



Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

December 9, 2018 – Second Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

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PASTOR

Rev. Thomas S. Tully

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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

“The word of God came to John ... in the desert.” That is what Luke said to introduce the prophet who would prepare the way of the Lord. According to Luke, John’s ministry was the pivotal point in salvation history; the new and final era was coming into being. On this Second Sunday of Advent, unless we live in an area such as the Southwest U.S., the desert is probably about as far from our imaginations as a herd of camels. (Now you’re thinking about camels, right?) Luke wants us to think about the desert and why John was there instead of protesting around the palace or preaching in the Temple. (John eventually did the first; Jesus did the latter. The results are well known.)

The desert was Israel’s birthplace. God brought the people out of slavery and then led them on a 40-year desert trek to teach them what it meant to be the people of God. They needed that time to get over their servile identity. They lived those 40 years without the distractions of building homes and businesses; that long experience of being on the move taught them to rely on God alone. When they forgot the lessons of the desert, God sent them into exile for 60 years. In both instances, hardship stripped them of everything so that they could figure out what was essential. We see something similar in the lives of people who suffer. A cancer diagnosis can force people to clarify the purpose of their life. An unexpected death reminds us that relationships are more important than any activity or achievement. A fire or flood often leaves people with a new sense of the relative value of their belongings. An accident often leaves us thinking about how we might have prevented it. All of the above adjust our vision in ways we probably never would have chosen.

So now in December, while everything in the northern hemisphere jingles with excitement about winter and holidays, the church invites us into the desert with John. The desert is the antithesis of the mall. No matter how much money you have, there is nothing to buy. Far from the city lights whose twinkling grabs our attention, the desert allows us to fix our gaze on the stars, on beauty that is beyond our reach and yet seems to have been created just for our delight. The desert is where our soul finds room to expand, where we can remember what we really thirst for. This is the experience of God’s fertile desert. This is the desert we can choose when we want its blessing.

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

Facilities Management
Don DeWire 252 249 1135

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Pat Kirsch 252 631 2403

Finance Council
Eileen Miles 252 249 2302

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Sheila Dougherty 252 249 0560

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Margaret DeWire 252 249 1135

Parish Activities
Darian Chasse 252 249 1707

Parish History
Laura Mitchell 252 745 2062

Social Ministries
Bill Miles 252 249 2302

Planning & Development
Bill Miles 252 249 2302
Ray Reilly 252 249 1488

❖ **Pamlico County Fishes &
Loaves Outreach**
Alice Sontag 252 249 7297
Food Truck - 1st Wednesday
of the month. Volunteers needed.

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

❖ THE SPIRIT OF THE LITURGY

Father Thomas Frederick Price was recently inducted into the [Raleigh Hall of Fame](#) as a Centennial Inductee, denoting his contribution to the early history of the city. Well known as the "Tarheel Apostle" to those in the Diocese of Raleigh, Thomas Frederick Price was the first native North Carolinian ordained a Catholic priest.

In 1896, he was appointed pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Hillsborough Street. His mission was to spread Catholicism and care for children in need. He published Truth magazine that reached over 20,000 people. Father Price lived in Raleigh from 1896 to 1911. Part of his legacy is the Nazareth Orphanage for boys he started in 1899 on the western edge of the city. The orphanage cared for as many as 250 children who were accepted from across the state without regard to religious affiliation. In 1911 he joined Father James Walsh to found Maryknoll, the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America. Today the society has missions in Asia, Africa, and Latin America.

THERE IS A NEED FOR
Sacristans (prepare the altar
before Mass), Greeters,
Lector/Readers, and Altar
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.

Hank Albee	Jason LeBrun
John Barrie	Harry Levin
Hugh Donohue	Scott Lovendahl
Andrea Eriksen	Richard Mastriano
Baldera	Randy McCuller
Janice Eckloff	Denyse McGovern
Teri Ferris	Mike McGovern
Sheila Flaherty	Enrique Paula
Susan Fromm	Peggy Richards
Karen Halloway	Robert Ross
Eddie Harmer	Eleanor Taylor
Peter Hagerman	Charles Toler
Juan Hisada	Velma Toler
Nancy Huff	Nicholas Ward
Tony Innocenti	Georgia Mae Webb
Gert Klingmann	Lorraine Weeks

TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, both for Mass and the homebound will be held at **St. Paul's on December 9th at 2pm**. This training is **required** for all wishing to assist in distributing Holy Communion. Current ministers may wish to attend to the training as a refresher course.

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



It's poinsettia time! Once again the decorating crew are asking for your cooperation in our Christmas altar display. Please consider purchasing a plant in memory or honor of a loved one. Plants may be purchased for \$15 apiece. **We need your orders in by Dec.10 to ensure delivery.** Envelopes are in the lobby. Thank you for your support. Merry Christmas

**PARISH COUNCIL
Elections this Sunday**

The following parishioners are nominated for our parish council:

- JOE GLORIOSO
- DENNIS HUMENIK
- NATASHA JONES
- EDWARD KRESS
- PAULA VALINOTI

Anyone else wishing to be nominated please contact: RICH FRY – 252-249-1037

or
RAY RUPPERT – 252-249-1162

*****Please take note*****

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

“GREAT ADVENT JOURNEY”

Time has changed to 10 am.

Deacon Jim will be your “tour guide” for this journey and will continue every Saturday during Advent ending December 22nd Each session will **last 90 minutes.**

During the “Great Advent Journey” we will have the opportunity to reflect on the Gospels of the four Sundays of Advent, including commentary and reflections by Bishop Robert Barron.



Fr. Tully burning the mortgage with Msgr. Lewis looking on.

Sunday’s second collection, December 9th, is for our Capital Improvement Fund.

Offertory last Sunday - \$ 4,474
Aluminum cans - \$ 55

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.



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Any changes to your email, address, telephone please send the change to Laura Mitchell at bklynx2@gmail.com.

Readings for December 9, 2018

Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Luke 3:1-6

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❖ ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?

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!