



# Saint Peter the Apostle

Catholic Parish & School

**DECEMBER 19, 2021**  
**4th Sunday of Advent**  
*Readings on page 1083*

## *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.

## *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.



## *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.

### **PASTOR**

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# MASS INTENTIONS



## FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 19, 2021

	<u>INTENTION</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
SUNDAY	Jenny Low .....	Chris O'Boyle
	Michelle Keller.....	Ron & Mary Newton
	St. Peter the Apostle Family and Friends	
	JoAnn Smith.....	Linda Wilharm
	James Artley.....	Tom Madison
MONDAY	Jim Wrenn .....	June Dang & John Leung
TUESDAY	Anna Nguyen.....	Loving Family
WEDNESDAY	Charles Wolfe .....	His Loving Family
THURSDAY	John Dang .....	Loving Family
FRIDAY	Msgr. John Kenneally .....	Fr. Michael J. Kavanaugh
	Bob Schulz.....	Barbara Schulz
	Michael Schulz.....	Barbara Schulz
	Fr. Jerry McCarthy.....	Fr. Michael J. Kavanaugh
	Glen Braddy (1st anniversary) .....	St. Peter the Apostle School Advisory Board
SATURDAY	Joe Ebberwein.....	Maggie & Rick Smith
	John & Helene Burke.....	Their Loving Family



### **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **December 24th - Christmas Eve**

4:00 p.m. Vigil in church

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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**

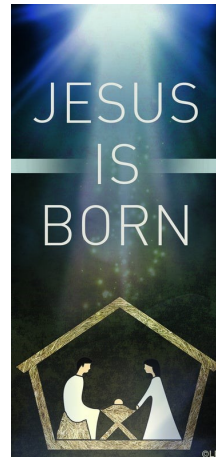
5:30 p.m. Vigil

#### **New Year's Day**

##### **The Solemnity of Mary**

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



Fr. Michael J. Kavanaugh, Monsignor P. James Costigan, Deacon Kevin Knight, and the parish staff wish everyone a Holy and Blessed Christmas. At this Christmas Season, a very special thanks goes to all of our parishioners who supported our community outreach programs and

brought in hundreds of gifts and food items for those in need. Your generosity is always greatly appreciated.

On Christmas the Lord blessed us with His love, joy and light. A Savior was born unto us under a star shining so bright. As the light from that star illuminated the sky on that Holy Night, may His light illuminate your life at this special time of the year. Our Christmas wish is that God will bless you and your family with peace, good health, and happiness this joyous season.

***Merry Christmas to all!***



## ADVENT PRAYER, WEEK FOUR

Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen



**YOUTH MASS** will be celebrated on Sunday, December 19th at 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend. The Club will meet after Mass for a potluck dinner with their parents.



## FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

this weekend are in memory of Faye Sheppard, requested by her loving daughters, Tammy, Theresa, Lisa and Liz.



## CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY SECOND COLLECTION

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.*

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Jesus is waiting for you!

Offered Monday  
8am through  
Wednesday 11pm  
Daily Chapel



## 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](http://gracescholars.org) for more details.

An advertisement for Grace Scholars featuring a young girl with red hair, wearing a school uniform, sitting at a desk and writing with a pencil. The background is green with faint icons of educational items like a book, pencil, and math symbols.

**GRACE SCHOLARS**  
Give the gift of a Catholic education!  
Register for your state of Georgia tax credit today!

A QR code located in the bottom right corner of the advertisement, with the text "GRACE SCHOLARS" below it.

[www.gracescholars.org](http://www.gracescholars.org)

# What's Happening?

**CCD** 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. Sunday CCD will not meet on December 26th and January 2nd. 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. Wednesday CCD classes will resume on January 5th with Family Night in the church.

**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. There will be no class on December 26th and January 2nd.

**CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY** 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. There will be no Scripture Study on December 26th..

**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.

**SATURDAY ROSARY** 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. There will be no rosary on December 25th.



## EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE FOR NEW YEARS

Any information including Mass intentions for the January 2nd bulletin must be sent to Clare Zeigler in the parish office by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 22nd

### 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

(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. Because of the early publishing deadline, the December 12th offertory will be in next week's bulletin.*



## GRIEF SUPPORT

**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).





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*For more information or to  
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## Another Great Week at SPA!

Kindergarten and PreK-3 made snow while learning about the endothermic chemical reactions.



Third grade learned about DaVinci bridges and created their own to hold their school books.



Fifth grade had a Friday building challenge to see which group could collaborate to make the tallest tower with only 25 marshmallows and 30 toothpicks.



**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.*

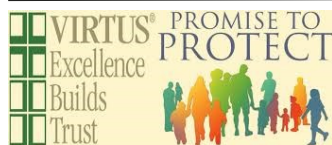


**WINTER PRAYER AND ACTION: DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH'S MISSION EXPERIENCE**

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](http://dioreg.org/register). Contact Caroline Ebberwein at [cebberwein@diosav.org](mailto:cebberwein@diosav.org) for more information. Let Caroline know if she can help get you or your teens there!

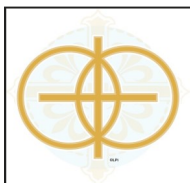
★ **CALLING ALL NATIVITY AND ST. PETER THE APOSTLE SCHOOL ALUMNI** ★

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](mailto: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.



**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](http://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](mailto:jbaltmeyer@diosav.org).



**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](http://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.



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](http://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/chilyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/chilyouthprotection).



**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](http://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.





# +++Pray for the Recently Deceased+++

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



## St. Peter the Apostle Parish Upcoming Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>December 19</i></p>  <p>Fourth Sunday of Advent 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 Youth Mass 5pm</p>	<p><i>December 20</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p>	<p><i>December 21</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p>	<p><i>December 22</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p> <p>Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am parish office</p> <p>Watch Wednesday Wisdom on FB</p>	<p><i>December 23</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p>	<p><i>December 24</i></p>  <p>CHRISTMAS EVE</p> <p>Masses at 4 pm (in church and parish center) and 6 pm (church)</p>	<p><i>December 25</i></p>  <p>Merry CHRISTMAS</p> <p>Mass at 10am</p>
	SPA School closed for Christmas break →					
	Eucharistic Adoration 8am Monday-11pm Wednesday					
<p><i>December 26</i></p>	<p><i>December 27</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p> <p>Parish office closed</p>	<p><i>December 28</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p>	<p><i>December 29</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p> <p>Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am parish office</p> <p>Watch Wednesday Wisdom on FB</p>	<p><i>December 30</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p>	<p><i>December 31</i> Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am</p>	<p><i>January 1</i></p>  <p>The Solemnity of MARY, Mother Of God</p> <p>Mass at 9am</p>
	SPA School closed for Christmas break →					
	Eucharistic Adoration 8am Monday-11pm Wednesday					
		Parish office open 8am-3pm →			<p><i>New Year's Eve</i></p>  <p>New Year's Eve</p> <p>Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm</p>	