

# Saint Peter the Apostle

Catholic Parish & School

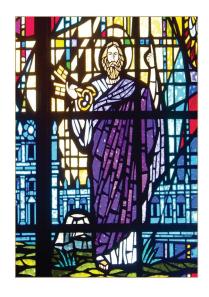
The Holy Family
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## Mass Schedule

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 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 31, 2023



	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
SUNDAY	Mike Morett	
	Charlotte McCarthy	
	Tom Madison, Sr.	
	St. Peter the Apostle Family and Friends	
MONDAY	Jennie Tarver	Mike & Cecilia Morett
TUESDAY	Bishop Raymond Lessard	Fr. Michael J. Kavanaugh
WEDNESDAY	Patrick & Marjorie Salamankas	John Salamankas
THURDAY	Bobby Wrenn	His Loving Family
	John Thang Dang	Loving Family
FRIDAY	Ann Walsh Ceaser	Miskiewicz Family
SATURDAY	Anna Chuc Nguyen	Loving Family
	Jayne Ducey	Tom & Jane Madison





Our sincere thanks to all who prepared for and helped us celebrate Christmas here at St. Peter the Apostle Parish. Your spirit of Stewardship was most evident by the hundreds of gifts you donated to the Community Outreach Programs and the food pantry. The mountain of gifts grows bigger every year! Your generosity helped many needy people in our community have a much brighter Christmas. May God bless each and every one of you!

Happy New Year to One and All!



BAPTISM CLASS Anyone who is planning an upcoming Baptism at St. Peter the Apostle Church are asked to first attend a Baptism Class. The next class is scheduled for Tuesday, January 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the parish office conference room. Please call the parish office at 912-897-5156 to register.





<u>CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY</u> This year's discussion is on the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. Any level of knowledge is welcomed. They meet in the parish office on Sundays from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. For information contact Tom Madison at tmad1204@yahoo.com.

<u>LIFETEEN</u> is for students in grades 8-12. Lifeteen will kick off the new year on January 7th with Lifenight from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.. Wednesday night Bible Study will resume on January 10th.

**R.C.I.A.** Would you like to become Catholic or might? If so, we invite you to join the R.C.I.A. class. For more information, please contact Phillip Paradise at philparadise@gmail.com/803-221-2105.

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.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY will not meet again until January 10th.



Mass for the Solemnity of Mary (New Year's Day) will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. Please Note: There will be no 7:30 a.m. Mass that morning. The parish office will resume regular office hours on

Tuesday, January 2nd.

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

December 17, 2023: \$24,175.00 December 10, 2023: \$29,126.00 December 3, 2023: \$24,692.00 November 26, 2023: \$19,105.00 2023/2024 Weekly Goal: \$20,258.00 2023/2024 Fiscal YTD: \$491,042.82 2023/2024 Fiscal YTD +/-: -\$ 15,409.18 2022/2023 Fiscal YTD: \$447,016.00 (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 24th and Christmas offertories will be in next week's bulletin.



#### ATTENTION FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS

We are so excited for your family as your child prepares for First Communion. We wanted to reach out with some dates and reminders:

Parent Meeting-Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> after the 9am Mass in the Church. Meeting will be brief and children are welcome.

First Communion Mandatory Retreat-Saturday, February 3, 2024. Families please join us in the church at 8:30AM\* for Mass. We are excited that we can start this day of fellowship with Mass. Immediately following the Mass, we will have a parent/child breakfast in the Parish

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First Penance-Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:30pm in the church. Children will with their families and after the children receive Penance the rest of the family is encouraged to avail themselves of the Sacrament.

First Communion-Saturday, May 11, 2024, -First Communion at 9:30AM. Schedule for the day will be: Children will arrive at 8:30AM (we will have a professional photographer here for individual and group photos). The group photo will be at 9am. The First Communion Mass will begin at 9:30am.

#### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PROGRAM (PREP) Children in Kindergarten through 8th grade who do not attend a Catholic School should be attending PREP classes. Grades 2-8 meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the parish center and youth center. Sunday School for Kindergarten and 1st grade is held on Sundays. They attend the 9:00 a.m. Mass with their families and are taken to the youth center by their teachers before the readings. They will be returned to the church at Communion . Please contact Paula Hubert at phubert@spacsav.net or 912 -897-5156 for more information. Please Note: Sunday School will resume on

January 7th and Wednesday night PREP

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**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.





#### **CONGRATULATIONS** to

Michael Thomas Brennan who received his First Communion on December 17th and was Confirmed in the Spirit on October 23rd. May the Lord be with him as he continues on his sacramental journey.

## First Friday

#### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY

HOUR Everyone is welcome to join us for an hour of quiet prayer and reflection in the presence of the Blessed

Sacrament on Friday, January 5th from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the church.



FIRST SATURDAY
ROSARY will be recited on
Saturday, January 6th at

8:00 a.m. followed by **FIRST SATURDAY MASS** at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome!



Next Sunday Coffee & Donuts will be available after Masses. Take a few minutes to socialize with your fellow parishioners and welcome any newcomers to our parish.





Principal - Mrs. Wynter Kelly

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



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## **Another Great Week at SPA!**

Polar Express Day is always so much fun!



















TOGETHER we live, pray, learn and serve, TOGETHER we make a difference.
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Saint Peter the Apostle School provides 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.



The University of Notre Dame Liturgical Choir is embarking on a concert tour and will be performing in Savannah, GA on January 11th at 7:00 pm. The concert will take place at the stunning Cathedral Basilica of Saint John the Baptist. The choir is renowned for its exceptional vocal ability and is sure to provide an unforgettable experience for all in attendance. Don't miss this opportunity to witness the beauty and power of liturgical music at its finest. Get your tickets today and ioin us for an evening of transcendent music at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint John the Baptist. Reserve your seat today: University of Notre Dame Liturgical Choir Concert Tickets, Thu, Jan 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM Eventbrite



**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.

#### TO ALL CATHOLIC FAMILIES REQUESTING OR RECEIVING CATHOLIC TUIITON RATE AT ST. PETER THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

A family must be:

- Registered in the Parish
- \* Attend Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days
- \* Participate in the Sacraments of the Church
- \* Go to confession at least once a year
- \* Participate actively in parish events
- Contribute regularly to the parish offertory in a recognizable way, by parish envelope or check

The same requirements hold for a family requesting verification for the Catholic tuition rate at Benedictine and/or St. Vincent's Academy. If you have any questions, contact Clare Zeigler in the parish office at czeigler@spacsav.net.

#### VIRTUS "PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS" TRAINING

CLASSES There are classes scheduled in January for those who work with children in the Diocese of Savannah in any capacity, whether paid or volunteering. Go to www.diosav.org for more information.

**January 6th** at Catholic Pastoral Center: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**January 10th** on ZOOM: 9:00 a.m. - noon **January 23rd** at St. Anne: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

## Fertility Education & Family Planning Classes

FEMM is a women's health and wellness program that may be right for you and your family if:

- You wish to avoid or achieve pregnancy in a healthy, natural way that aligns with Catholic Church teachings
- You struggle with symptoms such as PMS, acne, weight gain/loss, or mood disorders
- You are postpartum and/or breastfeeding
- You just want to learn more!

Email sarahschwaner@vitalityhhf.com or scan the QR code to learn more and schedule a free information session.





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

Gregory Coursey (brother of Mary Mills), Casey Thompson (nephew of Shirley Ryan, Judy Griffin, Larry Thompson & Eloise Glorieux)



#### +++ Pray for Our Loved Ones +++

<u>AT HOME SICK</u>: Jean Nixon, Emily Pigman, Jennifer Narke, Fr. Dan Firmin, Nancy Stevens, Joyce Cullen, Julia Strickland, Mike Phillips, Kathleen Warenzak, Noreen Mangiero, Carolyn Groover

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

Summer Breeze - Joan Demcsak, Beth Hill, Eleanor Cerbone, Barbara Galluk, Lou DiBenedetto, Dennis Graney, Dr. James & Maryann Burke, John & Margo Lang, Patricia Lowenthal, Denise Szyper Buckingham South - Carol Walsh, Tricia Christensen, Peter & Marceline Preston Sunabella - Kathy Wrenn Azalealand - Evelyn Edminster Harmony at Savannah - Gayle Selcow Riverview - Soundra Ray Tara - Annie Vause The Oaks - Diane Green Pruitt - Joe Robertson

OUT OF TOWN SICK: Anna O'Brien, Sarah Moak (daughter of Susan Parsley), Harvey Boxer (cousin of Ginny Haberlin), Joseph Rehal (nephew of Francesca Rehal), Paul Grabon (grandson of Helen Grabon), Linda Campbell, Don & Carol Gray, Carol Cillande (sister-in-law of Lucille Rabusin), Florence Reynolds, Frank Graziano, Jr. (brother of Terri Santiago), Fr. Dan O'Connell, Mick McCombs, Bernie Beier, Mary Pawlowski, Bert Grant (friend of the Dobson family), Archie Bunger

December	St. Peter the Apostle Parish Upcoming Events					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Regular Sunday Mass Times Catholic Scripture Study 10am parish office Vigil Mass 5:30 p.m. WISHING YOU A HAND HEALTHY NEW YEAR	January 1 (NO 7:30 am Mass) The Solemnity of Mary Mass at 9am	January 2 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Parish office resumes regular hours	January 3 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am  Students Back to School Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am parish office NO Lifeteen Bible Study PREP will NOT meet K of C Meeting 6:30 pm parish center	January 4 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	January 5 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am  Holy Hour of Prayer 8-9am	January 6 Rosary 5pm  Rosary 8am followed by Mass at 8:30 am
January 7  Coffee & Donuts after all Masses  Sunday School 4-6 year olds during 9am Mass  Catholic Scripture Study 10am parish office  Lifeteen New Year Kickoff 5-7pm	January 8 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	January 9 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	day-11pm Wednesd  January 10 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am Men of St. Joseph 6:30 am parish office Women's Book Study 1:45 pm youth center Lifeteen Bible Study 6-7 youth center PREP grades 2-8 6:30 pm School Advisory board 6:30 pm parish office  y-11pm Wednesday	January 11 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am	January 12 Rosary 7am Mass 7:30 am School Mass 8:30 am	January 13 Rosary 5pm