

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



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 17, 2023

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	TBA
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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 coming to visit our home
away from home. Please know
that you are always welcome.

*“The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call
on him in truth.”*

Psalm 145:18

PASTOR'S CORNER

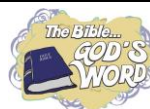
“There is a stark difference between BEING LOVED and BEING NEEDED!! Being loved focuses on the question of WHO; while being needed zeros in on WHAT!! Don't confuse the two!! For some, one is only valued when he/she can supply what is needed!! Your usefulness/acceptance/recognition/Acknowledgement is dependent on how long you are needed and whether you are able to provide what you are needed for!! In other words, you are a supply man/Woman!! So long as you are needed, you will be made to feel good!! To be loved on the other hand, is to be accepted and appreciated for WHO you are, not WHAT you have or can provide!!

Knowing the difference saves you from human hyenas, who would aggressively and consistently use you, after which they will drop you like hot potatoes once their target is achieved!!”

Upcoming Events/Meetings

September 20 – Emergency Food Distribution
September 21 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class
September 23 – Rodeo Bus Trip
September 27 – Emergency Food Distribution
September 28 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class
October 1 – Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting

Weekly Readings



Sunday: Sirach 27:30—28:7/ Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12/ Romans 14:7-9/Matthew 18:21-35
Monday: 1 Timothy 2:1-8/Psalm 28:2, 7-9/ Luke 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Timothy 3:1-13/Psalm 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5-6/ Luke 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Timothy 3:14-16/ Psalm 111:1-6/Luke 7:31-35
Thursday: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13/ Psalm 19:2-5/ Matthew 9:9-13
Friday: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12/ Psalm 49:6-10, 17-20/ Luke 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:13-16/ Psalm 100:1b-5/ Luke 8:4-15

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH

Alfreda Butler	Catherine Case	Bridget Chase	Ellen Dutton
Sylvia Ford	Debbie Holly	Melvinda Jones	Mary Malachi
Warren Nixon	Shirley Payne	Cecelia Price	Romaine Price
Norma Shaw	Catherine Thomas	Bessie Wilson	

September 9 & 10: Total Attendance – 148; Total Collections - \$4,688
Year to date Collections - \$189,945.21

Which saint was called to conversion by the voice of a child?

St. Augustine was never a candidate for sainthood. He had a wonderful mind, but he was also a womanizer, a wild alcoholic, a sporadic thief, and an atheist.

However, St. Monica, his mother, fervently prayed for his conversion. Her prayers seemed to go unanswered for a very long time. St. Augustine merely sought momentary pleasures, became involved in entangling relationships, embraced the anti-Christian polytheistic religion Manichaeism, and cut himself off from his mother and her steadfast faith. St. Monica was left with no choice but to watch in intense sorrow as her beloved son jeopardized his eternal soul and rejected his inheritance of faith. She continued to pray for her dear son.

St. Augustine was blessed as a result of his mother's years of unceasing prayer when, one night, he heard a child's sweet voice calling out to him in the shadow. He was told to "take up and read" by the voice. As he did so, he read the following from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans: *"Not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying, but put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts thereof."* (Romans 13:13-14) Paul's comments echoed across the ages and touched St. Augustine's heart. St. Augustine was moved by the authority of Scripture and started to thirst for the truth.

Finally, St. Monica's prayers were granted after many years of grief, suffering, and sorrow. St. Augustine was baptized in 387AD during the Easter Vigil. He trained as a priest and then a bishop, delivered more than 6,000 sermons, combated heresies, clarified doctrine, and rose to the rank of one of the greatest Fathers and Doctors of the Church. His writings and prayers continue to encourage people today.



The challenge in today's Gospel, is to forget how others have behaved toward us and to look to God's way of loving and forgiving. Our focus must be on God. *Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message at the rectory for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!*

Seafood Feast –October 15 from 1 to 5 p.m. in Fr. Henry Harper Hall. Doors open at noon and tickets are \$80. See any Fish Fry worker for tickets.

OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

National Migration Week & World Day of Migrants and Refugees – Come celebrate with a prayer service and dinner with the Office of Hispanic Ministry and the Office of Black Catholic Ministry on September 21 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church, 6950 Dogwood Rd. 21244.

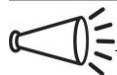
Keep on Teaching Workshop - September 30 beginning at 9:00 a.m. *Keep on Teaching* will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church, 9531 Liberty Rd, Randallstown, MD 21133. Cost - \$25

Prayer Walk – October 3, 5:30 -7:30 p.m. at the Basilica of the Assumption. A light dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. in Borders Hall at the Catholic Center, 320 Cathedral Street. The prayer walk will begin at 6:15 p.m.

Health & Wellness 10th Anniversary Celebration – October 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., tickets before September 30 - \$30, after September 30 - \$35.

Jazz with The Oblates. The event, featuring the Spice Band, will take place on Saturday, October 21 from 1-3:30 pm, 701 Gun Rd., Baltimore 21227. Cost-\$35. Please see, text, or call Rochelle Woodland-410-903-4300 if you wish to make a donation or purchase tickets.

Senior Call Check! A free daily call to check on Maryland residents age 65 and over. For Maryland residents who qualify for the program but who do not have access to the Maryland Department of Aging website, www.aging.maryland.gov, you may call the toll-free number to register by phone: 1 (866) 502-0560.



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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