

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



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 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.

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

Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment

But you, LORD,
do not be far from me.
You are my strength;
come quickly to help me.
PSALM 22:19

Thank You!

For visiting our church. You are
always welcome here!

*“The body is one, although it has many parts; and all
the parts, though many, form one body. So it is with
Christ.”*

1 Corinthians 12:12

PASTOR'S CORNER

“WHY I BELIEVE IN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PATH AND THE DESTINATION!!!! There has been, and will always be a big difference between one’s path and his/her destination!! Path and destination, though inseparable, are not the same!!

That one’s path to his/her destination is rough, cloudy, and stormy, doesn’t mean he/she cannot arrive at a glorious and fulfilled destination, filled with joy and sunshine!! We gotta be hopeful and keep moving even when the path is rough!!”

Upcoming Events/Meetings

August 26 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

August 29 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

September 1 –Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting

September 5 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

September 9 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

September 12 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

Weekly Readings



Sunday: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/ Psalm 34:2-3, 16-21/ Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/John 6:60-69

Monday: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12/ Psalm 96:1-2ab-5/ Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17/ Psalm 96:10-13/ Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18/ Psalm 128:1-2, 4-5/ Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9/ Psalm 51:12-15, 18-19 / Mark 6:17-29

Friday: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25/ Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31/ Psalm 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/ Matthew 25:14-30

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?

Ethel Boston
Ellen Dutton
Thomas Lewis
Cecelia Price

Alfreda Butler
Sylvia Ford
Mary Malachi
Romaine Price

Catherine Case
Debbie Holly
Warren Nixon
Norma Shaw

Bridget Chase
Melvinda Jones
Shirley Payne
Lorraine Taylor

Six Types of Prayer

To communicate with God, you don't need any particular skills or understanding. Just bring some of your thoughts and emotions to God, just as you would your loved ones.

Prayer of Blessing and Adoration – "Oh, bless you!" is a possible response to someone who has shown you kindness. It is always appropriate to give thanks to God because He is always providing for your needs. Because God initially blessed you, you now bless God. The opening "Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" is an adoration prayer. Likewise, the *Gloria* and the Holy, Holy, Holy recited or sung during Mass.

Prayer of Petition – You beg God to meet your needs when you pray a petition. Pleadings abound in the Lord's Prayer. The one thing we most need—a full and contented existence in God, both now and forever—is what we mean when we pray, "the kingdom come." We pray, "Give us this day or daily bread," requesting to be given food and all the necessities for our bodies to be healthy.

Prayer of Intercession – You ask God to meet other people's needs when you offer intercession prayers. The Gospels contain several instances of Jesus praying for the people he loves. He prayed for Peter to remain strong and support the other Apostles the night before he passed away. In addition, he prayed for the Apostles and everyone who would come to believe in him as a result of their teachings. Praying for his adversaries, Christ finished his life on the Cross. Our intention is to become less self-centered and more like Christ—who loved everyone—by praying for others. At Mass, we offer an intercessory prayer each time we say, "Lord, hear our prayer," as part of the Prayer of the Faithful.

Prayer of Thanksgiving – Taking part in the Eucharist is the best way to express gratitude to God. Even the word *Eucharist*, which means "thanksgiving," is derived from a Greek word. Pay attention to the priest thanking God during the entire Mass. When the priest prays at Mass, he is speaking on behalf of everyone in attendance.

Prayer of Praise - Receiving compliments just for being yourself is the best feeling in the world. Nobody else even approaches being everything that God is. Saints and angels are sacred, but God is beyond all holiness. God is all-good, yet humans are good. God has boundless power, wisdom, and love. Thus, the only one deserving of our ultimate appreciation is God.

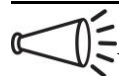
Prayer of Contrition - You should discuss any infraction of God's commands with God. At every Mass, you offer an expression of regret for your sins by saying, "I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned." Although the Bible contains numerous pleas of repentance, Psalm 51 is perhaps the most well-known. After breaking the Ten Commandments, King Dave begged, "Have mercy on me, O God, in accordance with your kindness; in your abundant compassion wipe away my offenses."

OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

Merger - St. Bernardine's has a blog on their website to facilitate a conversation about the merger. Go to their website, stbernardinechurch.org, and click on "The Golden Saints Blog"; or click the link on our church's website – claverpius.org. Video instructions on how to use the blog are included. If you would like a "one-to-one" personal conversation with a member of St. Bernardine's, please request one at 410-362-8664 or stbernardine@archbalt.org.

Holy Name Societies' Night at Camden Yards - You are invited to enjoy an exciting baseball game between the Baltimore Orioles and the Tampa Bay Rays on Saturday afternoon, September 7 at 4:05 p.m. - Left Field Lower Box Seats in Section 66. Cost \$39. There will be an Oriole Promotion: Orioles Football Jersey (first 20,000 Fans 15 and over). Order tickets online <https://bit.ly/3WSgWEF> and enter the promo Code: ARCHHOLY69. For more information, contact Ren Wechsler at the Oriole Office 410-547-6119.

Interested in another Retreat? Join the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary #323 on Saturday, September 21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Oblate Sisters of Providence Motherhouse on Gun Road. The retreat titled "Venerable Mother Mary Lange Retreat" will be led by Fr. Bozeman, S.S.J. The retreat includes continental breakfast, lunch, and Mass for a donation of \$45. For further information, see Rochelle Woodland.



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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August 17 & 18

Total Attendance - 111
Total Collection – \$2,983
Year-to-date Collections - \$157,681.42