



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **October 5, 2025**

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

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ST. PETER CLAVER CONFERENCE
OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

314-289-6101, Ext. 1169

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

RECONCILIATION

One (1) hour before Mass and by Appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace! Wow! **I'm overflowing with gratitude for last weekend's "Priest Appreciation Sunday."** Thank you to the parish staff and the parish council for organizing and executing such a wonderful celebration, and thank you to the parish family for your words of encouragement, support, and love! I'm extremely appreciative! **A debt of gratitude is also due to Mr. Bill Murphy for his time, talent, and energy in crafting a "Priest Appreciation" sign and painting an extraordinary St. Josephine Bakhita portrait.** The latter was given to me as a gift at the close of the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Since the early years of my priesthood, I've had a special devotion to St. Josephine Bakhita. When I first read about her life, I was deeply moved by her witness and how profoundly she was rooted in her identity as a child of God. In fact, it was said of St. Josephine Bakhita that often she would be found in the church of her baptism kissing the baptismal font, saying, "Here, I became a daughter of God." In reading about this and other details of her life, I began invoking her intercession on a regular basis, praying that I too could come to such an appreciation of my being "in Christ." Now, thanks to Mr. Bill Murphy and all those who presented the gift idea to him, I have a continual reminder of St. Josephine Bakhita memorialized in my office to inspire me to greater union with Jesus Christ. Thank you, all!

Well, the month of October is upon us. As many of you know, **the month of October is devoted to the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** During this month, we will continue our tradition of praying the Rosary on Sundays between the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses at 9:15 a.m. (Note: Depending on the close of the 8:00 a.m. Mass, start time might be delayed). Also, as a reminder, we continue to pray the Rosary for the intentions of our parish family and for our "neighbors-in-need" who receive assistance from our supply pantry. This Rosary is offered Tuesday through Friday before the 12:00 p.m. Mass at 11:30 a.m. I sure hope you are able to avail yourself of the opportunity to pray this treasured devotion with our parish family. It is a powerful instrument in leading the faithful to a deeper relationship with our Lord. No better way to access the Sacred Heart of Jesus than through the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

In addition to the month being devoted to the Rosary, it is also Respect Life Month and Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Thank you to Mrs. Patricia Taylor for organizing our "Respect Life" display in the back of church. May we as a parish family continue to advocate for a "Culture of Life" in all that we think, say, and do. Also, thank you to our Spiritual Life Committee co-leads, Mrs. Alfreda Pulley and Miss Kim Reid, for organizing a special "This Is My Story... This Is My Song" faith-sharing event where several parishioners will give their testimony regarding their experience of battling breast cancer. This presentation will occur on the 3rd Sunday of the month, 10/19, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Hope you are able to attend! Well, blessings on you, your loved ones, and your intentions! My prayers remain for you all. Have a blessed week!

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



Saturday, October 4

4:00 PM

Ushers: Bernard Anthony, Regi McMurtry

Lector: Carol Huddleston

Acolytes: Cynthia Mitchell, Rosalind Williams

EMHC: Paulyn Snyder, Shirley Robinson

Sunday, October 5

8:00 AM

Ushers: Bernadette White, Joan Crawford

Lector: Kim Reid

Acolytes: Pam Mason, Abraham Lopez

EMHC: Paulyn Snyder

10:00 AM

Ushers: Lynn Woolfolk, Jim Velten,
Dionne Flowers, Stephen Byes

Lectors: Dionne Flowers, Helen Smith

Acolytes: Bill Collier, Michael Williams

EMHC: Sheila Johnson, Paulyn Snyder
(Main, check-in with Fr. Scott before Mass)
Lillian Summer (Choir)

Announcer: Corliss Cox

Saturday, October 11

4:00 PM

Ushers: Bernard Anthony, Regi McMurtry

Lector: Paulyn Snyder

Acolytes: Cynthia Mitchell, Rosalind Williams

EMHC: Paulyn Snyder, Shirley Robinson

Sunday, October 12

8:00 AM

Ushers: Bernadette White, Bill Murphy

Lector: Anjanette Clark

Acolytes: Pam Mason, Abraham Lopez

EMHC: Paulyn Snyder

10:00 AM

Ushers: Stephen Belt, Jacoby Combs,
Sheila Johnson

Lectors: Sharon Shanks, Lillian Summers

Acolytes: Venus Spain, Corliss Cox

EMHC: Terry Grotpetter, Sheila Johnson
(Main, check-in with Fr. Scott before Mass)
Kevin Blackshear (Choir)

Announcer: Denise Martin Harper

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For our Holy Father, Pope Leo, that he will continue to lead the Church in proclaiming the Good News of Christ.

Amen.

Scripture Readings

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Reading II

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

October 6 - October 11

Monday: Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11; Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8;
Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jonah 3:1-10; Psalm 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8;
Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jonah 4:1-11; Psalm 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10;
Luke 11:1-4

Thursday: Malachi 3:13-20b; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6;
Luke 11:5-13

Friday: Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Psalm 9:2-3, 6 & 16, 8-9;
Luke 11:15-26

Saturday: Joel 4:12-21; Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;
Luke 11:27-28

HOMEBOUND AND SICK

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



Audrey Anderson, Richard Anderson,
Judith Banks, William Bonnett, Grace Brown,
Jane Brown, Marie Buckner, Ruby Carter,
Louis Coffman, Gwen Cooper, Lily Davis,
Carol Dickerson, Rhonda Dorsey, Harold Duffield,
Msgr. Bob Gettinger, Charles Ghirardi, Leodia Gooch,
Paula Griffin, Naomi Hampton, Joan Hanheide,
Michael Hanson, Kenneth Herndon, Joice Hollingsworth,
Karen Jamison, Abraham Lopez, Finley Martin,
Michelle Martin, Arlene McDaniel, Elizabeth McFarland,
Flossie McNairy, Jacqueline McNeese, Eunice Miles,
Jan Quinn, Michelle Randle, Kim Reid, Marilyn Rusznak,
Wendell Scales, Charlene Shannon, Shirley Shelton,
Frances Simms, Sandra Simmons, Dorothy Sing,
Crystal Small, Doris Smith, Les Wells, Patricia Wells,
Lillian Whitley, Mattie Williams, Doris J. Wilson

MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 6 thru OCTOBER 12



Monday, October 6
Hillside Rehab & Healthcare Center
10:00 a.m. Kelvin Rogers
Tuesday, October 7
12:00 p.m. Jack Kaiman
Wednesday, October 8
12:00 p.m. Henry Ross
Thursday, October 9
12:00 p.m. Stephen Metzger
Friday, October 10
12:00 p.m. Brandon Murphy
Saturday, October 11
4:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday, October 12
8:00 a.m. Samuel J. Randazzo
10:00 a.m. Clea O. Mahaney



In Loving Memory



Remember all of our departed loved ones.

**HENRY ROSS
BERNICE CULMORE**

*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 September 28, 2025

\$4,566.98 (General)

\$471.25 (Online)

\$5,038.23 (Total)

Jesus make our hearts like yours.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH OPPORTUNITIES

Today we continue our tradition of sharing fellowship in the parish hall with coffee and donuts after both the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses.

The Veterans Service and Support Ministry will meet in the parish hall in the room across from the coffee and donuts after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Our Health and Wellness Ministry will be doing blood pressure screenings in the Bell Tower Chapel after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

October Birthdays & Anniversary

Happy Birthday & Anniversary
to all who celebrate this month.



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NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESAN COMMUNITY

OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is designated as the Month of the Rosary because the Catholic Church's liturgical feast for Our Lady of the Rosary is on October 7th, a day that commemorates the 1571 Christian victory at the Battle of Lepanto. Pope St. Pius V attributed this naval victory to the powerful intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary after he urged prayers for victory. Consequently, the month is a time of special devotion to Mary through the praying of the Rosary.

All Sundays in the month of October, the recitation of the Rosary will be prayed between the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses.

Next week Pat Taylor will lead us in praying the Rosary. We invite you to join us.



BIBLE STUDY: For Such a Time As This October 2-November 20 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Join us for an inspiring eight week Bible Study on the Book of Esther, exploring how God calls us to courage and faithfulness in challenging times.

These study sessions will be lead by Danielle Harrison, JD, MA, at the St. Charles Lwanga Center at 8240 Washington Street 63114.

For more information, please reach out to Corliss Cox, 314-449-3496, or info@lwangacenter.org.



MO SCHOLARS

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1,155 TTEF MoScholars recipients 2025/2026 school year. 90% of MoScholars recipients attend a Catholic school.

\$6 million in tax credits are now available through the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation.

Your support can turn Missouri tax dollars into life-changing scholarships.

Questions, contact our team, 314-792-7732.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THURSDAY and FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18 and 19, 7:30 p.m.

Celebrate the season with this spectacular performance by gospel legends the Clark Sisters, the St. Louis Symphony (SLSO) and the IN UNISON Chorus, blending gospel, jazz and holiday classics.

For more information or tickets, contact Vivian Fox, 314-413-4301

WHITE HOUSE JESUIT RETREAT NOVEMBER 13-16

The retreat starts with dinner on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and concludes with Mass and lunch on Sunday. This is a silent retreat. There are four rooms remaining but they fill up fast.

There is a suggested cost for the retreat, but each person after prayerful consideration, pays what they can afford for the 4 day retreat.

If interested, please call Jason at the White House office: 314-416-6400, Retreat #77. St. Peter Claver contact: Teresa Scurlock @ 314-397-2748 or teresafrice@yahoo.com.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY MISSIONARIES OF HOPE AMONG THE PEOPLE OCTOBER 19

We are all called to be missionaries of hope - bringing the light of the Gospel to everyone, especially those who have yet to be touched by it, both near and far: to our families friends, neighbors, and our brothers and sisters around the world.

The World Mission Sunday collection is directed to the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith to the work of evangelization in 1,124 mission territories under the care of our Holy Father.



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®
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College, Career, and Scholarship Workshop Grades 10 - 12

Topics Include:

- Staying healthy post high school
- Financial education: Do's and Don'ts
- Searching for scholarships
- Writing scholarship essays
- Dress for success
- Interviewing skills
- Meet with people in various careers, trades, and armed services
- Information for parents, too

Sunday, October 12th

1PM - 5PM

Washington University -Hillman Hall

One Brookings Drive

St. Louis, MO 63105



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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.

LADIES AUXILIARY - KNIGHTS OF ST. PETER CLAVER COURT 213

Presents a two-day fundraiser trip to Branson,
October 17-18. See bulletin for package pricing.
\$100 deposit due now. For reservations
Queen Ester Frazier, 314-383-0103 or
Julie Abernathy, 314-713-1381.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

PICNIC LUNCH SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 ST. PETER CLAVER PARISH

Our Lady of Lourdes in University City will be on
our campus on Saturday, October 11, to provide
service hours to our Parish here at the St. Peter
Claver site. In addition, they are sponsoring a
picnic lunch beginning at 11:00 a.m. on the 11th.
Please plan on joining us.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2025
11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

ST. PETER CLAVER PARISH
ST. CHARLES LWANGA CENTER

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ARE YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF RECEIVING ANY SACRAMENT(S)?



If anyone has sacramental needs
(Baptism, First Holy Communion, First
Reconciliation, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
(OCIA)), please contact the parish office,
314-485-4566.

† First Reconciliation (Confession)/First Eucharist (Communion):

Any child or youth in the second grade or older who has
been baptized: There will be a **mandatory orientation
meeting** for parents (only) of children preparing to
receive First Holy Communion (Eucharist) this year.

† Confirmation:

Any youth who has been baptized, must be in grades
7th-12th, and at least 12 years of age at the time of the
administration of the Sacrament. All candidates and their
families must attend an information session prior to
enrollment.

† **All other sacramental needs:** Contact the parish
office.

Sacramental Preparation: If you or anyone you know
is in need of **any** sacrament, please contact the parish
office immediately.

If you have any questions contact the parish office at
314-485-4566. **Classes have begun on Mondays at
6:00 p.m. in the rectory dining room.**

ST. PETER CLAVER PARISH DISASTER RELIEF FOOD PANTRY WE ARE MOVING!!!

To better serve our neighbors still struggling after the
May 16 tornado and preparing for the coming winter
weather, we have determined we need a larger area to
assist those in need.

So, we have closed our door on Friday, September 26, at
the rectory site to move our accommodations to the
basement of the parish hall. Our intentions are to reopen
on Tuesday, October 7, at the new site.

When we reopen our hope is to have four regular
volunteers designated for each of the morning and
afternoon sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you
are willing to volunteer two to three hours of your time a
week to serve those struggling, please sign up on the
sheets in the back of church or contact the Parish Office,
314-485-4566, or talk to **Michele, Yvonne, Vivian or
Lynda. THANK YOU!**

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In November the St. Peter Claver Veterans Service and Support Ministry will honor our parish veterans and active duty families. Is your name missing from the list below? If so please contact Kim Reid at: sacredheart4kim@gmail.com. We don't want to miss anyone! Thank you for honoring our country with your service!

**ST. PETER CLAVER VETERAN SUPPORT
VETERAN ROLL OF HONOR**

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EDWARD JOEL JONES, ARMY
ABRAHAM LOPEZ, NAVY
DEBRA TOLLIVER-NASH, ARMY
PHILIP WHITE, AIR FORCE
RONALD WINDOM, NAVY**

ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE FAMILIES

**Linda Hancock-Ross, mother of *PAUL BURRIS*, Coast Guard, and veterans,
Kristopher Burris, and Lovette Burris**

Abraham Lopez, father of *JEREMIAH*, Army and veteran, *Isaiah Lopez*, Marines

Venus Spain, Mother of *Isaiah*, Navy

Charlene and Kindra Wallace, mother and grandmother of *TERRY AND KENTRELL*, Army



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IN UNISON Christmas



Dec 18–19 Thu & Fri 7:30pm

Kevin McBeth, conductor
The Clark Sisters, vocals
St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
Kevin McBeth, director

Celebrate the season with this spectacular performance by gospel legends the Clark Sisters, the SLSO, and the IN UNISON Chorus, blending gospel, jazz, and holiday classics.

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