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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday

8:30 am—4:30 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

All daily masses in the Convent

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

Wednesday: Spanish Mass at 7:15 pm

Friday: No Mass

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

All weekend Masses in the Church

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:15 am

1:30 pm (Spanish)

ROSARY—IN THE CHURCH

1st Tuesday of each month: 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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Diocesan Webpage: www.diosav.org

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www.beafranciscan.org

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St. Peter Claver Church

January 7, 2018

The Epiphany of the Lord



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God's promise to all people

Today Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and that they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

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We will be welcoming
Father John Coughlin, OFM
next Sunday, January 14th.

SPC CHURCH

MOVIE NIGHT

When: Sunday, January 7, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm

Where: John Paul II Social Hall

Movie: *Dying to Live*
A Refugees' Journey

Bring your popcorn, snacks and refreshments and join us for an evening of fellowship and discussion after the movie.



2017

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Diocese of Savannah

Congratulations! We made our goal!

As of December 21st St. Peter Claver Parish has paid \$43,893 to the Bishop's Annual Appeal! Another \$5,812 remains in pledges paid monthly. So if all pledges are honored, we will have given \$49,705! That's \$8,032 over our target. 121 parishioners made a sacrificial gift. That's more than 1/3 of our parish. Thank you for supporting the important ministries of the Diocese in Middle Georgia—Fr. Bill!

Target	Pledged	Paid on Pledge	Pledge Balance	One-Time Payment	Total paid on pledge and One-Time Payment	% of Target	# of Families	# Donors	% Participation
\$41,673	\$23,265	\$17,453	\$5,812	\$26,440	\$43,893	105%	377	121	32.10%

St. Peter Claver Church—Weekly Offertory

Offertory 12/30-31/2017	\$ 11,049
Offertory Budget Fiscal Year (7/1/2017—6/30/2018)	\$ 457,000
Offertory Budget through 12/31/2017	\$ 229,126
Offertory through 12/31/2017	\$ 239,177

Additional Collections

Catholic Schools Donations	\$ 370
Christmas Day Donations	\$ 95
Christmas Flowers	\$ 150
Funeral Fund	\$ 158
Poor Box, Candles and Charity	\$ 122
Capital Improvement — Church and Convent Roof Repair	\$ 4,360

Second Collection for Sunday Masses:
Church and Convent Roof Repairs I Fund
No Second Collection next Sunday.
Thank you for your generosity.

Prayer Line (478) 743-1454

Marion Wintons, Clara Mahoney, Xavier Green, Patricia Poole, Beverly Wimberly, Phyllis Dietrich, Sophie Lee, Angela Manson, Shirley James, Ellen Massey, Garren Bartell, Mary Pioli, Marge Hillig, Brenda Critch, Annie Burnell, Glenn Tomey, Greg Slocum, Andrew Dudley, Attracta Sudiskis, Curtis Williams, Allie Rose Beach, Tom Bridges, Jack Jenkins, Clare Miller, Joanne Lynn, Ethan Rimando, Terry Kelly, Alma Johnson, John Toliver, Gina Beach, Leon Blue, Denise Williams, Zelita Washington, Bob Cruthoff, Doris Hamblin, Bridget Burke, Claire Gerhardt, and Cinamon Moten.



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

Elizabeth Ministry

Patricia Holcomb, Meghan Swift

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



Pray for our Military

Virous Caston, Brittani Caston, Russell Hill II, Tony Cervantes, Angel Gomez, Mishell Sonntog, Gary Oñate, Christine Petty, Tom Petty, John Cole, Jean Claude Suhl, Pedro Martinez, Jose Martinez, Christopher Tanner, Nikki Tanner

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. Please call us to let us know he/she has returned safely.



Yearlong Campaign to Replace Church and Convent Roofs

As we end the year, we are well on our way to the midpoint of our Yearlong Campaign to replace Convent and Church roofs. So far we have raised \$73,599.39! The cost of both roofs (since Convent roof is slate) could total over \$100,000. A generous donor offered to match all gifts made by December 31st! (Up to \$5,000). **We have met this match.** This matching gift doubled your contribution. If you were planning to make an end of year gift, please consider doing so now. We would like to begin with the church roof as soon as possible. As you may have noticed, there are more than a few shingles missing. Bishop Hartmayer has given us permission to raise these funds without the usual diocesan assessment. That will save the parish 11% of total raised. The "Capital Improvement Collection" envelopes have been renamed "New Church and Convent Roofs" (first Sunday monthly). Whatever we can raise by God's grace and your generosity will determine how much money we will need to borrow from the Diocese. I am grateful for your support of our parish.

—Fr. Bill

Money collected so far: \$73,599.39

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 — You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star (Matthew 2:1-12).

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4-6; Mk 1:7-11
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8; Mk 1:21-28 or Mk 1:14-20 and Mk 1:21-28
- Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45
- Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17
- Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, January 6 - 5:30 pm — For the people of the parish
Sunday, January 7

- 9:00 a.m. - For the sick and shut-ins of our parish
- 11:15 a.m. - For the people of our parish
- 1:30 p.m. - For the people of our parish

Monday, January 8 - 7:00 am — Open

Tuesday, January 9 - 7:00 am — Open

Wednesday, January 10 - 7:00 am — Open
 - 8:20 am — School Mass—Open
 - 7:15 pm — Spanish Mass

Thursday, January 11 - 7:00 am — Sr. Grace Calvisi,
 Happy Birthday. (SPC Church)

Friday, January 12 - No Mass

Saturday, January 13 - 5:30 pm —Open

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

Parent Classes / English

2017—2018 CCD Calendar Year
 10:00 am in the School Library

January 21, 2018
 February 11, 2018
 March 18, 2018

April 22, 2018
 (Teaching Touching Safety)
 May 21, 2018

Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC 2018)

DYC is an annual meeting for the youth in the parishes of the Diocese of Savannah. DYC seeks to provide young people in high school from ninth through twelfth grade with the opportunity to learn more about their faith, grow in their relationship with God, discover how to live better as disciples of Jesus and strengthen their identity as members of the Church. . DYC consistently attracts about 400 youth and adults from high school for a great weekend experience rooted in Jesus and based on our Catholic theology.

**Date and Time of the event: Friday, February 2, 2018 from
 7:00 p.m. until Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
 Cost is \$ 50.00.**

For those interested please call the office at 478-741-9916.

“End of Life Medical Issues: A Catholic Perspective.”

The Catholic Medical Association St. Kolbe Guild and the Kolbe Center are presenting a talk entitled “End of Life Medical Issues: A Catholic Perspective.” This brief talk will be in the St. Joseph Social Hall on Sunday January 28, 2018 at 3:00 PM. The presentation will discuss issues of planning, decision making, advanced directives and other topics that confront individuals and families during emotionally difficult times. Light refreshments will be served. All are invited. If you have questions contact Ann Beall at The Kolbe Center ann@kolbecentermacon.org or 478-257-4425.

Our Condolences to

...the Wesley Family on the death of their beloved

James Benton Wesley, Jr.

As a parish, we pray for the happy repose
 of his soul.

May he rest in peace with Jesus in Heaven!

RETRouvaille

(“RE-TRO-VI”)

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Without attention and care, marriages wither and eventually die.

Is your previously loving marriage tearing the two of you apart?

Have thoughts or words of separation or divorce entered your life?

Retrouvaille has been helping couples
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Our next Retrouvaille Weekend: February 16-18, 2018 in Augusta, GA.

Please call (706) 869-8434 or visit <http://www.helpourmarriage.com>.

Mark your Calendars

January 28th - St. Peter Claver School Open House
 9am - 5pm

February 2 - Mardi Grass, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm in the MKD.

February 14th - Ash Wednesday

February 17th -18th - Organizations and Ministries Fair after
 all of the Masses

February 20th - Interfaith Lenten Lecture Series Begins

Weekend Food Ministry

January 6th and 7th

Epiphany Weekend

SPC has the privilege to serve the community through the Weekend food Ministry from the kitchen of Christ Church - 582 Walnut Street, Macon, GA. We need volunteers to help prepare, (no cooking experience required, we have Chef Juan) serve food and clean up. It only requires a few hours in the morning (10:30-1) on either/both days. Come join this wonderful opportunity to continue our Christmas Spirit by bringing the gift of food to our community friends.

Call Claudia Bravo - 770-853-6713 or email at bravobunch@cox.net
 with your availability or questions.

January 2018 Mass Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7 <u>New Year's Eve Masses</u> 9:00 am Mass English 11:15 am Mass English 1:30 pm Spanish Mass 5:30 pm English Mass	8 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent	9 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent	10 7:00 am Daily Mass 8:20 am School Mass 7:15 pm Spanish Mass No Confessions	11 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent	12 No Daily Mass	13 5:30 pm Mass
14 9:00 am Mass English 11:15 am Mass English 1:30 pm Spanish Mass 3:00 pm Hispanic Teen Group	15 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent 7:30 am MLK Breakfast at MKD	16 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent	17 7:00 am Daily Mass 8:20 am School Mass 7:15 pm Spanish Mass No Confessions	18 7:00 am Daily Mass in the Convent	19 No Daily Mass	20 5:30 pm Mass

Middle School Students In Mrs. Lynch's English Class Returned From Break & Played A Sentence Structure/Components of A Complete Sentence Game.

Topics Covered:

Subject, Predicate, Direct Object, Indirect Object, Simple Sentences, Compound Sentences, Complex Sentences and Compound-Complex Sentences.



MINISTERIO HISPANO

Oficina Hispana

Edgar Cabrera
Leslie Miller
478 741-9916

Misas en Español

Domingos: 1:30pm
Miércoles: 7:15pm

Reuniones Juan XXIII

Lunes: 7:00pm a 9:00pm
en el Salon Social

Estudio Bíblico

Miércoles: 7:45pm
en el Salon Social

Grupo de Niños y Niñas Quinto a Octavo Grado

Jueves: 7:00pm a 8:30pm
en el Salon Social

Grupo de Evangelización

Viernes: 7:00pm
Visitan familias en sus casas

Charlas Pre-bautismales

Primer y Segundo Domingo
del mes de 11am a 1pm en el
Segundo piso de la Oficina

Programa de Catecismo

Niños y Jóvenes
Domingos: 11:30am -1:00pm
Septiembre a Mayo

RICA- Adultos

Adultos que necesitan recibir
Sacramentos de Iniciación
Domingos: 11:30am a 1:00pm
Septiembre a Mayo

Sacramento del Matrimonio

Llamar a la oficina
478-741-9916
para hacer cita con
Padre Bill McIntyre, OFM

Para la reflexión

Pensamos en que nuestros hijos podrían estar considerando una vocación que no nos hubiéramos imaginado? ¿Estamos dispuestos a aceptar esa posibilidad?

¿Mantenemos la costumbre de bendecir a nuestros hijos?

Qué bendiciones especiales vamos agradecer hoy al comenzar este año?



La Epifanía del Señor 07 de enero de 2018

*Ante él se postrarán
todos los reyes
y todas las naciones.*

—Salmo 72:(71):11



Reflexiones para la homilia:

Llega un momento en la vida de todos los jóvenes, en que se empiezan a preguntar cuál será su camino, su destino. A veces, automáticamente, se piensa en buscar un trabajo, cualquier trabajo, buscar una pareja y empezar una familia; pero buscar por buscar, a menudo deja una cierta insatisfacción. ¿Cualquier trabajo lleva a la realización personal y a la satisfacción o solo el trabajo que cumple las inclinaciones y usa nuestros talentos? ¿Es casarse por casarse o buscar lo que es verdadero en la vida? Todos tenemos sueños y eso es lo bello de la juventud y la humanidad. En definitiva, todos buscamos una estrella, una luz que nos conduzca a nuestro verdadero destino.

Los magos también buscaban eso mismo: una luz que anunciara no solo su propia salvación, sino la de la humanidad, porque buscar la luz para el propio beneficio tampoco acaba de satisfacer; es necesario pensar más allá: qué va a beneficiar a los demás, a nuestro alrededor e incluso al mundo entero. ¿Qué tendrá un impacto real? Para los magos, ese algo no era otro que la salvación del mundo: el Mesías esperado.

¿Dónde se centran nuestros sueños? ¿Nos atrevemos a soñar con algo grande, no ya para nosotros sino porque es el deseo de Dios para el mundo? ¿Nos atrevemos a considerar que quizá nuestro camino no sea tan automático (trabajar, casarse...) como podemos pensar? ¿Nos atrevemos a pensar que quizá nuestra estrella nos lleve, como a los magos, a viajar fuera de nosotros y las fronteras de nuestra comodidad, a lugares donde se ha de cumplir el plan de Dios para sus hijos? ¿Nos atrevemos a aceptar que nuestros hijos puedan encontrar también su estrella en donde no nos hubiéramos imaginado?

El Hijo amado de Dios, Jesús, el siervo del que habla la primera lectura, sale de su lugar al lado del Padre, de su propia comodidad, para asumir la vida humana con sus dificultades, dolores y alegrías; sale, por así decir, de sí mismo y emigra. En ese viaje del Hijo de Dios, del Padre a la humanidad, se convierte en emigrante; y lo hace para la salvación de todos. ¿De qué maneras nuestra propia inmigración se puede convertir en gracia de salvación?

Conferencia Diocesana para los Adolescentes (DYC 2018)

DYC es la reunión que se celebra anual para todos los jóvenes de las iglesias de la Diócesis de Savannah. DYC busca brindarles a los jóvenes de la escuela secundaria de noveno a doceavo grado escolar, la oportunidad de aprender más sobre su fe, crecer en su relación con Dios, descubrir cómo vivir mejor como discípulos de Jesús y fortalecer su identidad como miembros de la Iglesia, unos 400 jóvenes y adultos de secundaria se reúnen para una experiencia de fin de semana enraizada en Jesús y basada en nuestra teología católica

Fecha y Hora del evento:

Viernes, 02 de febrero de 2018 de 7:00 p.m. hasta
el Domingo 04 de febrero de 2018 a las 11:00 a.m.

Costo es de \$50.00

Interesados favor llamar a la oficina del Ministerio Hispano: 478-741-9916

Luz: el símbolo de la salvación

Las lecturas y su mensaje

Isaías 60:1-6

En el Antiguo Testamento, la luz es símbolo de salvación que el Señor ofrece a su pueblo. El profeta invita al pueblo a levantarse del sueño y a ponerse en pie, con la seguridad de que el Señor lo acompañará en el camino de la reconstrucción. En algunos pasajes, la luz es identificada con Dios mismo.

Efesios 3:2-3A, 5-6

Cuando Pablo se declara apóstol de los paganos, no piensa en un reparto territorial, sino que implica un descubrimiento: que el Mesías esperado por los judíos vino también para los paganos. Este es un gran secreto que Dios tuvo guardado durante muchos siglos, dice el apóstol refiriéndose a la historia de Israel. En efecto, si algunos textos del Antiguo Testamento se abrían a los paganos, siempre había cláusulas y límites que hacían de los no judíos ciudadanos de segunda categoría. Los paganos no iban a repartirse la herencia con Israel ni a formar un solo cuerpo. Pues bien, la riqueza de Cristo se desborda ahora y se reparte a todos. Esta es la revelación de la que Pablo está orgulloso.

Mateo 2:1-12

He aquí uno de los episodios más bellos de la infancia de Jesús, que ha cautivado la imaginación de creyentes y no creyentes, así como de teólogos, pintores y poetas: el homenaje de los magos. ¿Qué quiere contar el evangelista? ¿Un acontecimiento histórico, una leyenda, una reflexión teológica dramatizada o quizá un poco de todo? A través de los tiempos, la gente ha leído en las estrellas acontecimientos decisivos de la historia. También la cultura bíblica escudriñó en las estrellas el evento importante al que tendía la historia de Israel: el nacimiento del Mesías. Según una idea común en la antigüedad, el nacimiento de grandes personas era anunciado por un signo especial. La secta de Qumran había incluso confeccionado un horóscopo. En el libro de Números, el profeta astrólogo Balaán contempla en el firmamento cómo avanza la constelación de Jacob y sube el cetro de Israel. La palabra griega para magos podría referirse a sacerdotes de la religión persa o a toda clase de personas dotadas de poderes. En este horizonte de historia y leyenda, el evangelista proyecta esta meditación en forma de relato escenificado que contiene ya en germen todo lo que nos dirá a lo largo del evangelio.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 55:1-11; Sal 29 (28):1-4, 3, 9-10; o Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Hch 10:34-38 o 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mc 1:7-11

Martes: 1 Sm 1:9-20 o 1 Sm 1:1-8 y 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mc 1:21-28 o Mc 1:14-20 y Mc 1:21-28

Miércoles: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Sal 40 (39):2, 5, 7-10; Mc 1:29-39

Jueves: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Sal 44 (43):10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mc 1:40-45

Viernes: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Sal 89 (88):16-19; Mc 2:1-12

Sábado: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Sal 21 (20):2-7; Mc 2:13-17

Domingo: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Sal 40 (39):2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Hoy día en muchas familias católicas encontramos la Biblia como el libro sagrado de la casa. Ojalá que pronto llegue el día que cada católico sea un asiduo lector de la Escritura Sagrada.

Colecta de la Comunidad Hispana
Domingo 31 diciembre: \$426.00

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE



Melchor, Gaspar y Baltasar son los nombres que la tradición ha dado a los tres reyes magos. Pero ¿quién dijo que eran tres? Según San Mateo (Mt 2:1-12) fueron sabios del oriente que trajeron oro, incienso y mirra a Jesús.

La imaginación cristiana decidió que cada regalo requería alguien que lo regalara. Se fija así el número de sabios en tres. Por ser astrólogos del oriente, tenían que ser magos. Venían buscando al nuevo rey de Israel y fue así que se les da el papel de reyes que representaban los tres continentes conocidos en la época medieval: Asia, África y Europa.

Ellos también representan tres edades humanas: juventud, madurez y vejez. Melchor (rey de la luz), fue un anciano europeo que obsequió oro al Rey Jesús; Gaspar (tesorero) fue un joven asiático que regaló incienso al Niño Dios y Baltasar (dios proteja al rey) fue un hombre africano que donó mirra al Hijo del Hombre.

Los magos representan a todos aquellos que buscan, sin cansarse, la luz de Dios, siguen sus señales y, cuando encuentran a Jesucristo, luz de los hombres, le ofrecen con alegría todo lo que tienen. La estrella anunció la venida de Jesús a todos los pueblos. Hoy en día, el Evangelio es lo que anuncia a todos los pueblos el mensaje de Jesús.

AVISOS

1. **Virgen Peregrina:** hablar con Ruth Santiago si desea la visita de la Virgencita en su hogar.
2. **Charlas de Bautismo:** en el mes de Enero serán los domingos: 7 y 14 a las 11am en la oficina
3. **Bautizos Programados:** En el mes de Enero será el sábado 20 de enero a la 1:30pm
4. **Presentación de recién nacidos y 3 años:** llamar a la oficina hispana con anticipación para poder asistirles y coordinar la presentación.
5. **Confesiones:** El primer miércoles de cada mes, después de la misa de las 7:15pm.
6. **Misa:** Tenemos misa este próximo miércoles 10 de enero del 2018.
7. **Estudio Bíblico:** Tenemos este próximo miércoles 10 de enero del 2018.

Invitación al Open House de la Escuela Católica San Pedro Claver

Les informamos que el **Domingo 28 de enero de 12pm a 3pm** es el Open House, ese día no tenemos catecismo, para que los padres de familias aprovechen la oportunidad de conocer a los maestros y las instalaciones de la Escuela San Pedro Claver.

Esperamos que muchos padres de familias estén interesados en registrar a sus hijos en la Escuela. Hay planes de pagos y becas de estudios. Todos son bienvenidos!!

Upcoming Ministry Schedules January 13 and 14, 2017

Date	Time	Sacristans	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday	5:30 pm	Kiernan	Mr. Moran — A W. Griffin — C	Brown Burnell	Kiernan, Kiernan
Sunday	9:00 am	Beaty	J. Beers — A J. Pless — C K. Pham — C H. Lane — A	Beaty Beers	Vickers, Vickers
	11:15 am	Bravo	A. Lauer — A J. Bonbrake — C J. Bonbrake — A F. Brown — C	Bercini Bravo	Bravo, Byrd

St. Vincent de Paul Society

A huge thank you goes out to the students at MDS who collected over 6000 canned goods for our pantry. Our shelves are full, we do not need any canned goods at this time, but we would appreciate hygiene donations such as toilet paper, soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and feminine hygiene articles. Thank you for your continued support!!



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.

Our Website: www.familyadvancementministries.org

FAM is in need of gently used children's books.



We try to provide children's books to all our families who visit us for help. If you want to clean out your shelves please bring books for children 6 and under by our 570 High Place office from Monday through Thursday from 9-12pm. Thank you for all your support.

GIFT OF LOVE - A MESSAGE FROM FAM....

A big thank you to St. Joseph, Holy Spirit, St Peter Claver churches and St. Joseph School for all your amazing donations. Thanks to your beautiful spirits 220 children will wake up to an incredible Christmas morning. Thank you to the many hands that put all these donations together. We love you—All the FAM staff

WEAR Your dollar makes change.*



Help your community in 2018 by doing what comes naturally-- shopping for clothes!

WEAR, a thrift store boutique with two levels of shopping, has women's, men's, and kid's clothing, shoes & accessories.

PLUS all of WEAR's profits benefit Daybreak, a project of Depaul USA. Not ready to shop? We're always looking for like new & gently used apparel!

Visit WEAR at

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Look Good, Do Good, Shop WEAR!

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Southern Cross

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Please support the distribution of the *Southern Cross* to every Catholic household in the Diocese of Savannah as an expression of thanks for God's blessings. Suggested contribution: \$15 per household. Please issue your check to *St. Peter Claver Church* and indicate "*Southern Cross*" in the memo section.

January Wedding Anniversaries

*May God
Continue
Blessing You!*

- Kevin and Trina Dobson (12)
- Truong and Kim Nguyen (48)
- Charles and Ann Hill (53)
- Bill and Tracy Coyle (58)
- Lenton and Shirley James (53)
- Sam and Marilyn Mandel (45)
- Chukwuemeka and Elizabeth Nwabuebo (26)
- Walter and Pamela Burnell (16)
- Charlie and Loleatis Green (47)
- Reggie and Kendra Russell (14)

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.

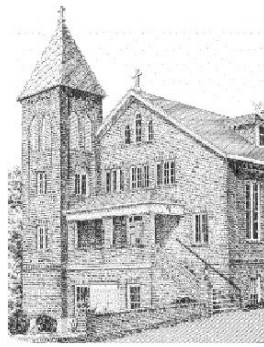
Diocese of Savannah webpage:
www.diosav.org

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



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 register 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 a Friar at least 1 year 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.

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

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.

CCD Classes

Regular CCD Classes are held each Sunday at 10:00 am in our SPC School.

Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation classes, in both English and Spanish, are also held on Sundays at our SPC School, at 11:30 am.

For more information please call Bettye Middlebrooks at (478) 743-1454 or email bettyemiddlebrooks@yahoo.com

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 the parish office.

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.**

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

Knights of Peter Claver –

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

Knights of Peter Claver

Ladies Auxiliary –

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

Ministries

Parishioners wishing to become Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, or Lectors, please contact the Parish Office at (478) 743-1454.

Offertory Envelopes

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.

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.