St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:30am-3:30pm

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor:

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Dan Ford

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30am and 11:00am Daily Masses: 9:00am Monday-Friday

HOLY DAYS:

Vigil Mass: 6:00pm Holy Day Mass: 9:00am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:50pm to 5:20pm in the Church

(or by appointment)

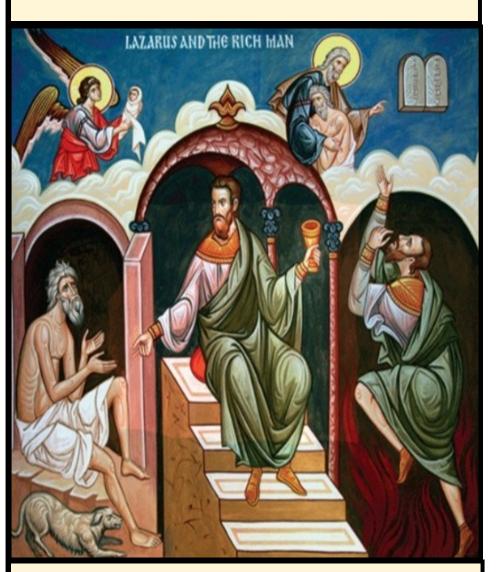
BAPTISMS, FUNERALS and WEDDINGS:

Please contact the office for more information.

Visit our Website:

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 Parish!



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 the Fisherman
Catholic Parish.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 27, 2025

5:30pm: +Jean Joseph Antoine Alexandre by Michelle

Alexandre

Sunday, September 28, 2025

8:30am: +Sean Pedersen by the St. Peter Parish Food

Pantry

11:00am: S.I.Benefactors & Friends of St. Peter Parish

Monday, September 29, 2025

9:00am: Communion Service Tuesday, September 30 2025 9:00am: Communion Service

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

9:00am: +Souls in Purgatory by A Loving Peterite

<u>Thursday, October 2, 2025</u> **9:00am:** Communion Service

Friday, October 3, 2025

9:00am Communion Service

Saturday, October 4, 2025

5:30pm: Communion Service

Sunday, October 5, 2025

8:30am: Communion Service **11:00am**: Communion Service



This week in our parish:

Saturday, September 27, 2025

5:30 pm Mass Lector: Steve Paul Sacristan: Mark Berenz

Eucharistic Ministers: Sheila Madden & Sandy Boles

Sunday, September 28, 2025

8:30 am Mass Lector: Nancy McCrosson Sacristan: Roberta Castillo

Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Ford & Dan Ford

Sunday, September 28, 2025

11:00 am Mass Lector: Bill Boles Sacristan: Maria Sims

Eucharistic Ministers: Catherine Baugh & Peter Rosasco

Monday, September 29, 2025

9:00am: Mass

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

9:00am: Mass

Food Pantry open 9:30am—12:30pm

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

9:00am: Mass

Thursday, October 2, 2025

9:00am: Mass

Friday, October 3, 2025

9:00am: Communion Service

Saturday, October 4, 2025

5:30pm Mass

Lector: Barbara Jackowski Sacristan: TBD

Eucharistic Ministers: TBD

Sunday, October 5, 2025

8:30am Mass Lector: Pauline Snyder Sacristan: TBD

Eucharistic Ministers: TBD

Sunday, October 5, 2025

11:00am Mass
Lectors: Peter Rosasco
Sacristan: TBD
Eucharistic Ministers: TBD

<u>Pope Leo's Monthly Intention for September, 2025: For</u> our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect. Amen



Donations received:

September 20—September 21, 2025

1st Collection: \$3,135.00

2nd Collection: \$ 678.00. (CCD/Religious

Education)

Add'l Received, Once Monthly (September)
Blue Envelope Building Fund: \$ 425.00
Monthly Summer Blues: \$ 585.00
Monthly Direct Deposit: \$2,445.00
Direct Deposit Weekly: \$ 765.00

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!





There is a **Finanial 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.

Understanding the "Summer Blues" 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, Connie Medina, Belle Medina-Ricasio, Beth Rodman, Flo Boyle, Mike Graham, Tiffany Howard, Jim Oettle, Kate Menser Hughey, Marilyn Nichols, Mark Stump, Randy Reinhart, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Ruth Fidler, Nita Bigelow, 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, Rosemary Farrell, Tyler Pappadakis, Marissa Sibucao & family, Donna and Darrell Dye, Riley Faith, Michael Buchard, Janet Maxwell, Molly Mescal, Gregoria, Carl Crouch, Frank Sergi, Ava, Barbara Barzen, Katharine Lawrence, Joe Jennison, Noel Piniero, Michelle White, Alex Burkos, Tom Schoonbeck, Kathleen Henry, Nancy Herrera, Matty Frank, Dee Johnson, Sandy Boggs, Mike Muthner, Richard Robinson, Pat Parenty, Ferdinand Villa, Linda LaRochelle, Ann Ruddy, Clara Harrell, Barbara Oberski, Gregory Klimock, baby Rain Oliver, Graciella Cruz Pino, Ashleigh Rupert, Delilah Ann Oliver, Tamara Snider, Jill Mather, Teresa Valdez, Reggie Paros, Dorsey Family, Anthony Vaccaro, Mark Fraley, Jan Basham Mark Walker, Margaret Burns

Please let us know in the office if you or someone else is

homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist at

Planned Giving:

Planned giving is a lasting way to support the Church and its mission for generations to come. Naming the Church as a beneficiary of your retirement accounts or life insurance policies, allows you to leave a legacy rooted in faith, ensuring that the ministries you care about today continue to thrive tomorrow.

Want to learn more or make an appointment to discuss Planned Giving? Please contact Nancy McCrosson in the Office at 305-872-2537 or email Nancy at Nancy@stpeterbpk.org

Stewardship:

That our eyes may be open to the needs around us, and our hands and hearts may be open to sharing our gifts through Stewardship to make this world a better place for all of us.

"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." LUKE 16:25-26



Religious Education Classes have begun!!

We are excited to begin a new year of faith formation and spiritual growth for the children of our parish.

Classes are held every Sunday from September through May

Grades: Kindergarten through Confirmation

Cost: \$60.00 per child, includes snacks

To register, please submit a registration form found in the Narthex. Fill it out and return to the Parish office or place in an envelope with CCD Registration written on the front and place in the Sunday offering basket at Church. Two years of Religious Education are required to prepare students to receive their First Communion and to be Confirmed.

Friendly reminder to the parents of our CCD students attending Mass with them, please sign in your child's Mass attendance in the narthex. Thank you.

Confirmation Class of 2026

Year 2 Confirmation Class to be confirmed in the Spring of 2026.

We will accept new Confirmation students in August, 2026. This is a 2 year program.

Please contact Rosalinda Hally for further information at 305-942-9975.

Dan's Corner:

Maintenance Supervisor Dan Ford is looking for volunteers.



Call the office at 305-872-2537 for more details.



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

Nationwide Invitation to Prayer—daily from now until October 1, 2025

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer to stop taxpayer funding of the abortion industry. In Particular, we will invoke the intercession of *St Joseph, Defender of Life* with this prayer:

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do

the will of God in all things. Amen

For more information visit www.usccb.org

Prayer cards are available in the Narthex

Have you met or taken a selfie with our St. Peter's Key Deer family:

Buck: Peter Doe: Ayala Doe: Rachel

Fawn: Petronilla



St. Peter Parish purchased a Key Deer Family, picture above, for \$3,600.00. While this expense was not planned or included within the 2025-2026 fiscal year Parish budget, the importance of helping our endangered Key Deer was an important mission for us. Because of your generous donations for this project, we have received to date seventy-five percent of the funds used to replenish this account.

We will continue to accept donations of any amount to fully replenish funds utilized for this project..

If you would like to participate, you may drop your donation in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office, envelopes are in the Narthex, marked Key Deer Project.

- If donating by check, checks payable to St. Peter and note Key Deer Statues in the memo.
 - If donating by credit card, visit the office or call Nancy #305-872-2537.
 - Your donation is tax-deductible, and then included in your contributions to St. Peter.

Save Our Key Deer, Inc. (S.O.K.D.)

Your local 501-C3 Nonprofit for Endangered Key Deer

Benefitting endangered Key deer and our community.

Statues to be placed within Mile Markers 16-33

Painted Key Deer Statues Project

St Peter's continues to support S.O.K.D. as well as holds an annual membership.

In addition, St. Peter's Catholic Parish is proud to have become a member of the Florida Keys Wildlife Society, friends of the Florida Keys Wildlife Refuges.



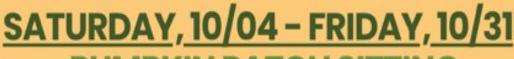
WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!



SATURDAY, 10/04



PUMPKINS ARRIVE AT 9AM!!
NEED HELP UNLOADING TRUCK!





(2 OR 4 HOUR SHIFTS)

10AM - 6:30PM MON-FRI

9:30AM - 6:30PM SAT & SUN





(2 HOUR SHIFTS)



MONDAY, 10/13 (COLUMBUS DAY)



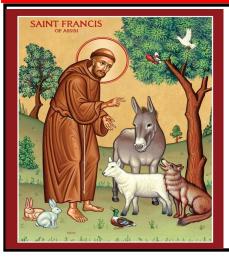
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Knights of Columbus Council Meeting

Monday, October 6, 2025 at 7:00pm in the Community Center



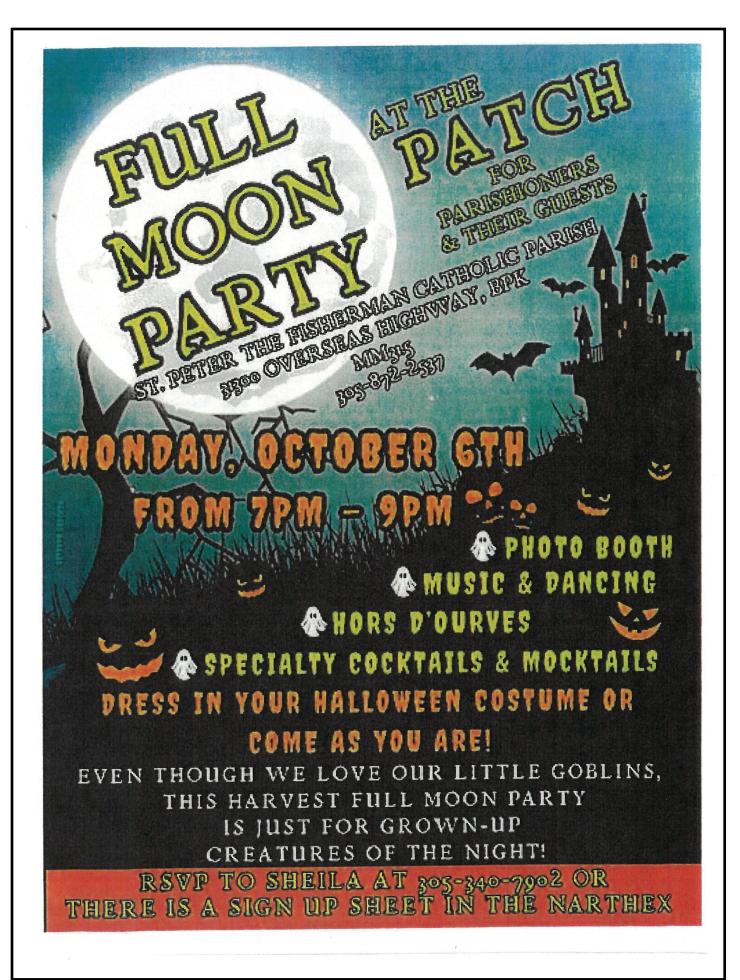
Blessing of Animals Sunday, October 5th is the Feast of St. Francis.

We will bless animals on Sunday, October 5th by the Statue of St. Francis in the Pavilion after the 11:00am Mass.

All types of animals are welcome!

Please make sure they are on a leash, in a crate or in a cage.

Thank you!





St. Peter Community Food Pantry



Open Tuesdays from 9:30am12:30pm

The second weekend of each month is "Loaves and Fishes" weekend.

An update on your Food Pantry Activity:

Dear Parishioners; Thank you for your continued generosity! We continue to assist many people in the community enduring difficult times and needing food. The second weekend of every month is designated "Loaves and Fishes" weekend. A cart will be set up in the Narthex for you to place your donations. The Pantry clients are in need of dry pastas, canned meats, hearty soups, canned fruit, vegetables and tomato sauce food items.

Also needed are personal care items such as laundry detergent, shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes, body wash and bug spray. The Pantry has had such a wonderful response from our parishioners as well as community organizations: the Keys Women's Club, the Women of the Moose, the Orthodox Church, Coconuts, the Bike Shop, Venture Out Church, Summerland Women's Club and Lord of the Seas Lutheran Church!

Thank you for caring and helping us bring HOPE & JOY into the lives of families living in our community. Your Parish contact for all things related to the Food Pantry is Director, Nova Silvy, through the Parish Office at 305-872-2537.

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!!



Are you a Visitor to St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish?

We have the perfect memento for you, a souvenir ornament of our church for \$20.00.

Parishioners.

Proudly share your love of St. Peter Parish by gifting your house guests with an ornament. Please see an Usher after mass to buy.

Thank you for purchasing today!



GREFTERS









Square Grouper Bar & Grill and My New Joint Milagro Restaurant & Bar Broil Steakhouse

A percentage of the \$25.00 goes to our Religious Education Fund and helps finance our Religious Ed. and Annual Scholarship Programs.

Gift Certificates can be purchased through the office during business hours, Monday-Friday 9:30 am-3:30 pm., cash checks or credit card accepted.

Thanks For Buying Gift Cards From Us:

St Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish in Big Pine Key, Inc. Invites You...

Advertise in our Bulletin!

It is time to renew our existing Bulletin advertisers and sign-up new ones.

Dear Parishioners and Business Owners,

Are you a Parishioner wanting to support your parish by reserving a spot this year with a favorite Saint or "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of" a loved one?

Are you a Business Owner 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.

An annual price of \$600.00 per calendar year.

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.

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- 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
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If you would like to participate, now is a wonderful time to do so, contact:

Thank you!

Nancy McCrosson, Property Manager / Bookkeeper Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish in Big Pine Key, Inc. 31300 Overseas Hwy. Big Pine Key, FL 33043 {Parish Office} 305-872-2537 Nancy@stpeterbpk.org

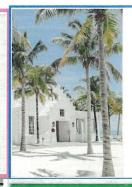
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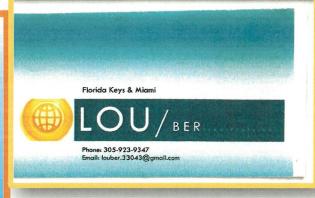
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Have no fear for what tomorrow may bring. The same loving God who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. He will either shield you from suffering or give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside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

St. Francis DeSales



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