



Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Parish

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December 21, 2014 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Anticipated: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.*, 11:15 a.m.*

Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

*Nursery is available in the school during the
9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Masses

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 7:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

PHONE: 912-897-5156

FAX: 912-897-7924

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BAPTISMS

Please call the parish office at least six weeks in advance before you make any arrangements. Parents are required to attend a Baptism Class that is offered once a quarter.

WEDDINGS

Call the parish office at least six months in advance of the intended marriage. Please set no dates until the priest performing the ceremony has been consulted and the church of marriage is available. Couples must attend a Pre Cana class.

FLOWERS

If you wish to have flowers on the altar for a specific weekend, please call the parish office.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you have not yet had an opportunity to register in the parish, please take a Census Form from the narthex of the church or go to the parish website for instructions.

"All Are Welcome"



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 21, 2014



| | <u>INTENTION</u> | <u>REQUESTED BY</u> |
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| SUNDAY | Special Intention..... | Patricia & Horace Leysath |
| | Joseph Tuan Bui..... | His Loving Family |
| | Adelina Dacles..... | Dominica Cardinal |
| MONDAY | St. Peter the Apostle Family & Friends | |
| TUESDAY | Mike Counihan..... | Dennis Counihan & Family |
| WEDNESDAY | Emma Orsini..... | Her Loving Family |
| | Special Intention..... | Jeff & JoAnn Smith |
| THURSDAY | Pete & Catherine Maury..... | The Soha Family |
| FRIDAY | Sarah Counihan..... | Dennis Counihan & Family |
| SATURDAY | Vivian Kenney..... | Connie, Bill & Elizabeth Baran |

*Monsignor P. James
Costigan, Fr. Paul
Cabrita, S.M. and the
Parish Staff wish
everyone a Blessed and
Holy Christmas!*



PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The office will be closed
December 24th, 25th 26th and
January 1st. The office will be
open from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
on December 23rd, 29th and
30th and from 8:00 a.m. - noon
on December 31st.
Regular office hours will
resume on January 2nd.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th - Christmas Eve
4:00 p.m. Vigil - Children's Choir
6:00 p.m. Vigil - Adult Choir

December 25th - Christmas Day
The Nativity of the Lord
10:00 a.m. Mass
Holy Day of Obligation



NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

December 31st - New Year's Eve
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

January 1st - New Year's Day
Solemnity of Mary
9:00 a.m. Mass
Holy Day of Obligation



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
LIFETEEN MASS AT ST. PETER'S
This Mass is your Mass!

Contemporary Christmas Music played
 before Mass starting at 4:30pm!

When: Sunday, December 21st 5:00pm

Where: St. Peter the Apostle Church

Who: All youth of the Parish, their families, and parishioners & friends.

Life Teen focuses on helping teens fall deeper in love with Jesus in the Eucharist. Primarily this is done through celebration of a youth focused Mass. Life Teen believes that "Eucharist-based ministry has the power to transform teens, transform parishes, and transform culture."



St. Peter the Apostle School and Parish are asking for your assistance in putting together a record of alumni and former parishioners. We'd like to share with them all the exciting updates and changes in our parish and school. If you have names and contact information of individuals and families that have relocated, please contact the school (897-5224) or parish office (897-5156) with this information.



We will be hosting families for Interfaith Hospitality Network from December 28th through January 3rd. We will need help with dinners, entertainment, and to spend the night. Call Cathy Scanlon at 897-6664 if you can help.

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY SECOND COLLECTION



Bishop Gregory Hartmayer, OFM Conv. has asked all parishioners to donate generously to the Christmas Day Second Collection for Catholic Schools, which benefits all 18 elementary and secondary schools in the Diocese of Savannah. Half of the money generated by this collection goes to the financial support of the schools in the diocese, the other half goes to an endowment fund which has been established for Catholic education. Thank you for your generous donations.



We wish all of our St. Peter the Apostle School Family Peace and Joy for the Christmas Season.

Have a Blessed Christmas, a Happy New Year and a safe Christmas vacation.

See you next year!



ATTENTION!

All ministries...we would like to hear from YOU! We are LIVE and our new website is an excellent way to advertise the activities of your ministry. Please email Sheri Moyer (moyersheri@aol.com) with information about upcoming events, photos of recent events, or with any information you'd like to share with the Parish about the activities of your group. Please visit our website at: <http://saintpetertheapostle.com/church>

Thank you St. Peter's Parish for your generous donations and support for my Manger Scene Boy Scout project for St. Peter's School. I hope you enjoy it and thank you again. Merry Christmas!

-Eddie Seginack



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**St. Peter the Apostle School's
Kindergarten & 1st grade
Fieldtrip to see the Nutcracker**



**Youth Choir Fieldtrip to
Summer Breeze
For Caroling & Sharing!**

St. Peter the Apostle School Upcoming Events

December 22, 2014

Christmas Vacation Begins

Monday, January 5, 2015

**Faculty Returns to School
Teacher Workday**

Tuesday, January 6, 2015

School Resumes for Students

Wednesday, January 7, 2015

-SPA Spirit Night @ Papa John's

-Newspaper Mtg. 3:00pm

-Rosary Club 3:00pm

-Yearbook Mtg. 3:15pm

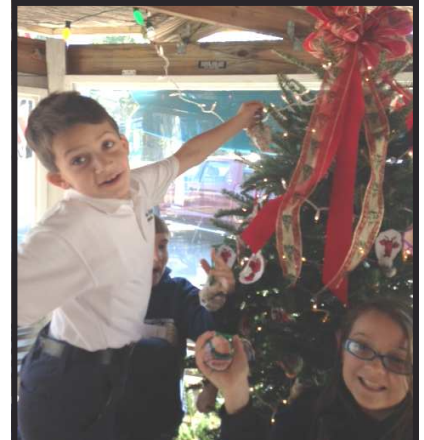
Thursday, January 8, 2015

-2nd Quarter Ends

-Choir Practice 3:00pm

Friday, January 9, 2015

-YMCA PE Classes All Day



**Fieldtrip to the Flying Fish for
Tree trimming & Caroling**

TOGETHER we live, pray, learn and serve.

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Saint Peter the Apostle School exists to provide a quality Catholic education based on Gospel values and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Following the traditions of the Sisters of Mercy, the school educates through a strong academic program and instills in its students a spirit of mercy, justice, and loving concern.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR 4-6 YEAR OLDS is normally held during the 9:00 a.m. Mass, however, they won't be meeting until after the new year. The children come to Mass with their family and then before the readings they will be taken to the Youth Center by their teachers for age appropriate lessons. Children are to be picked up in the Youth Center after Mass.

CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY will meet this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Center room #2. Contact Tom Madison at 897-1034 or tmad1204@yahoo.com.

EDGE will not meet again until January. LifeTeen WILL meet this Sunday after the LifeTeen Mass.

R.C.I.A. is normally held on Mondays in the Parish Center room #1 at 5:45 p.m. Anyone who would like to become Catholic or learn more about the Catholic faith is invited to attend. Dinner is provided each week. Contact Lisa Fogarty for more information. The classes will resume in January.

MONDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY will resume in January.

THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH meet every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. in the Parish Center room #2 for prayer and discussion of Sunday's gospel. All men of the parish are welcome.

THE ROSARY is recited every weekday morning at 7:00 a.m. and also every Wednesday at 3:15 and 6:30 p.m. (but not during the holidays) in the Daily Chapel. Everyone is welcome.

WOMEN'S SCRIPTURE STUDY will not meet again until 2015.

CCD The 3rd and 5th grade are performing on Christmas Eve at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Please check with your child's teacher for details.

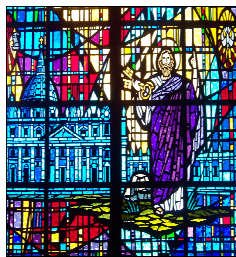
FOREVER YOUNG Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! See you next year!



STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE

Seek joy in what you give,
not in what you get.

- Anonymous



STEWARDSHIP is easier than ever at St. Peter the Apostle Church with our new online giving system, WeShare. Make your one-time or recurring donation using your debit card, credit card, checking, or savings account. **Start today by following these 3 easy steps:**

1. Visit our church website, click on Online Giving
2. Set up your account
3. Choose a payment option and customize your donation

ABUSE HOTLINE NUMBER: To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 201-4073/4. To read diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to the diocesan site at www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

December 28, 2014

The Holy Family

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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| December 7, 2014: | \$35,117.00 |
| November 30, 2014: | \$15,424.00 |
| November 23, 2014: | \$12,862.00 |
| November 16, 2014: | \$13,972.58 |
| Weekly Goal: | \$18,370.00 |
| Fiscal YTD: | \$263,388.92 |
| Fiscal YTD +/-: | -\$ 55,918.08 |

(Fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30)

Thank you for your most generous gifts to the Stewardship of Treasure. The offertory is the primary means of support for the parish and provides programs and services to our parishioners and community.

Because of the early bulletin deadline, the December 14th offertory will be carried in an upcoming bulletin.



GRACE Scholars now has one consolidated online Tax Credit and Contribution Form for 2015. Two separate forms are no longer needed, and you can complete, sign and submit everything online. Your donation is not due until March 2015. ***Your pre-registration date determines the order in which tax credits are processed, so don't delay.*** Once the \$58 million cap is met for the tax credit, you will not be able to contribute. Help send a child to St. Peter the Apostle School who otherwise would not be able to afford it. For more information, call Clare Zeigler at 897-5156. Thank you for your support!



PRE CANA CLASS

Anyone planning an upcoming wedding must attend a Pre Cana class. The next class scheduled is January 23rd (7:00 - 10:00 p.m.) and January 24th (9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) at St. James. Couples need to call Judy Clark at 927-4725 to register. The cost is \$55 per couple.

WHO WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO WORSHIP JESUS? It was St. John the Baptist. As Mary, who was with child, entered Elizabeth's home, the baby Elizabeth was carrying (John) reacted to His presence, as recorded by Luke in his Gospel (1:39-45) "As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy."

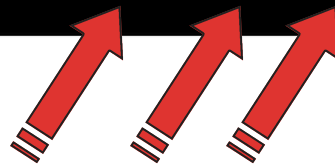
Life begins at conception.

Support Our Parish Right to Life Ministry

VIRTUS CLASS has been scheduled at Blessed Sacrament on January 8th. This training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry, and must be completed before they begin their ministry. Seating is limited at this session to 20 seats and you must pre-register online to save your seat. To register, go to www.diosav.org and find the training listed on the "Upcoming Events Calendar".

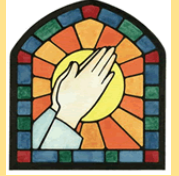
The Diocese of Savannah welcomes you to participate in a pilgrimage to Philadelphia for the **World Meeting of Families** from September 21-28, 2015. Mass will be celebrated daily with ample time for devotion and reflection. Our pilgrimage will culminate with a Festival of Families Papal Mass on September 28th. Fr. Douglas Clark from St. Matthew's Church in Statesboro, GA will be our spiritual director. For more information and reservations, please contact the Office of Family Life, Maria Ramos-Hibbs at 201-4068 or email her at mhibbs@diosav.org.

dancing through the decades
 Saturday, April 25, 2015
6:30 - 10:00pm
 St. Peter the Apostle Parish Center
 7020 Concord Rd. Savannah, GA 31410
Tickets - \$35
 Dinner, Ballroom Dance Show, Silent Auction, Raffle
 Live music from
The Rogues
 For the benefit of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School
<http://school.saintpetertheapostle.com/>





+++Pray for the Recently Deceased+++
 Lucy Horton (grandmother of Jennifer Burr Maggioni)
 Harry Jenkins (uncle of Dr. Mark Jenkins)



+++ PRAY FOR THE SICK +++

HOSPITALS: *Candler* - Theresa Harkleroad *Memorial* - Jared Fogarty *St. Joseph* - Eleanor Wood, Noreen Mangiero
AT HOME SICK: Lucy DiPietro, Janice Johnson, Mary Curry, Harris Orsini, Ann Carter, Mike Sievers, Joe Lancaster, Eleanor Ciucevich, Ralph Wigger, Joe Johnson, Amanda Mizelle Fanning, Mickey Hohnerlein, Connor Pijuan, Marion Harkelroad, Sr., Jay Maney, Maria Buckhaults, Patsy Chan, Richard Garcia, Loreta Forbes Felix, Hugh Arnold, Lynn Lynch, Kay Grayson, Ted Migchelbrink, Brendan Kennedy, Edward Fitzgerald, III, Julia Dyer Strickland, Mary Park, Wanda Lenk
NURSING HOMES & ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES: *Summer Breeze* - Elizabeth Overstreet, Frances McBride, Sebastian Orsini, Patricia Gunderson, Ruby Deaton, Mary Handiboe Powers, Margaret Murray *Savannah Square* - Rose Carter, Elvera Bakstran, Josephine Murphy, Eleanor Wood *Spanish Oaks* - Ed Hayden *Kindred Transitional Care* - Charlie Parker *Rivers Edge* - Joan Sullivan *Buckingham South* - Estelle Carter
OUT OF TOWN SICK: Barbara Miller (cousin of Carol Mesaros), Chris Gilmore (nephew of Hugh Gilmore), James Deere (cousin of Rose Larkin), Karen Simon-Poland (sister of Monica Dodd), Ellie DeLucia (granddaughter of Carmella DeLucia), Mary Gould (mother of Deborah Gould), John Pyrtle (friend of the Willis family), Brian Conley (nephew of Betsy O'Neil), Jimmy Zupfer, Joe Harty (brother of Veva Shuman), Anna O'Brien, Raymond O'Brien, Eugene Landry, Mike May (brother-in-law of Candy Sobataka), Devon Bushey (nephew of Peter Preston), Harold & Myra Young (parents of John Young), Bob Robinson (brother of Kathleen Ansley), Kyley Cornwell (friend of Helen Counihan), Abby Pruitt, William Welsh (friend of Francesca Rehal), Clara Russo (sister-in-law of Sarah & Tim Fogarty), Jake Morgan (son of Dave & Kim Morgan), Branden Agramonte (nephew of Ana Portman), Leonard Ledford (brother of Connie Baran), Margaret Ann Immel (mother of Mark Immel), Margaret Forrest (grandmother of John Povanda)



St. Peter the Apostle Parish and School
Upcoming Events



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| <i>December 21</i> | <i>December 22</i> Rosary 7am | <i>December 23</i> Rosary 7am | <i>December 24</i> Christmas Eve Vigil Masses 4pm Children's Choir 6pm Adult Choir | <i>December 25</i> Christmas Day 10am Mass | <i>December 26</i> Parish office closed | <i>December 27</i> |
| <i>December 28</i> | <i>December 29</i> Rosary 7am Parish office open 8am-3pm | <i>December 30</i> Rosary 7am Parish office open 8am-3pm | <i>December 31</i> New Year's Eve Parish office open 8am-12noon Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm | <i>January 1</i> Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation Mass at 9am | <i>January 2</i> Rosary 7am Parish office open regular hours | <i>January 3</i> |