

St. Peter's Catholic Church & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Mission Church

"To live, love, learn the faith, and grow disciples of Christ"

Reverend Timothy A. Gadziala, JCL

St. Peter's Mass Schedule

Saturday:	5:00 pm
Sunday:	8:00 am
	11:00 am
(Spanish)	5:00 pm
Monday:	6:00 pm
Tuesday:	9:00 am
Wednesday:	6:00 pm
Thursday:	No Liturgy
Friday:	12:00 pm
Saturday:	9:00 am

St. Elizabeth's Mass Schedule

Sunday:	(English)	2:00 pm
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Reconciliation

Saturday 4 pm to 4:45 pm

Or by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday from 9 am-11:50 am and 6 pm-9 pm

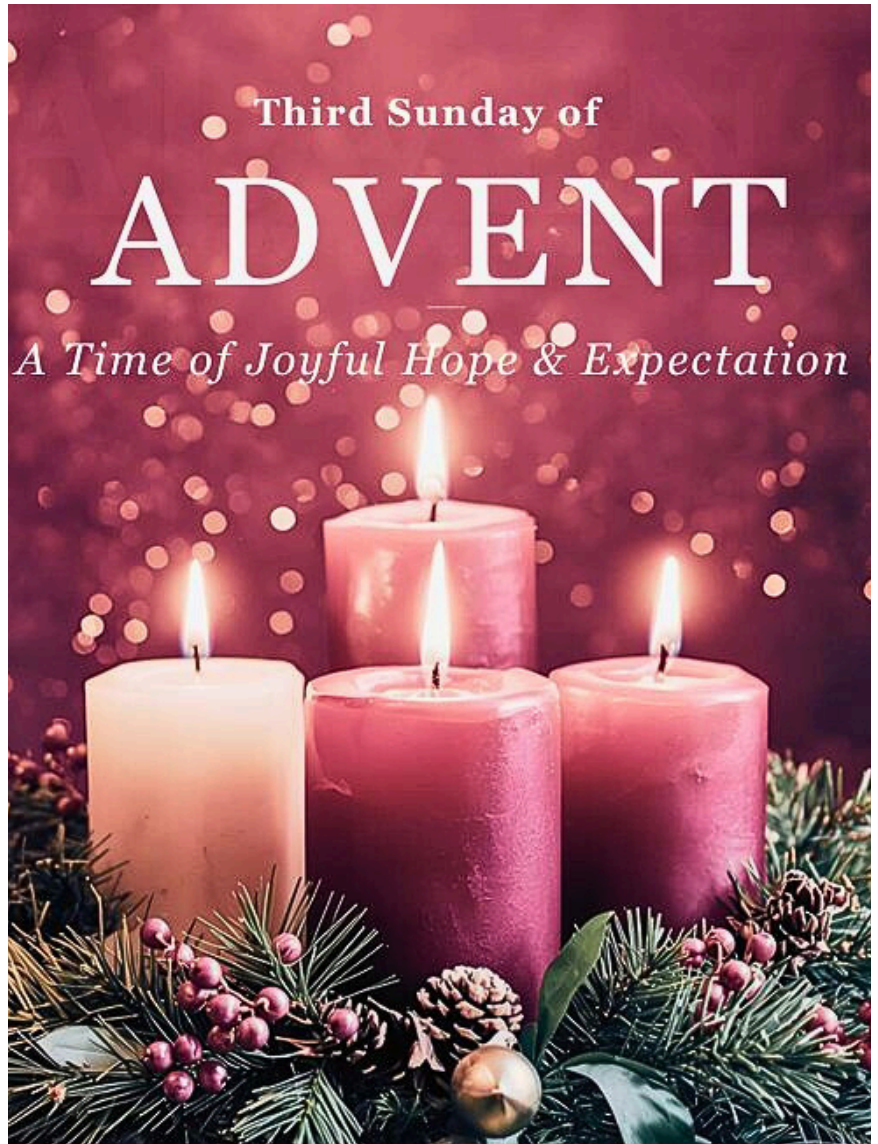
Adoration Chapel

Faith Formation

PREP (PK-8th):	Sundays	9:30 am
LIFETEEN:	Sundays	9:30 am
OCIA /CIC:	Sundays	9:45 am
Adult Bible Study:	Tuesdays	9:30 am

Parish Staff

Pastor:	Rev. Timothy A. Gadziala
Business Manager:	Emily Mansour
Admin. Assistant:	Helga Kienlin
DRE:	Gail Sherman
Youth Minister/ EDGE:	Anthony D'Arco
Music Director:	Elizabeth Whitfield
Custodian:	Robert Jennings

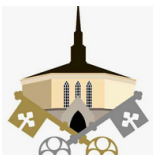


If you are new to our parish, please ask a greeter or an usher for a copy of our welcome brochure or pick one up in the vestibule. You may also contact the church office with the contact information listed below.

Sacramental Emergencies: St. 762-323-1558

Vincent de Paul Help Line: 706-884-0076

Learn more about our Catholic Faith at formed.org. Use parish code 'HPK4VT' to sign up for your free account!



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This Week's Mass Schedule**Monday, December 15****Mass:** Dominick Maniaci (†)**Tuesday, December 16****Mass:** Lynn Picuch (†)**Wednesday, December 17****Mass:** Irene Fullam (†)**Thursday, December 18****Friday, December 19****Mass:** George Bergeson (†)**Saturday, December 20****Mass:** Lynn Picuch (†)**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT****Sunday, December 21****Mass:** Irene Fullam (†)**Mass:** Victoria & Maximo Minoza, Sr.**Mass:** Josefino Santo Domingo (L)

9:00 am

9:00 am

9:00 am

12:00pm

5:00 pm

Liturgical Ministries' Schedule**Saturday, December 20, 5:00 pm****Altar Server:**

Amelia Gale

Gabriela Thomas, Brayden Vazquez

Extraordinary Ministers:

Louise Coniglio

Lector:

Daniela Chase

Ushers:

Mike Ellis, Ed Wheatley

Randy Giordano, John Scherer

Sunday, December 21, 8:00 am**Altar Servers:**

Andy, Diego

and Jennifer Martin-Escalante

Extraordinary Ministers:

Chris Joseph

Lector:

Winston Pineda

Ushers:

Ed Sacco, Esteban Rodriguez

Kevin Cain

Sunday, December 21, 11:00 am**Altar Servers:**

Ireland Hardy

Ryleigh Head

Extraordinary Ministers:

Peggy Hill

Lector:

Charles Jacobs

Ushers:

CJay Tarwater

Lourdes Del Valle, Lance Lehman

Sunday, December 21, 5:00 pm**Ushers:**

Domingo Martinez

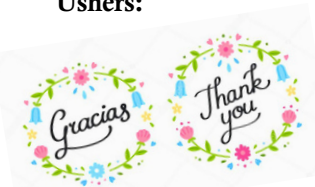
Let Us Pray For Those Who Are Sick

If you know someone who needs to be added to the prayer list, please contact the office. Please pray for our loved ones. May they feel the healing touch of the Lord, especially:

Bruce Pendleton	Maria Canales	Nancy Stevens
Bob Kusterman	Michael Corbell	Elsie Tipsword
Ed Basko	Jody Hudson	Janet Beshear
Clancy Alford	Patty Henderson	Deborah Smith
Barry Smith	Tammy Fritts	



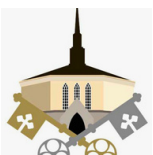
The Second Collection this weekend is for St. Vincent de Paul Society. Last weekend's collection, Retirement Fund for Religious, will be posted in a later issue. There will be no collection next weekend. Thank you for your generous support.

***Weekly Offertory***

Due to advanced deadlines, the offertory for the weekend of December 7 will be posted in a later issue.

The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with the many people worldwide in praying for his intentions. This month we pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



Is someone in your family ill? Are you a new mother? Let us know! Call the Church office @ 706-884-4224. Our Meals for the Sick ministry will be happy to assist you as you recover from your hospital/rehabilitation stay.

¿Hay alguien enfermo en su familia? ¿Es usted una nueva madre? ¡Háznoslo saber! Llame a la oficina de la Iglesia al (706) 884-4224.

Nuestro ministerio de Comidas para los Enfermos estará encantado de ayudarlo mientras se recupera de su hospitalización / rehabilitación.



Thank You

Thanks to the proceeds and generous donations from the Knights of Columbus and the CCW during last month's Taste of St. Peter's event, we were able to present Anthony D'Arco and the Children's Youth Group with a check for \$2,100. This contribution will help support next year's summer camp program.

This wonderful gesture was made possible by the generosity of all attendees and the volunteer chefs. The event was a tremendous success, and the food was outstanding! For those who couldn't join us this year, we hope you'll consider attending next year's event.



Gracias

Gracias a las ganancias y las generosas donaciones de los Caballeros de Colón y la CCW durante el evento "Sabor de San Pedro" del mes pasado, pudimos entregar a Anthony D'Arco y al Grupo Juvenil Infantil un cheque por \$2,100. Esta contribución ayudará a financiar el programa de campamento de verano del próximo año.

Este maravilloso gesto fue posible gracias a la generosidad de todos los asistentes y los chefs voluntarios. El evento fue todo un éxito y la comida estuvo exquisita. Para quienes no pudieron acompañarnos este año, esperamos que consideren asistir al evento del próximo año.



Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The end of the year is fast approaching, and so is our Archdiocesan Annual Appeal deadline, Dec. 31. Our goal is \$46,600, and to date we have received \$46,400. If everyone makes their pledge, we will go over our goal which will benefit us as the overage comes back to the parish! Thank you to all who have contributed.

Campaña anual del arzobispo

Se acerca el fin de año, y con él la fecha límite para nuestra Campaña Anual Arquidiocesana, el 31 de diciembre. Nuestra meta es de \$46,600, y hasta la fecha hemos recibido \$46,400. Si todos hacen su promesa, superaremos nuestra meta, lo que nos beneficiará, ya que el excedente se destinará a la parroquia. Gracias a todos los que han contribuido.

This Week At St. Peter's

View our parish master calendar online at our website,
<https://www.stplagrange.com/events/>

15	DEC, MON	9 – 10am	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		7 – 8pm	CCW meeting MultiPurpose Room
16	DEC, TUE	9 – 10am	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		9:45 – 11:15am	Study of Catechism Adoration Hall
		6 – 7pm	Mass @ St. Elizabeth
		7 – 8pm	Posadas Multi-Purpose Room
17	DEC, WED	9 – 10am	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		7 – 8:30pm	Confirmation Class The Rock
		7 – 8pm	Choir Practice Sanctuary
		7 – 8pm	Posadas Multi-Purpose Room
18	DEC, THU	7 – 8pm	Posadas Multi-Purpose Room
19	DEC, FRI	9 – 11:50am	Eucharistic Exposition
		9 – 11am	Meals On Wheels Parish Hall
		12 – 1pm	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		6 – 9pm	Eucharistic Exposition
		7 – 8pm	Posadas Multi-Purpose Room
		7 – 8pm	Sons of Lafayette Christmas Concert Sanctuary
20	DEC, SAT	4 – 4:45pm	Reconciliation
		5 – 6pm	Vigil Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		7 – 8pm	Posadas Multi-Purpose Room
21	DEC, SUN	7:30 – 7:45am	Sunday Morning Rosary Sanctuary
		8 – 9am	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		9 – 9:45am	Coffee & Donuts Parish Hall
		9:30 – 10:45am	NO PREP classes
		11am – 12pm	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		1:30 – 2pm	Rosary @ St. Elizabeth Chapel
		2 – 3pm	Mass @ St. Elizabeth's St. Elizabeth - Sanctuary
		5 – 6pm	Mass (Español) @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
		7 – 8pm	Posadas Multi-Purpose Room
		7 – 8pm	Stellarum Concert Sanctuary

St. Elizabeth Corner

Sunday, 12/14/25

12:30 PM; CCW Meeting (No Bible Study)

1:30 PM; Rosary in the Chapel

2:00 PM; Mass

Tuesday, 12/16/25

6:00 PM; Mass

Sunday, 12/21/25

12:30 PM; Bible Study

1:30 PM; Rosary in the Chapel

2:00 PM; Mass

After Mass; Coffee & Donuts



St. Peter's Angel Tree Project

St. Peter's Parish shines Christ's Light and Love to the children in our community through their generous support of the Angel Tree Project. A BIG Thank-You to parishioners who provided gifts and prayers for this project.

Proyecto del Árbol del Ángel de San Pedro

La Parroquia de San Pedro ilumina la luz y el amor de Cristo con su generoso apoyo al Proyecto Árbol del Ángel. Un gran agradecimiento a los feligreses que donaron y oraron para este proyecto.

Kids Corner

Prayer

Dear God, show me ways to help my friends follow God, too.

Mission for the Week

If you have any videos that tell Bible stories, watch one or two together with your family.

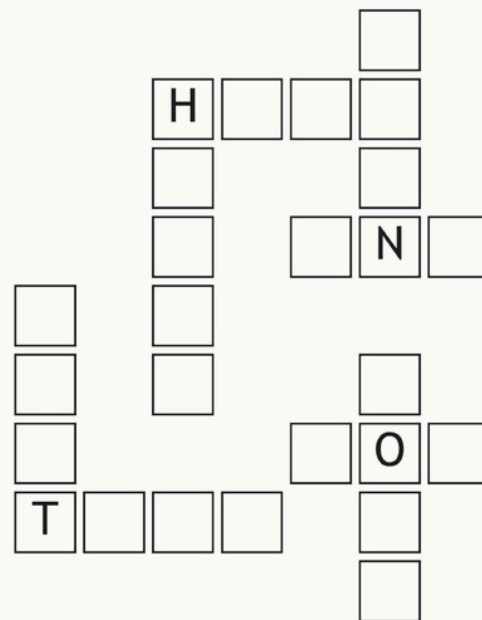
Sharing the Gospel

Name someone that you think is very important. Jesus said that John the Baptist was the greatest man ever born. John the Baptist did not live in a big house or wear nice clothes. He was not the president, and he did not own a huge company. You would probably think he was very poor. But John the Baptist was truly great because he loved and trusted God with his whole heart. He helped other people follow God, too.

Now color the picture! →

Fit this Gospel Message into the empty squares:

Tell John what you have heard and seen.





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7:00PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

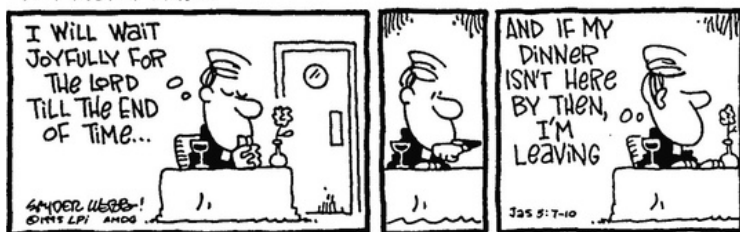
- **Sons of Lafayette Concert** Friday, December 19th at 7pm - Tickets will be sold the weekend of December 13/14 in the vestibule
- **CCW Cookie Sale** - December 13/14 in the vestibule after Masses
- **Children's St. Nick's party** and program - Sunday December 14th at 9:30am
- **Stellarum Concert** - Sunday, December 21st at 7pm in the sanctuary
- **Christmas Eve Masses** are Wednesday, December 24th at 4pm (Family Mass) and 10pm (Midnight Mass) at St. Peter's
- **Christmas Day Masses** are Thursday, December 25th at 9am at St. Peter's and 12pm noon at St. Elizabeth
- **New Year's Eve Mass** - Wednesday, December 31st at 5pm at St. Peter's
- **New Year's Day Mass** - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - January 1st, 2026 at 9am at St. Peter's and at 12pm at St. Elizabeth

Changes To Daily Mass Schedule During The Advent Season

Monday, December 15: 9am at St. Peter's

Wednesday, December 17: 9am at St. Peter's

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - Mission

2904 Judson Bulloch Road, Warm Springs, GA 31830
706-846-5223

Sunday, December 21, 2:00pm

Mass Intention:

People of the Parish

Weekly Offertory

Due to advanced deadlines, the offertory for the weekend of December 7 will be posted in a later issue.



Gospel Meditation

When I was 11, I was riding my bike on a Friday night in Scottsdale, Arizona. I saw giant spotlights swirling in the sky. Something amazing had to be happening. I pedaled after them with excitement. Sweaty and tired, I arrived, only to find a used car lot. Bright lights, flapping banners, inflatable balloon men swaying wildly in the wind. I stood there, heart sinking. All that spectacle, and all my effort ... for this?


As life proceeds, we learn what it is like to pursue promising but fruitless searches. This week we hear Jesus ask the crowds regarding John the Baptist: "What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind?" (Matthew 11:7). He's not just describing the crowd's mis-aimed pursuit. He's naming our tendency to chase after what's flashy but flimsy.

What are our swaying reeds? For me, it is endless video reels on my phone, worldly pleasures, entertainment in sports, and the good opinion of others. Inflated distractions that bend whichever way the wind blows. But they can't satisfy my soul. What are your flimsy reeds?

John the Baptist wasn't a swaying reed. He was rooted, grounded, unafraid to speak the solid truth. The people went to see him because, deep down, they were starving for something real.

This Advent, the Church asks us to reassess: What are we really looking for? Are we chasing the dazzling but hollow? Or are we seeking what is solid and lasting — that which points to Christ?

— Father John Muir

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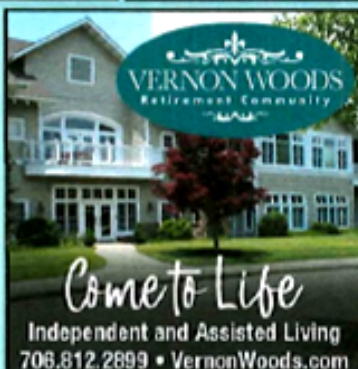
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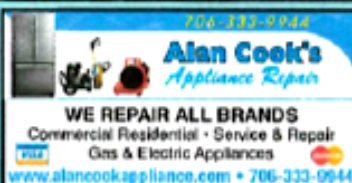


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