

# Saint Peter the Apostle

DECEMBER 18, 2022 4th Sunday of Advent Readings on page 813

# Mass Schedule

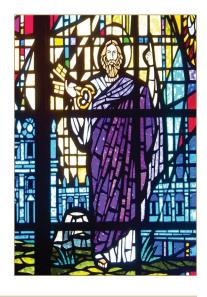
Saturday Anticipated: 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.\*, 11:15 a.m.\* Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 7:30 a.m.

# 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.

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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

# FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2022

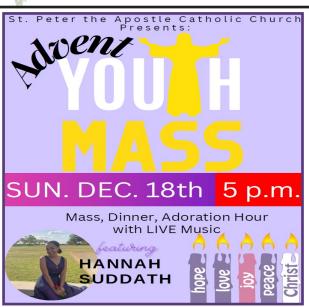


#### **REQUESTED BY INTENTION SUNDAY** Anna Nguyen.....Loving Family Joan Mathews ..... Laura Evans St. Peter the Apostle Family and Friends **MONDAY TUESDAY** John Dang.....Loving Family WEDNESDAY **THURDAY FRIDAY** Dan Nguyen ...... Linda & Jim Wilharm **SATURDAY**



#### FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

this weekend are in memory of Mario de la Guardia, requested by His Loving Family.



GARTLAND AWARDS Congratulations to Jacquie Marcantel and Bob Gephart who were the St. Peter the Apostle recipients of the Bishop Gartland Award, bestowed on them by Bishop Stephen Parkes at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. The award is given to men and women from the parishes throughout the Diocese of Savannah for their years of gracious service to their parishes and people in the diocese. Both are very deserving of this award! Congratulations Jacquie and Bob!



## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th - Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Vigil in church 6:00 p.m. Vigil in church (NO Masses in Parish Center)

December 25th - Christmas Day

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

(No 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday)

## NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

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

New Year's Day

The Solemnity of Mary

Regular Sunday Mass times

The parish office will be closed December 23rd, 26th, 27th, 30th and January 2nd. The office will be open from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on December 28th & 29th. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 2022.



**R.C.I.A.** Would you like to become Catholic or might? If so, we invite you to join the R.C.I.A. program which is held on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the parish center room #1. 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 19th and 26th.

<u>MEN OF ST. JOSEPH</u> 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 (No rosary on December 24th or 31st).

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY will meet again on January 11th. Happy Holidays!

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM Any student in grades K-8 who do not attend a Catholic School should be attending our Religious Education Program. Please contact Paula Hubert for information at phubert@spacsav.net or 912-879-5156. Classes will resume on January 8th with a First Communion Parent Meeting following the 9:00 a.m. Mass and Family Night will be on January 11th. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our wonderful families.

<u>CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY</u> meets at 10:00 a.m. in the parish office conference room. If you would like further information, contact Tom Madison at tmad1204@yahoo.com. They will not meet on December 25th and January 1st.



# 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.* 



## **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.



## Time is Running out: Give the gift of a Catholic Education!

You can help deserving students in Savannah receive an excellent Catholic education at St. Peter the Apostle School at no cost to you. In exchange for your contribution to GRACE Scholars, you will receive a 100% state income tax credit.

Please visit www.gracescholars.org for more information and/or to register for the tax credit.

Deadline to register is December 31, 2022



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

The holidays are around the corner and our bulletin publisher has early deadlines to help meet their shipping schedule. Any information, including Mass intentions, must be sent to Clare Zeigler in the parish office by 9:00 a.m. on the following dates:

January 1st: due December 21st

January 8th: due December 28th





# THE ST. PETER THE APOSTLE DINNER CLUB

Would you like to get to know more of the 800 members of our St. Peter's faith community in a social setting? We will have our kick-off Dinner Club after the first of the year- watch the bulletin for more information. Each participant will be assigned to a small group and is expected to host the group for dinner in their own home at least once. Married couples will be assigned together and individual participants will be assigned along with another single participant. This has been a really enjoyable way to get to know more of our faith family, so sign up today! Even if you have participated in the past, please sign up again in the narthex.



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.

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

December 4,  $20\overline{22}$ : \$24,203.50 November School Support: \$ 3,043.00 November 27, 2022: \$14,142.00 November 20, 2022: \$13,090.00 November 13, 2022: \$17,481.00 2022/2023 Weekly Goal: \$18,942.00 2022/2023 Fiscal YTD: \$383,204.50 2022/2023 Fiscal YTD +/-: -\$ 51,111.00 2021/2022 Fiscal Year Total: \$416,974.20 (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. Due to the early bulletin publishing deadlines for the holidays, the December 11th offertory will be in an upcoming bulletin.



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



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# It's always a great day at SPA!

In celebration of the Feast Day of St. Nicholas, St. Nicholas visited our school with his helpers and left candy for the children! Thank you St. Nicholas!









Mrs. Valbuena worked with Sr. Susan's first grade to camouflage their winter animals while learning about adaptation.









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.

#### POLAND PILGRIMAGE RAFFLE

Fr. Dawid Kwiatkowski will be the Spiritual Director of the trip scheduled for June 13-22, 2023. Buy a \$50 ticket for a chance to win this trip valued at \$4,269. For more information and to purchase a ticket go to www.stannerh.org. Drawing will be held on Christmas Eve. You need not be present to win.







The FBLA from Islands High School is hosting a shoe drive to support the March of Dimes and marginalized

communities. Please donate your gently used shoes to the box in the narthex by Christmas Eve. For questions, please contact Abby VanBrimmer at 912-398-1398.

#### WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

The next World Youth Day will be held in Lisbon, Portugal on August 1-6, 2023. The Diocese of Savannah is planning a 10-day pilgrimage spanning from July 28-August 7, 2023 to Fatima and Lisbon for this celebration of and for youth, as well as a pre-trip 4-day add-on to Lourdes, Burgos and Santiago de Compostela, and a post-trip 2-day add-on to Avila, Madrid and Toledo. This is an unbelievable week-long spiritual journey where pilgrims from all over the world unite to share their faith. The week includes prayer, song, concerts, drama, sharing, liturgy, catechesis, and an unforgettable vigil and closing Mass with the Holy Father Francis. For more information about the proposed pilgrimage go to GroupXpress:Reservation trips.

### SENIOR CITIZENS, INC. has been

successfully helping people age since 1959. Their goal is for people to live the life they want to live, where they want to live, and to have the highest possible quality of life. Services they offer:

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- ⇒ Senior Companion Program
- ⇒ And much more!

For more information call 912-236-0363 or email www.seniorcitizensinc.org

**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 Our Loved Ones +++



AT HOME SICK: Nancy Sievers, Jean Nixon, Mary Hollis, Victoria Burns, Karen Kitchell. Rebecca Salamankas, Emily Pigman, Diane Horton, Jennifer Narke, Mike Stroud, Fr. Dan Firmin, Nancy Stevens

### **NURSING HOMES & ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES:**

Summer Breeze - Joan Demcsak, Beth Hill, Eleanor Cerbone, Peter & Marceline Preston, Carolyn Groover, Barbara Galluk, Betty Carbo, Patricia Lowenthal, Lou DiBenedetto, Dr. Sam & Katherine Roybal, Dennis Graney, Dr. James and Maryann Burke **Buckingham South** - Carol Walsh, Tricia Christensen Sunabella - Kathy Wrenn Azalealand - Evelyn Edminster Morningside - Richard Kankiewicz Harmony at Savannah - Vincent Ferraro, Sr., Marian Harkleroad **Riverview** - Soundra Ray **Tara** - 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 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, Bernie Beier, Richard & Mary Pawlowski, Bert Grant (friend of the Dobson family)

St. Peter the Apostle Parish Upcoming Events						Cember
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 18  Fourth Sunday  Sunday School/ PREP for 4 yr olds thru 1st grade during 9am Mass	December 19 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	December 20 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	December 21 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am parish office No PREP classes	December 22 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	December 23 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am  Parish Office closed	December 24  Christmas  Eve
Catholic Scripture Study 10am parish office			sed until January 3r y-11pm Wednesday	d <del></del>		Masses 4pm, 6pm
December 25  Merry Christmas! Mass at 10 am	December 26 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Parish Office closed	December 27 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Parish Office closed	December 28 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am office  No PREP classes	December 29 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	December 30 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Parish Office closed	December 31 Rosary 5pm Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm  WISHING YOU A AND DY
			sed until January 3r y-11pm Wednesday	d —————	<b>—</b>	healthy NEW YEAR