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Marilyn Robinson

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday
9:00 am—4:30 pm

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

All daily masses in 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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St. Peter Claver Church



The New Covenant

The solemnity of today's readings invites us into silent contemplation of the mystery of our redemption. There are so many levels on which to understand the events of the Passion. The woman who anoints Jesus acts prophetically in a way that the other disciples do not yet grasp. Anointing is for priests, prophets, and kings, and also for the preparation of the dead. It is for healing and for holiness. Her action acknowledges the imminent events of the passion and death of the Lord, and points toward his resurrection and triumph over evil and death. He is priest and victim, prophet and God, King and Lord. All these things are acknowledged in her prophetic anointing.

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Lenten Schedule

All Fridays Lent—Holy Hour at 5:00 pm

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 5:50 pm

Stations of the Cross: 6:00 pm—English, 7:00 pm—Spanish

Holy Week:

Tuesday — March 31: Chrism Mass at 7:00 pm, St. John the Baptist Church in Savannah

Holy Thursday—April 2: 7:00 pm Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Silent Adoration in the John Paul II Hall.

Good Friday—April 3: Stations of the Cross—12:00 Noon

The Lord's Passion — 5:00 pm — English,

7:00 pm — Spanish

Holy Saturday—April 4: Morning Prayer — 9:00 am in church, followed by Morning Brunch in the John Paul II Hall.

RCIA Catechumens and Candidates Practice after Brunch in the church. **No Confessions, no Rosary, no 5:30 pm Mass on this day.**

Great Easter Vigil Mass: April 4 — 8:30 pm

Easter Sunday: April 5 — Regular Mass Schedule

9:00 am Mass in the Church — English

11:15 am Mass in the Church — English

1:30 pm Mass in the Church — Spanish

Weekly Offering

Offertory 03/22/2015	5,457.50
Offertory 03/23/2014	6,231.50
Easter Flowers	147.00
CCD Donation	50.00
St. Vincent de Paul	5.00
Poor Box and Candles	36.44
Masses	5.00
Priest's Retirement	20.00
Funeral Fund	131.00

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.

2015 Bishops Annual Appeal - as of 03/20/2015

Target	Pledged	% of Target	Paid	Total Families	Families Pledging	% Pledging
\$39,607	\$6,340	19%	\$7,549	210	36	17.14%

Second Collection next Sunday:
Capital Improvement Fund.

Thank you for your Generosity!

Please submit separate checks for Offertory and any Special Collections.

Today's Readings

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

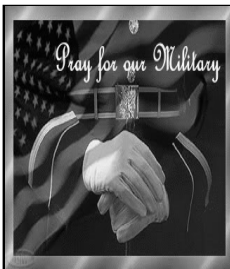
Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47).

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, Margaret Billingslea, Marie Pacheco, Kariem Jones, John Reott, Kimberly Hamilton, Naomi Hicks, Lea-Ann Fletcher, Kieth Holt, Chloe Holt, Eden Lee Thompson, Cletia Wimberly, Andria Ballard Magallano, Evelyn Nichols, Barbara McCollum, Charlene Stallings, Alice Denise Williams, Peter Ruschell, 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, Ted Meisner, Jude Rabideau, Doris McDonald, Chris Darley, Mary Coté, Anne James, Beatrice Jordan, David Maysonet, Cucho Diaz, Xavier Taylor, Fred Grasso, and Tracy Coyle.



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.

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, March 28** - In Honor of the Divine Mercy (S. Phagan)
Sunday, March 29
 9:00 a.m. - Ramona Dow, +RIP
 11:15 a.m. - Buddy Cooper, +RIP (S. Phagan)
 1:30 p.m. - Missa Pro Populo
Monday, March 30 - Special Intention for the family of Buddy Cooper (S. Phagan)
Tuesday, March 31 - In Honor of the Divine Mercy (S. Phagan)
Wednesday, April 1 - Eugene and Virginia McMahon, +RIP (Estate of V. McMahon)
Thursday, April 2 - In Honor of St. Anthony in Thanksgiving (S. Phagan)
Friday, April 3 - None
Saturday, April 4 - In Honor of the Divine Mercy (S. Phagan)

BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS: 6:00 P.M.,
JOHN PAUL II SOCIAL HALL

Diocese of Savannah webpage:
www.diosav.org

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

Traveling information:

www.masstimes.org

Sunday School Registration

Our Sunday School (CCD) classes began in September 21st, 2014. **Please call Bettye Middlebrooks, at the Parish Office (478) 743-1454) if you have any questions.**

RCIA Classes

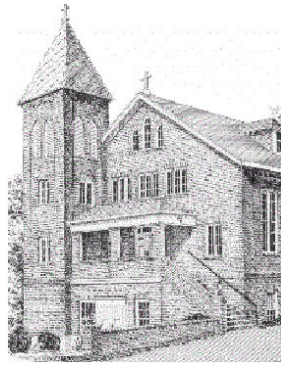
Classes are held in the Preschool Library, on Wednesdays, at 7:00 p.m. starting September 24th, 2014.

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.

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 (January-May, August-December)

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Summer Hours (June-July):

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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 743-1454.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE – Diocesan regulations require that you meet with the priest at least 4 months prior to wedding date. Please contact the parish office at 743-1454.

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

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

Bulletin Deadline:

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

Marilyn Robinson at:

stpeterclaver@cbi.mgacoxmail.com

Family Advancement Ministries



(formerly Nazareth Life Ministries and Mother and Child Ministries)

**570 High Place, Macon GA 31202
or PO Box 204, 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 McKowen.

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.
- † **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.

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**9th thru 12th Grade—
Come join us every Sunday!
Library-Upstairs- Pre-K Building Time:
10:00—11:00 am**

RELAY FOR LIFE of BIBB COUNTY
Friday, April 24, 2015
6:00 PM-12:00 AM Midnight

Our parish is forming a team for the RELAY FOR LIFE event. The event will be held at:
Christ Chapel at Sportstowne (Old Starcadia)
170 Starcadia Circle, Macon, GA

You can join the fight against cancer by

- * Signing up to walk
- * Donating for the team's contribution
- * Purchasing memorial Luminaries or Glow Balloons.

For Info. contact: Sally King at sking0617@yahoo.com or calling 478-745-5026 (after 6 pm).

Our Condolences
—to Lauralyn Avey on the death of her uncle,
John Avery

As a parish, we pray for the happy repose of his soul.
May he rest in peace with Jesus in Heaven!

The Council of Catholic Women will sponsor the "*Talent on Ward Street.*" talent show on April 24th in the Mother Katharine Drexel Center.

Time: 7 p.m. Admission \$5.
Please support this affair to aid with our works of Peace.
Vernetha Bryant, President

Holy Week Passover Seder Meal
Conducted by Rabbi Larry Schlesinger
Tuesday, March 31st, at 6:30 pm, at Vineville United Methodist Church, 2045 Vineville Avenue, Macon. Adults \$35.00, children (12 & under): \$20. Reservations call (478) 745-6727 or email: tbimacon@att.net

**St. Peter Claver Church
Altar Servers**

Every Sunday, we will be featuring pictures of our Altar Servers and a few of their interests. Thank you for serving our Parish so faithfully.

Bay Haynes and Reeves Haynes

Bay Haynes

Reeves Haynes

Divorce Recovery Workshop

This workshop is facilitated by Barbara Koehnemann and Dan Riley. The resource used is , Growing Through Divorce. If you are walking through a divorce or the grief of one that is gone, it is important to know that you do not walk alone.

Where: First Baptist Church of Christ
511 High Place, Macon, GA 31201

Times: April 1– May 20
Wednesday Nights at 6:45 pm

Other: There is no cost to participate and child care is provided. Please call the church office to reserve your spot at 478-742-6485

THE HOLY WEEK PILGRIMAGE FOR IMMIGRANTS— PRAYING WITH OUR FEET

Join us as we walk in solidarity for Immigration Reform.
Sunday, March 29th, 2015

3:30 pm— Prayer Service at Centenary United Methodist Church located at 1290 College Street. We will meet in the Garden Pavilion.

4:00 pm— Leave Centenary Church and walk toward City Hall
4:40—5:00 pm — Arrive at SPC Church

For additional information—call (478) 743-8926

Upcoming Ministry Schedules for April 4-5, 2015

Date	Time	Sacristans	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday	5:30 p.m.	Ford	Mr. Moran — AS D. Mixon — C	Various	Ford
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Fletcher	S. Craddock — AS A. Craddock — AS T. Vickers — C	McMillan	Fletcher, Franklin, Reichert, P. Vickers
	11:15 a.m.	Johnson	B. Anyakudo — AS P. Anyakudo — C Mr. Sheppard — AS	Stone	Johnson, Johnson

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

Please join with St. Vincent De Paul Society during this Lenten season to look beyond ourselves and give to those in need.

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.

Family Advancement Ministries

The FAM Book Club will be reading in April, 2015:

Tuesday, April 7th, 2015 – *Still Allice* by Lisa Genova

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

Homily reflection

We are entering the most important week of the Christian year; the celebration of the mysteries of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Christ. It is important because it honors the mysteries of Christian salvation; but it is much more than a simple celebration or a "representation" of the facts. It is to live what is happening here and now in our lives. The Passion of Christ holds everything human. By his incarnation, Christ assumed everything human: pains, joys, sufferings, heartaches, and the renewal of life. Therefore, Holy Week makes us re-enter in deepest identity.

In our own deaths—and we know them well—and in our own returns to life where we get to know better than ever not just ourselves, but the Truth, the Way, and The Life that is Christ. It isn't only an experience of physical death: it is the daily death of having to give up something for the sake of others; of sacrificing your own wishes for the family's wellbeing, of confronting our own slaveries of sin, vice, and bad habits; or encountering something that can be even more difficult: the experience of failure and limitation knowing that we are not all powerful, and that we are still lacking when it comes to the idea of perfection we would like to reflect. Each day we live small—or big—resurrections. We live them in our inner renewals when we get close to God. We live in the experience of having been forgiven. We live them in the small or big triumphs of our family or community to which we have contributed with our effort and sacrifice. We live them during those moments when, we don't know from where, we receive the strength to face a difficult situation with serenity and peace. We live them, when overcoming ourselves, we make an effort to excel and learn something new to improve our situation. In everything we live the strength of the salvation of Christ, who came to liberate and give new life. In the pain, the Passion, and the death of Christ for us, we find our rebirth and resurrection. This is the Good News, the Gospel of the Lord.

A child once asked his mother why they had to do the same thing every Good Friday: the Via Crucis and the reflection of the Passion. The mother immediately responded, "because it is who we are." It is our entire life: now and eternal. It is our deepest identity, where we find the answers to all our questions.

What difficulties or deaths am I presently enduring? What would I like to be freed from? What resurrection do I experience in my life?



SAVE THE DATE! A.C.T.S. Retreat

An ACTS retreat is a Catholic lay retreat presented by fellow parishioners.

Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service.

April 16-19, 2015: Men's Retreat

Jason Bond at 478-319-5931

or email any questions to gaactsrep@gmail.com

Visit ACTS online at: <http://www.actsmissions.org>

March Wedding Anniversaries



Samuel and Muriel Jackson (15)

Clarence and Sandra Stinson (47)

Robert and Carol Cummings (49)

Joseph and Hilda Owoho (26)

Gilbert and Mary Stroupe (38)

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.