

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



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 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
2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

RCIA – 1st & 3rd Wednesdays – 7 p.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays – 11 a.m.

Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment



Thank You!

For visiting our church. We hope to see you again!

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may grow rich in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 15:13

PASTOR'S CORNER

“Only God offers absolute satisfaction that quenches the deepest yearnings/longings of our lives; and no one truly and genuinely finds Jesus and keeps Him to himself or herself!! The overwhelming joy of having Jesus automatically propels one for missionary venture!!”

Upcoming Events/Meetings

January 22 – Exercise/Line Dancing with Young Adults

January 25 - Health & Wellness Exercise

January 28 – Elementary/High School Religious Ed Classes/SIP Meeting

January 29 - Exercise/Line Dancing with Young Adults

February 1 – Health & Wellness Exercise

February 4 - Elementary Religious Ed Class/Blessed Virgin Mary Meeting/RCIA

February 5 - Exercise/Line Dancing with Young Adults

February 8 - Health & Wellness Exercise

February 10 – Red Dress Weekend

Weekly Readings



Sunday: John 3:1-5, 10/ Psalm 25:4-9 / 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 / Mark 1:14-20

Monday: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10 / Psalm 89:20-22, 25-26 / Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19 / Psalm 24:7-10 / Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 7:4-17/ Psalm 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 / Mark 4:1-20

Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/ Psalm 117:1bc, 2/ Mark 16:15-18

Friday: 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5 / Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 / Mark 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17/ Psalm 51:12-17 / Mark 4:35-41

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

How to get the most out of Mass, cont'd. . . .

- **Prepare ahead of time.** Before attending Mass, read the readings and seek God to communicate to you through them. Get together with friends to read the assigned texts and talk about how you personally perceive these biblical passages being fulfilled. Apply the same logic to the Mass prayers. Occasionally, these prayers pass by so swiftly that we barely have time to comprehend what we are saying "Amen" to. What is their message to your heart?
- **Attend a different Mass at your parish.** A pleasant change that offers you fresh thoughts and viewpoints could come from different music, other people, or occasionally even a foreign language.
- **Pray and sing with enthusiasm.** Imagine if you were to say, "I love you," to your partner or your kids while appearing bored and eager to get out of the room, akin to attending a funeral. Would anyone take you seriously?
- **See Jesus in the sign of peace.** When you greet someone, remember that you are seeing Christ in that person and offering his peace. Give a warm, friendly handshake. Speak clearly and meaningfully. Don't break eye contact until you have finished speaking, or rush through a greeting in order to greet someone else.
- **Arrive on time.** More easily said than done. Being punctual or even early for Mass can assist you into a peaceful and contemplative state of mind where you can be open to hearing God's word and participating in Mass as a community. If you have any to-dos for the day, allow enough time in advance to write them down so you won't be mentally going through them during Mass.
- **Make a great entrance.** If for whatever reason you find yourself coming at Mass feeling furious or agitated, stop before you get out of your car or walk inside the building, take a deep breath, and calm yourself. Say something like, "Empty my mind, so that I may reflect upon your word. Please calm my soul so that I can sense your presence. Let me let You in by opening my heart."
- **Give with gladness.** We present a gift with joy and excitement, and with a grin, to a friend or member of our family that we know they will like. At Mass, the money offerings we make are also gifts. The money we contribute is a reflection of our life, just as the bread and wine are gifts from the earth and the labor of human hands. The financial giving is a metaphor for how we give God our entire life. In addition to offering bread and wine, we also sacrifice our lives on the altar in hopes of being changed and becoming the Body and Blood of Christ.

January 13 & 14

Total Attendance - 90

Total Collections – \$4,775

Year-to-date Collections – \$9,794

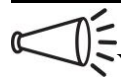
OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

Cathedral Concert Series – You are invited to the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen for the Embassy String Quartet Concert on January 28 at 3:00 p.m. There will be a free-will offering.

St. Peter's Cemetery Records – Jennifer Johnson is hosting a 'First-Look Event' January 26 at 11:30 a.m., St. Mary's Seminary, 5400 Roland Avenue, Baltimore 21210. It is believed that many from our church were buried at the cemetery which did internment from inception in 1850 to last burials in 1969. St. Peter's Cemetery is owned by the archdiocese and is located at 1301 Moreland Ave. Baltimore 21216. The 2 lunch options are Turkey Club or Ham and Swiss, lunch is being provided by the onsite caterer. When paying via PayPal, <https://www.paypal.me/sendtoJEJ>, please include a note with your name and sandwich selection and ensure you are sending the payment via friends and family, so you nor she have any fees. For additional information contact Ms. Johnson at 410-241-4331.

Bosco Day - The annual Bosco Day on Wednesday, January 31 is the Archdiocesan mid-year gathering of ALL parish staff (or volunteers who function as staff) who work in formation ministries. It will be held at St. Gabriel, 6950 Dogwood Road, in Woodlawn from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Teams/multiple registrations from one parish (including priests and deacons) are both welcome and encouraged. Refreshments and lunch are included, but please register ASAP so the Office of Family, Youth, & Young Adult Ministry can plan accordingly: <https://archbalt.regfox.com/bosco-day-2024>

NEED YOUR HELP! Faith in Action Examples Needed– The Office of Communications is looking for individuals or groups across the archdiocese who want to share why and how they put their faith into action. Could be volunteers, teachers, ministers, clergy, religious, parish groups, students or parents who would like to briefly share their story about how their faith inspires them to do good, get involved and make a difference. Please reach out to christian.kendzierski@archbalt.org and let her know your story or if you can recommend anyone who does good for their church, community etc.



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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