



Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

January 12, 2020 – Baptism of the Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays 10:30 am

Tuesdays 10:30 am

The third Tuesday of the month
Mass is at the Grantsboro
Nursing home.

Visit spccnb.org

for Masses at St. Paul

Reconciliation before or after
Tuesday's Mass.

Mass for Holy Days 10:30 am

The Parish Office is open
10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Please contact the office for
Baptisms, Marriages (at least six
months notice), Funerals and
Cemetery information.

❖ PARISH NOTES

According to the Church calendar, today's celebration of the Baptism of Jesus marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. In many cultures, this feast coincides with the end of the Christmas break, the return to work and to the regular patterns of life. Some of us have been fortunate enough to get some "down time" since Christmas, precious time to reflect on the past year, alone or with loved ones, to set goals for the year ahead and to move into Ordinary Time with renewed life and vigor. It alerts us to our particular personal and collective responsibility to change the way we live so that life on this planet might actually have a future. The baptism story is an initiation or commissioning story. We hear it against the backdrop of the first reading from Isaiah 42. Jesus is God's chosen one on whom God's Spirit rests. The voice of God commissions God's chosen to bring forth justice, sensitively and without fanfare: to be a light to the peoples; to open the eyes of the blind and to set the captives free. A Spirit-filled life consists in fulfilling such a mission. In Matthew's account of the baptism, "the heavens are opened" and Jesus sees God's Spirit descending on him "like a dove". While the image of the heavens opening presents an ancient three-tiered understanding of the structure of the cosmos, we might nonetheless appreciate the sense it evokes of the all-encompassing cosmic nature of this commissioning event. God's words are addressed to all who listen to the gospel: "This is my Son, the beloved, with whom I am well pleased." Jesus' mission is to be understood in terms of "righteousness" or right relationship. Jesus' insistence that John baptize him despite John's reluctance points to the reversal of values that will characterize his mission. There is no pursuit of status or personal aggrandizement in a gospel way of life. Right relationship lies rather in respecting as God's creation the entire Earth community, in bringing forth justice and setting the captives free. Each one of us can make a difference to the "ordinary time" of those with whom we share life on this planet. The image of "the heavens" opening might serve as a reminder of the destructive effects of human-introduced space debris and of our responsibility to promote global legislation that might inhibit further devastation of this kind.

Parish Office
Geri LaBreck 252 249 3687

❖ PARISH COUNCIL

Ray Ruppert 252 249 1162
Council meets the 3rd Wed.
of the month at 7:00 pm.
Parish members are welcome.

❖ PARISH COMMITTEES

Advance Care Planning & Bereavement

Mary Lou Infinito 252 638 4980

Cemetery

Ed Yodlowski 252 249 1979

Communications/Bulletin

Darian Chasse 252 249 1707

Finance Council

Eileen Miles 252 249 2302

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Sheila Dougherty 252 249 0560

Liturgy

Margaret DeWire 252 249 1135

Parish Activities

Darian Chasse 252 249 1707

Social Ministries

Bill Miles 252 249 2302

Planning & Development

Bill Miles 252 249 2302

❖ Pamlico County Fishes & Loaves Outreach

Bill Miles 717 887 0157

Eileen Miles 717 309 3959

Food Truck - 1st Wednesday
of the month. Volunteers

❖ DIOCESAN NEWS

Visit our Raleigh Diocese's
website for current news at
www.dioceseofraleigh.org

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

Follows Sunday Mass. Join
in for a few minutes of
group prayer for those
needing God's intercession.

❖ THE SPIRIT OF THE LITURGY

March for Life theme borrows page from suffragist centennial

The March for Life, the annual march in Washington to protest legalized abortion in the United States, is tying itself in 2020 to the women's suffrage movement for the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote. The theme of the march is "Life Empowers: Pro-Life Is Pro-Woman." Jeanne Mancini, head of the March for Life, remarked how two noted suffragists of their day, Alice Paul and Susan B. Anthony, were themselves staunchly against abortion. A video made to support the upcoming *march, to be held Jan. 24*, said the women called abortion "the ultimate exploitation of women." An unnamed woman speaking in the video said 30 million female babies had been aborted since the twin 1973 Supreme Court rulings in *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* that legalized abortion virtually on demand. Speakers lined up for the pre-march gathering include Louisiana State Sen. Katrina Jackson, who authored a bill in 2014 to require abortion doctors to have admitting privileges at nearby hospitals. It was ruled unconstitutional in 2017, but that ruling in *June, Medical Services v. Gee* was reversed by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The U.S. Supreme Court said in October it would take up the case, its first abortion-The theme of the march is "Life Empowers: Pro-Life Is Pro-Woman."

THERE IS A NEED FOR

Sacristans (prepare the altar before Mass), Ushers and Alter Servers.

Please call Carol Glorioso at 252-249-2404



Prayer Requests

Please keep all of the men and women in the armed forces and our allies who work daily

to keep us free and for those who have returned either broken of mind or body in your weekly prayers.

❖ PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following parishioners, relatives and friends in your prayers throughout this week.

Paul Banks

Bette Brown

Mary Cancel

Sheila Flaherty

Dru Foster

Susan Fromm

Karen Holloway

Dot & Peter Hagerman

Elizabeth Hebert

Juan Hisada

Tony Innocenti

Jason LeBrun

Harry Levin

John Moran

Donna Mannion

Larry Richardson

George Pawlikowski

Peggy Richards

Pamela & Robert Ross

Michael Sharkey

Shirley Staab

Sigrid & Jack Walker

Nicholas Ward

George Mae Webb

Lorraine Weeks

Prayer list. If you wish to have your name or the name of a family member added to the list, please e-mail or call 249-3687, Geri in the parish office. Names removed from the bulletin list, it will be placed on the prayer list located in the Chapel.

Low Gluten Hosts are available.

Please let an usher or the sacristan know before mass.

Altar Flowers

We invite you to donate flower arrangements in memory of a loved one, to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, baptism, or any special occasion or church feast. Donations and the occasion will be noted in the bulletin and posted in lobby. Contact the office 249-3687.



Visiting- Dan O'Neill's daughters Sharon & Denise with Dan & Lynn O'Neill

A GIFT FOR MARRIED COUPLES Couples..... want to give each other something really special this new year? How about a gift filled with romance and excitement? That's just the beginning of what you will receive on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Attend the upcoming weekend on Jan 31-Feb 2, 2020 in North Myrtle Beach, S.C. For information visit ncmarriediscovery.org or call 704.315.2144. Or, email applications@ncmarriediscovery.org

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

will follow the regular Sunday Mass. Anyone in need of prayers for themselves, family or friends are urged to participate. We will meet at the front of the altar.

Second Collection for Capital Improvements

Confessions are heard in the chapel the 4th Sunday of each month, after Mass at 11:45

Sunday Rosary

*9:55 before Mass in the chapel
Come join us, everyone is welcome.*

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Bishop Barron's popular series

"Pivotal Players - Part II"

will be offered on

Sat, January 18 - Flannery O'Connor

Sat, January 25 - Cardinal Fulton J. Sheen

Time: 9:30 - 11:00 AM

Where: Parish Hall

Admission is FREE

Each session is independent. If you missed some or all of Part I, it has no impact on these two distinct sessions. See flyer at the back of the church for details.

CHURCH ACCESS

Are you a parishioner who would like access to the church to pray or meditate or need access to perform a volunteer service for the parish when the Church is normally closed, If so, see Geri during normal business hours and she will give you a FOB that will give you access to the Church from 7:00 am - 7:00 pm every day of the week.

Remember **we collect aluminum cans** to recycle. This money goes to the upkeep of our cemetery. Cans can be left in the kitchen can marked "Aluminum Cans". Thank you for your continued support of our cemetery.

Offertory Collections

Last Sunday

Offertory Sunday \$ 2,197

BULLETIN

*Announcements for the bulletin are due by Friday, one week prior to the publication date.
Email:darianchasse@gmail.com*

Saint Peter the Fisherman Cemetery

Our sacred place of Remembrance, Comfort and Hope for all members of our Parish Community. For information please contact the Parish Office at 252 249 3687.



 <p>Specialty Coffee Roasting</p> <p>108 Straight Rd, Oriental 252-577-1920 sales@croakertown.com www.croakertowncoffee.com</p>	 <p>Pete Newman OWNER</p> <p>INSURED</p> <p>Oriental, NC 252.249.1999 Manteo, NC 252.473.0029</p> <p>834 Fork Point Rd. Oriental, NC 28571 www.petestreeservice.com</p>
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Changes to your address, email or phone # please call Geri at the Church Office at 252-249-3687 or email: stpeteronc@embarqmail.com

Readings for January 12
Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7, (21ABC)
Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38
Matthew 3:13-17 (21A)

MASS CARDS

Mass Cards are available in the Church vestibule on the literature rack and the Church Office. Please follow the instructions found with the cards.

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❖ ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Applications to join Saint Peter the Fisherman Parish are available

WELCOME! Our parish is a living entity where God interacts with His people. We welcome you to register with Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church, where you will find warmth and hospitality in a spiritually nourishing environment. As a registered parishioner, you will be kept abreast of current information, opportunities and receive a free monthly subscription to NC Catholic, the Diocese of Raleigh magazine. Registration forms can be found on the table in the lobby. If you have any questions, please call the church office (252-249-3687) during office hours. If you are visiting us today, please introduce yourself after Mass!