish Hall

\$15.00

Menu:

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

Takeout available



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!



Bishop, Rosasco & Co.
Certified Public Accountants

Peter L. Rosasco, CPA
peter@keyscpa.com

8085 Overseas Hwy., Marathon, FL 33050

(305)743-6586



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

LAW OFFICES

WRIGHT BARROWS PLLC

SPECIALIZING IN REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

ANTHONY J. BARROWS

ATTORNEY AT LAW
tony@keysclosings.com

9711 OVERSEAS HIGHWAY
MARATHON, FL 33050
305-743-8118

540 KEY DEER BLVD.
BIG PINE KEY, FL 33043
305-872-1050

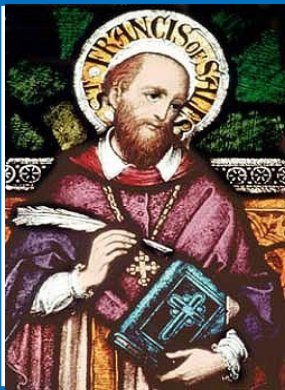


Answer the call!

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.

St. Francis DeSales



General Dentistry
Primary Care Medical Services
COVID Vaccines & Testing



Our new mobile unit is now serving
Key Largo, Marathon, and Big Pine!



Call for an appointment or visit

3706 N. Roosevelt Blvd
Suite C • Key West
305-517-6613



**ALL ABOUT
DOORS &
WINDOWS**



**IMPACT WINDOWS
& DOORS**

Dade • Broward • Florida Keys

Robert Sanchez

C: (305) 753-8010

O: (305) 225-8010

E: allaboutdoorsthekeys@gmail.com

AllAboutDoorsTheKeys.com

ADVERTISE WITH US!

Contact Nancy in the Parish Office
{305}872-2537

Or Email nancy@stpeterbpk.org

**PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR
SPONSORS.**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR DIRECT
LINKS TO SPONSOR WEBSITE.**

Aquatecnics, LLC

Aquaculture and sustainability



120 Arica Lane
Cudjoe Key, FL 33042

Phone (203) 623-2819
aquatecnics@comcast.net

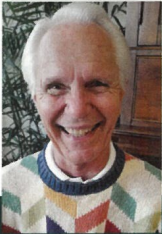
<http://aquatecnics.biz>



isla bella
BEACH RESORT

REGISTERED PARISHONERS
WILL RECEIVE A 15% DISCOUNT
AT THE MARKETPLACE

1 KNIGHTS KEY BLVD, MM47 |
MARATHON, FL 33050
1.800.405.1949
ISLABELLABEACHRESORT.COM



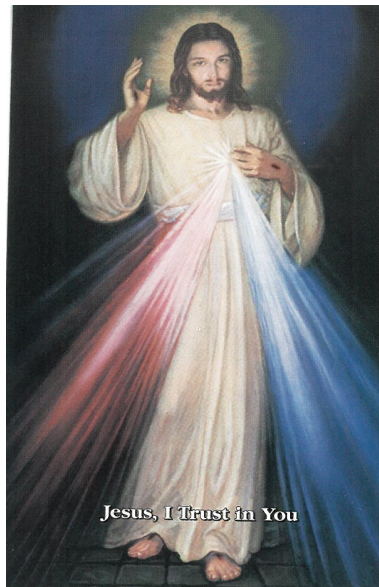
Bud Luks
REALTOR®



Preferred
Properties
KEY WEST

520 Southard Street • Key West, FL 33040

Office: 305.294.3040
Cell: 305.923.1130
Email: luks45@gmail.com
Preferredpropertieskeywest.com



Jesus, I Trust in You

Mike Coppola



Kim Roney

kim@captainhooks.com

Marathon
11833 Overseas Highway
Marathon, FL 33050
305-743-2444

Big Pine Key
29675 Overseas Highway
Big Pine Key, FL 33043
305-872-9863

Dive Key West
3128 N. Roosevelt Blvd.
Key West, FL 33040
305-296-3823

www.captainhooks.com



FL5553

Free Estimates

SP3111

SP3109

Tree Service

RadimHavlicekTreeService.com

Radim Havlicek Stump Grinding Inc.
P.O. Box 421163
Summerland Key, Fla. 33042

(305) 395-0874

COMPLAINT CARD

State Nature of Complaint in Box Below



Write Legibly
GIVE FULL DETAILS

Gary Beaton



TERRAMAR ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES, INC.

Terrestrial, Wetland and Marine
Habitat Analysis
Wildlife and Conservation Planning

<https://www.facebook.com/terramar-services>

SPRING
ELECTRIC, INC.

561-601-1012
SpringElectric.net

In Business since 1984
Florida State License
EC13002808
Residential electric
inspections and
electrical service work
in Florida Lower Keys.

Best Dining View in the Keys
Open 11am to midnight

Kiki's Sandbar
BAR & GRILLE
LITTLE TORCH KEY, FLORIDA
MM 28.5 Gulfside
KikisSandbar.com |

*Kiki's Sandbar
thanks you for your
continued support.*