

*A Place to Share God's Word, Faith, Family Life & Fellowship*  
St. Peter Claver St. Pius V Catholic Church – “One in the Spirit”



## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### February 11, 2024

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

#### **DAILY MASSES**

Mondays 8:00 a.m.  
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.  
Thursdays 8:00 a.m.  
Fridays 8:00 a.m.

#### **HOLY DAYS**

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#### **Religious Education**

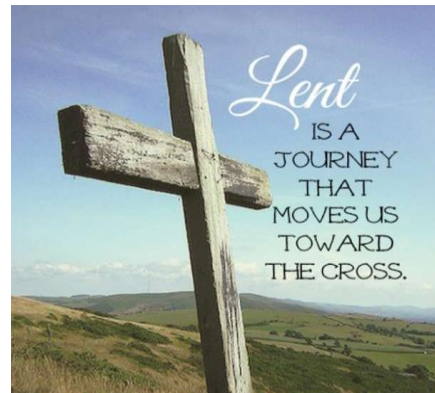
Elementary & First Communion  
Sundays: Immediately following Mass

High School & Confirmation  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

RCIA – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays – 7 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – 11 a.m.

#### **Baptism & Marriage Preparation**

By Appointment



*Thank You!*

For visiting our church. You are  
always welcome here!

*“Let mutual love continue, and do not forget to offer  
hospitality to strangers, for by doing this some have  
entertained angels without knowing it.”*

**Hebrews 13:1-2**

## ***PASTOR'S CORNER***

“Life is a pendulum that swings from left to right, and right to left!! So long as we are alive, there is room for change and possibility for numerous eventualities!! A powerful individual today may become an ordinary/powerless man/woman tomorrow, a virtuous man/woman today may become a monster tomorrow, a healthy person today may become a permanent tenant of hospitals tomorrow, a wealthy individual today may become a wretched man/woman, the one with the most beautiful face today may have the ugliest face tomorrow from an accident or old-aged wrinkles!! We gotta be careful how we live our life and treat others when we are on the right side of the pendulum!!”

## **Upcoming Events/Meetings**

**February 15** – Health & Wellness Exercise

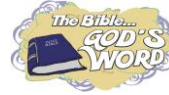
**February 17** – Pastoral Council Meeting/Health & Wellness Meeting

**February 18** – Elementary RE Class/RICA

**February 21** – Emergency Food Distribution

**February 22** – Health & Wellness Exercise

## **Weekly Readings**



**Sunday:** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46/ Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11/ 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1/ Mark 1:40-45

**Monday:** James 1:1-11/Psalm 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/ Mark 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** James 1:12-18/ Psalm 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/ Mark 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Joel 2:12-18/ Psalm 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17/ 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2/ Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20/ Psalm 1:1-4, 6/ Luke 9:22-25

**Friday:** Isaiah 58:1-9a/Psalm 51:3-6ab, 18-19/ Matthew 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Isaiah 58:9b-14/ Psalm 86:1-6/ Luke 5:27-32

**PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH** - As a community of believers bound together by the Spirit of Christ, one of the most priceless and possibly least obvious gifts we can give to one another is the gift of our prayers. Would you kindly offer up a prayer for everyone on the list?

Alfreda Butler  
Sylvia Ford  
Warren Nixon  
Anthony Scales

Catherine Case  
Debbie Holly  
Shirley Payne  
Norma Shaw

Bridget Chase  
Melvinda Jones  
Cecelia Price

Ellen Dutton  
Mary Malachi  
Romaine Price

## Posture during Mass. . . .

We must remember two fundamental components of the Catholic Mass Order in order to properly understand the significance of the bodily gestures we make during the Mass.

(1) **The priest acts as Jesus** - As Jesus, he guides us through the various motions, customs, and rites that comprise the Catholic Mass Order. The priest sits and stands, and for this reason we too sit and stand. This explains also why other priests and altar servers bow as they approach the celebrant priest. By doing this, they are honoring Christ, who is symbolized by the priest.

(2) **Jesus is present in the Eucharist** - The consecrated Eucharist contains the presence of Jesus, which is another crucial aspect of the Catholic Mass that we should understand. The theory of transubstantiation holds that at a specific moment during the Mass, the bread and wine take on the characteristics of Jesus. This is consistent with that teaching. The bread and wine are changed into the genuine body and blood of Christ while maintaining their outward aspect.

**Why We Sit During the Mass** – The posture used for meditation and listening is sitting. Every mass begins with us taking a seated position. Seated worship is regarded as the most basic stance. It is from this position that we may both stand and bow. During Mass, we listen to the first two readings from the Lectionary while seated.

Following the reading of the Gospel, we also take a seat and listen intently to the homily. We wait patiently for the preparation of the Eucharistic components, which is a very significant gesture, and we rise when the priest is ready.

(to be continued next week)

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**The Memory Pillow Workshop** will take place on Saturday, February 17 from noon to 3:00 pm in the church basement. Create a keepsake using fabric, photos, and embellishments to celebrate the memory of or the accomplishment of a family member, friend, or special person in your life! Up to 4 photos must be emailed in advance to [bjworksit@gmail.com](mailto:bjworksit@gmail.com) by February 15, leave a message for Denise Bailey-Jones, PhD on 410-298-5860 or by email. You can bring the \$20 registration fee with you to the workshop. (Maximum Participants: 15)

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**February 3 & 4**  
Total Attendance - 118  
Total Collection - \$11,448  
Year-to-date Collections - \$27,389

# OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

**Seek The City to Come Lenten Pilgrimage** – All are invited to “Eucharist: Heart of the City Lenten Pilgrimage” a prayerful experience and a time for our universal Church in Baltimore to gather around the Eucharist as one body in unity, prayer, reflection and fellowship. The pilgrimage takes place on each Wednesday during Lent from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The first stop will be at Basilica, 409 Cathedral St. and the theme will be “Worshipping the Eucharist.”

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**The American Catholic Historical Society** is presenting a lecture by Ms. Bea Joyner entitled *Oneness – A Black Catholic’s Journey* on Sunday, February 18 at 2:00 pm via Zoom. The lecture is free and open to the public, but registration is required. To register for the event visit <https://bit.ly/4bgpJ01>.

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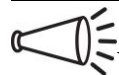
**Meet the Super Six** -February 18, 11:45 am - 1:00 pm, St. Augustine Room of St. Ambrose Rectory on Park Heights Avenue, Dr. Camille Brown-Privette, author of “African Saints—African Stories” helps us gain a deeper understanding of the Six Black Catholic Candidates for Canonization. Light refreshments will be served.

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**Join SS. Philip and James**, 2801 N. Charles Street, for its next Sunday Talk & Dinner event on February 18 at 6:15 p.m. in the church hall where Dominican Father, Gregory Pine, will lead a discussion on the sign value of the Eucharist and how that helps in understanding the real presence of Jesus within. Dinner to follow this great talk!

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**Six Black Catholics in the Road to Sainthood** – A performance on February 25 by actress/singer VaLimar Jansen at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center, 10431 Twin Rivers Rd, Columbia. Its free admission but registration is suggested- <https://sjerc.flocknote.com/signup/149387>



You have three (3) ways to submit bulletin items/church announcements: email to [saintpeterpius@gmail.com](mailto:saintpeterpius@gmail.com); contact form on the church’s website; or text to (443)527-5478. All announcements must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

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