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



Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2024

WEEKEND MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

Mondays8:00 a.m.Tuesdays8:00 a.m.Thursdays8:00 a.m.Fridays8:00 a.m.HOLY DAYSTBA

Religious Education

Elementary & First Communion Sundays: Immediately following Mass

High School & Confirmation 2^{nd} , 4^{th} , & 5^{th} Sundays -11:00 a.m.

 $\begin{array}{c} RCIA-1^{st} \ \& \ 3^{rd} \ Wednesdays-7 \ p.m. \\ 1^{st} \ \& \ 3^{rd} \ Sundays-11 \ a.m. \end{array}$

Baptism & Marriage PreparationBy Appointment

JOURNEY THAT MOVES US TOWARD THE CROSS.

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

"Theology teaches us that God is iPsum esse subsistens." With God, there is no HOPELESSNESS!! With God, hope is never lost, not even in the most turbulent and precarious situations!! After several years of praying and waiting on the Lord, God gave Hannah a son named Samuel (1 Samuel 1:9-28), four days after his death and burial, Lazarus was raised (John 11:1-44), after many years if not being able to get to the pool each time it was stirred up because of his lack of mobility, the crippled man by the pool of Bethesda was healed (John 5:1-9)!! No matter how long God delays, He is never late!! His timing is always perfect!! All we need is HOPE and PERSEVERANCE!!"

Upcoming Events/Meetings

February 26 – Health & Wellness Exercise

February 28 – Emergency Food Distribution

March 3 – Elementary RE Class/RCIA/Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting

March 4 – Health & Wellness Exercise

March 7 – Health & Wellness Exercise

March 8 – Fish Fry

March 10 – Elementary & High School RE Classes/SIP Meeting

The Bible... WORD

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Psalm 116:10, 15-19/ Romans 8:31b-34/ Mark 9:2-10

Monday: Daniel 9:4b-10/Psalm 79:8-9, 11, 13/ Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20/ Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/ Matthew 23:1-12 **Wednesday:** Jeremiah 18:18-20/ Psalm 31:5-6, 14-16/ Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday: Jeremiah 17:5-10/ Psalm 1:1-4, 6/ Luke 16:19-31

Friday: Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Psalm 105:16-21/ Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20/ Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12/ Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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 Catherine Case Bridget Chase Ellen Dutton
Sylvia Ford Debbie Holly Melvinda Jones Thomas Lewis
Mary Malachi Warren Nixon Shirley Payne Cecelia Price
Romaine Price Anthony Scales Norma Shaw

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Why Ash Wednesday....

The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday. Lent is a forty-day penitential season (Sundays are not counted in this total). Fasting and abstinence are spiritual disciplines observed on this day. We are welcome to attend Mass, receive ashes, and hear the gospel even though it is not a holy day of obligation.

As a reminder of their mortal shortcomings and an opportunity to ask God for forgiveness, Christians have been given a sign of the cross with ashes placed on their foreheads at the start of the Lenten season for centuries. The custom originated in the Old Testament, when sinners carried out public penance.

Why do we get ashes on our foreheads from the Church these days? She makes us think of death, but why? One consequence of sin is death! For what reason?..to get ready for the paschal mystery of the world's Redeemer—Christ's Passover.

The term "paschal mystery" refers to our creed's assertion that "On the third day he rose again"!...Sure. Today is the day to hear Ash Wednesday's message that "you are dust and to dust you will return," allowing the ultimate gospel truth—that is, the truth of the Resurrection—to come to pass and be revealed to us: "believe in the Gospel."

Allocate time for a more thorough preparation for the duration of Lent. The Church does not mandate additional penance practices like prayer, fasting, or almsgiving, but it does urge the faithful to engage in them.

Online Giving – Tired of writing checks, you can make your offertory contributions online. Use the link on the church's website and please remember to include your envelope # for proper credit. You will need your bank or credit card account information. Be sure to print a copy for your records. If you have already donated offerings on-line, please know that your offering was received. The Archdiocese sends a list to each parish to record its donation. It is important that you select the **correct** Parish and your correct envelope number for proper processing. Thank you for your continued support!

February 10 & 11

Total Attendance - 202 Total Collections - \$2,053.76 Year-to-date Collections - \$33,755.76

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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. See the flyer on the church's website for locations.

Catholic Men's Fellowship Conference - Attention men! The 25th Anniversary CMF Conference will be held on Saturday, March 9, at St. Philip Neri Church in Linthicum. Conference activities will include presentations, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Adoration. Ticket price (\$50) includes all programming, continental breakfast, lunch, and refreshments. For conference details, biographies of the main speakers, and registration, please visit the website Catholic Men's Fellowship of Maryland - https://catholicmensfellowship.com. The theme for this year is "Jesus Christ - Yesterday, Today and Forever" (Heb. 13:8).

From Slave to Priest –You are invited to join the Archdiocese of Baltimore as it brings "Tolton: From Slave to Priest" performance to Baltimore. The inspiring story of America's First Black priest and one of the "Saintly Six" Father Augustus Tolton story comes to life in this powerful multi-media live production, filled with music, drama and inspiring performances. It brings a message of hope and healing for the wounds that plague our culture. It is being held on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. at New All Saints Church. Tickets will be \$25 with a free will offering. More ticket information to follow. For more on the performance, please visit. http://www.toltondrama.com.

Family Fun Night – March 9, Round 1 Bowling & Amusement, 825 Dulaney Valley Drive, Towson – Sponsored by the Young Adult Group.

You have three (3) ways to submit bulletin items/church announcements: email to 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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