

DECEMBER 12, 2021 3RD Sunday of Advent Readings on page 1081

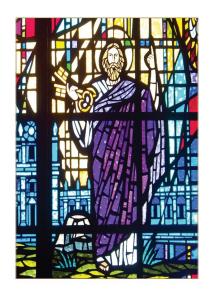
Mass Schedule

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. 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



Flowers

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



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.

Mew Parishioners

to the parish website for instructions.

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

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.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12, 2021



	<u>INTENTION</u>	REQUESTED BY
SUNDAY	Jim Keller	Ron & Mary Newton
	John Scanlon	Michael & Paula Donner
	St. Peter the Apostle Family and Friends	
	Sauers/Thomas Families	Bruce & Diane Sauers
	John Dang	Loving Family
MONDAY	Stephen Morrison	Sucie Fuller
TUESDAY	Judy Mekker	Iris & Jeff Stein
WEDNESDAY	Judy Mekker	Deborah & Glen McGrath
THURSDAY	Marilyn Powers	Her Loving Family
	Steve McCusker	Loving Family
FRIDAY	James Artley	Tom Madison
	Jim Stettler	Loving Family
SATURDAY	Anna Nguyen	Loving Family
	Ginny Edgars	Barbara Schulze



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th - Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Vigil in church 4:00 p.m. Vigil in parish center 6:00 p.m. Vigil in church

December 25th - Christmas Day

The Nativity of Our Lord 10:00 a.m.

Regular Mass times on December 26th

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

December 31st - New Year's Eve

5:30 p.m. Vigil

New Year's Day

The Solemnity of Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

9:00 a.m.

The parish office will be closed December 24th, 27th and 31st. The office will be open from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on December 28th, 29th & 30th. Regular office hours will resume on Monday, January 3, 2022



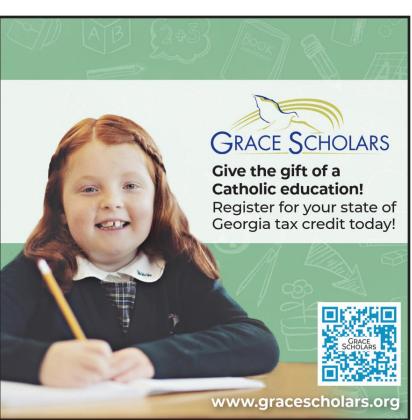
This weekend at all Masses there will be a second collection for Religious Retirement. Across the United States, hundreds of

religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health care needs of aging members. Please give generously to those who have given a lifetime.



TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Register now for your 2022 Georgia state tax credit that benefits Catholic education. **GRACE Scholars** provides scholarships to children from families with financial need in grades PreK-12 for use at participating schools located in the State of Georgia. You will receive 100% State of Georgia tax credit for your donation. This gift helps deserving students in Georgia receive an excellent Catholic education at St. Peter the Apostle School at no cost to you! visit gracescholars.org for more details.



ADVENT PRAYER, WEEK THREE

Dear Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger on Christmas. *Amen*



On December 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the church, ALL CCD students (including all of the 4-6 year old Sunday School students and Kindergarten and 1st grade CCD) will participate in the **Parish Christmas Pageant** at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the Parish Christmas Pageant.

YOUTH MASS
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH
5:00 P.M.
EVERYONE WELCOMEI

ST. PETER THE APOSTLE SCHOOL ALUMNI

If you graduated from Nativity or St. Peter the Apostle School, please update your contact information. We would like to keep you informed about upcoming events and alumni volunteer opportunities. Email us at alumni@spasav.net with your name (please include your maiden name if applicable), address, phone number, school, and graduation year. OR, complete an electronic update by visiting https://forms.gle/tQX4PzwUFrCiaHrNA and completing the form.





<u>CCD</u> 4-6 year olds and grades K & 1 meet on Sunday mornings during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Grades 2-8 meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The first Wednesday of every month is Family Night and students in grades K-8 and their families are asked to attend at 6:30 p.m. in the church. On December 15th, ALL CCD students (including all of the Sunday School students) will participate in the Parish Christmas Pageant at 6:30 p.m. We practice social distancing and safety protocols at all meetings.

R.C.I.A. Would you like to become Catholic or know anyone who does? If so, we invite you to join the R.C.I.A. class (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). Classes are held every Sunday in the parish center room #1 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Phillip Paradise at 803-221-2105 or philparadise@gmail.com.

<u>CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY</u> meets on Sundays from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the parish office conference room. Any questions or to register, contact Tom Madison at tmad1204@yahoo.com.

MEN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY will take place this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center room #1. MEN OF ST. JOSEPH meet every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. in the parish office conference room for prayer and discussion of Sunday's gospel. All men of the parish are welcome.

<u>SATURDAY ROSARY</u> You are invited to join a recitation of the rosary at 5:00 p.m. each Saturday in prayer for an end to the pandemic and for peace in our world.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

December 5, 2021:	\$31,109.00
November School Support:	\$ 2,745.00
November 28, 2021:	\$19,285,00
November 21, 2021:	\$16,320.00
2021/2022 Weekly Goal:	\$17,981.00
2021/2022 Fiscal YTD:	\$416,974.20
2021/2022 Fiscal YTD +/-:	+\$ 3,483.20
2020/21 Fiscal Year Total:	\$367,774.46
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(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, support, and services to our parishioners, school, and community.



CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY

Catholic Schools SECOND COLLECTION

learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed. Bishop Stephen Parkes 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.*



THE HOLIDAYS ARE HERE!! EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES CHRISTMAS and NEW YEARS

Any information, including Mass intentions, must be sent to Clare Zeigler in the parish office by 9:00 a.m. on the following dates:

December 26th: due December 15th

January 2nd: due December 22nd





Principal - Mrs. Wynter Kelly

wkelly@spasav.net

For more information or to schedule a school tour call 897-5224.



Director of Admissions: Helena Russell-hrussell@spasav.net Communication Coordinator: Ana Portman-aportman@spasav.net School Secretary: Shandra Peecksen-speecksen@spasav.net

Another Great Week at SPA!

St. Nicholas and his helpers visited the school and left sweet treats in the students shoes that were left outside of their classrooms. The spirit of the day is to remember that St. Nicholas loved children and it is better to focus on giving than receiving.







As part of our Project Engine program, First Grade built a shelf for the Elf on the Shelf out of craft sticks and playdough!







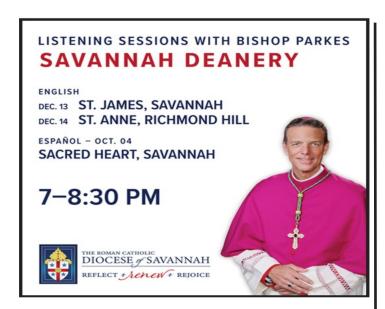


TOGETHER we live, pray, learn and serve, TOGETHER we make a difference.

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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.





GRIEF SUPPORT PROGRAM will begin here at St. Peter the Apostle on January 11th and will be held for 9 weeks on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the youth center. The program's purpose is to assist participants as they discover their unique way to process the loss of a loved one and find hope and strength in their lives. The program is limited to 12 participants, and will also be a source of invaluable peer support. To register or for more information, contact Diane Farthing at dgfarthing@aol.com (770-309-2019), or Sheila Lowe at miloga89@gmail.com (912-656-9109).



GOLD AND SILVER WEDDING JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS

All couples celebrating their Silver or Gold (25th or 50th)

Wedding Anniversary in 2022 are invited to join The Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes for a special Mass and light reception on Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Those wishing to attend should register online at diosav.org/gold-and-silver by December 31, 2021 in order to receive the formal invitation with detailed instructions. Please call 912-201-4068 with questions.



FORMED - It's "Netflix for Catholics" provided to you free of charge by St. Peter the Apostle Parish. Catholic movies,

books, audios and more are available. There is content available for children also. It's easy to do: 1. Go to formed.org 2. Click SIGN UP. 3. Click I BELONG TO A PARISH 4. Find our parish by zip code. 5. After you click on our parish you will be asked to enter your email. Once you enter it and you are signed up! There is also an app for your phone which can be downloaded for free.

WINTER PRAYER AND ACTION: DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH'S MISSION EXPERIENCE

This is a mini-retreat designed for high school students to fall in love with serving the Lord by serving His people. It will be held at Aquinas High School in Augusta December 27-29. Not only is it spiritually enriching, but there are great opportunities to meet new people... and it is a blast! Cost is \$75 and you will receive 6 service hours. Register at dioreg.org/register. Contact Caroline Ebberwein at cebberwein@diosav.org for more information. Let Caroline know if she can help get you or your teens there!



VIRTUS CLASSES ON ZOOM This training is required for all who provide either paid or

volunteer ministry in our diocese who in the course of their ministry come into contact with minors. To register for VIRTUS training, go to www.diosav.org and look for instructions under the "How Do I ..." drop down menu. There is a short video which explains how to register on VIRTUS. Once you register, the registrant is given class choices. For questions or more information, contact Joan Altmeyer at 201-4074 or jbaltmeyer@diosav.org.



Join Bishop Parkes and over 250 members of our diocese for the **Annual March for Life** in Washington, D.C. on January

21, 2022. For more details go to diosav.org/marchforlife. There will be an overnight charter bus leaving from Pooler.

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.



+++Pray for the Recently Deceased+++

JoAnn Smith (former SPA Parish Administrative Assistant), Patricia Gammon



+++ Pray for Our Loved Ones +++

AT HOME SICK: Mike & Nancy Sievers, Jean Nixon, Lily Stuckey, Mary Hollis, Ann Kearney, Taylor McIntosh Oyao, Victoria Burns, Karen Kitchell, Rebecca Salamankas, Bob Braver, Emily Pigman, Diane Horton, Caroline O'Brien, Nadine Chapman, Joyce Cullen

NURSING HOMES & ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES: Summer Breeze - Joan Valoze, Jean Phillips, Joan Demcsak, Beth Hill, Evelyn Edminster, Eleanor Cerbone, Frank Mathews, Peter & Marceline Preston, Bubba & Carolyn Groover, Barbara Galluk, Therese Leonard, Betty Carbo

Buckingham South - Brother Robert Sokolowski, Peter Hogan, Carol Walsh, Tricia Christensen

Morningside - Richard Kankiewicz Harmony at Savannah - Vincent Ferraro, Sr., Marian Harkleroad

Riverview - Mary Kelley, Soundra Ray Azalealand - Annie Vause

OUT OF TOWN SICK: Anna O'Brien, Sarah Moak (daughter of Susan Parsley), Harvey Boxer (cousin of Page & Ginny Haberlin), Joseph Rehal (nephew of Francesca Rehal), Joe Lancaster (brother of Cate Tierney Fahey), Joy Povec, Paul Grabon (grandson of Helen Grabon), Linda Campbell, Don & Carol Gray, Carol Cillande (sister-in-law of Lucille Rabusin), Steven Holmes (son of Nancy Tech), Florence Reynolds, Frank Graziano, Jr. (brother of Terri Santiago), Fr. Dan O'Connell, Mick McCombs

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St. Peter the Apostle Parish Upcoming Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Rejoice Sunday K of C Breakfast after 7:30 \$ 9am Masses 4-6 year old Sunday School and CCD grades K-1 during 9am Mass RCIA 10-11 am parish center rm#1 Catholic Scripture Study 10-11am parish office	December 13 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Eucharistic Ado	December 14 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Men's Club Christmas Party 6:30 pm parish center rm#1	December 15 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am parish office CD Parish Christmas Pageant 6:30 pm in church Watch Wednesday Wisdom on FB	December 16 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	December 17 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am School Mass 8:30 am with 12:30 pm dismissal	December 18 Rosary 5:00 pm
December 19 Fourth Sunday Gradount 4-6 year old Sunday School and CCD grades K-1 during 9 am Mass RCIA 10-11 am parish center rm#1 Catholic Scripture Study 10-11am parish office Youth Mass 5 pm		December 21 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am losed for Christ		December 23 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	Masses at 4 pm (in church and parish center) and 6 pm (church)	Mevay STMAS Mass at 10am
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