

2019 STATE OF THE PARISH REPORT
ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

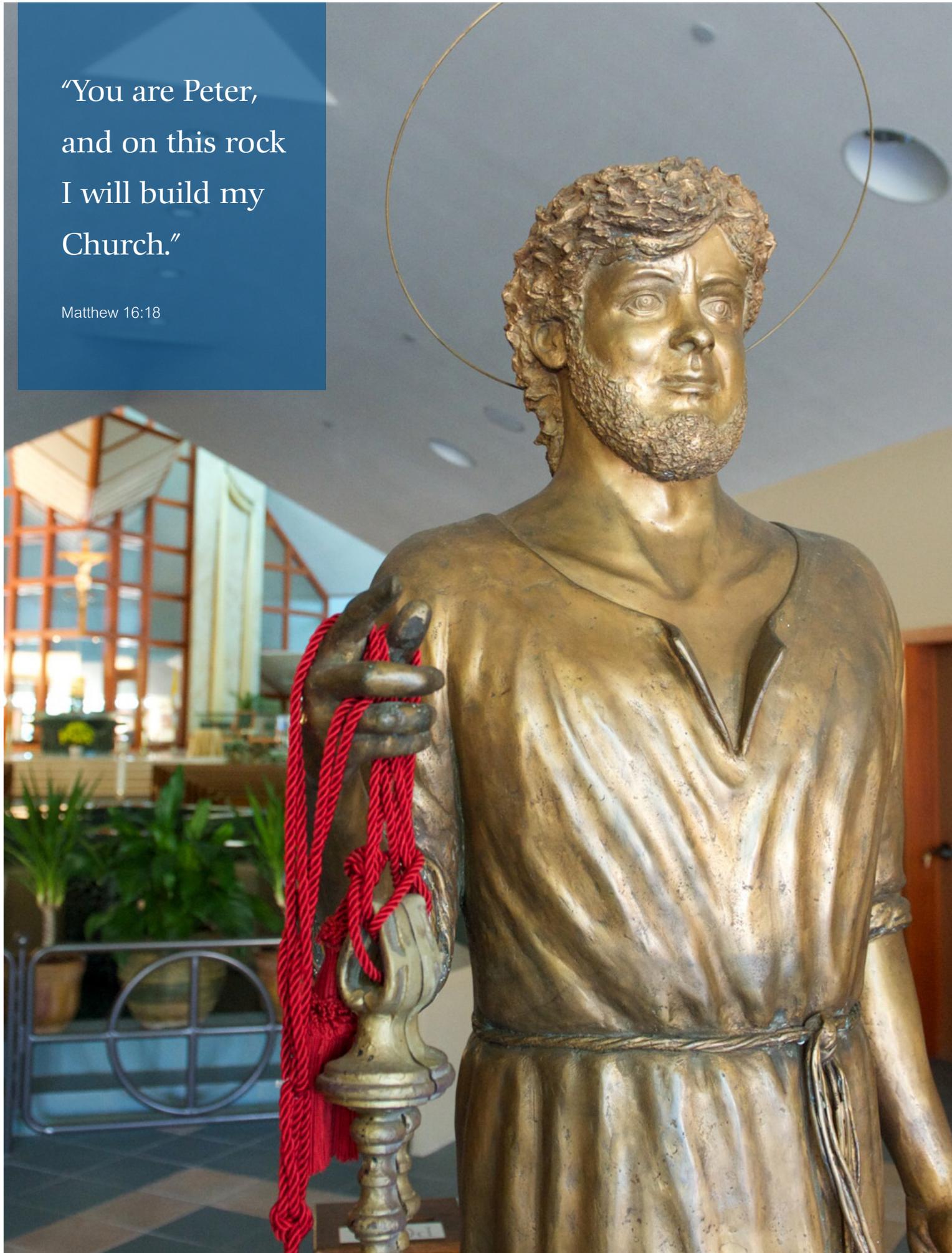
Together in Faith



LOVE GOD 
LOVE OTHERS
MAKE DISCIPLES

“You are Peter,
and on this rock
I will build my
Church.”

Matthew 16:18



Dear Parishioners:

I would like to give you an update on our parish and a summary of things that occurred during the fiscal year of July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019.

The mission of our parish is: “Love God, Love Others and Make Disciples”. More than a catchy phrase, this statement summarizes what we strive and aim to be as followers of Jesus Christ, to not just GO to Church, but to BE the Church!

Some ways that we continue to stress is to make our “Weekend Experience” the best that it can possibly be. We are emphasizing the “3M’s” Ministry, Message and Music. Ministry as in creating a sense of warm hospitality among all the ministries on the weekends. From greeters, ushers and everyone in the pews. We are all called to be ministers of hospitality not just to those people that we already know, but especially to those who are visiting us as guests.

Another “M” is the message or the homily at Mass. The message series is a series of homilies that are coordinated among the clergy so that the entire parish can hear the same message. They are built around a theme and incorporate the Sunday readings. One of the goals of the message series is to coordinate the weekend message with the small group discussions throughout the week. The third “M” is music. We are blest to have the talent of Dr. Gonzalez and our members of the music ministry. We are blest to have great music and musicians here. During the last fiscal year, we have added music at the 8AM Sunday Mass and professional cantors at the 4:30PM, 8AM and 11AM Masses.

A future need that has been identified is the replacement of the flooring in the church. Plans call for a replacement of the carpet in the church with porcelain tile. In order to replace the flooring in the church, it will be necessary in the future to do this project during the summer months. It is expected that this could take several months, as all the pews will need to be moved around as the flooring is replaced. In order to do this project, we have determined that the Parish Hall could be utilized to accommodate the smaller Mass attendance numbers during the summer. Our focus during this past year has been to get the Parish Hall ready for this to occur. The Hall was painted, and new flooring was put down and 700 new chairs were delivered and replaced the ones we had since 1991. Many of the old ones were donated to our Sister Parish of St. Mary’s in Pahokee. We also added large projection screens in the Parish Hall and replaced the sound system, so that the “weekend experience” can continue in the Parish Hall for Masses and other activities. Acoustical sound boards were placed around the walls in the balcony in order to improve the quality of the sound in the parish hall. Our meeting rooms also got a new configuration to accommodate and facilitate small group discussion. The classroom settings were replaced with a more “living room” look.

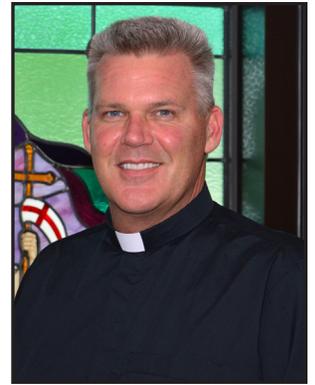
During the Fall months, we again hosted our Annual Blessing of the Animals for the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. This is a tradition that is beloved at the parish, as many of our furry companions can come to the campus and receive a special blessing asking for God’s protection to be with them.

We also celebrated our Annual Fall Festival / Parish Picnic in which hundreds of parishioners can come out for a Saturday afternoon with the whole family to enjoy a free afternoon of food, fun and entertainment.

On the evening before Thanksgiving, St. Peter hosted our Annual Thanksgiving Interfaith Prayer Service. This tradition has been going on for the past two decades with our neighbors from Jupiter First Church and Temple Beth Am. The Interfaith service offers our congregations the opportunity to come together and to give thanks to God for his many blessings he bestows upon our nation and our community.

Our music ministry once again offered the “Singing Christmas Tree” concert in the Parish Hall for two performances. The Singing Tree project takes a great deal of work to put on, beginning with the crew which assembles the tree, to the group that decorates the tree with garland and lights to the crew that comes in to decorate the hall, in addition to the combined adult and youth and children’s choirs and the hand bell choir. A great many thanks to all who help make this event so special, and a big thanks to Dr. Gonzalez for his leadership in our Music Ministry.

On a weekend during February during all the Masses, parishioners were asked to respond to a “Parish Survey”. The survey was developed by CARA, the Center for Applied Research of the Apostolate, a division of Georgetown University and a nationally acclaimed institute on church matters. Thank you to all who participated in the survey. The results can be found on our parish website.



During Lent, we held our “Mercy Bag” project. Items and supplies for the homeless were collected during Lent and then assembled into 2-gallon zip lock bags that could be given to a homeless person in our travels around our area. This past year we were able to pack 500 Mercy bags.

During the past year, we have “recalibrated” our children’s programs at St. Peter. The program, now called SPKids is broken down into groups. Glow, Blaze and Shine. Glow is the first-year preparation for First Communion. Blaze is the second-year preparation for communion, and they meet on Sunday mornings. If you have come to 9:30AM Sunday Mass, I am sure you have seen them on our “Blaze Sundays” when the children join us as the 9:30AM Mass. Shine is the program for children who have already completed their First Communion preparation. Glow and Shine meet in the Parish Hall on Wednesday afternoons. A huge thanks goes out to Becky Miklos and to our team of wonderful catechists who give so freely of their time and talent to serve and form our youngest disciples in the faith.

In the Spring, we had a group of around 30 parishioners join us on our parish pilgrimage to Sicily and Southern Italy. Highlights of the trip were our visit to San Giovanni Rotondo to visit the shrine of St. Padre Pio, Monte Casino to visit the monastery where St. Benedict lived and then finally to Rome and to participate in the general audience with Pope Francis.

St. Peter is blest to have All Saints Catholic School on our campus. All Saints is an interparochial school run by six Catholic parishes. All Saints has grades Pre-K4 thru 8th grade. Currently the school is in the process of running a capital campaign to put an artificial turf sports field behind the school.

The model of church renewal that we are using at St. Peter is a hybrid model of Rebuilt and Divine Renovation. Rebuilt is a church renewal program that began at Church of the Nativity in Timonium, Maryland. We are “adapting” it here at St. Peter to fit the unique needs of our parish. The emphasis of Rebuilt is to make Church matter and to reach out to the unchurched. To form members into disciples, and to empower disciples to invite the unchurched into a relationship with Christ. Divine Renovation is also a church renewal program from St. Benedict Catholic Church in Halifax, Nova Scotia with a large emphasis on a program called “Alpha”. Alpha is a way to attract the unchurched to begin a relationship with Christ and to grow into being disciples. Both programs are based in the theology of the “New Evangelization” which has been encouraged by the last three popes. Another term used for the New Evangelization is “Missionary Discipleship”.

These are but some of the ways that we are striving to live out our mission to “Love God, Love Others and Make Disciples!” Many more things occur every day in which disciples are formed and we serve and participate in the mission and ministry of the church. I would encourage you to attend Mass frequently, even daily Mass. To join a small group to grow deeper in your faith, to get involved in a ministry to share your talent with others and finally....to invite a friend, neighbor, coworker or family member to come to Mass with you.

I invite you to peruse through these pages and see some of the great things happening at St. Peter.

In Christ,

In Christ,

Fr. Don

Fr. Don Finney

Pastor



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Parish Statistics

Number of Families registered: 3,051
Individual Members registered: 8,099
Females – 52%
Males – 48%
Average Age: 35
Number of Envelope Users: 988
Number of Online Givers: 326
Number of Electronic Pay Givers: 35
Average contribution of those giving - \$1,130 per year
Average weekly donation of those giving - \$35
Active Members in a Ministry: 1,158
Number of New Families Registered in the past year: 241
Average weekly viewership of Mass online live streaming – 75

Enrollment at All Saints Catholic School – 457
Number of students at All Saints Catholic School
from St. Peter - 142
Percentage of students at All Saints Catholic School from St.
Peter – 31%
Number of Parishes sponsoring All Saints Catholic School – 6

Number of Students in SPKids: (Grades 1-5): 250
Number of Students in Edge Middle School Youth Ministry: 99
Number of Students in Life Teen Youth Ministry: 105
Number of “Small Groups” – 17 (8 English, 9 Spanish)
Number of Ministries – 63+

Number of Priests: 4
Number of Deacons: 8
Lay Staff: 9 full time / 9-part time

Sacraments

Baptisms: 1274 (118 children, 9 adults)
First Communion: 185
Confirmations: 112
Weddings: 20
Anointing of the Sick: 846
Funerals: 45

Attendance

Average Weekend Mass Attendance: 2,457
Christmas Mass Attendance total – 5,232
4:30 Christmas Eve Mass (Church) – 1,119
Easter Mass Attendance total: 5,286
11:00 Easter Sunday Mass (Church) – 1,168
Communion hosts ordered per month: 12,000 – 15,000
Cases of sacramental wine used per year
(12 bottles per case) - 50
Highest Attended Weekend Mass: 12:30PM Spanish Mass
Least Attended Weekend Mass: 5:00PM Sunday

Liturgical Ministers

Altar Servers – 51 English / 50 Spanish
Lectors – 64 English / 18 Spanish
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- 72 English / 13 Spanish
Ushers – 31 English / 26 Spanish
Greeters – 35
Welcome Kiosk Ministers – 17 English / 3 Spanish
Audio Visual – 11 English / 5 Spanish

Jupiter Statistics

(Based on a 3 mile radius of St. Peter)

Population: 65,524
Median Household income: \$79,731
Median Property Value: \$328,900
Average Age: 42.4 years

Ethnicity

White (Non-Hispanic) – 82.6%
African American (Non-Hispanic) – 1.5%
Hispanic / Latino – 12.7%
Asian – 2%

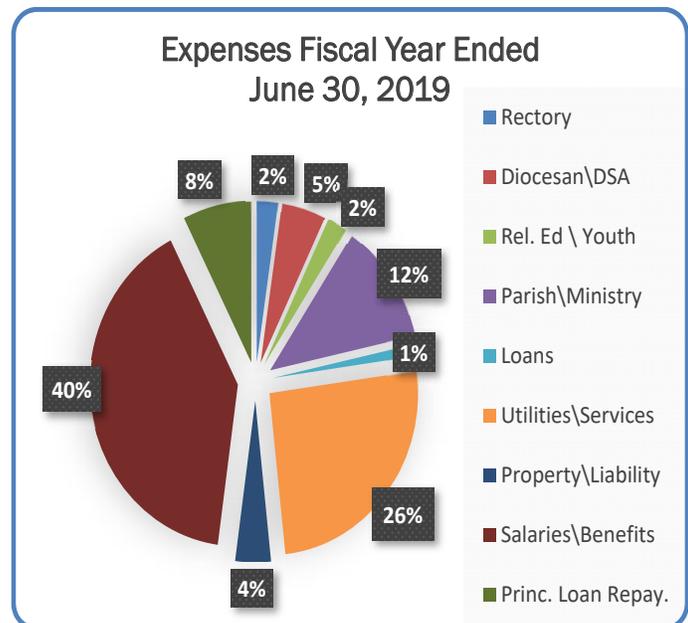
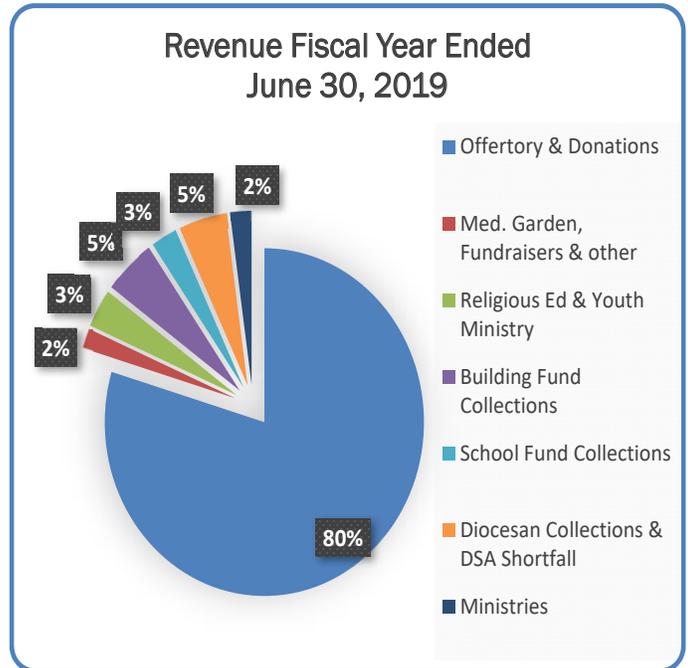
Religious Preference

None – 25.5%
Catholic – 23.7%
Baptist – 18.0%
Methodist – 11.6%
Non-Denominational / Independent – 5.9%
Presbyterian – 5.8%
Judaism – 5.6%
Episcopal – 3.9%

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FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2019

	Fiscal Year 2019	Fiscal Year 2018
REVENUES:		
Offertory & Donations	\$1,782,408	\$1,993,895
Med. Garden, Fundraisers & other	41,887	54,540
Religious Ed & Youth Ministry	80,115	88,110
Building Fund Collections	117,103	151,059
School Fund Collections	59,282	60,174
Diocesan Collections & DSA Shortfall	107,710	117,711
Ministries	48,646	49,062
Total Revenues	\$2,237,151	\$2,514,551
Transfer from Savings	159,049	
EXPENSES:		
Rectory Expenses	\$55,791	\$66,761
Diocesan Collections & DSA Shortfall	116,743	129,403
Religious Ed & Youth Ministry	50,983	74,976
Parish & Ministry Expenses	296,646	412,100
Loans - Interest Exp. & School Exp.	29,023	37,001
Utilities & Services	615,741	356,275
Property & Liability Insurance	93,684	95,596
Salaries & Benefits	973,531	877,012
Total Expenses	\$2,232,142	\$2,049,124
Principal Loan Repayments	180,377	232,947
EXCESS/(DEFICIT) OF REVENUES		
OVER EXPENSES	(\$16,319)	\$232,480
OUTSTANDING DEBT:		
Church	\$539,836	\$657,331
School	13,409	76,291
TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT	\$553,245	\$733,622



In a review of revenues and expenses for the 2019 fiscal year compared to the previous year, revenues in every category decreased this year. Decreases to offertory collections and donations may have been due to the reporting of the Pennsylvania Dioceses sexual abuse incidents last summer as well as the change in the tax code with regards to deductions for contributions. Expenses were also down in every category except salaries/benefits and the utilities/services. Plant improvements to the parish hall included new furniture in the meeting rooms as well as a new sound system and TV screens. The loans decreased by almost \$200,000 and the school loan was paid off in September 2019. We continue to commit ourselves to being excellent stewards of your generosity.



Rev. Donald T. Finney
Pastor

Fr. Don Finney was born in Omaha, NE. He attended the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA and graduated with a degree in History. He taught U.S. History, World History, Theology and was Assistant Headmaster at Marianapolis Preparatory School in Thompson, CT. He studied for the priesthood at St. John's Seminary in Brighton, MA and was ordained to the priesthood on May 28, 1994 at St. Patrick Cathedral in Norwich, CT. Fr. Don has served at St. Louis Parish in Webster, MA, the Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola in Palm Beach Gardens, FL and St. Lucie Parish in Port St. Lucie, FL. In April 2003 Fr. Don was appointed pastor of St. Peter and has overseen tremendous growth in our parish and the many ministries that serve our parish community. Fr. Don loves to travel and read. He has a particular interest in the Holocaust and has studied and researched it extensively. Fr. Don received his M.A. in Holocaust and Genocide Studies from Gratz College in Melrose Park, PA in 2016.



Rev. Jean W. Boulin
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Jean W. Boulin was born in Haiti. He attended St. John Vianney Seminary in Miami, Florida. Following that he moved to New Orleans, Louisiana, where he attended Notre Dame Seminary. Fr. Jean was ordained a deacon in 2003 and was involved in both the Spanish and English communities in Indiantown. In May 2004 he was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Palm Beach and was assigned to St. Joseph Parish in Stuart. Subsequently was assigned to St. Helen Parish in Vero Beach. After two years he elected to improve his knowledge of Spanish by studying in Mexico and then assumed responsibility for the Spanish ministry at St. Helen's where he served until 2012. After St. Helen Fr. Jean served at St. Ann Parish in West Palm Beach where he ministered to the Haitian, English and Spanish communities. I like God's humor. He called me. I assumed that my call was for Haiti. After wrestling with that, I find myself serving in two languages that are not native to me. I have learned to follow Him.

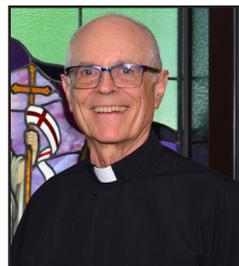


Parish Clergy



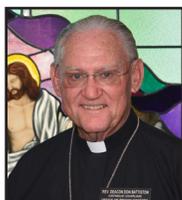
Rev. Wesler Hilaire
Parochial Vicar

Fr. Wesler Hilaire was born in Haiti. He was raised and educated in the Catholic faith. After his high school in Haiti, he went to Honduras where he learned Spanish and a year later, he went to the Dominican Republic, where he earned his degree in Philosophy at the Jesuit University in the Dominican Republic. In 2008 he joined the Diocese of Palm Beach and was accepted as a seminarian for the diocese. He went to Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans for an immersion program in priestly formation. In 2009, he began his five years of study in the Masters of Divinity program at Saint Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach. In April 2013, he was ordained a transitional deacon. As a deacon, he served at the Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola in Palm Beach Gardens. In May 2014, he graduated from St. Vincent and was ordained a priest to serve God's people in the Palm Beach Diocese. He was assigned and served the people of Saint Joan of Arc Parish in Boca Raton for three years. Then was transferred to Saint Joseph Parish in Stuart, and now looks forward to serving here at St. Peter. Fr. Wesler speaks Creole, French, Spanish and English. Fr. Wesler's personal motto is: "Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry" Padre Pio.



Rev. Ray Zielezienski
Assisting Priest

By way of introduction, I offer a few words about my background. I was born in Passaic, N.J. After graduating from Hackensack High School I attended Pratt Institute in New York City and became a Graphic Artist. After graduating from Art School I enlisted in the Army at the time of the Vietnam Conflict. After being discharged from military service I worked for Harper & Row Publishing Company, in New York City, designing advertising brochures for their college textbooks. After visiting California on a vacation, I decided to move to the Golden State in 1972, settling in Berkeley and working there in the art field. I became very involved in ministry at the local parish, and after much discernment I decided to enter the seminary. I was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Oakland on December 4, 1981. During my priestly ministry, I have served as a pastor in three parishes in the Diocese of Oakland, as well as serving as Vocations Director and the Vicar of Priests. In August of 2008, Bishop Allen Vigneron, then Bishop of Oakland, appointed me as pastor of St. Joan of Arc Church in San Ramon, CA. On September 2, 2015 I retired from full time ministry at the age of 70 and moved to Palm Beach Gardens to be close to my family and to enjoy the beautiful weather. I look forward to being an assisting priest here at St. Peter and become involved with this vibrant and faith filled community as we continue to live the Mission of Jesus.



Deacon Don Battiston

Deacon Don Battiston graduated from Marianapolis Prep School, Georgetown University and St. Thomas Seminary. He was ordained to the Diaconate in 1976 for the Archdiocese of Hartford. Deacon Don

assists the parish on week-ends; however, his primary ministry is with the Diocesan Office of Prison Ministry as the Catholic Chaplain at a maximum security State prison in our diocese. He and his wife Pam have 5 children and 17 grandchildren.



Deacon John Collins

Deacon John Collins was born in Silver Creek, NY. He has an undergraduate degree from Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA. and an MBA from SUNY Binghamton,, NY. Deacon John is retired

and lives with his wife, Judy in Jupiter. Between them, they have four children, six grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Deacon John studied for the Diaconate at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach, FL. He received his Masters in Theological Studies and was ordained on September 6, 2014.



Deacon Steve McMahon

Deacon Steve and his wife Mona are both "Native Floridians". They live in Palm Beach Gardens and have four adult children and three grandchildren. Deacon Steve was ordained right here at St. Peter in 1999

in what is now the Parish Hall. He graduated from Clemson University and began his theological education at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach (attending nights and weekends). Deacon Steve works full time supporting his family as a Wealth Advisor at a major financial institution. Mr. McMahon also served seven years as Captain McMahon in the U. S. Air Force where he learned to drink coffee and fly sideways for hours at a time.



Deacon John Bartalini

Deacon John Bartalini was born in New York City and has lived in Palm Beach County since 1985. He has a B.S. and an M.B.A. from St. John's University in Jamaica, New York and an M.A. in Theological Studies

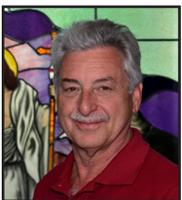
from St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach, FL. He and his wife Deanna have two married children, Peter and Elisa. Deacon John teaches math at a charter school in Boynton Beach. Currently, he serves in the Food for Families ministry at St. Peter and with the Unbound healing and deliverance prayer ministry with the Diocese.



Deacon Stephen Scienzo

Deacon Stephen Scienzo was born in Providence RI and ordained as a Permanent Deacon on September 6th 2008. He moved to Florida in 1968 with his parents and met his wife Cheri in 1971 and married her in

1972. They have two children, and five grand children He has served as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector, and Altar Server as well as working in the Food for Families ministry and the Ministry for the Sick. He has recently become involved in Pastoral Care at St Mary's Hospital for the diocese of Palm Beach and oversees our Hospital, Nursing Home, Critically ill, and Home bound Ministry for the Sick at St Peters. Currently Stephen is an Independent Insurance Agent and owner of his own firm Scienzo and Associates Insurance Agency.



Deacon Dave Licata

Deacon Dave Licata resides in Jupiter with his wife Carol. They have been parishioners at St. Peter since 2006 when they relocated from New Jersey. The Licata's have six grown children who are now all out of the

nest. Deacon Dave was ordained on September 10, 2016 at the Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola. He is presently the Ministry Leader for the Bereavement Ministry and is assigned as the assistant to the chaplains at All Saints Catholic School. Prior to accepting the vocation of diaconate, Deacon Dave, devoted all his time in the business world, initiated a startup food service company in Sussex, New Jersey, a company that he still consults for.



Deacon Serge Dube

Deacon Jean Serge Dube', Jr. was born in Hartford, CT. He graduated from Central Connecticut State University in New Britain, CT with a degree in Elementary Education. Deacon Serge, JoAnn and their three

children moved to Florida in 1997. Deacon Serge teaches Religion at Cardinal Newman HS in West Palm Beach. He studied for the Diaconate at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach, FL and received his Masters in Theological Studies. He was ordained to the permanent diaconate on September 7, 2013.



Deacon Edwin Velasquez

Deacon Edwin Velasquez was born in Guatemala City, Guatemala and immigrated to the United States when he was 6 years old and grew up in Maryland. He graduated as a computer programmer and have been in the computer field for

over 30 years. Edwin married his beautiful wife Rosa and they have three amazing kids. The family moved to Tequesta Florida in 1997. He entered St. Vincent DePaul Regional Seminary for Theological Studies and graduated in April 2019.



Yvette Alicea
Sunday Receptionist

Yvette Alicea was born in Manhattan, NY and moved to Puerto Rico when she was three years old. She attended the American University and graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration. In June 1991 she moved to Jupiter and has a son. When St Peter started masses in Spanish she became part of the leadership in many different ministries. She is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, a Lector and an Altar Server. She also graduated from the Diocesan Christian Formation School. She has been a part time staff member since 2012 and she loves helping people.



Edna Forero
Nursery

Edna Forero always enjoyed working with children and love that she can continue serving at St Peter's family in the nursery along with her own four children. She enjoys finding ways to give back and be involved in any way she can. On other days, working as a financial coach helping people to reach financial stability is a joy and passion for her. As a military spouse for twenty one years, with a few moves, being part of a Catholic family across the country reminds her of just what is important for all of us. Faith, Family and Love for Others.



Leonardo Busa
Director of Stewardship

Leonardo was born in Brazil, studied at St. Joseph High School and graduated from the Pontifical Catholic University with a Bachelor Degree in Law and with a Master's Degree in Environmental Law. After graduating he taught Political Sciences and Constitutional Law at Universo University, in Brazil. When he moved to the United States, in 2006, he lived in California for five years and became a Medical Interpreter. Leonardo has lived in Florida since 2010. Before becoming a member of the staff at St. Peter, he worked as a Family Counselor at Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery in Royal Palm Beach.



Dr. Gonzalo Gonzalez
Director of Music

Dr. Gonzalo Gonzalez is our Director of Music. Dr. Gonzalez is originally from Spain and comes from a family of musicians. He studied music at the University of Miami where he earned a double Bachelor of Music in Music Engineering and Keyboard Performance. After graduating he went on to study composition earning both a Master and Doctoral degrees in Music Composition and winning several awards for his work. Prior to coming to St. Peter Dr. Gonzalez was the Director of Music at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Miami and an Adjunct Professor of music theory, ear-training/sight-singing, orchestration, and counterpoint at the University of Miami and at Florida International University. He lives in Jupiter with his wife and two children.



Joe Buckley
Facilities Manager

Joe Buckley is the Facilities Director. Joe was born in Miami, FL and was the youngest of nine children. He attended St. Mary's School and then Archbishop Curley Notre Dame High School. After graduation, he served six years in the United State Army as a Military Policeman. Joe recently retired from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office after more than 25 years of service.



Marta Jimenez
Nursery

Marta Jimenez was born in Guatemala and live in the US since 1993. In 1995 she got married and have two daughters. When St. Peter started mass in Spanish she got involved with children's liturgy of the word on Sundays and also she helps with nursery service. She is also involved with prayer group on Tuesday nights and prayer group on Friday nights and is serving St Peter since 2011.



Giovanna Christian
Director of Finance

Giovanna Christian is the Director of Finance. Giovanna was born and grew up in the Chicago area. She graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. She has been a parishioner since 1990 and has been the Director of Finance since 2000. She is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and a member of the Bell Choir. She has three children, Kate, Kelly and Michael.



Parish
Staff



Christine Macdonald
Parish Secretary

Christine Macdonald is the Parish Secretary. Christine was born in Long Island, New York and moved to Merritt Island, FL as an infant. In 1972 Christine and her family moved to Port St. Lucie, FL where she still resides. Christine is a single parent with three daughters; Allison, Jennifer, and Heather. Christine shares her time and talent in the LIFE TEEN Youth Ministry playing her guitar in the band and as a member of the Core Team.



Etiel Tejada
Maintenance

Etiel Tejada is a member of our maintenance staff. She was born in El Salvador and moved to Boston, MA when she was very young and worked for Harvard University in the Maintenance Department of the Divinity school. Etiel moved to Jupiter, FL in 2003 with her husband Santos. Etiel and Santos are devoted, and active parish members. Etiel follows Christ path by serving the community and sharing her love for Christ with her children, family and friends. Etiel has been an active staff member since December 2012.



Becky Miklos
Director of Religious Education

Rebecca Miklos is the Director of Religious Education. Becky was born and raised in the Pittsburgh area and moved to Florida in 1992. She has a Bachelor of the Arts from the University of Notre Dame, and an Master of the Arts in Religion and Religious Education from the Catholic University of America. Becky became the Director of Religious Education at St. Peter in January 2008. She is the single mom of two teenage daughters, Sarah and Eva.



Santos Tejada
Maintenance

Santos Tejada is a member of our maintenance staff. Santos was born in El Salvador, the third son in a family of ten! He left El Salvador as a young man in his twenties and moved to Boston, MA where he worked at Harvard University in the Department of Facility and Maintenance Operations. It was there he met his wife Etiel. In 2003 Santos moved to Florida and became a member of our parish.



Jo Munoz
Administrative Assistant

Jo Munoz was born in Glen Cove, New York and moved to South Florida after attending Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York. She had worked with personal injury lawyers for eighteen years before coming to St. Peter in 2006. She has been married to her husband, Angel for 40 years and they have two grown children, Joseph and Raquel and two little granddaughters. Jo and Angel volunteer for Food for Families as well as other parish functions and consider St. Peter to be their extended family.



Maria Toro
Nursery

Maria Toro was born in Peru, she came to United States in 1989, she resides in Florida. She graduated from Wellington High school in 1995 and studied medical assistant at a technical school in 1999. She lives in Jupiter since 2014 with her spouse and two children Alexandra and Alan. She has been a parishioner at St. Peter Catholic church since 2008.



Mercedes Robles
*Administrative Assistant /
Hispanic Ministry*

Mercedes Robles was born in Los Angeles, CA but raised for 18 years of my life in Omaha, NE. She has always been active in her church at Assumption/Guadalupe Catholic Church serving as an altar server and singing in the choir as well as being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Mercy High School. She moved to Jupiter, FL in 2014 and attended Palm Beach Atlantic University in West Palm Beach, where she obtained a Bachelor of Science in International Business. In 2014, she became a parishioner at St. Peter. and started participating in the Hispanic community in 2017 through Adoration on Fridays.



Ediza Vega
Director of Hispanic Ministry

Ediza Vega was born in Cajamarca, Peru. She graduated from San Martin University in Lima, Peru with studies in Journalism. In 1995 she immigrated to the United States and lived in Maryland for 20 years working in Journalism and Latino Community Leadership until moving to Jupiter, FL in 2010. She will soon begin her fourth year of Pastoral Leadership Seminar in the Southeast Pastoral Institute of Miami. She graduated from the Palm Beach Diocesan Christian Formation School, and also from the first phase of Christian formation at San Andres School of Evangelization.

G.P.S. GIVING *praying* SERVING

Adult Choir

Provides music for the Saturday and Sunday 4:30 pm & 11:00 am Masses.

Alpha

A ministry to the "unchurched" to help them begin a relationship with Christ.

Altar Angels

Provides clean altar cloths, purificators, vestments and other items used during Mass.

Altar Server

Provide assistance to clergy during religious services at the altar.

Audiovisual Support

Help with Church Audiovisual monitors during Mass on the weekends.

Bell Choir

Handbell ensemble rings each week for the Sunday 11 a.m. Mass.

Bereavement

To extend condolences and support to those in the parish that have experienced the death of a loved one.

Bible Study

To gain knowledge of who God is in our everyday lives and in history.

Box of Joy

A parish wide ministry in the Fall to Christmas items for children in developing countries.

Camp Grow

Youth ministry whose purpose is to beautify the church property and seasonally grow vegetables for distribution.

Cantors

A singer who volunteers in leading the assembly in Worship.

Children's Choir

Grades Pre-K – 5. Sing monthly at Sunday Mass.

Childrens Liturgy of the Word

This program fosters a sense of belonging for the young children of our parish during Mass.

Cursillo

To help people discover and fulfill their personal vocations.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

This chaplet, given to St. Faustina to immerse souls in Gods unending mercy. Prayed before the 8:00 a.m. daily Mass.

EDGE

Provides a setting for middle school youth to socialize and learn the importance of service and relationships with Jesus.

Eucharistic Adoration

Spend prayerful time in the presence of Jesus. The every Friday in the Chapel.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Assist priests and deacons in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass.

Finance Council

Provides financial guidance and advice to the Pastor.

Food for Families

Collect non-perishable food from parishioners and distribute it to provide assistance to the poor.

Food For Friends

Provides meals to the El Sol Community.

Gifts of Faith Gift Shop

Maintain gift shop 30 minutes before and after each Mass on the weekends.

Giving Tree

Provide Christmas gifts to needy children who live in the Jupiter area.

Grandparents Ministry

Helps grandparents to grow in their faith and to help their grandchildren grow in faith

Greeter

Junior and adult greeters welcome parishioners and guests when they enter the church.

Hospital/ Homebound

Brings Holy Communion to the sick..

Knights of Columbus

Offer Catholic men 18 and older who are committed to improving their communities and supporting their church.

Lector

Proclaim the Word of God at Mass by reading selected Scriptures.

Life Teen

Youth ministry with a strong focus on the Eucharist.

Life Teen Band

Provides music for the LifeTeen Mass at 5:30 pm Sunday.

Meditation Garden

Meets every Saturday to maintain the landscape in and around the Meditation Garden.

Mens Group

To enable men to grow closer to Christ and deal with daily struggles of their lives through prayer and Scripture study.

Mercy Bags

A parish wide ministry during Lent to collect items to help the homeless in our area.

Novena to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Prayed in common before the 8:00 a.m. daily mass every Monday in the Chapel.

Nursery

Provides childcare at the 9:30, 11:00 and 12 noon Sunday Masses.

Peace & Social Justice

Works to advocate Social Justice in our larger community.

Prayer Shawl

Pray while knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl for the sick and the newly baptized.

Prison Ministry

To bring Christ to the imprisoned and accompanying prisoners on their journey of faith.

RCIA

Provide an opportunity for adults to further their faith formation by learning more about our Catholic faith and completing their Sacraments of Initiation.

Rosary

Prayed after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, before the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass and before the 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

Rosary Making

Assist the Blessed Mother in her request for prayer by spreading the devotion of the rosary throughout our parish.

St. Vincent de Paul

To reach out and provide support to the poor in our local community.

Small Groups

A group of 6-12 parishioners formed to create discipleship for a mission.

SPKids Catechists

To form young people into disciples.

Stewardship Council

To promote Stewardship as a way of life in our parish.

Ushers

Assist parishioners in finding seats, facilitate collection, and distribute bulletins after Mass.

Vacation Bible School

Provide support in the summer to facilitate Bible camps.

Welcome Kiosk

Assists new parishioners with information before and after Mass.

Welcome Ministry

Welcomes new parishioners to become familiar with our Parish.

Young at Heart

For those 55+ who wish to experience Faith, fellowship, food and fun with their parish family.

Youth Choir

They provide music for the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass. (Grades 6-12)

**Get Involved,
Join A Small Group
Today!**



Stewardship Prayer

Generous and loving God, you call us to be disciples of your Son Jesus and good stewards of all your many gifts.

Open our minds and hearts to a greater awareness and deeper appreciation of your countless blessings.

Transform us through the power of your Spirit to nurture a Stewardship way of life marked by faith-filled prayer, service to our neighbor and generous sharing.

Teach us to be faithful servants of your gifts.

With Mary's help, may we return ten-fold the gifts entrusted to us.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Oración del Administrador

Amado Dios, lleno de amor y generosidad. Tú nos has llamado para ser discípulos de tu Hijo Jesús y buenos administradores de todos tus bienes.

Abre nuestras mentes y nuestros corazones a una mayor conciencia y una apreciación más profunda de tus innumerables bendiciones.

Transfórmalos a través del poder de tu Espíritu y nutre nuestras vidas con un mejor entendimiento sobre la corresponsabilidad, marcada por una oración llena de fe, servicio a nuestro prójimo y un compartir generoso.

Enséñanos a ser fieles servidores de tus dones. Y con la ayuda de la Virgen María, podamos devolver diez veces los regalos que nos ha confiado.

Oramos ésto a través de Cristo, nuestro Señor.

Amén.

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