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JULY 30, 2023 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH STAFF:

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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

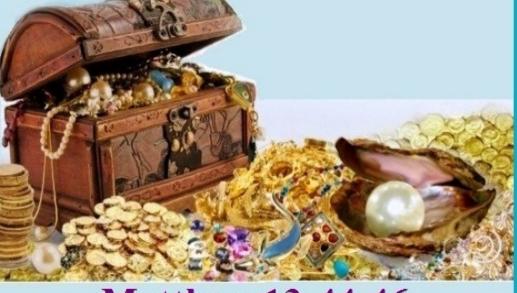
CONFESSIONS:

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

Seeking the Hidden Treasure And The Pearl of Great Price



Matthew 13:44-46

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 29, 2023

5:30 pm: +Mary Doris Scheidell by St. Peter's Choir

Sunday, July 30, 2023

8:30am: +Mary Doris Scheidell by Linda & Joe McCarthy

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

Monday, July 31, 2023 9:00am: S.I. Pineiro Family by Margaret Burns

Tuesday, August 1, 2023 9:00am: +Hunter Babin by Lisa & Jack Lewis

Wednesday, August 2, 2023 9:00am: +Hank Bergeron by Lisa & Jack Lewis

 Thursday, August 3, 2023
 9:00am : +Anne Mescal & Deceased Family Members by Margaret Burns

Friday, August 4 2023 9:00am : Communion Service

Saturday, August 5, 2023 5:30pm: +Eileen Walters by Pete & Araceli Mohn

Sunday, August 6, 2023 8:30am: S.I. Burns & Mescal Families by Margaret Burns

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

This week in our parish:

Monday, July 31, 2023 9:00am Mass

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

9:00am Mass

Wednesday, August 2, 2023

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

> Thursday, August 3, 2023 9:00am Mass

Friday, August 4, 2023

9am Communion Service Centering Prayer 3:30pm in the Church

Saturday, August 5, 2023

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 6, 2023

8:30am Mass 11am mass

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for August 2023: For World Youth Day

We pray that the World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal, will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

<u>Visit our</u>

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.

<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 cart. Thank you for your generosity.



Collections:

Donations received: July 22-23, 2023 1st Collection: \$ 2,846.00 2nd Collection \$ 624.00 (Summer Blues) Direct Debit (weekly) \$ 715.00 Direct Debit Monthly \$2,380.00 Direct Debit Monthly Summer Blues \$535.00

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, William Scheidell, Mike Graham, Tiffany Howard, Jim Oettle, Kate Menser Hughey, Marilyn Nichols, Mark Stump, Randy Reinhart, Patrick Mescal, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Ruth Fidler, Kaylee Mescal, Nita Bigelow, Olga Nunez, Br. Bud Luks, Dolores Gibson, 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 Sibucao & family, Donna Dye, Riley Faith

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!

SISTERS OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



The Sisters of St. Michael the Archangel are an active female Religious Congregation, founded in 1986 in Nigeria. The Sisters provide direct care to the poor and the sick; they provide a place of haven for abandoned and elderly in need. Their healing comes through spiritual and physical care with a loving sense of home and

family. They provide shelter and accommodations including food and other materials, and financial assistance for abandoned and motherless babies/children.

The Sisters go about caring for the sick and infirm as Jesus did in towns and villages through mobile clinics, they also offer free and cheap health care services for the less privileged who cannot afford to go to hospitals. They provide education for the less privileged children in elementary and high schools. They also assist young women in vocational school. In addition, the Sisters work to bring the gospel of Christ to all—especially in remote areas by involvement in pastoral work in different parishes in more than 12 dioceses in Nigeria. This includes teaching Catechism to Catechumens, and helping to prepare catechists; they also serve as director of Religious education in parishes and at the Diocesan level. They are also involved in organizing basic Christian communities among parishioners to strengthen their faith.

Sr. Dorcas Balogun SSMA will be making an appeal on behalf of the Sisters of St. Michael the Archangel this weekend (July 29-30) at our Masses. The second collection this weekend will be for this Mission Appeal. If you choose to donate by check, please make the check to St. Peter Church and put "Mission Appeal" on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!





ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI

Office of the Archbishop

July 25, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

The weekend of August 5th & 6th a second collection will be taken for the Annual Seminary Burse Fund. This fund assists the Archdiocese through an endowment that supports the tuition costs of educating our future priests. This annual collection is timed to take place on or near the feast day (August 4th) of Saint John Mary Vianney, the Cure d'Ars, patron saint of the diocesan clergy.

As the Church in the United States continues to journey through the Eucharistic Revival we thank God for the gift of the priesthood, "To embrace the gift and to enter into the mystery which enables the priest, in communion with Jesus to act in his name and in his sight, as a shepherd of souls, is a step not to be taken lightly." Through their formation in the seminary, the seminarians engage in studies, prayers, pastoral activities, and human growth to assure that the mission of the Church is alive and well and the call of Jesus will continue to be fulfilled.

You may contribute to the second collection taken in your parish on the weekend of August 5^{th} & 6^{th} , or for your convenience you may also donate online by clicking this <u>link</u> or scanning the QR code.

I thank you for your generosity in contributing to the Burse and I ask your prayers that many young people in our Archdiocese will embrace a vocation of service to the Church in responding to the call of priesthood or religious life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas G. Wenski Archbishop of Miami







Baptism of Isaac Hoyle

July 23, 2023





Baptism of Delilah Cadette July 23, 2023



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!

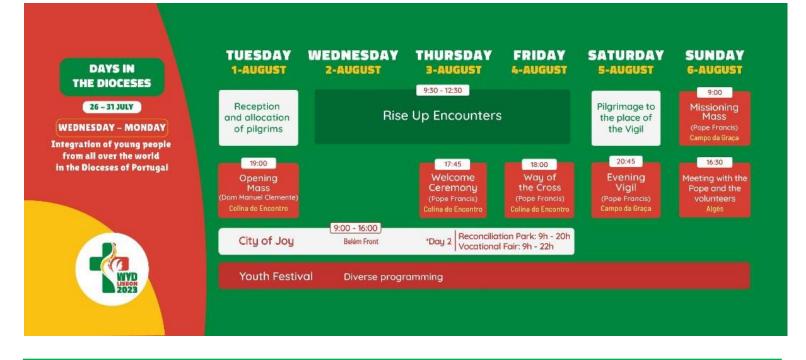
We, too, will go in haste, without distraction or delay, but with readiness and joy. We will go with peace because those who bring Christ bring peace, and well-being comes from being generous and loving in our deeds.

> 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 55 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 will carry your prayer intentions with them.

The pilgrims will post updates on the St. Peter Church Facebook page while they are at WYD. Go to St. Peter Church Big Pine Key on Facebook to see their posts.





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.

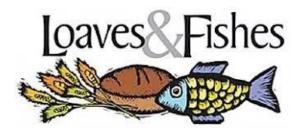
May we be secure in your loving protection and serve you always with grateful hearts.

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.



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 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.



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!

St. Peter Catholic Church

is a 501(c)(3) corporation.

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!

<u>**Registration has begun for the 2023-2024 Religious Education**</u> <u>**Program!**</u> Classes begin on Sunday, September 18 at 9:45am. Registration forms are located in the back of the church. For more information about the Religious Education Program,

please contact Rosalinda Hally at rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org



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.

ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI HOTLINE NUMBERS

Statewide (DCF) Abuse Hotline

1-800-962-ABUSE (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 <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: Ellen@stpeterbpk.org



Long time parishioner and choir member, Mary Doris Scheidell, died on July 17th. Her funeral was July 26 here at St. Peter's with burial next door at Memorial Gardens Cemetery. If you would like to express your condolences to her husband William, his address is:



21082-6th Ave. Cudjoe Gardens, FL 33042



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.

With summer in full swing, many families are starting to think about back-toschool season. Why not consider enrolling your child in a Catholic school? With a focus on faith, service, and academic excellence, our schools offer a unique and rewarding educational experience. #BackToSchool#CatholicEducation.

Your support can help make a difference in the lives of those in our community, Consider including the ABCD in your estate plans. #EstatePlanning#LegacyGiving#ABCD <u>donate@theadom.org.</u>

We know all things work for good for those who ,love God, and who are called according to his purpose (Romans8:28).

Do you really trust God? Do you believe that all things work for good? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God and surrendering to His will in everything we do means that God's plan for our lives may be different than our plan. When one door closes, another one opens.

> Learn to love God and trust Him. His plan is always better.

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!



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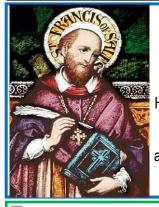
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Have no fear for what tomorrow may bring. The same loving God who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day.
He will either shield you from suffering or give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside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

St. Francis DeSales

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Or Email <u>nancy@stpeterbpk.org</u>



Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for Us.



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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