



Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

November 29, 2020 – First Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: *Betty Zabroski*

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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.

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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

For many people today, the sense of the divine flows from what they have been taught about "God," what they have read in the Bible and what they have learned from reading books, treatises and church documents about God. Only some are grounded in the actual encounter with the divine who is simultaneously wholly "other" yet engaged fully in creation and the drama of human life. This Sunday's readings offer us an opportunity to examine the rhetoric and imagery associated with the divine.

In the readings from Isaiah, Psalm 80, First Corinthians and the Gospel of Mark, the divine is called "Lord," "father," "redeemer" and "Lord of hosts" and depicted as a "person" capable of controlling human behavior and doing awesome deeds, who has the ability to harden hearts, who possesses a face that can hide itself from humans, who has hands (and specifically, a right hand) that shapes human life and brings it into being, who can be close to people and yet distant from them, and who even has emotions.

In Isaiah, this "God" is the one that people want to rend the heavens and "come down" amid a fanfare of quaking mountains. This image of a distant "God," larger than life, who resides on a throne in the heavens, is derived from the imperial culture of the ancient Near East with its kingdoms and monarchies. All are subject to the "king" and are to "serve" the "king." Hence, we hear the phrase "return for the sake of your servants" in Isaiah, and the call for God to shine forth "from your throne upon the cherubim" in Psalm 80 where the image of shepherd and king are fused together.

This image of God as male, all-powerful and "over" all, legitimates the power and status of kings, princes, overlords, fathers, bishops, popes and authoritarian government leaders. Obedience to this "God," to this leader is required and hence, the colonization of peoples takes root socially, politically, religiously, culturally and intellectually.

In sum, the readings for this Sunday invite us to think about the divine because the language used for the divine was shaped by culture, constructed culture — and continues to construct and shape culture today. Language influences both our religious imagination and consciousness and our belief system. Finally, the Gospel begs this question: When the divine comes, as we keep watch, whom shall we encounter?

Sister Carol J. Dempsey

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Geri LaBreck 252 249 3687

❖ **PARISH COUNCIL**
Paula Valinoti 252 249 1655
Council meets the 3rd Wed.
of the month at 7:00 pm.
Parish members are welcome.

❖ **PARISH COMMITTEES**
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❖ **Pamlico County Fishes &
Loaves Outreach**
Bill Miles 717 887 0157
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Food Truck - 1st Wednesday
of the month. Volunteers

❖ **DIOCESAN NEWS**
Visit our Raleigh Diocese's
website for current news at
www.dioceseofraleigh.org

Low Gluten Hosts are
available.



Please let an
usher or the
sacristan know
before mass.

❖ **THE SPIRIT OF THE LITURGY**

SAINT COLUMBAN

Columban was the greatest of the Irish missionaries who worked on the European continent. As a young man who was greatly tormented by temptations of the flesh, he sought the advice of a religious woman who had lived a hermit's life for years. He saw in her answer a call to leave the world. After many years of seclusion and prayer, he traveled to Gaul with 12 companion missionaries. They won wide respect for the rigor of their discipline, their preaching and their commitment to charity and religious life in a time characterized by clerical laxity and civil strife. Columban established several monasteries in Europe, which became centers of religion and culture. Ultimately Columban was deported back to Ireland. He continued his work in Europe, ultimately arriving in Italy, where he found favor with the king of the Lombards. He established the famous monastery of Bobbio, where he died. Saint Columban is the patron saint of motorcyclists.

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



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 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.

Dot Banks	Tony Innocenti
John Bishoff	Bryan Miles
Joshua Bonner	Nancy Norris
Bette Brown	George Pawlikowski
Elizabeth Brown	Janine Peterson
Mary Cancel	James Richardson
Ray Cancel	Larry Richardson
Madalene Delgado	Pamela Ross
Shawn Dougherty	Robert Ross
Sheila Flaherty	Michael Sharkey
Dru Foster	Shirley Staab
Karen Halloway	John Valassis
Dot Hagerman	Dennis Vagnone
Peter Hagerman	Sigrid Walker
Juan Hisada	Nicholas Ward
Donna Heatherington	Georgia 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 will be placed on the prayer list located in the Chapel.*

Altar Flowers

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

At Mass

Please **wear a mask (that covers your nose and mouth)** and remember to **sit 6 feet apart**. Communion will be brought to you.

NEW Missals will be available for pick up this Sunday (11-22).

PLEASE take just **one** per family.

We encourage you to dispose of your current missal (good through Nov. 26) with your household recycle.

Advent books are also be available for pick up this Sunday.



IT'S POINSETTIA TIME

Christmas is quickly approaching and once again we are asking for your kind donation of a poinsettia to decorate our altar. For those who are hesitant about attending mass, make your presence known with a poinsettia. The plants are offered at \$15 a piece. Envelopes are in the Sr. Maria Goretti Room. Any questions ask Dottie Gallagher 671-0516

THANK YOU!

To all who worked on the Bake Sale, Our Bakers, Wrappers and Sellers all made it a success.

- ❑ **Just So You Know ahead of time...**
- ❑ Our Holiday Mass Schedule
- ❑ Christmas Mass this year is at 9 am Christmas Day (which is Friday)
- ❑ Solemnity Of Mary will be at 4 pm (New Years Eve)
- ❑ Sunday Masses are all at 10:30 am

❖ FoodTruck ❖

coming this Wednesday, December 2
Set up at 8:30, distribution 9:30

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.

Offertory Baskets will be placed in back of the church for our collections.

Last Sunday Offerings
\$ 2,365

BULLETIN

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



Changes to your address, email or phone # please call Geri at the Church Office at 252-249-3687 or email: stpeteronc@embarqmail.com

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November 29, 2020
Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b,
64:2-7
Psalm 80
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:33-37

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