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Edgar Cabrera

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday

8:30 am—4:30 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

All daily masses in the Convent Chapel

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 7:00 am

Wednesday: Spanish Mass at 7:15 pm in the Church

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)

ROSARY—IN THE CHURCH

1st & 2nd Tuesdays: 10:00 am

Sunday: 8:30 am—8:50 am

CONFESSIONS—IN THE CHURCH

Saturdays: 4:30 pm—5:00 pm

Wednesday: 1st Wednesday of the month from

7:45 pm—8:30 pm or by appt.

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St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, Macon

Diocesan Webpage: www.diosav.org

Franciscan Webpages: www.hnp.org

www.beafranciscan.org

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St. Peter Claver Church

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2016

Extraordinary Jubilee: "Merciful like the Father"



Prepare the Way

Saint John the Baptist appears on the scene today as Advent enters its second week. The mysterious consumer of locusts and wild honey, John echoes the words of the prophet Isaiah as he calls for repentance in the face of the nearness of the kingdom of heaven. The rhythms of the Christian life are often confounding. Each year we meet the Baptist and hear his calls for repentance. Each year we see him pointing to the one who is coming after him, the Lord Jesus. Yet each year the words and actions of John the Baptist echo anew in our hearts, because we have fallen into old sinful traps again and again. Advent gives us the opportunity once again to turn away from our sinful ways and embrace the gospel way of life. John the Baptist invites us to prepare the way for the Lord, in whom we place our hope.

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Advent Ecumenical Encounters

This Advent we will be presenting an Advent Lecture Series with St. Francis Episcopal Church on Tuesday evenings beginning at 5:30pm with a potluck. We will alternate the series between both churches. The first will be held at our Church, Tuesday, November 29th. The topics will be diverse dealing with scripture and spirituality. This will enhance ecumenical dialogue allow us to open our hearts and minds to another faith tradition. Please join us for food and fellowship!! — Fr. Frank

Dates: Tuesdays - November 29, December 6, 13, 20.

Time: 5:30 pm—beginning with a Pot Luck dinner and followed by the topic of the evening.

Locations: alternated between SPC Church and St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church located at 432 Forest Hill Rd, Macon, GA.

December 6th at St. Francis Church: Topic — Franciscan Spirituality and Incarnation.

December 13th at St. Peter Claver Church: Topic— Mary's Magnificat

December 20th at St. Francis Church: Topic — to be determined.

Target	Pledged	Paid on Pledge	Pledge Balance	One-Time Payment	Total paid on pledge and One-Time Payment	% of Target	# of Families	# Donors	% Participation
\$40,929	\$36,422	\$29,073	\$7,349	\$25,646	\$54,719	134%	351	152	43.30%

St. Peter Claver Church Weekly Offertory	
Offertory 11/27/2016	\$6,725
Year to Date Offertory	
Offertory Budget Fiscal Year 2016-2017	\$547,449
Offertory through 11/27/16	\$198,206
Additional Collections	
St. Vincent de Paul Donations	\$15
Masses	\$30
Capital Improvement Donations	\$20
Poor Box and Candles	\$55
Thanksgiving Mass	\$375
Southern Cross	\$20
Christmas Flowers	\$36
Funeral Fund	\$249

Online Giving To create your online account, visit our website at
<https://www.spccmacon.org>, or our Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/StPeterClaverMacon/>
 and click on our **Giving button**.

Today's Readings

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the Lord (Isaiah 11:1-10).
Psalm — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).
Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).
Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).


Second Collection today: Capital Improvement
 No Second Collection next Sunday:
 Thank you for your generosity.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2, 3, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9, 10-13
Sunday: Is 35:1-6, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Prayer Line (478) 743-1454

Marion Wintons, Clara Mahoney, Xavier Green, Patricia Poole, Beverly Wimberly, Phyllis Dietrich, Sophie Lee, Vera Ganassa, Joe Catania, Angela Manson, Shirley James, Ellen Massey, Garren Bartell, Mary Pioli, the Heacock Family, Marge Hillig, Vera Ganassa, Brenda Critch, Annie Burnell, Glenn Tomey, Greg Slocum, Fr. Gerard Critch, Allen Nichols, Emma Patterson, Anne James, and Andrew Dudley.

 Please call the parish office at (478) 743-1454 if you wish to add a name. Names will remain for 3 weeks.

Stewardship

We must be good stewards of God's gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care, lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks today, cautioning us, "Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."
 — Our Sunday Visitor

 Virous Caston, Britanni Caston, Russell Hill II, Tony Cervantes, Angel Gomez, Mishell Sonntog, Gary Oñate, Christine Petty, Tom Petty, Will Kiernan


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.

Mark Your Calendars
UPCOMING EVENTS 

December 6, 13, 20-
 Reflection Series Dinner and talks with Father Frank.
December 8th— Immaculate Conception Masses
December 10th-11th-12th-Virgin of Guadalupe Celebration.
December 18th - Youth Group Christmas Party
December 22nd - Christmas Decorating Party. Hot chocolate and food will be served. All are welcome.

Elizabeth Ministry

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



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 3 - Dick Buttimer, +RIP (E. Sheppard)
Sunday, December 4
 9:00 a.m. - Cristina Massa, +RIP and Armanda Filipponi, + RIP (C. Petruso)
 11:15 a.m. - For the People of the Parish
 1:30 p.m. - For Parishioners
Monday, December 5 - Deceased Daughters of Charity
Tuesday, December 6 - Dick Buttimer, +RIP (E. Sheppard)
Wednesday, December 7 - Bill Gracyk, RIP (D. Konke)
Thursday, December 8 - None
Friday, December 9 - None
Saturday, December 10 - None

Please contact the Parish Office at (478) 743-1454 to schedule Mass Intentions.

2016 Advent Penance Services

All Penance Services begin at 7 p.m.
 (except for St. Peter Claver in Macon – see last entry for details)

November 29th (Wednesday) St. Patrick in Kathleen
December 6th (Tuesday) Sacred Heart in Warner Robins
December 12th (Monday) St. Joseph in Macon
December 15th (Thursday) Immaculate Conception in Dublin
December 19th (Monday) Holy Spirit in Macon
December 20th (Tuesday) Holy Redeemer in McRae
Nov. 30th — Dec. 21st
 (every Wednesday) 8 p.m. St. Peter Claver in Macon



Advent Mass Schedule

Confessions:
 December 7, 14, 21st 8:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Immaculate Conception Masses:
 December 7th 7:15 pm Español
 December 8th 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mañanitas
 December 10th 7:30 pm-11:30 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
 December 11th 1:00pm

Christmas Eve
 December 24th: 3:30pm *Children*, 5:30pm & 10:00pm

Christmas Day
 December 25th: 9:00am & 12:30pm Español

New Year's Eve
 December 31st 5:30pm

New Year's Day
 January 1st
 9:00 am, 11:15 am & 1:30 pm Español

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Please join us for Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, celebrations, and fellowship.

Saturday, December 10th: 7:30 p.m.—11:30 pm
 “LAS MAÑANITAS” -rosary, praise and worship, a presentation of the Apparitions of our Lady of Guadalupe, in the Church, and fellowship in the John Paul II Social Hall

Sunday, December 11th:
 12:45 p.m. – Procession gathering begins in front of the Mother Katharine Drexel.
 1:00 p.m. – Procession begins towards the Church. Hispanic Mass in the Church followed by Festivities in the Mother Katharine Drexel Center.



Pre-register for your 2017 tax credit now!

Thanks to our local churches, Catholic schools can open their doors to deserving students with financial need. This fall, more than 900 students are attending Catholic Schools with GRACE assistance.

Now is the time to pre-register for 2017 tax credits. Donors can access an online form at www.gracescholars.org.

A paper form is also available at the entrance of the church, the Parish Office or at our School office.

Say Yes to **GRACE!**

Buy your SPC School Discount Card



St. Peter Claver Catholic School Discount Card Expires 9-30-2017

- 10% off Total Purchase
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SERVIAM: I WILL SERVE

A Discernment Retreat for Catholic Men ages 18-40

A Discernment Retreat for Catholic Men ages 18-40 will be sponsored by the Vocations Office.

Little Ocmulgee State Park & Lodge
 80 Live Oak Trail, Helena, GA 31037

Noon Friday, December 30th – Noon Saturday, December 31st 2016

Registration: www.diosav.org/vocations-discernment-retreat-registration

There is no cost. If you have any questions, please contact Vocation Director Fr. Pablo at pmigone@diosav.org or 912-201-4113

“The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve.”
 -Matthew 20:28

December 2016 Mass Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 9:00 am Mass 11:15 am Mass 1:30 pm Spanish Mass	5 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent Chapel	6 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent Chapel 5:30 pm— Advent Series at St. Francis	7 7:00 am daily Mass 8:20 am School Mass in the Church 7:00 pm RCIA Classes 7:00 pm Hispanic Teen Group 7:15 pm Spanish Immaculate Conception Mass Vigil	8 No 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent Chapel 9:00 am and 6:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass (Both English)	9 No daily Mass	10 5:30 pm Mass 7:30 pm-11:30 pm: Our Lady of Guadalupe Mañanitas Celebration
11 9:00 am Mass 11:15 am Mass 1:00 pm Spanish Mass Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass and Celebrations	12 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent Chapel	13 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent Chapel 5:30 pm— Advent Series at St. Peter Claver Church	14 7:00 am daily Mass 7:00 pm RCIA Classes 7:00 pm Hispanic Teen Group 7:15 pm Spanish Mass 7:45 pm— Confessions	15 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent Chapel	16 No daily Mass	17 5:30 pm Mass

ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

A Message from our Principal, Sister Cheryl Ann Hillig, DC:



SPCCS's K3 class studied the meaning of Advent Wreaths. The true meaning of Christmas is waiting for the birth of baby Jesus. Each child made an Advent Wreath to take home and share with their families.

Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Peter Claver Catholic School's
"Catholic Education: Creating Our Future Leaders" Annual Campaign

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Oficina Hispana
Hermana Graciela
Edgar Cabrera
Leslie Miller
478 741-9916

Misa en Español

Domingos: 1:30pm
Miércoles: 7:15pm

Grupo de Evangelización

Viernes: 7:00pm

Reuniones Juan XXIII

Lunes: 7:00pm a 9:00pm

Grupo de Jóvenes

Miércoles: 7:00pm a 8:15pm

Charlas Pre-bautismales

Primero y Segundo Sábado
del mes de 5pm a 7pm

Programa de Catecismo

Niños y Jóvenes

Domingos: 11:30am a 1:00pm

RICA- Adultos

Programa para adultos que
necesitan preparación para
recibir los Sacramentos

Domingos: 11:30am a 1:00pm

Sacramento de Matrimonio

Llamar a la oficina para hacer
una cita con el Padre



San Juan Diego



St.
Juan Diego

Un sábado 9 de diciembre, el indio Juan Diego, recién convertido a la fe católica, se dirigió al templo para oír Misa. Al pie de un cerro pequeño llamado Tepeyac vio una nube blanca y resplandeciente y oyó que lo llamaban por su nombre. Vio a una hermosa Señora quien le dijo ser "la siempre Virgen María Madre de Dios" y le pidió que fuera donde el Obispo para pedirle que en aquel lugar se le construyera un templo.

Segundo Domingo de Adviento - Ciclo A 4 de diciembre de 2016

Juan el Bautista, proclama en el desierto de Judea:
«Convertíos porque ha llegado el Reino de los Cielos.»
Este es aquél de quien habla el profeta Isaías cuando dice:
Voz del que clama en el desierto:
Preparad el camino del Señor, enderezad sus sendas.
— Mateo 3:1-4

FIESTA DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN 8 de Diciembre



La celebración de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María situada en los primeros días del Nuevo año litúrgico y en el tiempo de Adviento, nos hace recordar el destino único de esta mujer Judía elegida por Dios.
Esta es una fiesta especial para varios países como Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay y en Estados Unidos porque es su patrona Nacional.
Esta es una ocasión para alabar a Dios por el Don de María, Madre de Dios y nuestra madre.

Misa Vigilia este Miercoles 7 de diciembre a las 7:15 pm

Avisos Importantes para la

Celebracion de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Viernes 09 de diciembre:

6:30 p.m. a 8:30 pm. Ultima practica de las Apariciones
7:00 p.m. Decorar el Gimnasio (necesitamos voluntarios)

Sábado 10 de diciembre:

7:30 pm. Rosario
8:30 p.m. Las Apariciones Guadalupanas
9:30 pm. Padre Bill dará una reflexión
10:30 p.m. Las Mañanitas—todos cantaremos a la Virgen
11:30 pm. Convivio en el Salón Social

Domingo 11 de diciembre:

12:45 p.m. Enfrente del gimnasio nos reunimos todos para organizar y comenzar la procesión. Los Niños vestidos en trajes típicos tienen un lugar especial en la caminata y los que quieran pueden traer rosas a la Virgen y depositarlas en los jarrones que estan puestos en el altar. El Mariachis Los Arrieros estarán participando durante la procesión y en la Misa.

1:30 p.m. comenzamos la Misa, tratemos de entrar en orden, mantener sus celulares apagados y al terminar la misa todos estamos invitados al Convivio en el Gimnasio.
Estaremos entregando un boleto por persona para que puedan reclamar su comida.

Con tu participacion y apoyo la celebracion será un exito!!

Calendario de Adviento, Navidad y Año Nuevo

Misa y Confesiones - Diciembre 7, 14 y 21

Misa en Español los miercoles a las de 7:15 pm
Confesiones de 8:00 p.m. - 8:30 pm

Misas de la Inmaculada Concepción:

7 de diciembre, misa en Español a las 7:15 pm
8 de diciembre, misas en Ingles: a las 9:00 am y 6:00 pm

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Rosario, Las Apariciones, Mañanitas y Convivio
10 de diciembre de 7:00 pm-12:00am

Procesión, Misa y Almuerzo

11 de diciembre la procesion a las 12:45pm
1:30 p.m. la Misa y Almuerzo en MKD al terminar la Misa

Clausura Año de la Misericordia

Sabado 17 de diciembre de 6:30 pm - 11:00 pm

Nochebuena - Sábado, 24 de diciembre

Misas en Ingles: 3:30 pm de Niños, 5:30 pm y 10:00 pm

Navidad - Domingo, 25 de diciembre

Misa en Ingles a las 9:00 am
Misa en Español a las 12:30 pm

Vispera de Año Nuevo, 31 de diciembre

Misa en Ingles a las 5:30 pm

Año Nuevo - Domingo - 1 de Enero, 2016

Misas en Ingles: 9:00 am, 11:15 am
Misa en Español a la 1:30 pm

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 35:1-10; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Lc 5:17-26
Martes: Is 40:1-11; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14
Miércoles: Is 40:25-31; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Jueves: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Sal 98 ; Ef 1:3-6, 11-12; Lc 1:26-38
Viernes: Is 48:17-19; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Sábado: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Sal 80; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Domingo: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Sal 146; Mt 11:2-11

Las lecturas y su mensaje

Isaías 11:1-10 Hay dos imágenes muy fuertes en este pasaje: el árbol y el soplo. En toda la Escritura, se asocia el árbol con imágenes de la dinastía real. Isaías compara la dinastía de David con un vestigio de lo que había sido un árbol frondoso; pero alienta a sus seguidores a no perder la esperanza, porque Dios puede infundir vida en ese tronco. La vida viene del soplo, el espíritu, que ya antes de la creación se cernía sobre las aguas. Este mismo espíritu es el que invadirá al futuro Mesías, que viene del tronco de David. Es el Mesías quien traerá armonía y paz al mundo.

Romanos 15:4-9 El apóstol pone el acento sobre la obligación de los fuertes de aceptar a los que son más débiles y compartir la carga. También hace una llamada a compartir los dones y a celebrar la riqueza, hasta destruir la última barrera que separa: el miedo, la sospecha y el rechazo a lo diferente.

Mateo 3:1-12 El tema del reino es central en el evangelio de Mateo. Antes del exilio babilónico había un mito sobre el reino de Dios, en el que el poderoso creaba cielos y tierra, libraba a los oprimidos y destruía a los enemigos y daba a su pueblo la tierra prometida. El mito de este Dios guerrero era la base del Israel antiguo; pero cuando su sueño se vio enfrentado a una realidad de exilio y destrucción, se cambió la idea del reino material a algo escatológico, para poder dar esperanza a la gente en tiempos de persecución y destrucción. El mal del tiempo sería así derrocado por una acción de Dios al final de los tiempos.

Posadas

Inician la novena el 16 de diciembre y terminan el 24 de diciembre. Si usted desea recibir a los Peregrinos en su casa debe reservar la fecha.

Favor, llamar a la Oficina del Ministerio Hispano al teléfono 478-741-9916 para anotarse y resevar la fecha.



LA COLECTA

DOMINGO, NOVIEMBRE 30: 483.26

CADA UNO DÉ COMO PROPUSO SU CORAZÓN. 2 COR. 9:7

PREPARA EL CAMINO

San Juan Bautista aparece hoy cuando el Adviento comienza su segunda semana. Juan, el misterioso consumidor de saltamontes y miel silvestre, hace eco de las palabras del profeta Isaías en su llamado al arrepentimiento en la cercanía del Reino de los cielos. Los ritmos de la vida cristiana son muchas veces confusos. Todos los años conocemos a Juan Bautista y oímos su llamado al arrepentimiento. Todos los años lo vemos señalando al que vendrá después de él, al Señor Jesús. El Adviento nos da otra oportunidad para alejarnos del camino del pecado y aceptar el modo de vida del Evangelio. Juan Bautista nos invita a preparar el camino para el Señor en quien depositamos nuestra esperanza.

Una invitación a toda la Comunidad



Celebraremos la
Clausura del Año de la
Misericordia

**Sábado 17 de
diciembre a las
6:30 p.m.**

Habrán charlas,
oraciones, cantos, con-
vivio en un
ambiente de
amor y hermandad.

**Todos son
bienvenidos,
te esperamos!**

Grupo de Adolescentes de la Iglesia San Pedro Claver

Invitación especial para los adolescentes de high school.



Estamos formando un grupo de adolescentes y **nos reunimos los miércoles en el gimnasio de la escuela San Pedro Claver de 7:00 pm a 8:15 pm.**

Para más información llamar a Edgar Cabrera, del Ministerio Hispano al Teléfono: 478 741-9916.

Te esperamos!!!

Upcoming Ministry Schedules for December 10 and 11, 2016

Date	Time	Sacristans	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday	5:30 pm	Larkin	Mr. Moran—A W. Griffin — C	Brown Cheeves	Larkin, Larkin
Sunday	9:00 am	White	J. Beers — C T. Vickers — A F. Brown — C	Sr. Katie Reott	White, Reichert
	11:15 am	Stroupe	A. Craddock — A J. Howell — C	King Johnson	Stroupe, Stroupe

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The 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.



Family Advancement Ministries

... helping families move ahead.

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 McKowen.

www.familyadvancementministries.org

FAM Book Club

The FAM Book Club will be discussing on December 6th, 2016:
The Christmas Box by Richard Paul Evans
This week we will have hot chocolate, hot spiced tea, and cookies.
We meet on the first Tuesday of the month, at 1:30 at
FAM's Orange Street site, (538 Orange Street...across from the
Washington Library parking lot). All are welcome!
Contact persons: Sr. Roberta and Rena Waller at (478) 973-3095

Learn to CROCHET at FAM

We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am at
FAM's Orange Street site. December 20th is the next session.
Supplies will be provided.

WEAR

Your dollar makes change.

464 First Street, Macon, GA 31201
Monday-Saturday, 11 to 7 p.m.

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.



Gift of Love cards are here.

Please help a child have a wonderful Christmas by taking a card in the back of church. All gifts can be dropped off at

Family Advancement Ministries or left in the church. All gifts need to be **unwrapped** and can be dropped at church or FAM.

Please deliver by December 12th.

Questions contact Chris McKowen---745-7165

God Bless and Merry Christmas!!

Offertory Envelopes - 2017

The 2017 Offertory envelopes for St. Peter Claver Church will be mailed to your homes the last week in December. We have contracted with a new envelope company. You will be receiving your tithing envelopes every 2 months. 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 Marilyn Robinson at the Parish Office.

December Wedding Anniversaries

Columbus and Kim Watkins (14)
George and Cheryl Weaver (23)
Larry and Judy Bunge (38)
William and Judith Carrigan (44)
Timothy and Karla Andrews (30)
Art and Rose Butler (34)
Gerald and Cindy Tarirah (7)
Rui and Beth Guimaraes (22)
Dawson and Kristal Justice (8)

May God

Continue

Blessing You!

Name _____
Street _____
City _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____

Please check:

_____ Wish to register _____ Moving out of Parish
_____ Change of Address _____ Want Tithing Envelopes
_____ Temporarily Away (I will call Parish Office upon return)

Drop this completed form in the Sunday Collection Basket.

Diocese of Savannah webpage:
www.diosav.org

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
webpage: www.usccb.org.

Traveling information:
www.masstimes.org

Bible Study

Meets on Thursdays, at 6:00 P.M., in the
JOHN PAUL II SOCIAL HALL

Knights of Peter Claver –

meet the third Sunday of every month
at 10:00 am in the Parish Office confer-
ence Room.

Knights of Peter Claver

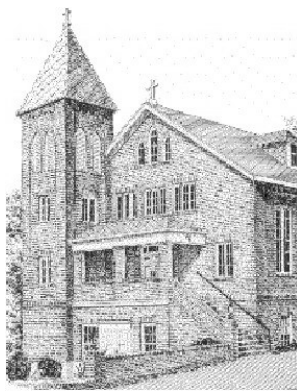
Ladies Auxiliary – meet the
first Sunday of every month at 10:00
am in the JP II Social Hall.

Legacy

Please consider St. Peter Claver Church
in your will. Please contact Fr. Bill or
use these words: "I give, devise and
bequeath to
St. Peter Claver Church, Macon,
GA, (insert percentage of estate or
specific dollar amount) to be used
where the need is greatest (or
provide designation for bequest.)"
*Where your treasure is, there will your
heart be also. Mt. 6:21*

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.



Parish Office (478) 743-1454

Office Hours

Monday—Friday: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Summer Hours (June—July):

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Parish Office will be closed on Fridays

Registration for Parish and School

REGISTER – We are very glad you are here at
St. Peter Claver. If you would like to make
St. Peter Claver your home Parish, please
complete a Parish Census Form (available in
the parish office and vestibule in back of the
church) and either mail or place in offertory
basket at Mass. Persons wishing to transfer
membership from another Catholic parish are
also asked to complete a census form.

REGISTER FOR ST. PETER CLAVER SCHOOL–

Our school accommodates children from K3
through 8th grade. If you would like to regis-
ter your child in our school, please call
(478) 743-3985.

Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND ANOINTING

OF THE SICK– Please contact the parish office
at (478) 743-1454.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

– Please contact
the Friar 6 months prior to the wedding date.
Please call the parish office: (478) 743-1454.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

– 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.
Saturdays or by appointment.

HOLY ORDERS (RELIGIOUS LIFE)

– Anyone
who thinks God might be calling them to
priesthood or religious life please speak with
one of the Friars or Sisters.

Abuse Hotline Number

1-888-357-5330. Copies of the policy on
sexual abuse of minors is available online
at: www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.

ILLNESS IN OUR PARISH FAMILY

Is someone in your family or our
Parish in the hospital or homebound?
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.



If you would like to
register your child for
CCD Classes, please

contact Bettye Middlebrooks in
the parish office for
additional information. (478) 743-1454.

Registration Fee:

\$20 Per child / \$35 for 2 more children

RCIA

*Are you interested in learning more about the
Catholic Church? Are you just curious about what
Catholics believe? Has expressed an interest in
becoming Catholic? Was baptized Catholic as a
child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of
Confirmation and Eucharist?*

For information please contact Deacon Dave
Hayden at 912-414-6706 or email him at
dvhayden13@gmail.com. You may also call the
parish office. We will be meeting on Wednesday
nights beginning in September.

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.
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.

Bulletin/Announcements

Deadline:

At 12:00 noon on Monday, for the next
weekend. Submissions should be
emailed to

Marilyn Robinson at:

stpeterclaver@cbi.mgacoxmail.com