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



# Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 10, 2023

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday Vigil	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:30 a.m.

#### **DAILY MASSES**

8:00 a.m.
8:00 a.m.
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TBA

### Religious Education

Elementary & First Communion Sundays: Immediately following Mass

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

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### **Baptism & Marriage Preparation**

By Appointment

#### **Mass Intention**

9/10/23 – St. Peter Claver St. Pius V Faith Community – "One in the Spirit" Reg. by Mary Purnell



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

"Our Guardian Angels are always with us even when we don't recognize their presence or acknowledge them!! There is nothing as coincidence in life!! It's always a God incident!! I know this because I've also tasted the goodness of my guardian angel!! May our guardian angels (God's functionaries) always push evil and danger away from us!! Amen!!"

# **Upcoming Events/Meetings**

**September 13** – Liturgy Meeting (Conference Call)

**September 14** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

**September 16** – Pastoral Council Meeting/Health & Wellness Meeting

**September 17** – Ladies Auxiliary #219 Meeting

**September 20** – Emergency Food Distribution

**September 21** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

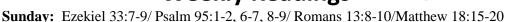
**September 23** – Rodeo Bus Trip

September 24 - High School Religious Education Class/SIP Meeting

**September 27** – Emergency Food Distribution

**September 28** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

## **Weekly Readings**



**Monday:** Colossians 1:24–2:3/Psalm 62:6-7, 9/ Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday: Colossians 2:6-15/Psalm 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/ Luke 6:12-19 Wednesday: Colossians 3:1-11/ Psalm 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Numbers 21:4b-9/ Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/ Philippians 2:6-11/John 3:13-17 Friday: 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14/ Psalm 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11/ John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35

**Saturday:** 1 Timothy 1:15-17/ Psalm 113:1b-2, 3-7/ Luke 6:43-49

### PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH

Catherine Case Ellen Dutton Alfreda Butler Sylvia Ford Debbie Holly Melvinda Jones Jean Johnson Mary Malachi Warren Nixon Shirley Payne Cecelia Price **Romaine Price** 

**Catherine Thomas** Norma Shaw Bessie Wilson

### September 2 & 3

Total Attendance – 115 Total Collections – \$6,706

Year to date Collections -\$185,257.21

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### Saint Peter Claver's Story

Spanish-born Peter Claver, a young Jesuit, permanently departed his home country in 1610 to work as a missionary in the American colonies. He arrived by ship in Cartagena, a prosperous port city that the Caribbean cleaned. There, in 1615, he was ordained.

By this time, the slave trade had been practiced in the Americas for close to a century, with Cartagena serving as its main hub. Each year, 10,000 slaves arrived at the harbor after making the perilous Atlantic journey from West Africa, where it is estimated that one-third of the passengers died on the voyage. Slave-trading persisted despite being denounced by Pope Paul III and later referred to as "supreme villainy" by Pope Pius IX.

As soon as a slave ship arrived in port, Peter Claver entered its infested hold to treat its maltreated and worn-out passengers. Claver jumped in among the slaves with medicines, food, bread, brandy, lemons, and tobacco after they had been herded from the ship like chained animals and imprisoned in surrounding yards for the public to gawk at. He delivered simple instructions and reaffirmed his brothers' and sisters' faith in God's love while using interpreters. Claver educated and baptized an estimated 300,000 slaves over the course of his 40-year ministry.

Claver passed away on September 8, 1654, after suffering from illness for four years that made him largely idle and uncared for. The city magistrates, who had before scoffed at his concern for the black outcasts, now ordered that he be buried with great ceremony and at enormous expense to the public. Following Peter Claver's canonization in 1888, Pope Leo XIII named him the global patron of missionary efforts among black slaves.

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the rectory to pass on a message to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we help them to know that indeed "God is in the midst of them."

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.

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### **OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION**

**Young Adults Kickball Tournament** – Register for the Kickball Tournament happening on the grounds of St. Mary's Seminary on September 16. Mass and Rosary begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Seminary Chapel. To register, please visit https://www.archbalt.org/event/kickball-tournament

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.

**Health & Wellness 10<sup>th</sup> 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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