St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

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

www.stpeterbpk.org

MARCH 3, 2024 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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MASSES:

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

Daily Masses: 9am Mon-Fri.

<u>HOLY DAYS</u>: Vigil Mass 6 pm Holy Day Mass 9 am

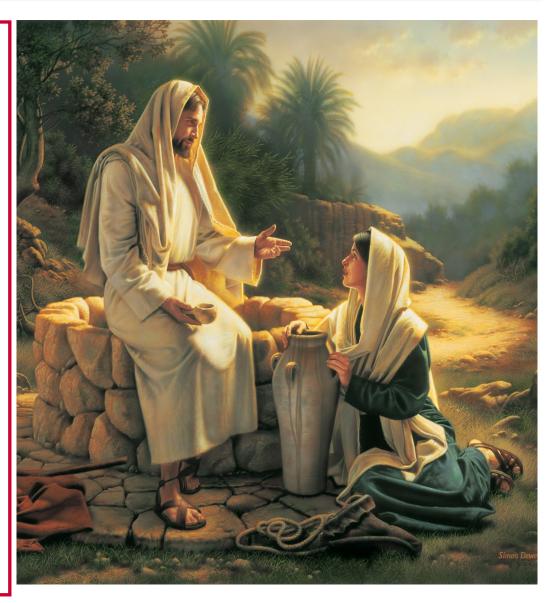
CONFESSIONS:

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, March 2, 2024

5:30 pm: +Ernest & Doris Nolan

by Richard DiBonaventura

Sunday, March 3, 2024

8:30am: +Elizabeth Beaton by Gary Beaton

11:00am: +Genevieve Isaksen & +Frank & Theresa

Cerchio by John Isaksen

Monday, March 4, 2024

9:00am: +Anita Ciesluk by Richard DiBonaventura

Tuesday, March 5,, 2024

9:00am: +Gary Ebel by Richard Di Bonaventura

Wednesday March 6, 2024

9:00am: +Deacon Bill Rich by a Friend

Thursday, March 7, 2024

9:00am: S.I. Fr. Jets by Roberta Castillo

Friday, March 8, 2024:

9:00am: +Deacon Bill Rich by Roberta Castillo

Saturday, March 2, 2024

5:30pm: +Ursula Svizzero by Richard & Barbara Shenk

Sunday, March 3, 2024

8:30am: +Genevieve Isaksen & +Frank & Theresa

Cerchio by John Isaksen

11:00am: +Marty Rotindo by Joe & Trina Armand

This week in our parish:

Monday, March 4, 2024

9:00am Mass

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7pm Ministry Center

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

9:00am Mass

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

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

9:00am Mass

Divine Mercy Novena after 9am Mass

Food Pantry open 9:30-11:30am

6pm 6th Eucharistic Revival Session—Parish Hall

Thursday, March 7, 2024

9:00am Mass

6pm Choir Practice in the Church

Friday, March 8, 2024

9am Mass

Stations of the Cross 4:15 in the Church

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 5-7pm

Saturday, March 9, 2024

5:30pm vigil Mass 3:30pm Choir Practice in the Church Lobster Bake tickets for sale after Mass

Sunday, March 10, 2024

8:30 Mass

11:00 Mass

Lobster Bake tickets for sale after Mass CCD (Religious Education) classes In the Ministry Center 8:45-9:45am

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for March 2024:

For New Martyrs

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.



Collections:

Donations received: Feb. 24-25, 2024

1st Collection: \$

2nd Collection: \$ (Summer Blues)

Direct Debit: \$ (Weekly)

(Money counters were unable to meet this week—-donation totals for two weeks will be reported next weekend)

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 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, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Ruth Fidler, Nita Bigelow, Olga Nunez, Br. Bud Luks, Dolores Gibson, John Spencer, Cornelia Meyers, Colleen Burns, Ted Kruzel, Katie Rocha, Carmella Russo, Nathaniel Burgess, Penny Holum, Scott Bush, Larry Johnson, Elaine & Stewart Caplin, Roxanne Brown, Terri Roman, Brenda Haskins' mother, Greg Oarsley, the Paans family, the Pontecrovo family, Mindy & Tom Carlson, Lani Duggers, Tim Age, Fr. Darin Robert, Maria Sims, Nancy Lopez, Rosemary Farrell, Tyler Pappadakis, Howard Bleich, Marissa Sibucao & family, Donna and Darrell Dye, Riley Faith, Michael Buchard, Janet Maxwell, Molly Mescal, Joe Gregoria, Carl Crouch, Frank Sergi, Ava, Barbara Barzen, Katharine Lawrence, Joe Jennison, Noel Piniero, Michelle White, Ron Neault, Teresa Beltranena Valdez, Alex Burkos, Tom Schoonbeck, Jaime Gonzalea, Kathleen Henry, Mike Matlosz, Nancy Herrera, Matty Frank

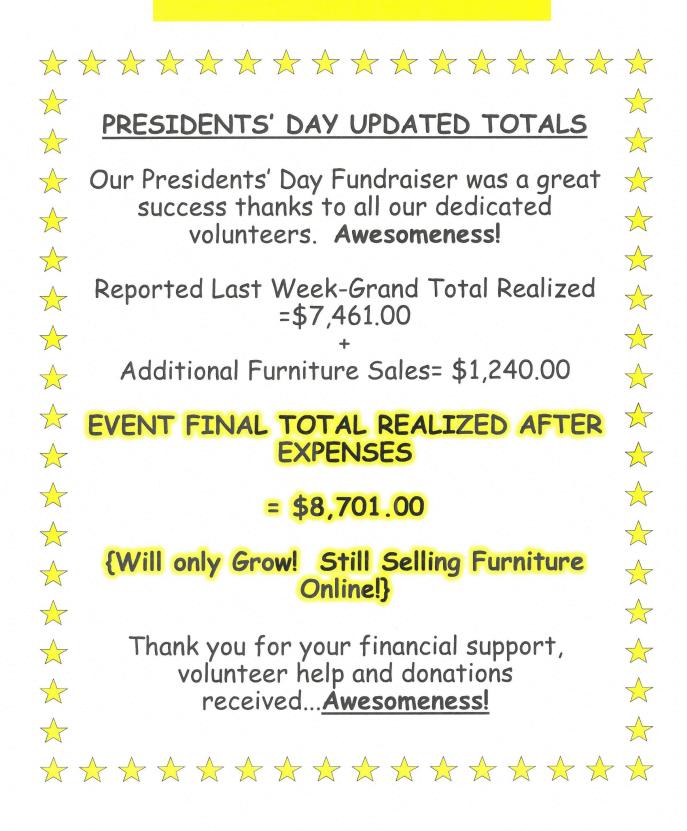
Please let us know in the office if you or someone else is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist at home. Call the office at 305-872-2537.





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.

PARISH FUNDRAISING NEWS...



SAVE THE DATE-FRIDAY, March 15, 2024

New England Lobsterbake

A St. Peter Fundraiser {Pavilion}

\$80.00 per person

Advance Payment

Required

Cash, Check, or Credit Card, sold after Mass 03-09-2024 and

03-10-2024 by Nancy

LIMITED SEATING!



Enjoy Music By KW favorite:



Pavilion transformation for "Maine Event" by "Dee & Volunteers"

Timing:

- You are welcome to come, watch "Loading the Bake"
 © 5pm-on field.
 - 5:00 Cash Bar Opens with Lite Crudité offering.
- 5:30 Select your table.
- 6:00 Clam Chowder served.
- 6:30 Buffet Open.

Kathy and Dusty Rhodes have been doing lobsterbakes for over 30 years. They have done them in locations as far north as Boothbay Harbor, Maine, as far west as Phoenix, Arizona and as far south as the Keys.

Come to this "Southernmost Lobsterbake" for a terrific culinary experience and a great theatrical performance. Be prepared to take a few photos as more than 100 lobsters, bushels of corn, lots of potatoes, onions, mussels, clams, vegan sausage, eggs and salmon all buried in seaweed from Maine and steamed to perfection over a blazing wood fire.

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Lent & Holy Week Schedule

<u>Lenten regulations:</u> 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 14. 2024, 9am & 5pm

Jesus and the Eucharist Group Study

Wednesdays, 6-8pm. Parish Hall, weekly until March 13th only.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays, after the 9am Mass (from 9:30-10:30am)

Divine Mercy Weekly Novena

Wednesdays, after the 9am Mass (Feb. 7-April 3)

Stations of the Cross

All Fridays in Lent, 4:15pm in the Church (Before the Fish Fry!)

Lenten Fish Fry by K of C

Fridays, 5-7pm (Feb. 16 & 23, March 1 & 8), Parish Hall

Lobster Bake

Friday, March 15, 5 pm Parish Pavilion

Healing Mass & Penance Services

(Mass with Anointing of the Sick followed by Confessions with Adoration)

Tuesday, March 19 at 9am and

Wednesday, March 20 at 6pm

March 24: Palm Sunday

Saturday Vigil, 5:30pm (March 23) Sunday Masses, 8:30 & 11:00am

March 28: Holy Thursday

(no 9am morning Mass)

12 noon-3pm — the Church is open for silent prayer 6pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper & Washing of Feet, and Adoration of the Holy Eucharist

March 29: Good Friday Liturgy

(no 9am morning Mass)
3pm, The Passion of the Lord & Veneration of the Cross

March 30: Easter Vigil Mass

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

March 31: Easter Sunday

Masses at 8:30 & 11:00am

Easter Egg Hunt after the 11am Mass





FISH FRY



Friday, FEBRUARY

16TH & 23rd

MARCH 1st & 8th

ST. Peter Catholic Church 31300 Overseas Highway Big Pine Key, FL 33043

5:00 -7:00

\$18.00 for Adults

\$12.00 Children

Sandwich/fries-\$10.00

Mahi (Fried/Grilled, ColeSlaw, Fries, dessert. There will be take-out available.



The Knights of Columbus March meeting will be Monday, March 4 at 7pm in the Ministry Center



The Knights of Columbus will be doing the Easter Egg Hunt for our children and any children in the Big Pine area on Easter Sunday, March 31 after the 11:00am Mass.

They would appreciate donations of Easter candy (no chocolate please), plastic eggs and prizes.

There will be a box in the narthex for your donations—Thank You!

Collection envelope boxes are in the Narthex in alphabetical order for you to pick up!

Singers wanted: The Lower Keys Community Choir in partnership with the Keys Chamber Orchestra will be performing Easter concerts the evenings of March 18, 19 and 21 from Cudjoe to Marathon. Rehearsals are on



Sunday evenings at the Big Pine Methodist Church from 4:40-6:00pm beginning February 4th. All experience levels are welcome—. For information or to join, please email keyschamberorchestra@gmail.com.



2023-2024 Religious Education Program.

We thank you, the parents, for entrusting your children to our program. Please know that we are always praying for you and your children. Please continue to pray for this ministry and for our wonderful teachers, students and their families.

CCD classes are from 8:45an to 9:45 am in the Parish Ministry Center on Sundays.

For more information about the Religious Education Program, please contact Rosalinda Hally at rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org

Student Spotlight: This prayer was written by CCD student Isabeau Hoyle:



A Prayer for Malala Yousafzai

Lord, thank you for giving Malala the courage she needs to fight for girls' education.

Thank you for giving her safety as she escapes persecution.

Please open our hearts and minds to see her example.

Amen

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 1-866-802-2873



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















Fr. Paul Milanowski and CCD students at the 11am Mass last Sunday, February 25th.





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Join us for a powerful four-day experience at STU Impact, tailored for high school students seeking to enrich their faith, community bonds, and leadership skills. Delve into the heart of the Eucharistic revival and gain the tools to spread renewed love for Christ in the Eucharist within your parish and school communities.

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IT INCLUDES HOUSING FOR THREE NIGHTS, MEALS, AND ALL CAMP ACTIVITIES.









Fr. Paul Milanowski conferring the RCIA Rite of Welcoming on Stephanie Cano as her family joins her.



Respect Life Ministry

Baby Shower Drive

Saturday, March 16-Friday,

March 22nd

Benefitting eighteen babies in the Wesley House Healthy Families Program

Items requested this year are:

Diapers size 2,3 & 4

Baby wipes

Baby Lotion

Baby bath shampoo

Diaper ointments

There will be a cart in the Narthex for items donated.







ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITIES & DEVELOPMENT DRIVE

If you have not given to this year's ABCD campaign, please, put your love into action today! Every day, every dollar makes a difference in the lives of those in need! Your support of the ABCD enables us to provide essential programs and support to individuals and families above and beyond what happens in our parish. Together, let us continue to give generously, knowing that our efforts have a lasting impact.

To donate online: www.isupportabcd.org or take an envelope from the pew or the Narthex if you did not receive an envelope in the mail.

Thank you for your generous response!

Names of ABCD Donors so far: (If you have donated and 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: \$50,149.00. We are currently short \$41,104.00.

Howard Bleich Sheila Madden Carol Schulz

Sara Bielich Louis Martin Richard Shenk

Darrell Dye Kevin Meagher Mary Bennett Smith

Daniel Ford Jesus Medina Lurana Snow

Rosalinda Hally Ralph Montanaro Anthony Sporer

Connie Hauk Sue Myers Leonora Stulken

Mary Ann Henderson James Nichols Rafael Valls

Knights of Columbus Francisco Ormaechea Antonio Vilarodrigue

Daniel Leffers Patrick Parenty Nicki Will

Laura Londono Jorge Ramos

Vicente Lopez Maria Ruiz



St. Peter Community Food Pantry Open Wednesdays from 9:3011:30am

The second Sunday of every month is designated as "Loaves and Fishes" weekend. A cart will be set in the Narthex for your donations that weekend. There are baskets in the narthex for your donations any other weekend. The Pantry clients are in need of dry pastas, canned meats, hearty soups, canned fruits, vegetables and tomato sauce food items. Also needed include personal care items such as laundry detergent, shampoo, deodorant, tooth paste, tooth brushes, body wash and bug spray. We are considerably grateful for any food or cash donations.

Thank you for caring and helping us bring HOPE & JOY into the lives of many people.

St. Peter Catholic Church is a 501(c)(3) corporation.

Your parish contact for all things related to the Food Pantry is Director, Lisa Ford, through the Church office at 305-872-2537.

Show Me My Neighbor

Lord of All Love, As I step out the door, show me my neighbor, As I read the news, show me my neighbor.

As I pray, show me my neighbor. On my left, on my right perhaps turning to me right now, show me my neighbor.

Where my eyes have passed before and then turned away, show me my neighbor.
Where my ears have heard cries that I have ignored, show me my neighbor.
As they share a story that is different from my story, help me to listen as if it were my own.
Show me my neighbor.

And then let me love them in their joy and in their distress that their delight might be mine and their pain be mine too.

Let me love them as completely and mercifully as you love me. In true solidarity singing our songs together until a new song emerges, let me love them.

I look up now, Lord. Show me my neighbor.

Amen

——Edward O'N. Hoyt for Catholic Relief Services

We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for:





Square Grouper Bar & Grill

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Broil Steakhouse

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.



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 Building Fund on the website now!



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.

Thank you!!

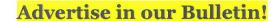
Thank you on behalf of the **Missions** for saving cancelled stamps, eyeglasses, tabs from pop top cans, and rosaries, broken or whole.

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!





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 our church website — www.stpeterbpk.org with a direct link to your website.

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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.

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- Church bulletin advertising is a key component to an effective marketing strategy
- 97% of Catholic Church bulletins taken home every single week
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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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Robert Sanchez



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Or Email nancy@stpeterbpk.org



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