



Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

December 13, 2020 – Third Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Winifred Nunan

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PASTOR

Rev. Thomas S. Tully

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

This Sunday's Gospel invites us to continue our reflection on the person and mission of John the Baptist. Today we depart from the Gospel of Mark and read a selection from the Gospel of John.

The Gospel for today combines a brief passage from the prologue to John's Gospel with a report about John the Baptist. As in Mark's Gospel, the Gospel of John contains no birth narrative. Instead, John's Gospel begins with a theological reflection that has come to be called the "prologue." This prologue places the story of Jesus in its cosmological framework. It speaks of Jesus' existence with God since the beginning of time. In John's Gospel, Jesus is presented as the fulfillment of the Old Testament and the culmination of the Word, the light that is coming into the world's darkness.

Following this prologue, John reports on the ministry of John the Baptist. We learn about the attention that John the Baptist received from the Jewish authorities. Messengers from the Jewish priests, the Levites and the Pharisees question John about his identity and the meaning of the baptisms that he is performing. John's Gospel uses these questions to establish the relationship between Jesus and John the Baptist. John the Baptist is not the Messiah, nor is he Elijah or the Prophet. In John's denials, we hear echoes of the kind of messianic expectations that were common in first-century Palestine.

The only affirmative response that John the Baptist gives is when he quotes the prophet Isaiah. Upon answering the next question, John announces that the savior they seek is already among them, but as yet unrecognized. John's response highlights for us an important Advent theme: Jesus has already come into the world as our savior. During Advent, we pray that we will be able to recognize Jesus' presence in our midst. Advent also reminds us that Jesus will come again to fulfill the promise of salvation. We pray that we will continue to be watchful as we anticipate that great day.

The third Sunday of Advent is also called **Gaudete Sunday**. **Gaudete**, a Latin word which means "rejoice," is taken from the entrance antiphon for Sunday's Mass. This theme is echoed in today's second reading from the first Letter to the Thessalonians. It is a reminder that Advent is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

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❖ **PARISH COUNCIL**
Paula Valinoti 252 249 1655
Council meets the 3rd Wed.
of the month at 7:30 pm.
Parish members are welcome.

❖ **PARISH COMMITTEES**
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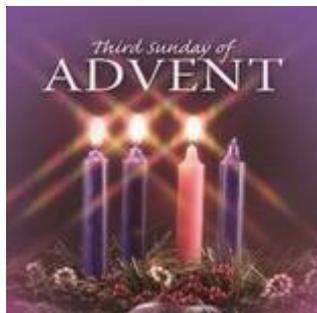
❖ **Pamlico County Fishes &
Loaves Outreach**
Bill Miles 717 887 0157
Eileen Miles 717 309 3959
Food Truck - 1st Wednesday
of the month. Volunteers

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

Low Gluten Hosts are
available. Please let an
usher or the
sacristan know
before mass.



❖ **THE SPIRIT OF THE LITURGY**



Third Week of Advent
Pink Candle. The third
week of Advent, also
known as “Gaudete
Sunday,” means **we
have passed the half-
way point** and
Christmas is drawing
near. The word gaudete
means “rejoice,” and at
this point in our Advent
journey our hearts
should be filled with joy
as we ponder the
magnitude of Christ’s
birth.

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

Sunday Rosary
9:55 before Mass in the chapel.
Come join us!

**New Missals are available for
pick up** ..—take just **one** per family.
Advent books are also be available



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

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.



Congratulations! Father Tully Celebrated his 35th Anniversary!

A Saint Peter the Fisherman CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Please consider helping us create a **Bonner Family "Christmas Notes Box"**
4 cards – 1 for Mom & Dad (Corinne & Joe)
1 for the oldest -Fiona (13)
1 for Joshua (11)
1 for the youngest - Peter (9)

This time – we are hoping to send a box of notes to everyone in the family – not just Joshua or you can just write a note to Joshua.

THANKS 😊

2. Delivery Options

Drop off your card(s) at the church
Or Email your message to:

volunteermarylou@yahoo.com

- your message will be printed on

holiday stationary

QUESTIONS: Call Mary Lou Infinito – 973.214.8092



2020 Saint Peter the Fisherman Anniversary Mass on Sunday, December 20, 2020.

to recognized those people who are *celebrating* 5-10-15-20-25-30-35-40-45-50-55 etc. years of marriage - in this 2020

IT'S POINSETTIA TIME

We are asking for your kind donation of a poinsettia to decorate our altar.

The plants are offered at \$15 a piece. Envelopes are in the Sr. Maria Goretti Room. Any questions ask Dottie Gallagher 671-0516



Office Hours for the week of Dec 14:

Tuesday, Dec 15 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Wednesday, Dec 16 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM *

Friday, Dec 18 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

* Parish Council Wednesday Dec 16 at 7:30 PM

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)

The Oriental United Methodist Church is hosting, with the Chorale, an outside Christmas Carol Sing

at OUMC on Sunday, December 13 at 3:30 pm for Spirit of Christmas. Folks can gather, socially distanced, and sing familiar sacred and secular Christmas songs for a little bit of familiar Christmas cheer this season. All are welcomed!

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

Offerings

Dec.6 \$2950. Dec.8 \$357.00

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.



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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675-8586 a parishioner



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First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11

Responsorial Psalm

Luke 1:46-50,53-54

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel Reading

John 1:6-8,19-28

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