

# St. Peter Catholic Church

Gaudete Sunday  
December 15th, 2019



## Mass & Confession Schedule

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	5 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	7, 8:30, & 11 a.m.
<b>Mon., Wed., Fri., &amp; Sat.</b>	8:30 a.m.
<b>Mon., Wed., &amp; Fri.</b> Traditional Latin Mass (TLM)	11:15 a.m.
<b>Tuesday (TLM)</b>	6:45 a.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	7 p.m.
<b>Holy Hour (Thursday)</b>	7:30 p.m.
<b>Holyday of Obligation</b>	8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m. (TLM), & 7 p.m.

### **Confessions**

Mon, Wed., Fri., Sat.	10 minutes after morning Masses
Thursday	7:30–8:30 p.m.
Saturday	4–4:45 p.m.

*Art credit: Our Lady of Guadalupe, 1531*

## Parish Contact Information

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### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday  
8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

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## Mass Intentions and Feasts

Please note that there is no 11:15 a.m. Mass on Monday the 16th.

**Third Sunday of Advent** (Readings: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 (7) Pss III)

**Dec. 14** 5 p.m. Vigil Mass Ellen Cameron +  
**Dec. 15** 7 a.m. TLM Ann Selvek  
8:30 a.m. John Kopeck  
11 a.m. For all parishioners

**Monday— Advent Weekday**

**Dec. 16** 8:30 a.m. Lolin Mercado +

*Pease note that there is no 11:15 a.m. Mass.*

**Tuesday— Advent Weekday**

**Dec. 17** 6:45 a.m. TLM Rose and Austin Hall

**Wednesday— Advent Weekday**

**Dec. 18** 8:30 a.m. Joan S. Keltin +  
11:15 a.m. TLM McGuirk Family

**Thursday— Advent Weekday**

**Dec. 19** 7 p.m. Rose and Austin Hall  
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Holy Hour and Confessions

**Friday— Advent Weekday**

**Dec. 20** 8:30 a.m. David and Carol Brubaker  
11:15 a.m. TLM William O'Gorman

**Saturday—St Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**Dec. 21** 8:30 a.m. Rose and Austin Hall  
4 p.m. Confessions  
5 p.m. Vigil Mass Rose and Austin Hall

## Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners and their relatives:

**Gerald Hoffman**  
**Elaine Viguerie**  
**Christopher John Field**  
**Nicholas Hovey**  
**Walt Cybrowski**  
**Joan Gannon**  
**Michael and Eileen Hawkins**  
**Bob Ward**  
**Theresa Carney**  
**Edna Albaneze**  
**Joseph Miller**  
**Charlie Coble**



### Christmas Mass Schedule

*The Nativity of Our Lord*

*Holy Day of Obligation*

December 24: 7 p.m. Mass  
December 25: 7:30 a.m. TLM  
9 a.m. Mass

### January 1 Mass Schedule

*The Feast of Mary, Mother of God*

*Holy Day of Obligation*

December 31: 5 p.m. Mass  
January 1: 9 a.m. Mass  
11:15 a.m. TLM

*Contributions:*

*Sunday, Dec 8: \$4087*

*Monday, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day): \$1008*

*Catholic Charities: \$963*

### Legion of Mary

For those of you who are engaging in the do-it-yourself retreat during Advent:

The Legion of Mary will be offering a one time meeting to discuss an aspect of "33 Days to Morning Glory" and to watch a DVD talk by Fr. Gaitley, the author of the book. This will take place on Friday, Dec. 20, right after the 8:30 am Holy Mass in the parish hall. Come and join us!

### More Announcements

-The do-it-yourself retreat (33 Days to Morning Glory) started on Friday, Nov. 29th. If you "missed the boat", do not let your heart be troubled. Double up on some of the readings until you are right on track. It is well worth the effort!

-All are welcome to join the Knights of Columbus every first Saturday of the month to pray the Rosary **following the 8:30 a.m. Mass**—about 9 a.m. Special graces are attached to this first Saturday devotion!

-St. Peter's March for Life BusPlease reserve your seat(s) for the Annual March for Life set for Friday, January 24, 2020. Our bus will depart from St. Peter's at 10AM and return around 6PM. A suggested donation of \$20 per family may be contributed during our bus trip. See the Sign-Up Sheet in our vestibule to reserve your seat(s).

-St. Peter's custom of the Advent Giving Tree is back! The Giving Tree benefits the Rappahannock Food Pantry and is located as you enter Church. Please take an ornament, which has a food or toiletry item, written on the back, purchase the item(s) and place them in the basket near the tree. The items will be given to those in need in Rappahannock County through the Food Pantry. Your donations are greatly appreciated!!

-Tonight (Sunday the 15th) at 7 p.m., please join us at Quievremont Winery for our third Sunday rosary. Come for wine and fellowship, centered around prayer and our Catholic Faith.

### Support St. Peter Parish Through the Holidays

Planning to travel during Christmas and New Year's? It's easy to stay current on your contributions to the parish with Online Giving! Go to [www.stpeterparishva.org](http://www.stpeterparishva.org), scroll down, and click on the Online Giving link—it's quick, simple, and secure! Your ongoing support helps to sustain our parish and our community!

### Join the First Saturday Rosary Team

Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at 10:30 am at the Falls Church abortion facility. The next First Saturday is on January 4, 2020. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or [respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org)

### Pastor's Piece

Dear Folks,

Having been blessed to be in Assisi just recently, I am reminded how it was St. Francis who really made the custom of setting up a nativity scene a popular devotion in the Church. When he put together his first nativity scene, the statue of the baby Jesus actually came to life for him for a period of time. May we take time before the nativity scenes that we see and ponder the great humility of our God that He would come in our midst as a helpless little baby.

God bless!  
-Fr. Beres