



Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

March 8, 2020 –Second Sunday of Lent

MASS INTENTIONS

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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

Last week's gospel invited us into a confronting habitat, namely the wilderness. This week, we follow Jesus and three of his companions to a high mountain, eventually a cloud-covered mountain. Both wilderness and mountain link Matthew's story of Jesus with the story of the Israelites of old. Wilderness and mountain also remind us that God's creation is the locus of wonder and mystery. The world we inhabit has an integrity of its own that has not always been acknowledged in our tradition. It is, in a very real sense, God's dwelling place. It is, in addition, the place of human-divine encounter and the place of human encounter with the other-than-human material world. Attention to habitat can lead us to a clearer understanding of our own place in the scheme of things and to ever deeper understandings of our relationship with God. The "transfiguration" seems to point to a time in Jesus' ministry when he comes to terms with the fate he is likely to meet: if he confronts the forces of oppression and injustice, he is certain to encounter opposition, even death. Jesus has struggled with that realization in the wilderness, at the outset of his ministry. On the mountain top, he comes to terms with what that involves. The disciples see Moses and Elijah, the key prophetic figures of Israel, speaking with Jesus, God's new and definitive prophet. Peter wants to hold on to the experience of glory, to "make tents" for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah. He prefers not to face the difficulties involved in fidelity to a mission that elicits hostility. That is not, however, the way of discipleship. Rather, Peter and his companions are called to "listen" to Jesus, the beloved of God, as are all who follow in the way of discipleship. Matthew's account of the "transfiguration" is followed by a reminder that Jesus is soon to meet a violent death (17:23). Jesus' companions get a glimpse of God's glory shining on his face and penetrating even his clothing, a hint that God's grace is more life-giving than the forces of violence that oppose God's reign. Like Jesus and his companions, we too need the occasional glimpse of final victory. We need the good sense to listen and to follow through on the path that brings life, despite the pain. We can feel overwhelmed by the enormity of the challenges facing us and by the opposition we experience from the most unexpected quarters. If we are to sustain the struggle for a healthy, safe, and peace-filled world, we have to resist the temptation to hold on to the moments of glory, and come to terms with the personal cost of being faithful to the gospel mission of justice and compassion with all its painful demands.

-Veronica Lawson RSM

Parish Office
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**

**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

Kitchen Guild

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**

“Peace be with you!” With these words, the Risen Lord greeted his frightened Apostles in the Upper Room on the day of his Resurrection. They were troubled, anxious, and fearful—much like each one of us at some point in our lives. Christ repeated the words, “Peace be with you.” But then he added, “Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them”. What an extraordinary gift! The Risen Lord was proclaiming that all the suffering he had just endured was in order to make available the gifts of salvation and forgiveness. He wanted the Apostles to receive these gifts. In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, also called confession, we meet the Lord, who wants to grant forgiveness and the grace to live a renewed life in him. In this sacrament, he prepares us to receive him free from serious sin, with a lively faith, earnest hope, and sacrificial love in the Eucharist. The Church sees confession as so important that she requires that every Catholic go at least once a year. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, we seek forgiveness and repentance, let go of patterns of sin, grow in the life of virtue, and witness to a joyful conversion. Since the graces of the sacrament are so similar to the purpose of the New Evangelization, Pope Benedict XVI has said, “The New Evangelization . . . begins in the confessional!”



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.

Paul Banks
Bette Brown
Elizabeth Brown
Mary Cancel
Sheila Flaherty
Dru Foster
Susan Fromm
Karen Halloway
Dot & Peter Hagerman
Juan Hisada
Tony Innocenti
Betty Mesaros
John Moran
Nancy Norris

George Pawlikowski
Janine Peterson
Larry Richardson
Peggy Richards
Pamela & Robert Ross
Michael Sharkey
Buddy Street
Alice Sontag
Shirley Staab
John Valassis
Sigrid Walker
Nicholas Ward
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, 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.

17th Annual St. Patrick Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Saturday **March 14th** at 6 pm

Carol Brookman has tickets,
\$20 person and
\$15 for take out.

Please sign up in the lobby
to help.



On entering the Chapel

THERE IS A NEED FOR Sacristans
(prepare the altar before Mass), Ushers, and
Altar Servers. Please call Carol Glorioso at
252 249-2404

We collect aluminum cans to recycle.
This money goes to the upkeep of our
cemetery. Leave cans in the kitchen in
the can marked "Aluminum Cans"
Thank you for your continued support of
our cemetery.

Sunday Rosary

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

Stations of the Cross

will be here at St. Peter's every Tuesday at 10
am during Lent. St. Thomas Episcopal
Church in Oriental will have their Stations
every Friday at noon. All are welcome to both.

Lenten Prayer books are in the lobby

Second collection

this week for Capital Improvements

*"It's Tax Time- If you would like to have
an "official church" computer summary of
your 2019 St Peter contributions, please
contact the church office and ask them to
put your name on the list. Indicate whether
you wish to pick it up or would rather have
it mailed and then confirm your mailing
address. Thank you!"*

**Next Session of
Advanced Care Planning Series
St. Peter the Fisherman WEDNESDAY
at 2:00 pm March 11th.**

*Being a Health Care Power of Attorney
WHAT does THAT mean?*

A free series

For REGISTRATION:
Call - Geri LaBreck - (252) 249-3687

Collections Last Sunday
Offertory \$ 3,265

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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<p>BRYANT FUNERAL HOME and CREMATIONS</p> <p>52 Bryant Street Post Office Box 99 Alliance, NC 28509</p> <p>Patrick K. Bryant President (252) 745-4966</p>	<p>HANDYMAN SERVICES RESIDENTIAL REPAIRS and UPGRADES</p> <p>DAVID BROOKMAN P.O. BOX 489 - ORIENTAL NC 28571 252 670-9647</p> <p>email: brookmandl@icloud.com</p>
<p></p> <p>Cotten Funeral Home & Crematory</p> <p>2201 Neuse Blvd. New Bern, NC 28560 252 637 3181</p>	<p>Landing Nursery</p> <p>1800 Lee Landing Road Reelsboro 252 745 5093 cell 252 617-7705</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 March 8
Genesis 12:1-4a (25A)
Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

MASS CARDS

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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!