

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



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 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
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 visiting our church. We hope to see you again!

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may grow rich in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 15:13

PASTOR'S CORNER

“The life of a Christian is a life of interruption!! We make plans and feel good about them!! But often than not, God interrupts our lives, changes our plans, and replaces His with ours!! This can be frustrating/discouraging, but at the same time consoling, when we realize/acknowledge that God does not, and would not ask us to let go of what we have and move to the next level if He does not have something better for us!! May we always have the grace to comply with god’s disruption, and refuse the temptation to fight for a sustained status quo!!”

Upcoming Events/Meetings

January 17 – Emergency Food Distribution

January 18 – Health & Wellness Exercise

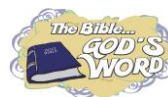
January 20 – Pastoral Council Meeting/Health & Wellness Meeting

January 21 – Elementary and High School Religious Ed Classes/SIP Meeting

January 22 – Exercise with Young Adults

January 25 - Health & Wellness Exercise

Weekly Readings



Sunday: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19/ Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-10/ 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ John 1:35-42

Monday: 1 Samuel 15:16-23 /Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/ Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Samuel 16:1-13/ Psalm 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 / Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/ Psalm 144:1b, 2, 9-10/ Mark 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7/ Psalm 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/ Mark 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Samuel 24:3-21/Psalm 57:2, 3-4, 6,11/ Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/ Psalm 80:2-3, 5-7/ Mark 3:20-21

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?

Alfreda Butler

Sylvia Ford

Mary Malachi

Romaine Price

Catherine Case

Beverly Henderson

Warren Nixon

Anthony Scales

Bridget Chase

Debbie Holly

Shirley Payne

Norma Shaw

Ellen Dutton

Melvinda Jones

Cecelia Price

Bessie Wilson

How to get the most out of Mass. . . .

For Catholics, Mass is like to oxygen. Although we can easily take it for granted, we need it to survive. We all know that during Mass, a cell phone will ring or a child will start weeping in the middle of the Eucharistic liturgy. We become bored or our thoughts stray. How are we ever going to have a spiritual experience with all the distractions and imperfections? What purpose does Mass serve for us? The tips that follows could be useful:

- **Keep the big picture in mind.** There is more to the Mass than just the homily, music, prayers, or any one particular experience. The mystery of our salvation—Jesus' death and resurrection—is revealed to us via the Mass and other sacraments. The Eucharist has been likened by some to a blood oath. We commemorate what Jesus accomplished for us during Mass, and by partaking of his Body and Blood, we pledge to live according to His example. This is accurate regardless of how inspired the homilist or music is at any given Mass.
- **Embrace imperfection.** It's likely that Jesus wasn't in the best of circumstances when He gave his Sermon on the Mount. Maybe someone else was eating really stinky fish or engaging in gossip, making it difficult for the crowd to focus on what Jesus was saying. Distractions were just as prevalent throughout the time of Jesus' ministry and the early Church as they are today. It is not beneficial to focus on these disruptions and diversions. Take a deep breath, acknowledge the irritation within, and turn your attention back to the Mass.
- **Sit in a different spot.** One could see things entirely differently from a new pew.
- **Ask a saint for help.** Learn more about the saints' connection to the Mass. You might gain fresh understanding and respect for the Mass—either for its components or for the whole. Ask for guidance on your spiritual path from these saints in your prayers.
- **Do some homework.** The greater our understanding of the Mass, the more we will be able to relate to and value it. There are extensive sections on liturgy, the Paschal Mystery, and the Mass in the Catholic Catechism. Read especially nos. 1066-1209; and 1322-1419.

January 6 & 7

Total Attendance - 91
Total Collections – \$5,019
Year-to-date Collections – \$5,019

OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

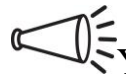
Did you know that our Catholic community is the largest provider of social services in the region outside of the government? Our Faith in Action drives our compassion and care for our neighbors. God's love is witnessed in every act of service. Every meal served. Every prayer in His name. Every shelter provided. Every comfort extended. This is our Faith in Action. Visit archbalt.org to learn more about mission and ministry of the Archdiocese of Baltimore through the good works of 500,000 faithful.

MLK Celebration - January 14, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Come hear the words of our community members as they discern and share their hopes and visions for a just society. This is a Zoom meeting hosted by St. Ignatius Catholic Community. Register at st-ignatius.net/mlk.

11th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr./Msgr. Edward M. Miller Peace Walk – Join Archbishop Lori and Bishops Lewandowski and Madden for the peace walk on January 15, at noon at St. Bernardine's Church, 3800 Edmondson Avenue.

Seek the City to Come - The Visioning Workshop for the Black Catholic Focus Group, is scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, 2024 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at St. Matthew. Register for this event at <https://bit.ly/stc-bcfg> or email OBCM@archbalt.org.

Health & Wellness Ministry will begin a weight loss challenge this month. If interested, please attend the meeting in the Hall on January 20 at 2 p.m.



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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