

# St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

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## JULY 16, 2023

## 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### PARISH STAFF:

#### Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Jesus "Jets" Medina

#### Property Manager/Bookkeeper:

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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

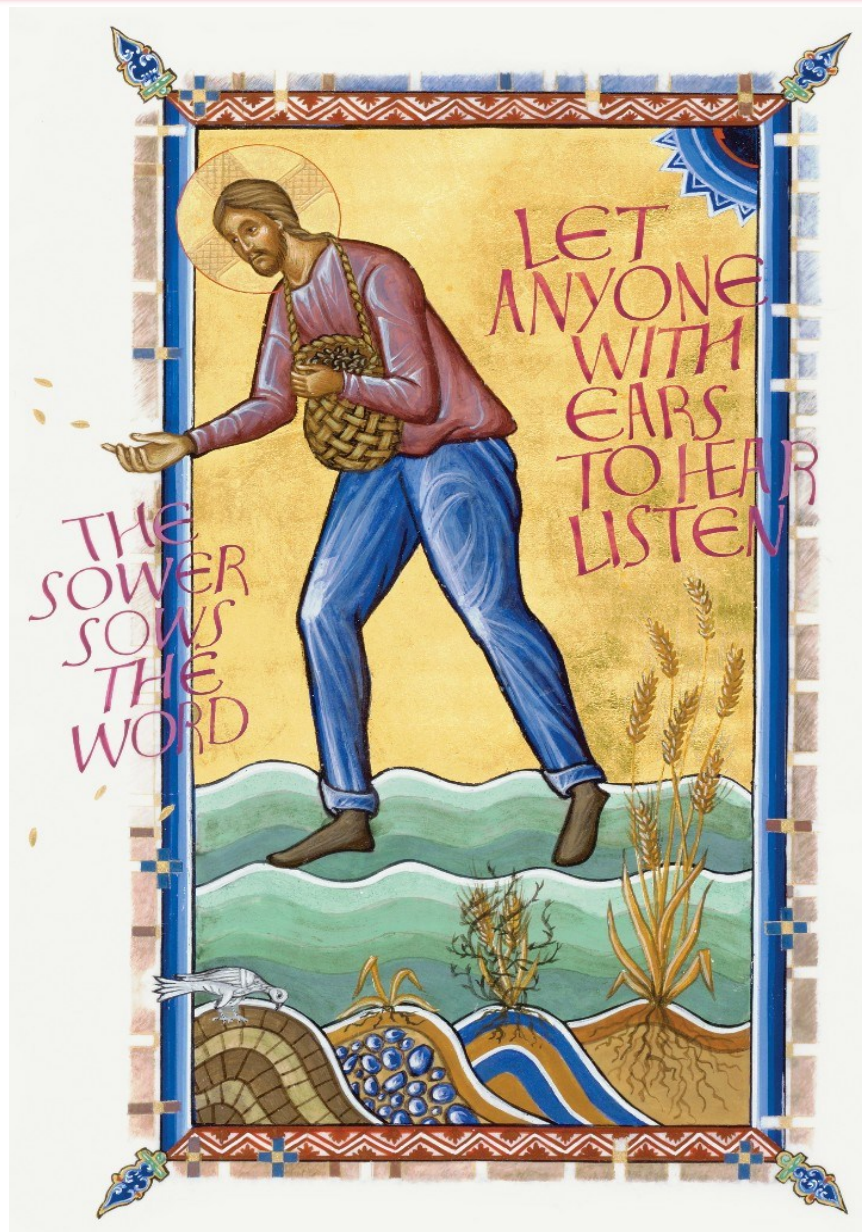
Holy Day Mass 9 am

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:50 pm to 5:20 pm  
in the Church (or by appointment)

**BAPTISMS, FUNERALS and WEDDINGS** Please contact the office for more information.

**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, July 15, 2023

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

### Sunday, July 16, 2023

8:30am: +Leonard Huard & +Leonard, Jr.  
by John & Pauline Snyder

11:00am: +Genevieve C. Isaksen &  
+Frank & Theresa Cerchio by John Isaksen

### Monday, July 17, 2023

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

### Tuesday, July 18, 2023

9:00am: S.I. Jay Wood by Lisa & Jack Lewis

### Wednesday, July 19, 2023

9:00am: S.I. Connie Hauk  
by Margaret Burns, Annette, Canice and Rick

### Thursday, July 20, 2023

9:00am : +Jackson Patrick Smith by Margaret Burns

### Friday, July 21, 2023

9:00am : Communion Service

### Saturday, July 22, 2023

5:30pm: +Roger & Betty Lederer by Maria Beal

### Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:30am: +Genevieve C. Isaksen & Frank & Theresa  
Cerchio by John Isaksen

11:00am: +Jim Burns by Margaret Burns

## This week in our parish:

### Monday, July 17, 2023

9:00am Mass

### Tuesday, July 18, 2023

9:00am Mass

### Wednesday, July 19, 2023

9:00am Mass

Food Bank open 9:30-11:30am

### Thursday, July 20, 2023

9:00am Mass

### Friday, July 21, 2023

9am Communion Service

Centering Prayer 3:30pm in the Church

### Saturday, July 22, 2023

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

### Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:30am Mass

11am mass

### Pope Francis' Monthly Intention

for July 2023:

For Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

## Visit our Christian Book Exchange!!



TAKE A BOOK Browse the books on the cart 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 cart. Thank you for your generosity.





*Thank You*

FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,  
TALENT AND TREASURE

### **Collections:**

**Donations received: July 8-9, 2023**

**1st Collection: \$ 1,996.00**

**2nd Collection \$ 358.00 (Black & Indian Missions)**

**Direct Debit (weekly) \$ 665.00**

**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!**

### ***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:  
Rachel Miles, Bill Carver, John Mescal, John Snyder, Javier Herrera, Ann Fisher, Pat and Connie Medina, Belle Medina-Ricasio, Beth Rodman, Flo Boyle, Mary Doris 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, 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, Rosemary Farrell, Tyler Pappadakis, Howard Bleich, Marissa Sibucac & family, Donna Dye

**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!**



Every few years, the Knights of Columbus selects an icon of a saint whose patronage is particularly inspiring to Knights and their communities. Each jurisdiction receives one or several of these icons which travel from council to council and serve as the centerpieces for prayer services in parishes throughout the Order. For year 2021-2023, the icon of St. Joseph has been selected. This month of July here at St. Peter's, we are happy to have one of the icons blessed by the Holy Father, Pope Francis. We thank our parish Knights for bringing it to us. Please come to venerate the icon at the small chapel before or after Masses and receive papal blessings and intercessions to your petitions by St. Joseph—Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary... pray for us.



Fr. Jets blesses Mark Berenz—  
Knights of Columbus District Deputy  
for the Lower Keys.

Please visit the St. Joseph icon in our  
Chapel sometime this month of July.





**Official World Youth Day 2023 prayer:**

Our Lady of the Visitation, you who arose  
and went with haste into the hill country to meet Elizabeth,  
lead us also to encounter all those  
who await us to deliver them the living Gospel:  
Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord!

We, too, will go in haste, without distraction or delay, but with readiness and joy.  
We will go with peace because those who bring Christ bring peace,  
and well-being comes from being generous and loving in our deeds.

Our Lady of the Visitation, through your inspiration,  
this World Youth Day will be a shared celebration of Christ,  
whom we bring to others, just as you did.

Please make this a time of testimony and sharing, of fraternity and thanksgiving,  
with each of us looking for opportunities to give to those who are waiting to receive.  
With you, we will continue on this path of encounter so that our world will join us,  
too, in fraternity, justice and peace.

Help us, Our Lady of the Visitation, to bring Christ to everyone,  
in obedience to the Father and in the love of the Holy Spirit!

Amen

5 pilgrims from our parish are preparing for World Youth Day August 1-6.  
They will be joined by approximately 70 others from the Archdiocese of Miami.

They depart for WYD on Saturday, July 29th and return on August 8th.  
As part of their pilgrimage, they would like to carry your prayer intentions with them.

Rosalinda has placed a spiral notebook in the Narthex where you can write your  
prayer intentions. You can also mail intentions to her directly at  
[rosalinda@stpeterbpc.org](mailto:rosalinda@stpeterbpc.org).



### **About the World Youth Day Logo:**

The logo features the colors of the Portuguese flag and elements of the country's spiritual culture. A cross dominates the new logo, a road runs over it, "where the Holy Spirit rises," specifies the organizers, who see in it an invitation to young people "not to stand idly by". The image is an invitation to "be the protagonists of the construction of a more just and fraternal world."

This path reflects the road Mary took to visit Elizabeth. "Mary was ready to live according to the will of God, available to serve Elizabeth," the statement read. The rosary represents the spirituality of the Portuguese people and their devotion to Our Lady of Fatima. This is placed on the path to recall the experience of pilgrimage that is so important in Portugal.

Fatima is less than 70 miles from Lisbon, and it is anticipated that great numbers of the youth will visit the place of Mary's apparition to Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinto, during the days of WYD.

Finally, the figure of Mary is present. "The drawing expresses the youth of her years, characteristic of one who is not yet a mother, but carries the light of the world within her." specify the organizers.

Behind this work which will accompany the hundreds of thousands of participants in WYD hides Beatriz Rogue Antunez, a Portuguese artist of 24 years. She studied design in London and currently works in a communication agency in Lisbon. For her, her work should encourage young people to take charge, not to remain inactive, and to build the world of tomorrow.



**Prayer for Protection**  
**from Hurricanes**

**God Our Father, Creator and Lord  
of the Universe,  
you have set the earth on its  
foundation and all the elements  
of nature obey your command.**

**We humbly beseech you to keep  
us safe from all dangers  
and calm the storms  
that threaten us.**

**May we be secure in your  
loving protection and  
serve you always  
with grateful hearts.**

**We ask this through  
Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Your Son  
who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit;  
one God  
forever and ever. Amen.**



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

**We are in need of canned meats, hearty  
soups, canned fruit and vegetables.**

**Pop top cans preferred.**

**Thank you for your generous donations!**

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**Food Pantry Director, Lisa Ford can be reached  
through the church office  
at 305-872-2537**



**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!**



*A heartfelt thank you for the many consoling words, prayers, phone calls, cards, and mass intentions these past weeks since Bob's recent passing. Your gracious acts of kindness and thoughtfulness will long be remembered.*

*Love, Clara Harrell*



**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 to volunteer.***

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**Statewide (DCF) Abuse Hotline**

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(1-800-962-2873)

**Archdiocesan Abuse Hotline**

1-866-802-2873

**Victim Assistance Coordinator**

Peter Routsis-Arroyo

**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:

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***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.***

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then, worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirty-fold" (Matthew 13:22-23)

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Are we so caught up in our worldly activities that we have no time for God? Does the lure of riches and materialism choke God out of our lives? Do we put into practice what we learn on Sunday in our everyday lives? Stewardship is a lifestyle to be lived every day. It affects all decisions that we make, it builds a solid base of fertile soil so we, too, can bear fruit and grow.

This summer, we are grateful for the many blessings that Catholic education provides. From the dedication of our teachers and staff to the generosity of our donors, we are blessed to be part of such a vibrant community. Consider donating to support our schools and help us continue to provide a top quality Catholic education to all students.

#CatholicEducation#Grateful#DonateNow.

**Do you like to sing? Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talent with us by joining our choir—even if only for the summer. We practice for half an hour before each Mass, and would love to include you in our choir at any one of our three weekend Masses. Call Connie in the office, or talk to any choir member after Mass.**





## Advertise in our Bulletin!

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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](mailto:nancy@stpeterbpk.org)

**Thank you!**





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of  
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Pray for Us.**

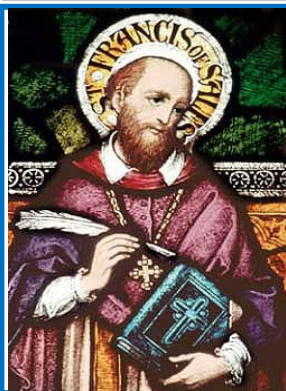


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The Knights need  
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**Become a Knight!**

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.  
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