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



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 2023

WEEKEND MASSES

4:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m.

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DAILY MASSES

Saturday Vigil

Sunday

Mondays Tuesdays Thursdays Fridays

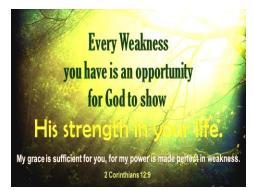
HOLY DAYS

<u>Religious Education</u> Elementary & First Communion Sundays: Immediately following Mass

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

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

Baptism & Marriage Preparation By Appointment



Thank You!

For visiting our church, and we hope you have a wonderful week full of many blessings.

"No one can have God for his Father, who has not the Church for his mother." Cyprian of Carthage

PASTOR'S CORNER

"The constancy and rapidity of a series of turbulence, uncertainties, human cruelty, envy, evil, betrayals, etc., in the world today may sometimes seem overwhelming!! But even with these vicissitudes of life, the Light of Christ shines, the power of God still manifests, and the grace of God sustains those who believe!! We've come this far by faith, and faith will lead us home!!"



- August 23 Emergency Food Distribution
- August 24 Health & Wellness Exercise Class

August 27 - Bingo

August 31 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

September 2 – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

- September 3 Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting
- **September 7** Health & Wellness Exercise Class
- September 9 Harper's Helpers/Extraordinary Ministers Meeting



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7/ Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8/ Romans 11:13-15, 29-32/Matthew 15:21-28 **Monday:** Judges 2:11-19/Psalm 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44/ Matthew 19:16-22 **Tuesday:** Judges 6:11-24a/Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/ Matthew 19:23-30 **Wednesday:** Judges 9:6-15/ Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Matthew 20:1-16 **Thursday:** Revelation 21:9b-14/ Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/ John 1:45-51 **Friday:** Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/ Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/ Matthew 22:34-40 **Saturday** Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/ Psalm 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/ Matthew 23:1-12

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH

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

August 12 & 13 Total Attendance – 107 Total Collections - \$3,880 Year to date Collections- \$**170, 100.71**

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Why the Liturgical Calendar ...

Catholic life revolves around the liturgical calendar in every way. The liturgical days of the week and the corresponding Scripture readings are often listed in parish bulletins. During the month of December, tables may be piled high with free calendars listing the main feasts of the Christian year (along with public holidays). In addition, each holy day of obligation serves as a reminder that Catholic worship involves more than merely attending services on Sundays; it involves a larger pattern of feasts and fasts, of which Sunday services are only one part.

But to say that the liturgical calendar is always present does not mean that we are always aware of it. Since they are so common, things like telephone poles and street lights are frequently overlooked. It is simple to dismiss the liturgical calendar as a decorative mantel clock with Roman numerals that looks lovely but is rarely used to determine time.

Though the liturgical calendar's goal is to center our days on Jesus, many holy people throughout history have found that their lives were transformed as a result of setting their internal clock to it. The first step in this procedure is Sunday worship, which forms the basis for the entire liturgical cycle. In remembrance of the fact that, on Easter Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead and began the regeneration of the entire world, the universe was fundamentally altered, we celebrate Mass on Sundays rather than Jewish Saturdays.

Although the Resurrection is the central event in Christian belief, every moment of Jesus' life served as a window into the character and nature of God. Because of this, we need to worship throughout the entire Christian year, not only on Sundays. The life of Jesus is central to the church's calendar. It follows Him from the first signs of His arrival in Advent to His birth at Christmas, through His trials in Lent and death on Good Friday, to the wonders of His Easter Resurrection and Ascension, to an apocalyptic vision of Him enthroned as King in glory. The Church does not leave anything out and does not skip a day; she urges us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus at all times and in all situations.

The Gospel today announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count, for Jesus always responds. With love for your neighbors who have nothing, when you go shopping buy an extra can of chicken, Spam, powdered milk, peanut butter, jelly, green beans ... and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

St. Ambrose invites you to its Community Day and Mass on the Grass. On Saturday, August 26, a family fun day from 1 to 8 p.m. – games, free movie, free food, and produce give away. On Sunday, August 27, Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on the grass. After Mass, enjoy music with a steel band, free hotdogs, free hamburgers, and more.

The Archdiocese of Baltimore is one of the sponsors of the festival celebrating the 60th anniversary of the desegregation of Gwynn Oak Park on August 27. The event is free and will begin at 12 noon. Live music and performances. Meet civil rights heroes, join "Table Talk" discussions. Unveiling of the Gwynn Oak Mosaic. Visit gwynnoak60th.square.site

Rodeo –September 23: Contact Lawrence Pauling at (410) 241-4117, William Ragin at (443)804-4873, or Robert Middleton for tickets. Ticket prices are \$55 for adults and \$35 for children. Bus will leave the church at 10:30 a.m.

St. Peter Claver, Baltimore's second oldest African-American Roman Catholic Church will be 135 years old on September 9. Please invite all your family, friends and associates to join us with celebrating our church at Mass on September 9 and 10. A reception will be held in Fr Henry Harper Hall on Sunday, September 10 following the 9:30 am Mass.

Health & Wellness 10th Anniversary Celebration – October 21. Parishioners, do you have a talent you'd like to share at this event? If so, please use the sign-up form in the back of the church.

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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