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



Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 26, 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

Religious Education

Elementary & First Communion Sundays: Immediately following Mass

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

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

Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment



Thank You!

All of God's children are welcome to come and glorify Jesus here at our parish. Thank you for attending, and we hope to see you again soon!

"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

Luke 6:38

PASTOR'S CORNER

"Happiness is greater/deeper/bigger than pleasure/gratification; and misery is deeper than just physical pain!! For one can be truly happy because he/she has lived a fulfilled life at the service of others to which he/she is not a direct beneficiary!! In like manner, one may have all the material things of life and power at his/her disposal, yet experience an incurable inner emptiness that brings nothing but mental torture and agony!! The best gift here on earth is fulfillment which brings peace, not ultra-greedy-diabolical immense of wealth and power!!"

Upcoming Events/Meetings

March 30 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

March 31 – Lenten Fish Fry

April 1 – Confirmation Retreat

April 2 – Elementary RE Class/RCIA/Sodality Meeting

April 6 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

April 8 – Harper's Helpers

April 12 – RCIA

April 13 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

April 15 – Pastoral Council Meeting/Health & Wellness Meeting

The Bible...

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Ezekiel 37:12-14/ Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Romans 8:8-11/John 11:1-45

Monday: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ John 8:1-11

Tuesday: Numbers 21:4-9/Psalm 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/John 8:21-30

Wednesday: Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/ Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/John 8:31-42

Thursday: Genesis 17:3-9/ Psalm 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ John 8:51-59 **Friday:** Jeremiah 20:10-13/ Psalm 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/ John 10:31-42 **Saturday:** Ezekiel 37:21-28/ Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/ John11:45-56

The Gospel today, challenges us to see and believe the signs of grace in our lives: joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 21 families and individuals with comforting food. Thank You!

March 18 & 19

Total Attendance – 129 Total Collections - \$1,921 Year to date - \$63,803.37

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Dramatic events are planned for this week. To ensure that we are prepared to receive God's benefits, we continue working. We are still working to make Lent our choice and to observe Lent in very particular ways. We're examining our behaviors and revising our goals. Our souls are being reborn when we come into contact with God's reconciling love and humbly request the gift of healing.

The drama of the regular liturgies ably supports all of this. Lazarus's resurrection serves as our opening example. (And, we might celebrate the scrutiny). The accusations against Susanna, the healing image raised in the desert, the three faithful witnesses who survive the fiery furnace, the account of God's covenant with Abram, Jeremiah's fearful trust in the midst of the plot against him, and Ezekiel's incredible vision of a nation restored by God — that God will make a new and everlasting covenant — are all compelling stories this week.

Each of these passages is matched with a gospel from John. In addition to learning about the witnesses, evidence, and judgments, we also learn about Jesus' elevation (on the cross and in glory), the freedom and liberation he has come to bring, and his role as the fulfillment of God's covenant, the new and eternal covenant. And we already feel the anger against him intensifying. When we accept that everything is "for me," we become more devoted and gracious.

Holy Week is almost here and 12 disciples are needed! There will be a sign-up sheet for washing of the feet on Holy Thursday, April 6, in the back of the church today and next weekend. Please print your name clearly on the form. Mass is at 6 p.m.

Have you moved or obtained a new phone number? Help keep parish records up to date by providing that information on the "Change of Address" form found on the church's website.

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OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries. In today's Gospel, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. In doing so, he forecasts two events: his return from the dead and ours.

Death, and the events that follow, are challenging and often hide at the edge of our consciousness. It drives us to avoid aggressive drivers, work harder, or hold close the ones we love at goodbyes.

As difficult as death is, the Resurrection is our hope and Lent is our time to pray, give and spread the word! "I am the Resurrection and the Life," says Jesus (John 11:25). When you support our Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries, you enable us to deliver this same hope and mercy to those in need.

Bishop Bruce Lewandowski will lead a prayer walk at Our Lady of Fatima, 6400 E. Pratt Street, March 27 at 5:30 p.m.

Passion Musical. The Cathedral of Mary Our Queen will host a candlelit concert featuring the World Premiere of Steve Warner's setting of the Good Friday Passion on March 31 at 7 p.m.

The Addams Family: A New Musical – Sponsored by Calvert Hall's Theatre Dept. through April 2. The price per ticket is \$12.00 for students and \$15.00 for the general public. To get your ticket(s) visit - https://www.calverthall.com/arts/theatre

SuperKids Camp is Parks & People's FREE six week academic summer camp for Baltimore City rising 1st-5th graders. Monday - Thursday from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; June 26th-August 4th, closed July 3rd & 4th. Breakfast, lunch, and transportation are included! To register visit: parksandpeople.org/programs/superkids-camp

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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