



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 16, 2025

Parish Staff

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New Parish Council

Kenneth Bell	Andrea Lowe
Stephen Belt	Margaret McCabe
Michele Brown	Jan Quinn
Corliss Cox	Brenda Vanderford
Denise Martin Harper	Michelle Vinson
Simeon Layne, Jr.	Sandra Wilson

Feel free to contact one of the team members with questions and ideas as we transition to a new parish.

Parish Office

ST. PETER CLAVER PARISH
314-485-4566
office@stpeterclaverstl.org (e-mail)
stpeterclaverstl.org (website)

LIVE STREAM - in browser or You Tube:
@stpeterclaverstl

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses: St. Peter Claver Parish
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 AM
Daily Masses: Tuesday - Friday, 12:00 PM
4330 Shreve Avenue, Saint Louis, MO 63115

RECONCILIATION

One (1) hour before Mass and by Appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

One (1) hour Thursdays following 12:00 Noon Mass

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace! **Congratulations to our new Parish Council members: Andrea Lowe, Margaret Ann McCabe, and Michelle Vinson!** Thank you for accepting your nomination and for being willing to serve the parish family in this capacity. Thank you also to the 17 other parishioners who accepted their nomination and “put their name in the hat” for this much needed policy forming body of the church. These new members of the parish council join the 9 existing members who served as the Transition Team at the inception of our parish. Thank you to **Kenneth Bell, Stephen Belt, Michele Brown, Corliss Cox, Simeon Layne, Jr., Denise Martin-Harper, Janice Quinn, Brenda Vanderford, and Sandra Wilson** for agreeing to stay on for another year or two! I also thank **Dionne Flowers, Barb Johnson, and Desiray Taylor**, the out-going members of the Transition Team. We appreciate your service to our parish!

The initial task of the Parish Council will be to establish the parish mission statement. After that work is finalized, we will begin formulating specific goals and objectives for our parish as a whole to implement. Please pray for the Parish Council and the clergy and staff of the parish that we can be open and docile to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit and follow God’s Will for our parish family!

This weekend in our Gospel, we begin a **three-week journey through Jesus’ exalted “Sermon on the Plain” (Luke 6:17-49)**. This is St. Luke’s version of Jesus’ “Sermon on the Mount” found in Chapters 5-7 of the *Gospel of Matthew*. This will take us right into the season of Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Like the *Gospel of Matthew*, St. Luke’s version of the Jesus’ foundational teaching begins with “the beatitudes,” revelations as to the state of utmost blessedness. These “beatitudes” really challenge us to look deeper into what fulfills us in this life because on the surface, a vast majority of people would naturally avoid such dispositions of life. When faithfully pursued, though, we see that it is in these states where we most profoundly encounter the living God, He who is the fulfillment of all desire.

Well, my prayers remain for you, your loved ones, and for all your intentions! God bless and keep you always!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Scott Scheiderer
Pastor of St. Peter Claver Parish



Saturday Vigil, February 15

4:00 PM

Ushers: Bernard Anthony
Lector: Michelle Vinson
Acolyte: Rosalind Williams, Dwayne Simmons
EMHC: Kim Reid

Sunday, February 16

8:00 AM

Ushers: Bill Murphy, Joan Crawford
Lector: Peter Jones
Acolyte: Abraham Lopez
EMHC: Kim Reid

10:00 AM

Ushers: Ken Bell, Geron Houston, Stephanie Reed, Barbara Morrow
Lector: Kathy Beasley, Barbara Jackson
Acolyte: Corliss Cox, Michael Williams
EMHC: Myles McCabe, Margaret McCabe (Main, check-in with Fr. Scott before Mass) Lillian Summers (Choir)
Announcer: Stephen Belt

Saturday Vigil, February 22

4:00 PM

Ushers: Regi McMurtry, Rosalind Williams
Lector: Denise Harper-Martin
Acolyte: Kim Reid, Cynthia Mitchell
EMHC: Paulyn Snyder

Sunday, February 23

8:00 AM

Ushers: Bernadette White, Linda Hancock-Ross
Lector: Michele Brown
Acolyte: Shirley Robinson
EMHC: Kim Reid

10:00 AM

Ushers: **YOUTH SUNDAY**
Lector: Kennedy Thomas
Acolyte: Michael Williams, Terron Houston
EMHC: Myles McCabe, Margaret McCabe (Main, check-in with Fr. Scott before Mass) Lillian Summers (Choir)

Announcer:

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Deepen our trust in God's strength, seek true happiness in Him, and actively live out our faith by reaching out to those in need, especially those who feel lost or rejected, mirroring Christ's compassion and offering hope to others. Amen.

Scripture Readings
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Reading I

Jeremiah 17:5-8

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6

Reading II

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Gospel

Luke 6:17, 20-26

February 17 - February 22

Monday: Genesis 4:1-15; Psalm 50:1 & 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday: Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Psalm 29:1a & 2, 3ac-4, 3b & 9c-10; Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Psalm 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mark 8:22-26

Thursday: Genesis 9:1-13; Psalm 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, & 22-23; Mark 8:27-33

Friday: Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mark 8:34-9:1

Saturday: 1 Peter 5:1-4; Psalm 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Matthew 16:13-19

HOMEBOUND AND SICK



Remember in your prayers all the Homebound and Sick of our parish:

Audrey Anderson, Richard Anderson, Judith Banks, James Blum, William Bonnet, Carrie Brown, Grace Brown, Jane Brown, Ruby Carter, Seola Collier, Gwen Cooper, Bernice Culmore, Lily Davis, Carol Dickerson, Rhonda Dorsey, Harold Duffield, Naomi Gardner, Leodia Gooch, Paula Griffin, Naomi Hampton, Joan Hanheide, Michael Hanson, Kenneth Herndon, Joice Hollingsworth, Barbara Ingram, Karen Jamison, Janie Kirkland, Abraham Lopez, Finley Martin, Arlene McDaniel, Elizabeth McFarland, Flossie McNairy, Jacqueline McNeese, Eunice Miles, Jan Quinn, Kim Reid, Marilyn Rusznak, Wendell Scales, Charlene Shannon, Shirley Shelton, Sandra Simmons, Frances Simms, Dorothy Sing, Crystal Small, Doris Smith, Laverna Spinks, Charlene Wallace, Les Wells, Patricia Wells, Lillian Whitley, Mattie Williams, Eugenia Young

MASS INTENTIONS FOR
February 17
thru
February 23

Monday, February 17
Hillside Rehab & Healthcare Center
10:00 a.m. **Violet Turner**

Tuesday, February 18
12:00 p.m. **Ereberta Flowers**

Wednesday, February 19
12:00 p.m. **Jerry Saykes**

Thursday, February 20
12:00 p.m. **Alphonso Moore**

Friday, February 21
12:00 p.m. **Pauline Humphrey**

Saturday, February 22
4:00 p.m. **People of the Parish**

Sunday, February 23
8:00 a.m. **Luci A. Rucker**
10:00 a.m. **Mary Ellen Metzger**



In Loving Memory



Remember all of our departed loved ones.

Alphonso Moore
Pauline Humphrey
Roger Casey

*In my Father's house
are many rooms.*

*If it were not so, would I have told you that
I will go to prepare a place for you?*

John 14:2

St. Peter Claver Offertory

February 9, 2025

\$7,945.00

Jesus make our hearts like yours.



February Birthdays
&
Anniversary

Happy Birthday & Anniversary
to all who celebrate this month.



SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY

Our special collection for the month of February is the St. Vincent DePaul Society. If making a donation to our SVDP Society, please be sure it is payable to "St. Peter Claver Conference".

THANK YOU!

2025 PARISH CALENDARS

We apologize for the delay in receiving our 2025 parish calendars. If you didn't receive one last weekend, we have a few still available in the back of church. Please, limit one to household.

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PARISH NEWS

*Prayer to St. Michael
Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us
in battle, be our protection against the
wickedness and snares of the devil.*



*May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do
thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the
power of God, cast into Hell Satan and all the
evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking
the ruin of souls.*

Amen.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
(OCIA)



Do you know someone that is interested in joining the Catholic Church? Or, someone baptized who is not confirmed or who has never received communion?

We will meet on Sundays after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the rectory dining room. The OCIA class for our youth meets the second Sunday of the month following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. The next Youth OCIA will be March 9, please plan on attending.

Contact our Parish Office, 314-485-4566, if interested in learning more about joining our Church or contact Fr. Scheiderer.

scott.scheiderer@archstl.org.

TOP LADIES OF DISTINCTION

The Faith Initiative Campaign for the TOP Ladies of Distinction is the last week of February every year; this year that is February 23. UNCF is the TOP Ladies' initiative.

Ms. Marie Graham will be speaking to us on the 23rd regarding this campaign. If you have a desire to contribute to UNCF, please see Ms. Graham after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on the 23rd. Thank you.

SCRIP PROGRAM



Our Scrip Program is available to you every weekend.

You purchase gift cards from a wide range of vendors with cash or check; we order them and have them for you the next weekend.

Our Parish benefits as each vendor has agreed to a percentage discount on each card purchased. The discounted portion stays at the Parish. We do not keep any cards on hand. For more information, talk to Lynda in the back of church.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Today at the conclusion of the 10:00 a.m. Mass, Mr. Otis Holloway, from our Young Adults, will have a presentation on Cedric the Entertainer, one of our "unsung African American heroes of Missouri".



**MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22
9:00 a.m.**



There is a sign up sheet in the back of church. If you plan on attending, we ask you to sign your name so we have a count for how much food we need to prepare.

The sign up sheet has a couple of items we can use help with: shopping, set up, cooking and clean up. Please note if you can help with any of these.

Questions may be directed to Simeon Layne.

**"THIS IS MY STORY . . .
THIS IS MY SONG"**

Sharon Shanks is our February guest speaker today following 10:00 a.m. Mass for the "This is my story...This is my song" presentation. We will meet in the rectory basement.

Also, if you are interested in sharing your story, please contact Alfreda Pulley on 314-629-6759 or call the parish office. Let's take advantage of this chance to grow in faith with one another.

**ST. PETER CLAVER
CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**



We will have St. Peter Claver envelopes **beginning March, 2025.**

There will not be an envelope mailing for February. Envelopes for February will be provided in the pews and the back of church.

Please use these envelopes and be sure to mark your name on the envelope. We ask that you continue your generous giving through February as we wait for our St. Peter Claver envelopes to arrive in March.

ONLINE GIVING IS BACK



Have you been wondering when you will once again be able to enroll in online giving and never have to worry about remembering to bring your Sunday offering to Mass each week? Well, the time has come. We have secured an online giving vendor called Servant Keeper. See the detailed article on how to enroll on page 7 of this bulletin.

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NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE COMMUNITY

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE



The Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation (TTEF), opens the scholarship applications for the 2025-2026 school year on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. We encourage all families to apply for scholarships.

For new and returning families, an online application is required. Please visit www.ttef-stl.org.

A complete application requires proof of income.

TTEF offers scholarships to all Archdiocesan Elementary Schools and all non-public schools in the City of St. Louis. With our partners, TTEF has limited scholarships for all Catholic Schools. Questions, please call Cori Scheitlin at 314-792-7735 or Laura George at 314-792-7623 or email ttef@archstl.org.

MY SOUL PROCLAIMS

(Luke 1:46)

MARCH 8

8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Si Commons at SLUH

CATHOLIC WOMEN

FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE

Early registration is \$35.00.

Keynote speakers are Heather Khym and Sr. Marie Veritas, S.V., and Carrie Bajzath, Worship.

Register at:

CATHOLICWOMENFORCHRIST.ORG

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Let Jesus Feed Your Marriage in 2025!



Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this year!

The following upcoming weekends are available in 2025. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

4/4/2025 - 4/6/2025, St. Peters, MO

6/13/2025 - 6/15/2025, St. Peters, MO

8/1/2025 - 8/3/2025, Cape Girardeau, MO

THE MUNY

Now hiring for the Summer of 2025 Season; ushers, concession staff, donor parking guides, cast van drivers.

To be considered for employment at The Muny, applicants must be at least sixteen (16) years of age on or before their first assigned shift.

The application will be used to hire for multiple departments with a range of hours and needs.

Apply today at Seasonal Staff - The Muny

ARCHDIOCESAN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH, 2025

We have three special collections coming up in March, 2025. They are:

	Collection Date
Church in Central and Eastern Europe	March 5
Black and Indian Missions	March 9
Catholic Relief Services	March 30

Please prayerfully consider how you can support these collections.

CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Collection Date: March 5

Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations and seminary formation.

Your contribution restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please consider how you can support this collection.



TRUST IN THE LORD

Most of us are concerned and troubled about many things in our lives. Today's readings share a message of trust and hope in the Lord despite our suffering, and sadness. In the Gospel, Jesus provides a foreshadowing of the joy and glory we will experience in heaven. We hear a reminder that we must be vigilant not to trust in the things of this world because that can lead us astray. Jesus reminds us that our main focus and the center of our lives should be Him. In today's culture we are surrounded by the "noise" of this world and it is so easy to get distracted away from our focus. "Jesus, please help us to stay focused on You and help us to truly trust in Your Love and Mercy.

Amen."

Missionary Discipleship

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WE CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO

- ◆ New Parish Phone Number: **314-485-4566**
- ◆ New Parish E-Mail Address: **office@stpeterclaverstl.org**
- ◆ **TOP LADIES OF DISTINCTION**
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- ◆ **Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Movement**
Join Sacred Heart Parish in Florissant to view the 14-part document series to learn about the injustices of the past as a way to shed light on our present and work towards a more equitable future. During each session, participants will watch a one-hour episode followed by a short discussion.
Wednesday January 8, January 22 and beyond | 6:30 p.m.
Sacred Heart Parish (N. Jefferson)
- ◆ **METRO-ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY (MCTC) TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TAP-St. Louis)**
IRS Certified Volunteers Providing Free Tax Preparation
MCTC St. Louis Catholic Academy
1106 N. Jefferson Ave.
Contact: 314-690-3570 for an appointment or TAP Website at www.stlouistap.org
Please bring the following with you: **Identification** (valid government issue driver's license or passport - not expired, Social Security Cards of those on tax return, letter from Social Security office or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number - TIN); **Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN)** (letter from IRS, if applicable, income (taxable), W-2s, W-2G, all 1099 series documents, deductions, Form 1098-T Student Loan Interest, Charitable Contributions Documentation, Health Insurance Premiums or Long-Term Care Premiums you paid (MO residents); **MO Property Tax Credit (Circuit Breaker)** Non-taxable sources – letter – SSI or VA benefits
- ◆ **MARRIAGE ON TAP STL**
Join us on **Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** for an evening of dinner and marriage enrichment at Syberg's on Dorsett in Maryland Heights, Missouri. Our guest speakers will be Lauren & Bill Fogarty, and their presentation is entitled, "Hold On . . . God's Unconditional Love and the Power of Prayer." The evening is sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Dinner is \$66 per couple/\$33 per person. Cash bar will be available. Advanced registration is required and must be postmarked by March 3, 2025. For more information, check out Marriage on Tap STL on Facebook or email us at marriageontapstl@gmail.com.

BULLETIN ADS AND/OR MEMORIAMS

- ⇒ If you have a business or know someone who has a business or want to memorialize a loved one, you may be interested in sponsoring an annual ad or memorial in our weekly bulletin. You can have an ad space for \$300 a year, that is advertising or a memorial donation for only \$25 a month.
- ⇒ A 2-1/2" x 1-1/2" ad will be included in our weekly bulletin (52 weeks) and on our website publicizing your business, reaching more potential clients.
- ⇒ Or, if you want to memorialize a loved one all year long, memoriams are also available for inclusion in our weekly bulletin. Specifications for memoriams are the same as bulletin ads.
- ⇒ All income generated from our ads will go to cover the expense of publishing our weekly bulletin.
- ⇒ If interested in either an ad or a memorial, please contact our Parish Office for more information.

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ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE THROUGH SERVANT KEEPER

SERVANTKEEPER®

We are excited to announce that our church has partnered with Servant Keeper to offer a convenient and secure online giving option for all our members. This new feature allows you to contribute to our church community easily and efficiently, ensuring that your generosity continues to make an impact.

****Benefits of Online Giving:****

1. ****Routine Scheduling:**** With online giving, you can set up automatic recurring donations. This means you can plan your contributions ahead of time, making it easier to support our church on a regular basis without having to remember each time. Special offerings will be placed in the bulletin the month before.
2. ****Flexibility:**** Choose the frequency and amount that works best for you - whether that's weekly, monthly, or any other schedule that fits your budgeting needs.
3. ****Convenience:**** No need to write checks or carry cash. You can give from the comfort of your home or on the go, using your computer or smartphone.

While there is a slight fee associated with online giving, you have the option to absorb this cost if you choose. Your generosity is vital to our church, and we are grateful for every contribution.

****Getting Started:****

To set up your online giving, simply scan the QR code below. This will take you directly to the Servant Keeper site, where you can create your account and start your giving journey. You can also go to our website stpeterclaverstl.org, click the "Online Giving" button.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a vital part of our church community. Together, we can make a difference!



If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to our office.



Granberry Mortuary, Inc.
8806 Jennings Station Road
Jennings, Missouri 63136
314-867-8837

**FOR AN AD OR
MEMORIAM,
CONTACT THE
PARISH OFFICE FOR
MORE INFORMATION.**