

St. Peter Claver Church

Franciscan Friars

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Coordinator of Religious Education (CRE)

Betty Middlebrooks

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Leslie Miller

Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper

Marilyn Robinson

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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Ascension of the Lord

May 8, 2016

Extraordinary Jubilee: "Merciful like the father"



Dear Friends in Christ,



Today is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The Solemnity of the Ascension commemorates Jesus' return heaven forty days after his Resurrection (See MK 16:19, LK 24:51 & Acts 1:2). In many parts of the world, including the Province of Atlanta (to which we belong), the Ascension is transferred to the next Sunday. Ten days after Ascension Thursday is the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost Sunday is one of the oldest Feasts of the Church (See Acts 20:16 & 1Cor 16:8). As its name suggests, it is the 50th day after Easter and for Christians it replaces the Jewish feast of Pentecost. Taking place 50 days after the

Jewish Passover, it commemorated the bestowal of the Ten Commandments.

Today is also Mother's Day in the United States (It is always May 10th in Mexico for example). Due to the efforts of Anna Jarvis, President Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation in 1914 making the second Sunday in May a national holiday honoring all mothers. In an ironic twist Anna Jarvis began a boycott of Mother's Day ten years later to protest the over commercialization of Mother's Day. Nevertheless, please pray for your mother and all mothers. If you are blessed to have your mother still alive, give her a call! I will remember all mothers at Mass during the rest of May.



Pax et Bonum

Fr. Bill

St. Peter Claver Church

Weekly Offertory

Offertory 4/30-5/1/2016 \$9,436

Year to Date Offertory

Offertory Budget through 05/1/16 \$331,294
 Offertory through 5/1/16 \$381,020

Additional Collections

Masses \$20
 Mother's Day Flowers \$195
 St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry \$40
 St. Vincent de Paul \$10
 Capital Improvement Fund \$1,307
 Poor Box and Charity \$37

2016 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

DIOCESE of SAVANNAH



As of 05/05/2016

Target	Pledged	% of Target	Paid	Total Families	Families Pledging	% Donors
\$40,929	\$22,420	65%	26,791	301	126	41.86%

41.86% of our parishioners have made a pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. 126 individuals or families pledged or gave \$25,086. That represents 65% of our goal. Thank you! We actually have more parishioners than the 301 families (individuals) that the diocese recognizes. Nevertheless, if 150 individuals or families gave a gift to the BAA, we would show that 50% of St. Peter Claver parishioners support the BAA ministries. Last year the other Catholic parishes in Macon surpassed 50% participation. If just 24 more parishioners made a pledge we will show that 1 in 2 parishioners supported these essential ministries supported by the BAA.

Recently I spoke with Sr. Roberta Treppa, D.C. about how St. Peter Claver Church could support FAM. The Mission Statement of FAM is: *Family Advancement Ministries (FAM) is a Catholic, diocesan, social service organization that, in partnership with the community at large, nurtures a reverence for life by responding to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of families with the goal of moving families toward independence and self-sufficiency.* Each month the parish donates \$500 to FAM. So many of you volunteer at FAM and buy gifts for FAM children at Christmas. You may not know this, but FAM also receives support from the BAA. Your contribution to the 2016 BAA helps support so many diocesan ministries including FAM. Thank you for your generosity!

Fr. Bill

No Second Collection today.

Second Collection next Sunday is for
 St. Vincent de Paul Fund

Thank you for your generosity.

Prayer Line (478) 743-1454

Marion Wintons, Clara Mahoney ,
 Xavier Green, Patricia Poole,
 Beverly Wimberly, Phyllis Dietrich,
 Sophie Lee, Vera Ganassa, Joe Catania,
 and Angela Manson.



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

Today's Readings

First Reading — Because Stephen professes his faith in the Son of Man, he is stoned to death (Acts 7:55-60).

Psalm — The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).

Second Reading — I, the Alpha and the Omega, am coming soon (Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20).

Gospel — Father, I pray that they may all be one, as you and I are one, that they may be brought to perfection (John 17:20-26).



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

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.

Elizabeth Ministry

Please pray for this expectant mother.
Lauren Hamblin Beaty
 Call the Parish Office if you are expecting a child so that we may pray for you!



Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



- Saturday, May 7** - + Fabian Pascual (S. Gonzalez)
Sunday, May 8
 9:00 a.m. - Dolores Konke, Special Intentions (Konke Family)
 11:15 a.m. - Lt. Anthony C. Hubbard , Special Intentions (Deacon and Juanita Hubbard)
 1:30 p.m. - For Parishioners (Especially - Mothers, living and deceased)
Monday, May 9 - Mass in Honor of the Divine Mercy in Thanksgiving (S. Phagan)
Tuesday, May 10 - Mass in Honor of our Blessed Mother Mary (S. Phagan)
Wednesday, May 11 - Mass in Honor of St. Anthony (S. Phagan)
Thursday, May 12 - + Antonio Martinez (S. Phagan)
Friday, May 13 - None
Saturday, May 14 - + Isidro Martinez (S. Phagan)

Bring a Child to Church Sunday
 May 14th -15th—all Masses. Sponsored by CCW.

We offer our Condolences to...
 ... Otis Redding III and Karla Redding Andrews,
 on the death of their nephew,
Reverend Brandon Parker
 As a parish, we pray for the happy repose of his soul.
 May he rest in peace with Jesus in Heaven!

Mark Your Calendars



UPCOMING EVENTS

Camp Cougar at SPC School: June 6th - July 15th. 4 year olds to rising 6th graders.

Call to Holiness - Girls Camp: June 26th -29th

Vocatio Dei - Boys Camp : June 29th -July 2nd

July 4th-6th - ASBS Pilgrimage to Philadelphia for 125th Anniversary

September 10th - Parish Picnic 2016

September 29th - Ordination of Drew Larkin in Rome, Italy.



Vocations Summer Camps

CALL TO HOLINESS GIRLS CAMP	VOCATIO DEI BOYS CAMP
Check-In: Sunday, June 26 at 3 PM	Check-In: Wednesday, June 29 at 3 PM
Pick-Up: Wednesday, June 29 at 12 PM	Pick-Up: Saturday, July 2 at 12 PM

GEORGIA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP
 7159 HILLVIEW ROAD, COLLINS, GA 30421

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
 All Rising 7th Grade - 12th Grade Teens Invited
 \$50 per child (Each additional child from same family \$30)
 For More Information & to Register Online
 Visit www.diosav.org/vocations
vocations@diosav.org
 Sponsored by the Diocese of Savannah Vocation Office



VIRTUS Class

Thursday, May 26th, at the Kolbe Center

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 you 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 and you must pre-register online to save your seat. To register, go to www.diosav.org, and find the training listed on the Upcoming Events Calendar.

May Wedding Anniversaries

May God Continue Blessing You!

- Alfred and Mariette Graham (39)
- Simon and Adaku Nwoke (16)
- Johnny and Maryanne Roquemore (44)
- Edward and Jerita Rainey (42)
- Willy and Nicky Byrd (11)
- Jack and Delores Ballard (57)
- Joseph and Cynthia Moran (31)
- Scott and Colleen Giffin (14)
- Anthony and Dorothy McIntosh (26)
- Mark and Mary Grossnickle (27)
- Robert and Joan Schroeder (51)
- Alberto and Elena Gongora (24)
- Kent and Lisa McKinney (10)
- Stephen and Laura Dyer (8)
- Aaron and Catherine Griffin (11)
- Clifton and Carol Hadley (50)

Name _____
 Street _____
 City _____ ZIP _____
 Phone _____

Please check:
 Wish to register
 Change of Address
 Temporarily Away (I will call Parish Office upon return)

Moving out of Parish
 Want Tithing Envelopes

Drop this completed form in the Sunday Collection Basket.



Congratulations to our 2016 First Communion Students

Adedayo Oderinde
Anastasia Byrd
Ashton Roberts
Azucena Cervantes
Kameron Martin
Khamori Newby
Kiera Moore
Lawrence Brown



Recognition Mass for the Class of 2016

Plans are being made for a Mass to recognize all high school and college members of the Class of 2016. Please call the church office, sign up in the vestibule, or send us a message on our Parish webpage, www.spccmacon.com, by May 10th, to let us know you are graduating. We will gather in the John Paul II Social Hall, with cake and refreshments, on Sunday, May 21st, after the 11:15 am and 1:30 pm Masses.

High School Graduates

Emeka Akunwanne - Mount deSales Academy
Tunji Afolobi Brown - Mount deSales Academy
Josh Russell - Mount deSales Academy
Susan Smith - Mount deSales Academy
Harrison Beers - Mount deSales Academy
Jonathan Hubbard - Mount deSales Academy
Cali Ruth Hays - Statford Academy
Caitlyn McCullough - Stratford Academy
Olivia Barroso - Mount deSales Academy

Julia Barroso - Mount deSales Academy
Anna Nichols - Mount deSales Academy
John C. McIntyre - Mount deSales Academy

College Graduates

Eliza Ferrari - Middlebury College
Abigail McKowen - North Park University
Keith Johnson - Georgia Institute of Technology
Mykel C. Johnson — GA College & State University
McKinley Starks — Mercer University

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In Honor of all mothers, living and deceased, especially the following Mothers...

Evelyn Russell
Margaret Jones
Peggy Kab
Norma Jean Thompson
Emma Reyel
Emma Fonseca
Beulah Roquemore
Henrietta Wilkens
Hattie Brooks
Julia Brooks
Donna Woodson-Bramblett
Kimberly McIntyre
Dolores Konke
Julie Kandalec



Catherine Hecker
Mother & Godmother
Helen P. Truesdel
Angela Ocampo
Theresa Tong
Geraldine Boettger
Alily Washington
Herndon Family
Cynthia C. Manson
Caroline T. Dixon
Hazel F. McDowel
"My Grandmother"
"My Mother"
Barbara Rotert



Rebecca Jane King Grier
Jane Maria Grier
Mattie Peeples
Mary Fletcher
Nellie Cripps
Ofelia Stroud
Ruth La Rocque
Dobra Mandel
Winifred Margaret Graham
Rachel Wade Butt
Telma Redding
Anna Andrews
Essie



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
en el gimnasio

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

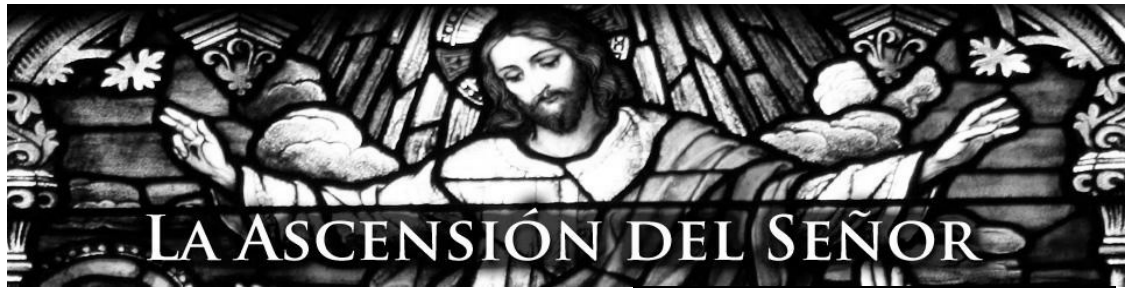
RICA para Adultos

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.



La Ascensión del Señor

8 de mayo de 2016

Dios asciende entre aclamaciones,
el Señor, al son de trompetas.

— *Salmo 47 (46):6*

**MINISTERIO
HISPANO**



Queridos Hermanos,

Hoy es la solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor. La solemnidad de la Ascensión conmemora el regreso del cielo de Jesús después de cuarenta días de su resurrección (Ver Mc 16:19, Lc24: 51 y Hechos 1: 2). En muchas partes del mundo, incluyendo la ciudad de Atlanta (a la que pertenecemos), la Ascensión se transfiere al siguiente domingo. Diez días después de la Ascensión, el jueves es la fiesta de Pentecostés. Domingo de Pentecostés es una de las fiestas más antiguas de la Iglesia (Vea Hechos 20:16 y 1Cor16: 8). Como su nombre indica, son los 50 días después de la Pascua y para los cristianos que sustituye a la fiesta Judía de Pentecostés. Llevando a cabo 50 días después de la Pascua judía, se conmemora el otorgamiento de los Diez Mandamientos.

Hoy también es el Día de la Madre en los Estados Unidos (Siempre es el 10 de mayo en México). Debido a los esfuerzos de Anna Jarvis, el Presidente Woodrow Wilson firmó una proclamación en 1914 de hacer el segundo domingo de mayo un día de fiesta nacional en honor a todas las madres. De manera curiosa, Anna Jarvis comenzó un boicot de Día de la Madre diez años más tarde para protestar por la comercialización del Día de la Madre. Sin embargo, por favor oren por su madre y todas las madres. Si usted es bendecido por tener a su madre que aún vive, darle una llamada! Voy a recordar a todas las madres en la misa durante el resto del mes de mayo.

Paq y. Bien!

Padre Bill

Oración para el Día de las Madres

Dios nuestro Padre, hoy te damos gracias por uno de los regalos más preciosos que nos has dado – nuestra Madre.

Gracias por el amor que comparte ella con nosotros en tantas maneras. Le damos gracias a nuestra madre porque nuestra hogar siempre esta lleno de cariño.

Le damos gracias por su aliviar y mejorar los golpes que sufrimos, por motivarnos con ideas buenas cuando estamos aburridos, y por hacer que reine la paz, aún cuando peleamos entre nosotros.

Le damos gracias a nuestra madre por ver siempre lo bueno en nosotros, aún cuando no podemos verlo nosotros mismos.

Señor, ayúdanos a amarla como ella nos ama. Pedimos que siempre la guardes muy cerca de ti. Te lo pedimos en el nombre de Jesús. Amén.



¡Felicidades a todas las Madres en su día!

Parejas que Completaron su Curso:

- Alfredo y Carmen Guerrero*
- Armando Hernández y María Pérez*
- Armando y Josefina Pérez*
- Arturo Cardenas y Claudia García*
- Carlos Diaz y Rosaura Cruz*
- Elvin García y Andrea Ramírez*
- Isaac Belmonte y Lucia Espinoza*
- Javier y Andrea Rodríguez*
- José Antonio y Christy Luna*
- José Cruz y Teresa Alcantar*
- Pedro y María Sánchez*
- Rafael Gonzales y Ángeles Pérez*
- Raul Montano y Cynthia Flores*
- Rosendo Avalo y Brenda Manuel*



Felicidades...

por su participación en el curso: **“Charlas para Parejas”** impartido por **Marina y Nelson Quintanilla**

Inmigrantes Famosos en la Biblia

La Biblia está llena de historias de amor entre Dios y los inmigrantes. Esta comienza con la afirmación por excelencia de que los primeros inmigrantes, Adán y Eva, son la imagen de Dios (Gn. 1-2); y termina con una bendición en el nombre de otro inmigrante: Jesús (Ap. 21, 22). Los inmigrantes son personas que buscan una vida mejor y el altruismo es su motivación principal. En este sentido, la inmigración es un signo de la bondad en el mundo. ¿Por qué, entonces, los políticos y la sociedad en general, han tratado con tanto desdén a este signo?

En la Biblia encontramos muchas historias de inmigrantes. Abrahán viaja hacia otra tierra (Gn. 11, 31); su familia y descendientes emigraron a Egipto buscando comida (Gn. 12). Noemí sale de Belén y se fue a Moab buscando también sustento (Rt. 1, 1); cuando regresó, su amiga Ruth vino con ella. ¡Ahora Ruth era inmigrante en Belén! Daniel el Visionario y Mordecai fueron extranjeros en otras tierras. La reina Esther nació de padres inmigrantes, así como Nehemías el profeta y Esdras el escriba, entre otros. Jesús nació en Belén, la cual no era la tierra de sus padres. Después de unos días, Jesús, María y José se fueron a Egipto y allí vivieron como inmigrantes por un tiempo. También tenemos todos los inmigrantes en las Epístolas: ¡extranjeros, turistas, viajeros, exiliados, mercaderes y refugiados, todos ellos viviendo lejos de sus patrias! La Biblia es realmente la historia de amor entre Dios y los inmigrantes. Finalmente, los cristianos se convierten en extranjeros en su propia tierra por pertenecer al Reino de Dios (1 Pe. 1-2). De hecho, el teólogo guatemalteco-estadounidense Daniel Carroll Rodas afirma que debido a esta distinción, la inmigración "¡es una metáfora esencial de lo que significa ser cristiano!". Tal vez la inmigración existe para ser un signo de lo que estamos llamados a hacer: dar acogida al extranjero, vestir al desnudo, alimentar al hambriento... Tal vez la inmigración está destinada a contrarrestar al egoísmo y al orgullo. Tal vez la inmigración es la brújula que nos lleva al sentido de la vida. Tal vez la inmigración es el llamado a ser como Jesús y amar a nuestro prójimo. Tal vez esta es la razón por la cual la Biblia nos exhorta a no olvidarnos de brindar hospitalidad a los desconocidos, porque algunos que lo han hecho, ¡han hospedado ángeles sin darse cuenta! (Heb. 13, 2)

Pregunta de la Semana...

¿Qué parte de mi vida me califica de "amargado"?
¿Cómo puedo convertirme en un "discípulo misionero" del Evangelio de Jesús? ?

LA ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR



¡Es el momento en el que Jesús regresó al Cielo con su Padre, después de haber cumplido su misión en la tierra!

Con su Ascensión al Cielo, Jesús nos abre las puertas para que podamos seguirle. La Ascensión es para todos los cristianos un símbolo de esperanza, pues sabemos que Cristo está sentado a la derecha del Padre, intercediendo por nosotros y que un día podremos llegar con Él a gozar de la felicidad eterna. Por esto, celebramos la fiesta con una Misa solemne.

KERMES CULTURAL

Fecha: **sábado**
11 de junio
de 5pm a 11pm

Todos están invitados
Vengan con su familia a divertirse en un ambiente familiar

Con entretenimiento para los niños, Antojitos Mexicanos y música para Bailar

UN RECORDATORIO...

El próximo domingo:
15 de mayo
Es el tercer domingo del Mes, para traer su compromiso a la Campaña del Obispo.

CAMPAMENTOS VOCACIONALES DE VERANO 2016

OLAS DE MISERICORDIA

CAMPAMENTO DE CHICOS

Inicia: Miércoles, 29 de junio, 3pm

Finaliza: Sábado, 2 de julio, 12pm

CAMPAMENTO DE CHICAS

Inicia: Domingo, 26 de junio, 3pm

Finaliza: Miércoles, 29 de junio, 12pm

Para mayor información:



Llamar al:

912-201-4067

478-745-9916

PRIMERA COMUNIÓN



PRACTICA:

* **Sábado, 14 de mayo—Reunimos juntos en el salon social, niños y padrinos, a la 10:30am.**

MISA de la Primera Comunión:

* **domingo 15 de mayo**

Reunimos juntos en el salon social, niños y Padrinos, a la 12:45pm.—Padres espera en la Iglesia.

CORO DE NIÑOS—

PRACTICA
SÁBADO:



14 de mayo de **12pm a 1pm**



\$539.06

del mayo 1, 2016

NUESTRA OFRENDA

Misa en español: miércoles,
11 de mayo a las 7:15pm —
al finalizar curso Bíblico.

Upcoming Ministry Schedules for May 14 and May 15, 2016

Date	Time	Sacristans	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday	5:30 pm	Larkin	Mr. Moran — A D. Mixon — C	Kiernan	Larkin, Larkin
Sunday	9:00 am	Wornum	A. Craddock — C T. Vickers — A	Dyer	Shakespeare, Wornum
	11:15 am	Stroupe	B. Anyakudo — A P. Anyakudo — C C. Anyakudo—A	McCullough	Stroupe, Stroupe?



Dances for Fun

Dances For Fun Ministry of St. Joseph Church and the greater Macon chapter #6059 of USA dance announces

THE SPRING DANCE, **MAY 13th, at 7:30PM** in the social hall of St. Joseph Church, 830 New St. Lighted secure parking across the street Come join us for an evening out of great entertainment by the "Good Vibrations Band" Directed by Mr. John Laughter. There will be dancing and light hors d'oeuvres served, cold drinks for a small donation and water. **The Cost is \$20 PP, \$10 Students** with current ID shown at the door. Dress is Dressy-Sunday best. (This is a smoke and alcohol free Environment).



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

FAM Book Club

The FAM Book Club will be reading in April 2016:

Circling the Sun by Paula McLain

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month, **May 10th at 1:30** 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

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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.**



The next Blood Drive is Monday, May 16th, from 1:30-6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Church Social Hall.

There will be sign-up sheets in the back of church, or you can call Dennis Staples at

478-607-1818 or the local Red Cross, to schedule a time.

St. Anthony Statue

The Friars are in search of a statue of St. Anthony of Padua for permanent display at a new church. Next month, Bishop Gregory Hartmayer, OFM Conv., will consecrate a new church in Ray City, Ga. This small diverse parish is a merger of three mission parishes. Bishop Hartmayer chose the name of St. Anthony of Padua for this parish to honor the great Franciscan saint and to acknowledge the ministry of the Franciscans who served Georgia for decades. Because the church still needs a statue of their new patron, the friars of St. Peter Claver thought it would be good to donate a statue. Anyone who knows of a large statue of St. Anthony in good condition is asked to contact Fr. Bill at wmcintyreofm@gmail.com. The goal is to have the statue in place by Advent.



STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The National Council of Catholic Woman's (NCCW) is focused on fighting the scourge of human trafficking. Several local Council of Catholic Woman (CCW) chapters are working in conjunction with the NCCW to help save the lives of these vulnerable American children trapped in

the scourge of slavery. Children here, in our country, are being trafficked! This horrific practice can include prostitution, pornography, domestic servitude, factory work, migrant farming and mining. Please join us in fighting this crime by joining our volunteer group.

We have developed a diocesan-wide committee using the internet and go-to-meeting to inform leaders in the parishes at a distance about the reality of human trafficking and how we can work to end it. It is built on the NCCW model but anyone who is interested in this important issue can join the group by making the contact with Joyce Piersanti at jpiersanti@aol.com.

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 conference Room.

Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary –

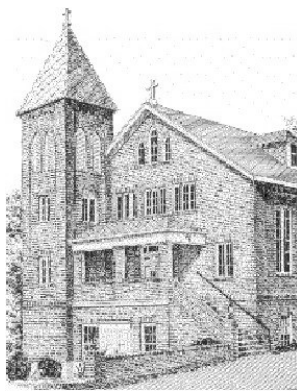
meet the first Sunday of every month at
10:00 am in the JP II Social Hall.

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 an-
other 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 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. Sat-
urdays or by appointment.

HOLY ORDERS – Any man who thinks God might
be calling him to be a priest should contact
Father Bill at 743-1454.

Pastor's Announcements

- † 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? 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 - 2016

The Offertory envelopes for St. Peter
Claver Church - 2016, were mailed to
your homes in December. Envelopes
were only issued to Parish members
that utilized their envelopes during
2015. 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.

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 Eucharis-
tic Ministers**. Space is limited and **regis-
tration 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