St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

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

www.stpeterbpk.org

MARCH 17, 2024 **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

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



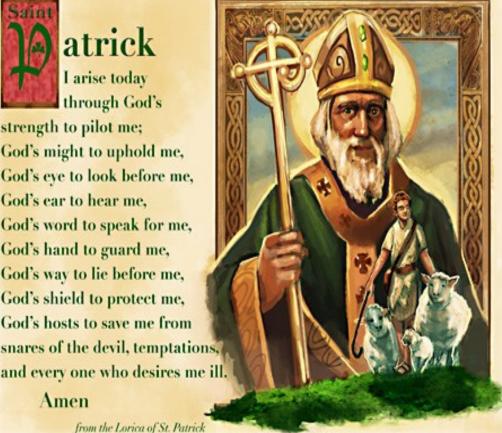
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I arise today through God's

strength to pilot me; God's might to uphold me, God's eye to look before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me, God's hand to guard me, God's way to lie before me, God's shield to protect me, God's hosts to save me from snares of the devil, temptations,

Amen

from the Lorica of St. Patrick





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 16, 2024

5:30 pm: +Deacon Bill Rich by Rosalinda Hally

Sunday, March 17, 2024

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

Cerchio by John Isaksen

11:00am: +Jim Burns and Deceased Family Members

by Margaret Burns

+Tom Skalbeck by Susan Berenz

Monday, March 18, 2024

9:00am: +Barbara Ann Cox by Sheila Madden

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 Healing Mass followed by

Confessions and Adoration

9:00am: +Zoe Castillo by Monica & Alex Castillo

Wednesday March 20, 2024

9:00am: +Billy Height by Kim Francis

6:00pm: Healing Mass followed by Confessions and

Adoration

Thursday, March 21, 2024

9:00am: +Lou Ann Frances by Kim Francis

Friday, March 22, 2024:

9:00am:

Saturday, March 23, 2024

5:30pm: +Deceased Relatives & Friends

by Richard & Barbara Shenk

Sunday, March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday

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

Cerchio by John Isaksen

11:00am: +Fr. Michael O'Keefe by Rosalinda Hally

This week in our parish:

Monday, March 18, 2024

9:00am Mass

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

9:00am Mass—Healing Mass followed by Confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:30-10:30 am

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

9:00am Mass

Divine Mercy Novena after 9am Mass

Food Pantry open 9:30-11:30am

6:00pm Healing Mass followed by Confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, March 21, 2024

9:00am Mass

6pm Choir Practice in the Church

Friday, March 22, 2024

9am Mass

Stations of the Cross 4:15 in the Church

Saturday, March 23, 2024

5:30pm vigil Mass 3:30pm Choir Practice in the Church

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

8:30 Mass

11:00 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: March 9 & 10, 2024

and this Weekend will be reported in the March 23-24 bulletin due to illness in the Money Counting Ministry.

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, 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, Pam Leffers, 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.

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March, 2023

Dear Friends,

The 2023 St. Peter Church Sponsorship Campaign is underway and remains open through April 2023.

To fund the annual fiscal plan and budget, we are soliciting a onetime donation for 2023. Please send your tax-deductible sponsorship check payable to St. Peter Catholic Church and join us in the work we do by becoming a 2023 St. Peter Church Sponsor at the following levels:

Platinum Sponsor \$5,000.00 and above
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Donor \$300.00

For each level your individual or business sponsor name will appear on our website, social media sites, bulletin and banner on property.

If you have specific questions about how your donation is being used, or you want further information on how to continue your support, please don't hesitate to contact us.

We thank you in advance for your sponsorship.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Nancy McCrosson, Property Manager / Bookkeeper

For: Rev. Jesus "Fr. Jets" Medina, Pastor

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



Please pray for the eternal repose of the soul of Fr. Jets' Father— Army Lt. Pat Medina, a Vietnam Veteran, age 97, who died March 3, in the Philippines. Fr. Jets had just finished celebrating a family Mass, and was preparing to return to the U.S. when his father died.





AN EASTER CELEBRATION

A collection of music and lessons to celebrate the season

March 18 – Big Pine Key United Methodist Church, 7:30 pm March 19 – Venture Out, Cudjoe Key, 7:30 pm

March 21 – San Pablo Catholic Church, Marathon, 7:30 pm

Admission is free
A goodwill offering will be taken



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 is a box in the Narthex for your donations—Thank You!

Faith Sharing with The Chosen-Season Three

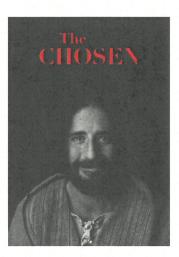
Norma Thompson will be offering an eight-week faith sharing session using the popular movie "The Chosen- Season Three" We will watch each episode and then break into small groups to discuss the movie and share our faith in response to questions.

Come join us and get to know other Peterites. No books required.

There will be two time frames:

Tuesday MORNINGS from 11:30-1:00 and Tuesday EVENINGS from 6:30-8:00

Both sessions will be held in the Ministry Center from March 26- May 14



Please sign up in the back of church on your desired time sheet.

Snowbirds: come as long as you are in town.

FOR LIFE

Pick up your CRS Rice Bowl in the Narthex. When you pick up your Rice Bowl, you will also receive a Lenten calendar that offers short reflections for each day of Lent. Make sure to put together the cardboard box and use it to collect your family's alms. And visit crsricebowl.org for stories, meatless recipes, prayers and more to enrich your Lenten journey.

This Lent, be transformed and transform the world—by practicing:

- Daily prayer.
- Weekly fasting.
- Almsgiving.

Journey with CRS Rice Bowl to encounter God and our global family. What you give up for Lent changes lives!

Find stories, videos and more at **crsricebowl.org**

CRSRICE BOWL



2023-2024 Religious Education Program.

No CCD classes this weekend—Spring Break.

CCD classes resume next weekend, Sunday, March 24 from 8:45am to 9:45 am in the Parish Ministry Center

No CCD on Easter Sunday, March 31—Classes resume Sunday, April 7 from 8:45-9:45 in the Ministry Center.

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

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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:

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ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITIES & DEVELOPMENT DRIVE

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Narthex if you did not receive an
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response!

Margaret Zoppy

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 \$34,294.00.

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ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITIES & DEVELOPMENT DRIVE

Our commitment to the 2024 ABCD as a parish is a testimony to our collective faith and the love we have for those in need. Though we've made significant progress, we've yet to meet our goal. Every contribution counts, and with your support, we can make a real difference, Please take a moment to consider making a gift the ABCD today, helping us achieve our goal and offering love and compassion to those who need it most.



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.





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:





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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.

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!!

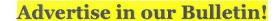
Thank you on behalf of the **Missions** for saving cancelled stamps, eyeglasses, tabs from pop top cans, and rosaries, broken or whole.

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?

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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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