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



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 27, 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 TBA

Religious Education

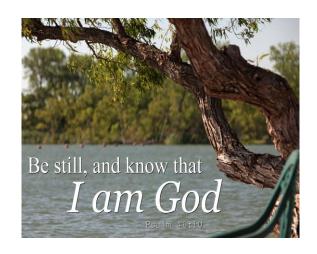
Elementary & First Communion Sundays: Immediately following Mass

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

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

Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment



Thank You!

For visiting our church. You are always welcome here!

"Love cannot result in any harm to the neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfillment of the Law.."

Romans 13:10

PASTOR'S CORNER

"DEGREES/DIPLOMAS ARE ONLY GOOD IF THEY ARE MEANS TO AN END, NOT AN END IN THEMSELVES!!!!!!!! The biggest achievements in life are not measured by the degrees/diplomas and certificates that adorn office walls of individuals, but by the lives the individuals have touched and changed! A degree without a practical, existential impact in the community/society is like a Facebook account without friends; or a beautiful car without an engine!!"

Upcoming Events/Meetings

October 28 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

November 1 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

November 3 – Elementary RE Class/OCIA/Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting

November 4 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class **November 7** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

November 10 - Elementary and High School RE Classes/SIP Meeting Sodality Jazz Event



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Jeremiah 31:7-9 / Psalm 126:1-6 / Hebrews 5:1-6 / Mark 10:46-52

Monday: Ephesians 2:19-22 / Psalm 19:2-5 / Luke 6:12-16 **Tuesday:** Ephesians 5:21-33 / Psalm 128:1-5 / Luke 13:18-21 **Wednesday:** Ephesians 6:1-9 / Psalm 145:10-14 / Luke 13:22-30 **Thursday:** Ephesians 6:10-20 / Psalm 144:1b, 2, 9-10 / Luke 13:31-35

Friday: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 / Psalm 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6 / 1 John 3:1-3/ Matthew 5:1-12a

Saturday: Wisdom 3:1-9 / Psalm 23:1-3b, 4-6 / Romans 6:3-9/ John 6:37-40

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 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 Norma Shaw



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What is Sin?

If we claim that we are sinless, we are only deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. However, if we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all wrongdoing. If we say that we have never sinned, we make him out to be a liar, and his word is not in us. (1 John 1:8-10)

The Bible calls us to "love our neighbor as ourselves" and "love God with all of our strength." Generally speaking, sin refers to free decisions that damage and destroy our relationships with God and other people. Individual sinfulness is divided into two categories by the Catholic Catechism: venial and mortal sins. The capacity to love God and others is a fundamental aspect of humanity that is harmed by both of these types of sin. To sin is to disobey. The term refers to any action, word, or desire that violates God's rule.

A mortal sin is an act of grave disobedience. Mortal sin is caused by three factors. First of all, the sin is a grave offense. Secondly, the individual acknowledges the gravity of the transgression. Third, the individual voluntarily decides to carry out the sin. A mortal sin is essentially a decision to die forever. The sinner cannot earn eternal life with God if they do not turn from their sin.

Unlike mortal sins, venial sins do not result in the complete breakdown of an individual's connection with God or the denial of sanctifying grace in the soul. Venial sins can emerge in a variety of ways, including thought, speech, deed, or omission, and they reflect the inherent fragility and imperfection of the human situation. Gossip, failure to pray, impatience, indifference, or ingratitude to God, having questions about the Faith, failing to seek out or learn the church's doctrines, and failing to pray on a daily basis are all good examples of venial sins. It is important to remember that these venial sins are not usually intentional, but going to confession can remind us of them, and obtaining the graces associated with confession on a frequent basis is a beneficial habit.

When we sin, we strengthen our predisposition to sin. Vice creates vice. Once we have committed a sin, it is much more difficult to prevent it in the future. The more we sin, the more difficult it is to recognize the good and make sound judgments. Our consciences grow muddled and insensitive to our wickedness. All sin must be avoided because of the serious repercussions it brings. If we do not avoid committing venial sins, we risk losing our will to avoid mortal sins, and therefore losing everlasting pleasure.

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October 19 & 20

Total Attendance – 158
Total Collections - \$2,255
Year-to-date Collections - \$197,765.79

OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

From Fr. Stephen of St. Bernadine - This is a call to all brethren who minister at liturgy or otherwise and wish to continue or those who wish to join either at St. Bernardine or St. Peter Claver campuses after our merger, to kindly reach out to Denise Stanley (denise.stanley@archbalt.org) or Deborah Gardner (dgardner@rigconstruction.com), so they can be put on roaster and get updates. Please, indicate your ministry, where you will want to minister (either of the two campuses or both), and your availability from Dec 1st. Note that this window remains open indefinitely.

Evening of Jazz with Kement Symphony Black, Sunday, November 10, 4-7 p.m., Fr. Henry Harper Hall, Free Set-Ups, BYOF, Tickets - \$35. See a Sodality member for tickets.

WORD ALIVE '25! BIBLE STUDY CHALLENGE - Take the challenge to read the entire Bible in 2025. Join Fr. Rich Bozzelli, Lendora Cleveland, Dee Hawthorne, and Esther Sanders as they lead you through a weekly study of the One Year Chronological Bible NIV (Tyndale Publishers, 2007 or 2013), a Bible that presents the texts in the order in which events occurred (available from Amazon or your favorite bookseller). After preparatory sessions in December (time to be determined), we'll begin the study via Zoom on Thursday, January 8, 11:00 a.m., and will continue most every Thursday morning throughout the New Year. Sign up by visiting St. Bernardine's website, www.stbernardinechurch.org, click "Contact," then "Word Alive '25! Bible Study Sign Up." Consider making a New Year's Resolution that will change your life!

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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