



**ST. PETER CLAVER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**St. Inigoes, MD**

*"The Church on the Holy Hill*  
*Where the Joy of the Lord is Our Strength"*

**WELCOMES YOU!**



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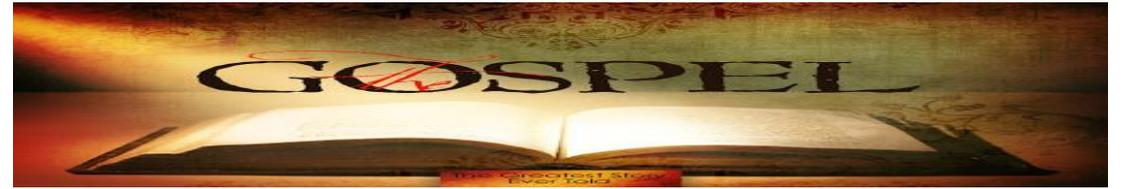
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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021**



**MARK 6: 7-13**

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals, but not a second tunic.

He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them."

So they went off and preached repentance.

The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

**COMMENTARY ON TODAY'S GOSPEL**  
<https://www.pottypadre.com/tag/mark-6-7-13/>

Most people would simply roll over and give up if they were rejected by their very own family in the pursuit of their mission or dreams. Jesus does not 'give up' because He was rejected by His townsfolk; He simply 'gives in' to the mission of His Father. Having been rejected Himself, He empowers the twelve, giving them authority over unclean spirits. Yet as we will see later, these very twelve 'empowered' apostles will begin to doubt the mission of Jesus, seeking for themselves personal glory and power. They, who had authority, seek power and glory. But for now the Gospel focuses on the mission that Jesus shares with them.

This makes one sit up and take notice of the fact that Jesus is no solo artist. He is after all God and He most certainly did not need help; yet that's exactly what He did. His plan for salvation included all of us helping all of us and He began with twelve.

If Jesus ever started a company of his own, He would have hit losses in the first month simply because by human standards these twelve could only be categorized as losers. Their actions ranged from betrayal, denial, abandonment, fits of anger, doubt, unrestrained opinions and what have you. Yet to these are given authority and mission.



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## FATHER LARRY'S KEYBOARD

**"I am happy to be here!"**



I am so happy to be in St. Mary's County and to begin serving you as your priest for the years to come!

I have been a priest for 15 years and served in four different parishes up until now. I am 45 years old, the eldest of 10 children and a life-long Catholic.

I have known Fr. Scott since I joined the seminary and am honored to take over for a priest that I love and respect.

My hobbies are cycling, hunting and paddle boarding. I played baseball in college and am a Nationals' fan.

My favorite saints are St. Michael the Archangel, St. Josemaria Escriva (whom I quote incessantly!), the Blessed Mother, and St. John Vianney. I also like Padre Pio a lot.

I enjoy preaching retreats and recollections, teaching Bible Classes, hearing confessions and most of all celebrating the Holy Mass. My two favorite forms of prayer are **Eucharistic Adoration** and the **Holy Rosary**.

"I look forward to helping you all to the best of my abilities and you all helping me to the best of your abilities (with and only with God's grace) to get closer to Jesus Christ and to our Heavenly destiny..."

Peace!

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### WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND WHAT DO I DO DURING ADORATION?

<https://bismarckdiocese.com/news/what-is-eucharistic-adoration-and-what-do-i-do-during-adoration>

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is happening more and more around our diocese and throughout United States, thanks be to God! How awesome it is to see faithful souls devoted to a weekly holy hour? Even so, unfortunately many Catholics still don't know what it is or what to do when they are in the presence of Jesus.

When I was about 12 years old I was much like most Catholics who don't understand the value of adoration. Real "tragedy" struck when on the first Friday of July that year my mother told me I had to spend an hour in adoration before I could go swimming at the community swimming pool.

I remember how distraught I was as I entered the church almost completely empty except for an old lady and a few of my fellow captives, I mean, my brothers and sisters. The first 10 minutes were the most painful. I was constantly thinking of the beautiful swimming pool I was not able to swim in, but instead, I was stuck at church.

Then my mind began to clear and I realized where I was, in the presence of almighty God. His presence revealed my selfishness. In fact, when I began to consider the fact that I was in the presence of His Divine Majesty, the whole church became, for me, like an amazing pool of grace. Believe me, I was extremely happy when the holy hour was up and I could dive into the swimming pool outside, but something in my heart changed forever. I realized there was an infinite amount of incredible, phenomenal, untold, mind-blowing graces available at the church every day.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is a time we Catholics (or anyone with a prayerful heart) take to worship the true God in the person of Jesus Christ Who is really, truly present in the eucharistic host. Catholics usually make what is known as a holy hour to honor Jesus' heartfelt request to His closest disciples during His lonely agony in the garden, "Could you not spend one hour with me?"

Perhaps you've stayed for a few moments of adoration at your parish and then left, or maybe you pondered taking a holy hour each week, but, like me, you hesitated—thinking of all the other things you could be doing.



Here are some ideas about how to spend your time in adoration. **First of all**, don't worry about what you are to say, simply be in the presence of Jesus. That is pretty mind-blowing stuff in and of itself.

**Second**, call to mind your sins or sufferings and ask Jesus to have mercy on you. Great healing is available to those who come to adoration.

**Third**, are you thankful for anything? Think of each person or thing in your life you are thankful for and thank Jesus for each one.

**Fourth** read a little of the Sacred Scriptures and pause quietly to think in your heart what it means. The holy rosary and our Blessed Mother can be very helpful when doing this. Listen to what Jesus is saying to you. After all, He is truly present in front of you.

**Lastly**, I remind you of the first advice, be in the presence of Jesus and look at Him. The catechism of the Catholic Church tells the beautiful short story of St. John Vianney who was amazed that one of his parishioners would spend such long hours in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. He said to him, "What do you do in adoration?" The man simply responded, "I look at Him and He looks at me."

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## WHY PRAY THE ROSARY? (PART 1)



Many great popes, saints, and Christian leaders have exhorted us to pray the rosary. It’s a powerful prayer, they say, one that can change your life, strengthen the family, bring peace to the world, convert entire nations, and win the salvation of souls.

### But does the average person experience the rosary this way?

Many Catholics, unfortunately, have the impression that the rosary is not relevant for them. It might be a sacred prayer for very religious people—priests, religious sisters, and exceptional Catholics—but not for “an ordinary lay person like me.” Even some devout Catholics admit that they are a bit intimidated by this prayer. They have tremendous respect for the rosary, know it’s important, but feel bad that they don’t love it more. Many view it as the marathon of Catholic devotions. “I know it’s an important prayer, but it takes fifteen to twenty minutes. I’m too busy. I don’t have time for that.” “It’s too hard to stay focused for that much time. I prefer shorter prayers.”

Some have questions about the rosary: Does all this attention to Mary distract us from a relationship with God? Why do we repeat the same prayers over and over? Are we supposed to concentrate on the prayers, the mysteries, or both? Still others think the rosary is just plain boring—a monotonous, dry, mechanical way of talking to God, not as personal and meaningful as other forms of prayer. “It’s like taking the garbage out for your wife. You know you should do it, but date night is more exciting.” “Sure, the rosary might be good for you—like flossing your teeth—but it’s not as interesting and meaningful to me as spiritual reading or adoration.”

Others wonder if all the repetition has any meaning. “I know the rosary is important, but it just seems like rote prayer,” one young adult said. “It’s like saying magical words and something good is supposed to happen. What’s the point? Is simply saying these words actually doing anything for me spiritually?”

But what if I were to show you that there is a lot more going on in the rosary than simply saying these words and counting them with beads? What if I were to tell you that the rosary is not beyond you—that you, wherever you may be in your relationship with God, can actually experience a profound, intimate, personal encounter with Jesus through this devotion? And what if you were to discover that there are many different ways to pray the rosary—indeed, some that can easily fit within your schedule and help you with whatever challenges you face right now in your life.

Think of the rosary as being like the ocean: There’s something in it for everyone, whether you consider yourself a veteran mystic longing to go deeper in prayer with our Lord, a novice struggling to learn how to pray, or someone seeking the Lord’s help, right now, with something going on in your life. The deep-sea explorer and the child making sand castles on the beach can fully enjoy the same ocean while playing at different levels. And this is true with the rosary.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/franciscan-spirit-blog/why-pray-the-rosary>

*(Part 2 will be continued next week.)*

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## CALLED TO PRAY THE ROSARY (CPR) AT SPC EVERY FRIDAY

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### The St. Peter Claver Rosary Ministry

invites you all to PRAY the rosary with it on Friday at 2:00PM online. Join in with Loretta, Mary, and Eva who pray for the Church, its needs, their personal needs, and our needs every week. Call FREE OF CHARGE: 1-605-475-4700, access number: 870115#.



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**“Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world.”**

-Our.Lady.of.Fatima, 1917

**“No one can live continually in sin and continue to say the Rosary. Either he will give up the sin or he will give up the Rosary”**

-Bishop Patrick Boyle

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**VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY SPONSORED BY SPC ON WEDNESDAYS**



**(IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO START THE JOURNEY THROUGH ACTS! SEEK GOD’S WORD FOR YOU!)**

**TITLE:**  
**A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE THROUGH THE BOOK OF ACTS**

**DESCRIPTION:** *To understand how the Holy Spirit worked through the apostles after Christ’s ascension and how He wants to work through us!*

**NEXT SESSION: Wednesday, July 14, 2021 7:00 – 9:00 PM**

**REGISTRATION:** Send an email (st.peterclaver@verizon.net) for info

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**“TO LISTEN”** <https://mountaineagle.com/stories/12-ways-god-speaks-to-us,16561>:

**Session #2: Many participants indicated their desire to hear God. This article is on how God speaks to us.**

Skeptics say God doesn’t speak anymore. Even some Christians claim God only speaks through the Bible. Really? Did He get laryngitis and lose His voice? Did He change? Did He cease being God? Malachi 3:6 (NKJV) affirms, “For I am the Lord, I do not change.” That means if God saved in Bible times, He still saves today. If He healed then, He still heals now. If He spoke to people in the past, He still does. “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Heb. 13:8).

**The question is not, is God still speaking? The question is, are we listening? Jesus implored all seven churches of Asia, “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches” (Rev. 2:7).**

Consider 12 ways God still speaks today:

- **Audible Voice:** Though seemingly rare, God has and still can speak audibly. Adam and Eve heard God’s voice in the Garden of Eden (Gen. 3:8). God spoke audibly to Moses from the burning bush (Ex. 3:4-6) and to all Israel from Mount Sinai (Ex. 20:1-22). In the New Testament, the Father endorsed Jesus at His baptism and His transfiguration with a literal voice. Saul and his posse saw Christ in a blinding light and heard His voice (Ac. 9:3-7). God is sovereign, and He can speak however and whenever He wants.
- **Angelic Visitation:** Angels are agents on assignment—God’s messengers sent to minister to heirs of salvation. There are numerous instances in Scripture where angels informed, warned or conveyed divine messages to individuals. They are still on the job.
- **Visions and Dreams:** “I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh . . . your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams” (Ac. 2:17). A vision is an inspired appearance (something you see literally with your eyes or in your mind or spirit). A dream is something seen in your sleep or something you imagine doing—a goal or an aspiration. God can insert images and ideas into our minds whether we are conscious or not.
- **Signs:** Is it wrong to ask God for a sign? It depends on our motive. People who asked Jesus for a miracle just for show or to prove His divinity were denied, but those who asked God for a sign to ascertain or confirm His will were often rewarded. Gideon put a fleece out sincerely seeking confirmation of God’s will and was obliged (Jdgs 6:36-40). We serve a supernatural God of signs and wonders.

• **Coincidences:** Albert Einstein noted, “Coincidence is God’s way of remaining anonymous.” When I was praying about printing my first book, the estimated cost was \$3,000 in the late 1980’s. I was in a meeting when a woman I had never met before nor seen since gave me an envelope and said, “God told me to give this to you.” It contained a diamond ring which appraised for . . . you guessed it, \$3,000. You can call that a coincidence; I call it **providence—God confirming and providing for His will.**

• **The Written Word:** The logos (the Bible) is a main way God speaks today but it is not the only way. The logos is God’s general Word for everyone. God speaks to us when we read the Bible on nearly every issue that applies to modern living. Jesus, the Bread of Life, taught us to pray, “Give us this day our daily bread” (Mt. 6:11). God has fresh spiritual manna to share with us every day if we’ll take the time to read His Word.

• **The Living Word:** Jesus said, “The words [Greek: rhema] that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life” (Jn. 6:63). The rhema Word is a specific message the Holy Spirit inspires to you personally. It’s a specific word for a specific time and for a specific need. It occurs when the written or spoken Word comes alive with special meaning in your situation.

• **Through People:** “If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God” (1 Pt. 4:11). An “oracle” is an “utterance, a spokesman or mouthpiece.” God speaks through preachers and teachers, but He can also speak through our spouse, kids, friends and even enemies. God uses human channels to speak words of prophecy, tongues and interpretation and words of wisdom and knowledge (1 Cor. 12:8-10). God also expresses Himself through human vessels to distribute His message in anointed sermons, songs and writings.

• **Mass Media:** “This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations” (Mt. 24:14). Due to technology, this Scripture is literally being fulfilled as the Gospel proliferates the globe. While Satan manipulates the media to spread his vile message like a virus, God also utilizes the media to disseminate His truth via satellite TV, radio, internet, websites, social media, books, podcasts, movies and music.

• **Through Creation and Nature:** Psalms 19:1 proclaims, “The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.” The vastness of space and the complexity of nature testify to God’s intelligent design. You can hear the Creator’s voice in a bubbling brook, in the song of a bird, in the wind whistling through the trees and in a baby’s cry.

• **Through Our Conscience:** God hardwired us with an inner awareness of what is right and wrong with an inclination to do right. George Washington said, “Labor to keep alive within your breast that little spark of celestial fire, called conscience.”

• **His Still Small Voice:** Elijah was camping in a cave on Mount Sinai when God manifested Himself. Elijah saw a powerful wind, a mighty earthquake and a fierce fire, but God wasn’t in any of them. Instead, God spoke to him in a “still small voice,” also translated “a gentle whisper” (1 Kgs. 19:9-12). God often speaks to us by the inner witness of the Holy Spirit to our spirit (Rom. 8:14-16).

God will speak to us more often as we learn to recognize His voice. We expect to hear from Him at church, but God doesn’t just speak on Sundays. He wants to speak to us all through the week. Jesus indicated, “My sheep hear My voice” (Jn. 10:27). God is still speaking; are we listening?

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**MEET & GREET FATHER LARRY SWINK  
SUNDAY, JULY 11TH, 2021 (RESCHEDULED)**

**MASSSES: 10:00AM(GOSPEL) &  
12:30 PM (LATIN)  
12:00 NOON: Potluck & Fellowship  
2: 00 PM: Conversation**

Come and meet Father Larry, the soon-to-be new pastor at St. Peter Claver. He is interested in getting to know his new parishioners at SPC. Come and share your vision and love of SPC and your questions and expectations. Come and share how you would like to help with "Building God's Kingdom."

Don't forget to bring a dish to share with everyone. Keep in mind that the kitchen is not in operation at this time. **We hope to see your face in the place!**

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RESTARTS ITS  
CHICKEN DINNERS  
SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021**

\$14.00. The Belles cake/dessert table will also be available.

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**NAACP #7025  
ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR**

August 14, 2021  
Lancaster Park 12:00-3:00

School Supplies Giveaway While They Last!

SMCPS Students Must Be Present with a Parent/Guardian

**For More Info: Dr. Janice Walthour 301-862-2296 or 240-317-7047**

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**KNIGHTS OF ST. JEROME'S SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION AVAILABLE**

High school seniors seeking funding for college are encouraged to apply for the Knights of St. Jerome's Scholarship Application. Contact Delora Crafton-Chase, Jackie Mason, or Ernestine Briscoe for more information for a copy of the application.

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**SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021**

**PEACEFUL REPOSE OF THE SOULS:  
LARRY TREMAGLIO & BERT LANGLEY**

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:  
GREG & TAMIKA LANGLEY**

- July 18 **Aubrey Dickerson** (Peaceful Repose)  
**Bennett-Dickerson Family** (Special Intentions)
- July 25 None (Peaceful Repose)  
None (Special intentions)
- August 1 **Oblate Sisters of Providence** (Peaceful Repose)  
**Oblate Sisters of Providence** (Special Intentions)
- August 8 **Patricia Ball and Tamika Bryant** (Peaceful Repose)  
**Ball-Bryant Family** (Special Intentions)
- August 15 **The Knights of St. Jerome's Society, Council 1** (Peaceful Repose)  
**The Knights of St. Jerome's Society, Council 1** (Special Intentions)
- August 22 **Debra Woods** (Peaceful Repose)  
**James Woods** (Special intentions)
- August 29 **Leon Briscoe** (Peaceful Repose)  
**Frank S. Dove, Jr.** (Special Intentions)

*Offering a Mass for a specific intention is a beautiful tradition in the Catholic Church. The tradition also is that a stipend is given, made payable to SPC; however, a stipend is not required.*

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**OUR PARISH LIST OF THE SICK AND THOSE WHO REQUEST PRAYER**

Dennis Allen; Wayne Barnes; Marerijha Bibbs; Bertille Bryan; Eva Butler; Tammy Campbell; Geraldine Carroll; Martin Carroll; Nola Carroll; Catherine Carter; Chris Cassagnol; Phyllis Curtis; Sherman Hewlett; Michael Chase; Kirk Crafton; James Gant; Jessica Goldring; Ernest Hall; Janice Hewlett; Jimmie Hill; Sister Marilyn Hopewell; Michael Jones; Thelma Jones; Arnold Moreland; Eleanor Moland; Angie Prucha; Robert Schmidt; James Taylor; Charles L. Spears; Mary Spears; Joseph Taylor; Vernon Thomas; Bernard Thompson; Estelle Thompson.

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**POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR JULY 2021  
Social Friendship**

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

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# Tithes & Offering

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION:**      **07/04/2021**

**Offertory Collection**                      **\$4,558.00**  
**Budgeted Offertory=**                      **\$2,900.00**

**OFFERTORY EXCEEDED BUDGET**      **+\$1658.00**

**WE DID MEET OUR FINANCIAL GOAL LAST WEEK THANKS TO YOU!**

**SPC remains blessed in your giving to support  
the running of the church and its ministries.**

**There are 5 ways to continue to tithe with your weekly offertory or gifts:**  
 1) Mail; 2) Mobile App; 3) Church's Website; 4) Electronic Check; and 5) Text

**Please remember this:**  
**Whether you tithe or not, you will be kept in prayer, and you are asked to  
pray for St. Peter Claver Church and the Church in general.**

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## SECOND COLLECTIONS THROUGH YEAR-END

July 18	FDCAS
August 15	FDCAS
September 5	The Catholic University of America
September 19	FDCAS
October 17	FDCAS
October 24	World Mission Sunday
November 14	Priests of the Archdiocese Retirement Fund
November 21	FDCAS
December 12	Retirement Fund for Religious
December 19	FDCAS

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**2021 ANNUAL APPEAL**

## Ways to Give

Online: [give.adw.org](http://give.adw.org)

Text: "Give" to (301) 231-1816

Envelope: Available upon request

Scan below

Archdiocese of  
Washington

**THANK YOU**  
for your 2021 Annual  
Appeal gift which will be  
credited to our parish!

**PLEASE DO NOT  
FORGET  
TO GIVE TO  
THE ANNUAL  
APPEAL.  
WE WANT TO  
MEET OUR GOAL  
AS ARE THE  
MAJORITY OF  
ADW CHURCHES!**

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## LET'S DO IT AGAIN: THE 2021 HOPE CAMPAIGN



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THE **HOPE** CAMPAIGN HAS BEGUN! OUR GOAL IS **\$18,000.00!**  
 If we did it before with God's grace, we will do it again with God's grace!



So far, we have collected **\$3,170 (17%)**  
 We have **\$14,830 (83%)** to go.



There is no better time to give HOPE than today. So, let's do it!  
 There is no amount that is too small.  
 Make your giving a Family Affair!

### LEVELS OF GIVING:

LEVEL	NAME	AMOUNT
1	Legacy	\$1000.00 and Above
2	Platinum	\$500.00-\$999.99
3	Gold	\$250.00-\$499.99
4	Silver	\$100.00-\$249.99
5	Bronze	\$60.00-\$99.99
6	Patron	\$30.00-\$59.99

### WAYS OF GIVING:

1. **MAIL:** Send your check or money order made payable to St. Peter Claver (with **HOPE** in the memo) to the following address: St. Peter Claver Church, PO Box 240, St. Inigoes, MD 20684
2. **MOBIL APPLICATION:** Go to the appropriate app store to download the free Mobile App (Church by MinistryOne). Open the App and locate the church via zip (20684). Select "Saint Peter Claver Church" (SPCC). Follow the instructions. (Go to Labor Day Festival "**HOPE**")
3. **CHURCH WEBSITE:** ([www.stpeterclaverchurch.org](http://www.stpeterclaverchurch.org))  
 Go to the website; locate "donate" on the navigation bar at the top; press the "donate" button; follow the simple instructions from "ParishSoft." ((Go to Labor Day Festival "**HOPE**"))
4. **TEXT YOUR DONATION:** Text To: 301-478-8765; Type as your message the word "GIVE"; When you hit send, you will immediately receive a link from ParishSoft; click the link which will take you to the St. Peter Claver Church giving page; select "Labor Day Festival **HOPE** Campaign"; go to the drop down box to select the level of desired giving; add the processing/convenience fee (2.5%) to your giving so that the church does not have to pick up the charge (optional); press the submit button.

**You can pay in instalments.** Indicate that this is your desire whether you give online or via mail. Your instalments will automatically be summed at the end of the giving period to determine at what level of giving you have reached.

**Donate and become "A HOPE PROMOTER."** Your name will be listed in the bulletin with your permission. Those who donate will receive a "Letter of Appreciation" as a receipt and businesses will receive a "Certificate of Appreciation." Contact our Parish Office (301-872-5460) or Wayne Barnes, chairman of the Labor Day Festival **HOPE** Campaign (301-580-5091) for more info.

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**ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!**



**SPC "DRIVE-THRU  
PRE-LABOR DAY DINNER"**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021  
12:00 Noon to 6:00PM**

**BARBEQUE PORK, FRIED FISH &  
FRIED CHICKEN DINNERS**

(All on one plate: No subs)

**with parsley potatoes, green  
beans, coleslaw, beets & roll**

**ONLY \$28.00**



**ONLY PREPAID ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED: DEADLINE IS AUGUST 31**

**Order on WEBSITE by going to "Donation,"**

**choose "SPC Prepaid Dinners" and complete your order OR**

**Order via QR Code at various locations, including this bulletin**

**FOR MORE INFO: CALL PARISH OFFICE OR WAYNE BARNES, CHAIRMAN**

**JULY 2021 SCHEDULE OF MINISTRIES**

DATE	WELCOMER	LECTOR (1 <sup>st</sup> Reading, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading, Prayers of the Faithful, & Announcements)	COUNTERS
11	Fran	Donna	Stephanie & Wayne
18	Fran	Zsa Zsa	Robert Jr. & Robert III
25	Linda	Stephanie	Crystal & John

**AUGUST 2021 SCHEDULE OF MINISTRIES**

DATE	WELCOMER	LECTOR (1 <sup>st</sup> Reading, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading, Prayers of the Faithful & Announcements)	COUNTERS
1	Fran	John	Sandy & Ann
8	Linda	Teri	Stephanie & Wayne
15	Linda	Crystal	Robert Jr. & Robert III
22	Fran	Yvonne	Crystal & John
29	Linda	Venance	Sandy & Ann



**New Wine into New Wineskins**

<https://catholic-daily-reflections.com/2020/09/03/new-wine-into-new-wineskins/>

"No one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins, and it will be spilled, and the skins will be ruined. Rather, new wine must be poured into fresh wineskins." [Luke 5:37](#)

What is this new wine? And what are the old wineskins? The new wine is the new life of grace

we have been blessed with in abundance and the old wineskins are our old fallen natures and the old law. What Jesus is telling us is that if we wish to receive His grace and mercy in our lives we must allow Him to transform our old selves into new creations and embrace the new law of grace.

Have you become a new creation? Have you allowed your former self to die so that the new person can rise again? What does it mean to become a new creation in Christ so that the new wine of grace can be poured into your life?

Becoming a new creation in Christ means that we live on a whole new level and no longer cling to our former ways. It means that God does powerful things in our lives far beyond anything we could ever do by ourselves. It means we have become a new and fit "wineskin" for God to be poured into. And it means that this new "wine" is the Holy Spirit taking hold of and possessing our lives.

Practically speaking, if we are made a new creation in Christ, then we are properly prepared to receive the grace of the Sacraments and all that comes our way through daily prayer and worship. But the first goal must be to become those new wineskins. So how do we do this?

We do it by Baptism and then by intentionally choosing to turn from sin and embrace the Gospel. But this general command from God, to turn from sin and embrace the Gospel, must be very intentional and lived daily. As we make daily practical and intentional decisions to turn to Christ in all things, we will discover that the Holy Spirit suddenly, powerfully and immediately pours the new wine of grace into our lives. We will discover a new peace and joy that fills us and we will have strength beyond our own ability.

Reflect, today, upon whether or not you are truly a new creation in Christ. Have you turned from your former way and shed the shackles that bound you? Have you embraced the new full Gospel and do you daily allow God to pour forth the Holy Spirit in your life?

*Lord, please do make me a new creation. Transform me and renew me completely. May my new life in You be one that continually receives the full outpouring of Your grace and mercy. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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**YOUR CHURCH CALENDAR AT A WEEK'S GLANCE**

SUN. July 11	MON. July 12	TUES. July 13	WED. July 14	THUR July 15	FRI. July 16	SAT. July 17
<p>GOSPEL MASS @ 10:00AM @SPC</p> <p>CONFESSION</p> <p>LATIN MASS @12:30 NOON @SPC</p> <p>MEET &amp; GREET W/ FR. SWINK @12NOON</p>	<p>Mass @ 7:30AM @ St. Cecilia</p> <p>LATIN MASS@ 6:00PM @SPC</p>	<p>Mass @ 7:30AM @ St. Cecilia</p>	<p>Mass @ 7:30AM @ St. Cecilia</p> <p>LATIN MASS@ 6:00PM @SPC</p> <p>BIBLE STUDY ON ACTS @7:00PM-9:00pm</p>	<p>Mass @ 7:30AM @ St. Cecilia</p>	<p>CPR Rosary @2PM; Dial-in #: 1-605-475-4700 Access #: 870115</p>	<p>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament@7:00AM @ SPC</p> <p>Mass @ 8:00AM @ SPC</p>

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**SACRED HEART PRAYER**

*O Sacred Heart of Jesus, to Thee I consecrate and offer up my person and my life, my actions, trials, and sufferings, that my entire being may henceforth only be employed in loving, honoring and glorifying Thee. This is my irrevocable will, to belong entirely to Thee, and to do all for Thy love, renouncing with my whole heart all that can displease Thee.*

*I take Thee, O Sacred Heart, for the sole object of my love, the protection of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my frailty and inconstancy, the reparation for all the defects of my life, and my secure refuge at the hour of my death.*

*Be Thou, O Most Merciful Heart, my justification before God Thy Father, and screen me from His anger which I have so justly merited. I fear all from my own weakness and malice, but placing my entire confidence in Thee, O Heart of Love, I hope all from Thine infinite Goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee. Imprint Thy pure love so deeply in my heart that I may never forget Thee or be separated from Thee.*

*I beseech Thee, through Thine infinite Goodness, grant that my name be engraved upon Thy Heart, for in this I place all my happiness and all my glory, to live and to die as one of Thy devoted servants. Amen*

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**POPE FRANCIS DECLARES "THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH"**

**ST. JOSEPH PRAYER**



*Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph, whose power makes the impossible possible, come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty.*

*Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome.*

*My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power. Amen.*

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