

# St. Peter Claver Church

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2015



## THE BEGINNING OF EVERYTHING

Everyone recognizes the truth of good proverbs, and so they endure from generation to generation. The Russians have a surprisingly bold one that fits this Sunday's Gospel: "Bread is the beginning of everything."

Judging from the first reading, Elijah might have felt that it was too late for bread—too late for life itself. This great prophet was at the end of his rope and endurance. Then, not one, but two angels visit him. One offers food and drink. The other gives startling directions. For Elijah, this food from the angels is bread for his journey. On the strength of the heaven sent gift of food, he walks to the mountain of God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers himself, not just as bread for the journey, but as bread for life itself. He gives his flesh as life for the world. "I am the bread of life" (John 6:48). He is the beginning of everything.

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Jesus professes that he is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will live forever.  
~John 6:41-51

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday

9:00 am—4:30 pm

Summer Hours (June—July):

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

All daily masses in the Convent Chapel

Monday: 6:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 7:00 am

Friday: No Mass

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

All weekend Masses in Church

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:15 am

1:30 pm (Spanish)

### CONFessions—IN THE CHURCH

Saturday: 4:30 pm—5:00 pm

### ROSARY—IN THE CHURCH

1st & 2nd Tuesdays: 10:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm—5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am—9:00 am

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# Weekly Offering

Offertory 8/2/2015	<b>8,389.55</b>
Offertory 8/3/2014	<b>9,776.07</b>
St. Vincent de Paul	<b>55.00</b>
Poor Box and Candles	<b>41.98</b>
Capital Improvement	<b>2,265.50</b>

"My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You, I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath."

- St. John Mary Vianney

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — After resting and taking nourishment twice, Elijah is strengthened to walk to the mountain of God, Horeb (1 Kings 19:4-8).

**Psalm** — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

**Second Reading** — Be sealed by the Holy Spirit of God so as to be imitators of God and live in love (Eph. 4:30 — 5:2).

**Gospel** — Jesus professes that he is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will live forever (John 6:41-51).

## Prayer Line (478) 743-1454

Florine Billue, Willie Byrd, Sr., Shirley James, Aaron Wimberly, Kevin Dockrell, Annie Burnell, Jennifer Weaver, Cheryl Weaver, Dolores Konke, Julianne Kandalec, Emma Patterson, Marie Chatman, Alma Johnson, Joanne Dockrell, Rachael Kellam, Marie Pacheco, Kariem Jones, Kimberly Hamilton, Naomi Hicks, Lea-Ann Fletcher, Chloe Holt, Eden Lee Thompson, Cletia Wimberly, Andria Ballard Magallano, Charlene Stallings, Alice Denise Williams, Devin Dayton, Pat Reott, Patrick Nuttall, Dennis Pennymon, Pearlie Watkins, Lindsay Banasz, Johnny Roquemore, Clifton Hadley, Kristie Marshall, Monsignor John Cuddy, John Earley, Heriberto Bocanegra, Mary Pioli, Doris McDonald, Mary Cotè, Anne James, Beatrice Jordan, David Maysonet, Cucho Diaz, Xavier Taylor, Fred Grasso, Michael Craig, Michael Iteogu, Burton Family, Don Heacock, Don Heacock, Sr., Darryl Newman, Judah White, Quay Wornum, Anna Grasso, Hayden McIntyre, Adanma Ekeledo and Chidi Ekeledo.

If you wish to have a name kept on the list or removed please call the church office at 743-1454.



Virous Caston, Brittani Caston,  
Chris Gomez, Russell Hill II,  
Tony Cervantes, Angel Gomez,  
Jeff Cooper, Mishell Sonntog,  
Gary Oñate, JC White,

If you have a loved one serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, assigned overseas, please call Marilyn Robinson at the Parish Office to add his or her name to our prayer list and please call us to let us know he/she has returned safely.

## 2015 Bishops Annual Appeal - as of 7/31/2015

Target	Pledged	% of Target	Paid	Total Families	Families Pledging	% Donors
\$39,607	\$19,100	66%	\$25,943	210	106	50.48%

St. Peter Claver tithes 10% of our weekly offertory to the poor in the name of Jesus! St. Peter Claver donates \$500.00 to FAM (Family Advancement Ministry) and \$250.00 to the St. Maximilian Kolbe Center every month.

Second Collection next Sunday: St. Vincent de Paul Fund.  
Thank you for your generosity.

## Readings for the Week

- Monday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26  
**Tuesday:** Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12;  
                  Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
**Wednesday:** Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20  
**Thursday:** Jos 3:7-10, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21, 19:1  
**Friday:** Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24;  
                  Mt 19:3-12  
**Saturday:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16;  
                  1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56  
**Sunday:** Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20;  
                  Jn 6:51-58



## Elizabeth Ministry

*Cassandra Howe*

*Please call the Parish Office if you are expecting a child so that we may pray for you!*



## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, August 8** - Josephine Gonzales, + RIP (S. Phagan)
- Sunday, August 9**  
     9:00 a.m. - Isidro Martinez, +RIP (S. Phagan)  
     11:15 a.m. - Antonia Martinez, +RIP (S. Phagan)  
     1:30 p.m. - Missa Pro Populo
- Monday, August 10** - None
- Tuesday, August 11** - None
- Wednesday, August 12** - Eugene and Virginia McMahon, +RIP
- Thursday, August 13** - None
- Friday, August 14** - None
- Saturday, August 15** - Isidro Martinez, +RIP (S. Phagan)

## Food for the journey

The readings and their message

### 1 Kings 19:4-8

The prophet Elijah no longer wanted to be a prophet and was not interested in living. He endured persecution from the queen, ridicule, and fatigue. He went out to the desert to see if he would die. God sent an angel with food to strengthen him, but Elijah initially does not understand the message of the angel. With the strength provided from the food he walked for forty days and nights. The number forty is symbolic of abundance and perfection. It indicates totality. It is a number that is also associated with the experience of the exodus, when Moses and the people walked for forty years in the desert. Jesus spent forty days in the desert, praying, fasting and being tempted. Elijah's march through the kingdoms of the north and south is not so much a geographical relocation, as it is a symbol of human existence with all its feelings: fear, boredom, discontent, hunger, and feelings of guilt.

### Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Paul spoke to the small urban communities that lived in the grand cities of the Roman empire and were exposed to a great deal of pressure. He told them about two radically different ways of living: of bitterness, resentment, anger, and malice; and of kindness, compassion, generosity, and gentleness. Kindness and compassion creates a spirit of acceptance, tolerance, and patience. With all this, Christians must learn and practice generous forgiveness, since Christ sacrificed himself and forgave us all.

### John 6:41-51

The gossip from the Jews who opposed Jesus echoes those from the Israelites in the desert. Some were unwilling to believe in the affirmation that Jesus is the bread of life, because they simply knew him too well. Since they knew Jesus, it seemed that there was nothing extraordinary about him. At the end of the passage, Christ identified the bread of life with his own Body. It is also an affirmation of giving up his entire body to save humanity so we can have eternal life; therefore, we cannot separate the Eucharist from the death of Jesus.

### Homily reflection

With the many difficulties we are currently enduring in this country and worldwide, it would be understandable if we just gave up and didn't want to continue going forward. We've heard of many cases when out of desperation, business people have unfortunately committed suicide. When we reach such a point in our lives with so much darkness, sometimes we can't see any other way out. Facing this, Jesus, just like the angel had given Elijah, feeds us bread that comforts us and helps us to continue on the unending journey of life with its many problems and efforts. The bread he gives us is the Eucharist: the Body and Blood of Christ, which feeds us and at the same time announces the hope for a new world. As we continue on this journey, we must walk as the children of light. The Eucharist gives us strength and energy to banish bitterness and resentment from our lives; to appreciate the generosity we have received and extend it to others, and to offer caring and kindness instead of rage. This may be a difficult journey, but the Bread of Life from the Eucharist helps us to walk in the fullness of our lives... our symbolic forty days and nights.

### For reflection

*In what moments have I felt really tired and with the desire to abandon my work and intentions? Where and how, have I recovered my strength? As a Christian, am I living in light, generosity and kindness or am I holding on to past resentments, fatigue and anger?*

## Religious Education

Registration for CCD and RCIA classes begin in August. Those wishing to become Catholic during the Easter season (2016) or further your knowledge of Catholicism are asked to complete a RCIA Registration Form. Students not enrolled in Catholic School are required to attend CCD classes. Please call Bettye Middlebrooks at the Parish office for additional information (478) 743-1454.

## Annual Parish Picnic

**Saturday, September 19th, 2015**

**11:00 AM – 4 PM**



### Golfers



Golfers interested in playing in Church league golf on Mondays at 6:00 pm beginning on August 31st, at Forsyth Golf Club are asked to contact Thomas Perry @ 478 994 5622.

## ASBS Meeting

ASBS (Associates of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament) will meet on Sunday, August 16th, at 10:00 am in the John Paul II Social Hall. Interested persons welcome!



## Swamp Gravy Trip

The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor a trip to Swamp Gravy "Colquitt, GA."

**Saturday, October 3, 2016**

to see a folk play,

**"Order In the Court".**

The bus will leave St. Peter Claver at 8:15 a.m. and return around 8 p.m.

**The price of the trip is \$75.**

This includes, buffet lunch, play and transportation. A deposit \$30 is due by August 10 and the remainder due by Sept.6,2015

Contact person Gwen Booker 478-745-1970, Muriel Jackson or Juanita Hubbard.

## Georgia Southern Campus Ministry

"If you or your child will be attending Georgia Southern this fall, please check out our website: [www.saintmatthewsparish.com](http://www.saintmatthewsparish.com) for information about events, bibles studies, dinners, etc. offered at St. Matthew Catholic Church. Beginning Sunday, August 16, a University Mass will be offered each week at 6 p.m. with a free home-cooked meal in the social hall afterwards. We have four Fellowship of Catholic University Students missionaries who will be ministering to the students this year. FOCUS Team Director Brooke Maryniak can be contacted via email at: [brooke.maryniak@focus.org](mailto:brooke.maryniak@focus.org)"

# A New Way To Love

## Friday Night Date Night for Couples

6 week series for couples who want to increase communication skills and connection.

Sponsored by St. Peter Claver Church



### Couples of all ages can LEARN:

A new way to talk

A new way to listen

How to create a relationship vision

The uniqueness within one's partner

The skills it takes to achieve a more positive relationship

(based on IMAGO Relationship Theory Principles)

**Call to Register Today!**

**478-737-8200**

**Starts August 21st 7:00-8:30**

**at St. Peter Claver Church - 131 Ward St.**

## Saint Kolbe Feast Day Celebration - August 14-15

In honor of the Feast Day of Saint Kolbe and the one year anniversary of the opening of the Kolbe Center in Macon, the Kolbe Center is hosting a Saint Kolbe weekend with Masses, presentations, and a piano concert.

Guest speakers: **Mike Aquilina**

- Catholic author and television personality

**Father Denis Wilde, O.S.A., Ph.D.**

-Associate Director for Priests for Life  
-Professional Pianist; former Professor of Music at Villanova University

Friday August 14: Feast Day Mass 6 PM St. Joseph Church, Macon

**Admission is Free**

(a \$10 donation is requested for attendees of piano concert)

RSVP to Ann Beall at (478) 257-4425 or ann@kolbecentermacon.org

The Saint Maximilian Kolbe Center for Life (the Kolbe Center) serves to both assist women in crisis with an unplanned pregnancy in adherence to Catholic teachings, as well as, provide education and expertise on Catholic Pro-Life Activities as outlined by the USCCB.

Saturday August 15: St. Joseph Sanctuary

8:00 AM Mass

8:30 AM Continental breakfast

9:00 AM Opening remarks

9:10 AM Mike Aquilina - "The First Pro-Life Movement"

10:00 AM Refreshments - Meet the speakers

10:30 AM Fr. Wilde - Priests for Life

11:30 AM Refreshments - Meet the speakers

12:00 PM Mike Aquilina - "The Martyr's Cup"

12:50 PM Closing remarks

Mount de Sales David J. Zuver Performing Arts Center

6:30 PM Wine and cheese

Silent auction

7:30 PM Piano Concert featuring Fr. Denis Wilde

1157 Forsyth Street Suite 201  
Macon, GA 31201  
(478) 257-4425

## News From St. Peter Claver

### Catholic School

St. Peter Claver Catholic School would like to thank all of our many generous donors that helped us reach our **\$60,000 "Match the Porch Gift" Annual Campaign**

**Challenge.** We would also like to thank Chris and Ramona Sheridan for their gift of the new Shade & Teaching Porch and this insightful challenge. The money raised will help continue improving educational programs at the school.

**We raised \$60,408.71!**

### UPCOMING VIRTUS CLASSES

August 11th, at 6:00 pm, at St. Patrick's Church, Kathleen

August 16th, at 9:00 am, (Spanish), at SPC Church, Macon

August 22nd, at 9:00 am, at SPC Church, Macon

This training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry (a listing of those ministries can be found at <http://bit.ly/1yU4Yk6>), and must be completed before they begin ministry. We also invite adults who are not currently volunteers to attend this training to learn tools they can use to help keep children safe. Seating is limited to only 30 spaces at each session and you must pre-registration online to save your seat.

To register, go to [www.diosav.org](http://www.diosav.org), and find the training listed on the Upcoming Events Calendar."



**Depaul USA**

introduces WEAR, a thrift store in downtown Macon with a boutique feel.

As all proceeds benefit DAYBREAK, please consider SHOPPING for a cause, DONATING your gently-used clothes and accessories, or VOLUNTEERING in the store. Thank you for your support of Depaul USA's mission to assist people living homeless in our community.

**WEAR. Your dollar makes change.**

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Macon, GA 31201**

**Oficina Hispana**  
Hermana Graciela  
478 741-9916

**Misa en Español**  
Domingos: 1:30pm

**Grupo de Oración**  
Miércoles 7:00pm -9:00pm  
en el Salón Social

**Grupo de Evangelización**  
Viernes 7:00pm

**Reuniones Juan XXIII**  
lunes de 7:00pm a 9:00pm

**Grupo de Jóvenes**  
Miércoles 7:00pm a 9:00pm  
primer piso de la biblioteca

**Charlas Pre-bautismales**  
Primero y Segundo Sábado  
del mes de 5pm—7pm

**Clases de Catecismo**  
Niños y Jóvenes

Horario: 11:30am a 1:00pm  
Llamar para más información  
y registración 478 741-9916

**RICA para Adultos**  
Clases para adultos que  
necesitan preparación para  
recibir los Sacramentos  
Llamar para más información  
y registración 478-741-9916

**Sacramento de Matrimonio**  
Llamar a la oficina para hacer una  
cita con el Padre.



## Ministerio Hispano

Decimonoveno Domingo  
del Tiempo Ordinario  
9 de agosto de 2015

Yo soy el pan vivo que ha bajada del cielo.  
—Juan 6:51

### EL COMIENZO DE TODO

Todo el mundo reconoce la verdad de los buenos proverbios, y por eso perduran de generación en generación. Los rusos tienen uno sorprendentemente audaz que le pega al Evangelio de este domingo: “El pan es el comienzo de todo”.

De acuerdo a la primera lectura, puede ser que Elías sintiera que era demasiado tarde para ser pan —demasiado tarde para la vida misma. Este gran profeta estaba ya al final de sus fuerzas y de su aguante. Entonces no uno, sino dos ángeles lo visitan. Uno le ofrece comida y bebida. El otro le da unas sorprendentes instrucciones. Para Elías esta comida de los ángeles es pan para su camino. Fortalecido por este regalo celestial de comida, él sigue su camino a la montaña de Dios.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús se ofrece a sí mismo, no sólo como pan para el camino, sino como pan para la vida misma. Él da su carne para dar vida al mundo. “Yo soy el pan de vida” (Juan 6:48). Él es el comienzo de todo.

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### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Sal 112  
Jn 12:24-26

**Martes:** Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9,  
12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Miércoles:** Dt 34:1-2; Sal 65:1-3a, 5, 8,  
16-17; Mt 18:15-20

**Jueves:** Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Sal  
114; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

**Viernes:** Jos 24:1-13; Sal 135:1-3,  
16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12

**Sábado:** Día: Apo 11:19a; 12:1-6a,  
10ab; Sal 44; 1 Cor 15:20-27;  
Lc 1:39-56

**Domingo:** Pro 9:1-6; Sal 33; Ef 5:15-20  
Jn 6:51-58

### Pregunta de la Semana

¿Cuál es el desierto de Elías en mi propia vida? ¿De qué manera el compartir el pan de vida me da fuerzas para la travesía de mi vida?

## Celebración de San Maximiliano Kolbe

Agosto 14-15

En honor al dia de su Santo y el primer año de aniversario del Kolbe Center en Macon, tendremos las siguientes celebraciones:

**Agosto 14:** 6:00 pm, Misa en la Iglesia San Joseph

**Agosto: 15:** 8:00 am, Misa en la Iglesia San Joseph

8:30—1:00 PM , desayuno y conferencias en el Santuario de la Iglesia San Joseph.

6:30—7:30 pm, vino, quesos, subasta silenciosa, MDS Zuver Center

7:30 pm, Concierto de Piano con el Padre Denis Wilde, MDS Zuver Center

Admisión es gratis—solo se requiere una donación de \$10 para el Concierto.

RSVP con Ann Beall al (478) 257-4425  
o ann@kolbecentermacon.org

## La Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María

La fiesta de la Asunción, se celebra en toda la Iglesia el 15 de Agosto. Esta fiesta tiene un doble objetivo: La feliz partida de María De esta vida y la asunción de su cuerpo al cielo.

En esta solemnidad de la Asunción contemplamos a María: Ella nos abre a la esperanza, a un futuro lleno de alegría y nos enseña el camino para alcanzarlo: acoger en la fe a su Hijo; no perder nunca la Amistad con él, sino dejamos iluminar y guiar por su Palabra; seguirlo cada día, incluso en los momentos en que sentimos que nuestras crues resultan pesadas. María, el arca de la alianza que está en el santuario del cielo, nos indica con claridad luminosa que estamos en camino hacia nuestra verdadera Casa, la comunión de alegría y de paz con Dios”. *Homilia de Benedicto XVI*



## “WEAR” (Boutique de Vestimenta semi-usada)

**Su dinero hace una gran diferencia para... “DAYBREAK”**

**ABIERTO:** lunes a sábado de 11am a 7pm **DONDE:** 464 First St.,  
Macon, GA **TELEFONO:** (478) 845-7463. Apoya a DAYBREAK  
con donaciones de ropa en buen estado o comprando en “WEAR”.



## 9 de agosto. 19º domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

### Alimento para el camino

#### Las lecturas y su mensaje

##### 1 Reyes 19:4-8

el profeta elías ya no quiere ser profeta y ni siquiera le interesa estar vivo. Ha sufrido la persecución de la reina, el ridículo y el cansancio. Se va al desierto a ver si ahí muere. Dios le envía un mensajero con comida para que se fortaleza, pero elías al principio no entiende el mensaje del ángel. Con la fuerza de la comida, camina durante cuarenta días y cuarenta noches. el número cuarenta es un número simbólico de la plenitud y la perfección. Indica totalidad. es un número que también se asocia a la experiencia del Éxodo, en que Moisés y el pueblo caminaron durante cuarenta años por el desierto. Jesús pasará cuarenta días en el desierto ayunando y orando y será tentado. La marcha de elías a través de los reinos del norte y del sur no es tanto un desplazamiento geográfico, cuando un símbolo de la existencia humana, con todos sus sentimientos: miedo, tedio, hastío, hambre, conciencia de culpabilidad.

##### Efesios 4:30-5:2

Pablo les habla a comunidades urbanas pequeñas, que viven en las grandes ciudades del imperio romano y están expuestas a una enorme presión. Les habla de dos maneras radicalmente distintas de vivir: la de la amargura, el resentimiento, la ira, la malicia, o la de la bondad, la compasión, la generosidad y la ternura. La bondad y la compassion crean un espíritu de aceptación, tolerancia y paciencia. Junto a todo esto, los cristianos tienen que aprender y practicar el perdón generoso, ya que Cristo se sacrificó y nos perdonó a todos.

##### Juan 6:41-51

La murmuración de los oponentes judíos de Jesús tiene ecos de la murmuración de los israelitas en el desierto. Algunos no estaban dispuestos a creer la afirmación de Jesús de que él es el pan de vida, porque lo conocían demasiado bien. Al conocerlo, les parecía que no podía ser nada extraordinario. Al final del pasaje, Cristo identifica el pan de vida con su propio Cuerpo; pero también es una afirmación de que entrega su cuerpo entero a la misión para salvar a la humanidad y que las personas puedan tener vida eterna; por lo tanto, no se puede separar la eucaristía de la muerte de Jesús.



## TALLER PARA LÍDERES HISPANOS

### “Líderes Hispanos Fermento del Reino de Dios”

La oficina del Ministerio Hispano de la Diócesis de Savannah está ofreciendo la oportunidad de aprender más sobre nuestra fe católica. Todos Están invitados a participar de estos talleres de formación básica, los días:

Octubre 17, se imparte el 1º parte en Albany, GA

Y septiembre 26 se imparte la 2º parte en Statesboro.

Para más información llamar la oficina hispana: 478-741-9916

## La Diócesis Católica de Savannah te invita al:

### Congreso de Familias

Qué precioso es el valor de la familia,

Como lugar privilegiado para transmitir la fe!” -Papa Francisco

Con la participación de sacerdotes locales y el

Invitado Especial: Dr. Fernando Casanova

Conferencias sobre la familia y la fe, adoración, alabanza y celebración de la Santa Misa.

El congreso se realizará en dos locales diferentes.

Asiste a la que más te convenga.

#### Warner Robins, GA

Sábado 29 de agosto: 8:30am-6:30pm

Centro de Actividades, Iglesia Sagrado Corazón

#### Valdosta, GA

Domingo, 30 de agosto: 8:30am—6:30pm

J.E. Mathis Municipal Auditorium

2500 N. Ashley St., Valdosta 31602

COSTO: \$15. (Traer su comida)

Niños menores de 12 años...Gratis! (Para información: (478 923-0124)



### 5 de agosto

#### Nuestra Señora de Copacabana, Patrona de Bolivia

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opacabana es una ciudad de Bolivia enclavada a orillas del-

Lago Titicaca. Según la tradición, Francisco Tito Yupanki, nacido allí de ascendencia real indígena hacia 1550, tuvo la visión nocturna de una mujer con un bebé en brazos. Inspirado en ella y su amor a la Virgen María talló en madera de maguey la imagen de la mujer con rostro oscuro y de características nativas. La población de Copacabana acogió la imagen con júbilo y la entronizó en una humilde iglesia de adobe y piedras el 2 de febrero de 1583. Así comenzó una gran devoción mariana que se extendió a otros países y ha llegado hasta nuestros días.

La basílica actual data del año 1805. La imagen fue coronada como Reina de la Nación por el Papa Pío XI en 1925, durante la conmemoración del centenario de la independencia de Bolivia.



### Nuestra cultura

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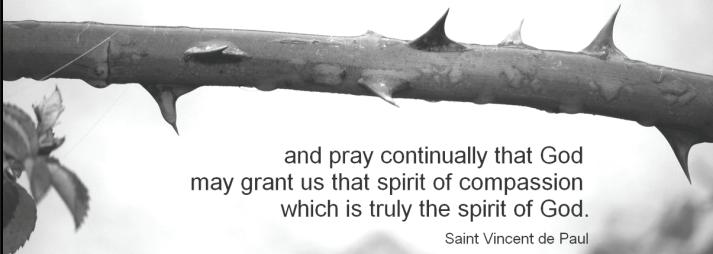
na de las grandes virtudes de los inmigrantes es su resistencia y su obstinación en conseguir sus aspiraciones de una vida mejor para sus familias. A menudo escuchamos de inmigrantes que son deportados y vuelven a intentarlo una y otra vez; pero toda esa frustración puede a veces acumularse, y algunos se dan por vencidos y se regresan a su país.

## Upcoming Ministry Schedules for August 15 and 16, 2015

Date	Time	Sacristans	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday	5:30 pm	Kiernan	Mr. Moran— A	Hamlin-Beaty	Kiernan, Kiernan
Sunday	9:00 am	Fletcher	A. Craddock — C T. Vickers — A	Avery	Wimberly, Fletcher
	11:15 am	Stroupe	P. Anyakudo — C B. Anyakudo — A	Sheppard	Stroupe

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people,



and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the spirit of God.

Saint Vincent de Paul

### **When you fill your pantry, please don't forget ours.**

St. Peter Claver Food Pantry is in need of the following donations: pasta, pasta sauce, canned meats, macaroni and cheese, juices, cereals, canned fruit, soups, and rice.

Toiletries such as (food stamps do not cover these items): toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, and toilet paper.

## August Wedding Anniversaries

*May God  
Continue  
Blessing  
You!*

**Tommy and RoseMary McKelvey (60)**  
**Robert and Cecilia Quintus-Bosz (49)**  
**Robert and Sally Cruthoff (52)**  
**Bobby and Cindy Little (37)**  
**Telmon and Corine Hill (58)**  
**Aaron and Beverly Wimberly (34)**  
**Thomas and Ruth Stevens (47)**  
**Reginald and Crystal Cummings (25)**  
**Stephen and Anne Johnson (27)**  
**Steven and Shari Tyler (26)**

## Transportation Needed

We have several parishioners that need transportation to Mass. If you would like to assist in this ministry, please call the Parish Office at (478) 743-1454.



## Family Advancement Ministries

*... helping families move ahead.*

## FAM Book Club

*The FAM Book Club will be reading in August, 2015:*

**Tuesday, August 11th, 2015 –**

**Left to Tell by Immaculee Ilibagiza**

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00 at FAM's Orange Street site, (538 Orange Street...across from the Washington Library parking lot). All are welcome!  
 Contact persons: Rena Waller or Sr. Roberta at 746-9803

## Volunteer Opportunities at FAM:

**Clothing Room:** Love looking at adorable children's outfits? Like to shop...or help others shop? This opportunity is for you. Sort donations, hang clothes in "shopping area" and help families choose items for their little ones. Bring a friend along and have a great morning at FAM.

**Front Desk Intake Position:** Are you an organized person? Do you like to meet and greet people? This is for you. Welcome families, and create or update their file to prep them for the next step of their appointment.

For more details, e-mail Sr. Roberta Treppa at  
[famsrr@bellsouth.net](mailto:famsrr@bellsouth.net)

The Saint Maximilian Kolbe Center for Life

**\*Pro-Life Center\* Crisis Pregnancy Assistance \***  
**Natural Family Planning**  
 Visit our website at: [kolbecentermacon.org](http://kolbecentermacon.org)  
 or call us at: (478) 257-4425

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please check:

Wish to register

Moving out of Parish

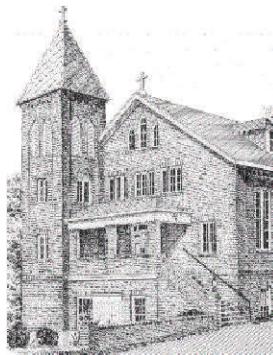
## BIBLE STUDY

Not meeting during the summer.  
We will meet again on Thursday,  
September 3rd, at 6:00 P.M.,  
JOHN PAUL II SOCIAL HALL

Diocese of Savannah webpage:  
[www.diosav.org](http://www.diosav.org)

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops  
webpage: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

Traveling information:  
[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)



## Sunday School Registration

Our Sunday School (CCD) classes began in September, 2015. Please call **Bettye Middlebrooks, at the Parish Office (478) 743-1454** if you have any questions.

## RCIA Classes

Classes are held in the Preschool Library, on Wednesdays, at 7:00 p.m. starting September, 2015.

## VIRTUS

The VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children for Adults" is required for all who provide either paid or volunteer ministry in our Diocese who in the course of their ministry come into contact with minors. This includes parish ministries such as **Sacristans, Lectors, Ushers, and Eucharistic Ministers**. Space is limited and registration is required by registering online at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).

If you do not have access to a computer, please call the Parish Office at (478) 743-1454 and our Parish Staff will assist with your online registration.

## Mission Statement

St. Peter Claver Church is a multicultural and well-integrated Catholic Parish graced with the gift of God's presence. Together as church we form a faith community where no one just adds up to the number but everybody is important because we cherish the potency and gift of everyone. It is our desire to constantly nourish our faith in the soil of God's Word and at the table of the Eucharist, to be a credible witness of God's presence in the world and each other's companion on our journey of faith.

## Family Advancement

### Ministries



570 High Place, Macon GA 31201

Our hours of operation are Mondays from 10-12, Tuesdays-Fridays 9-12. Anyone interested in volunteering please call 745-7165 and ask to talk to the office manager, Chris McKown.

## Pastor's Announcements

- + Please make sure all pagers and cell phones are turned off for the duration of the Mass.
- + Mass Intention requests are to be sent to the rectory office in writing and/or envelopes are available in the back of the church.
- + Please do not block anyone in the parking lot or obstruct traffic flow.
- + If you have recently changed your status, married, moved out of your parent's home or graduated from college, you need to re-register. If you move we would appreciate a call to the church so that our records will be in order.
- + Abuse Hotline Number: 1-888-357-5330. Copies of the policy on sexual abuse of minors is available online at: [www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection).
- + **CHURCH ETIQUETTE** – The priest should be the last one in and first one out of the church.
- + **ILLNESS IN OUR PARISH FAMILY** - Is someone in your family or our Parish in the hospital? Please call 743-1454 and let us know.
- + **VISITORS** - We welcome you to St. Peter Claver Church. Thank you for worshipping with us and please come again.

## Offertory Envelopes - 2015

The Offertory envelopes for St. Peter Claver Church - 2015, were mailed to your homes in December. Envelopes were only issued to Parish members that utilized their envelopes during 2014. If you are a member, and would like to start utilizing Offertory envelopes, or if you are not a member and would like to join our Parish, please complete the form included in this bulletin and drop it in the offertory, or the mail, addressed to the Parish Office.

## Bulletin Deadline:

At 12:00 noon on Monday, for the next weekend. Submissions should be emailed to  
**Marilyn Robinson at:**  
**[stpeterclaver@cbi.mgacoxmail.com](mailto:stpeterclaver@cbi.mgacoxmail.com)**