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ST. PETER PARISH

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Monday & Tuesday
(*Word and Communion*) - 9:00 AM

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
(*Weekday Masses*) - 9:00 AM

Masses on Days of Obligation
9:00 AM and 6:00 PM

SACRAMENTS

Baptism:

Celebrated at scheduled times in the year. Preparation class is required. Contact the parish office.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 4:30-5:00 PM and by appointment.

First Holy Communion:

Preparation & reception in 2nd Grade in Religious Education Program.

Confirmation:

Preparation every other year for High School Juniors and Seniors. Contact the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick:

Celebrated on the First Friday of the month at the 9:00 Mass or when requested.

Marriage:

Six months prior notice is required.
All engaged couples must participate in the marriage preparation program. Contact the parish office.

Please notify the parish office of a parishioner's request for communion in the hospital or at home.



THE MISSION

St. Peter Parish Community

To celebrate that we are a diverse people who grow in faith, work together in hope, worship together in love, bear one another's sorrows, forgive one another's faults, share one another's joys.

We will see with the eye of the heart, look for God in one another, and see God in everyone.

PARISH STAFF

Priest Administrator:

Rev. Felino Paulino 206-722-7888

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206-767-6449

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FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education:

Preschool through 10th Grade.

Registration for all returning & new students—August to September.

Classes—October to May.
Sundays at 9:30 – 10:15 AM.

Adult Faith Formation &

Initiation: Contact the parish office.

EMERGENCIES

If the parish office is closed and you need a priest to administer the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the emergency number at 206-769-5611.

If the priest does not answer, please leave a message and he will call you back.
THIS NUMBER IS FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY.

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

The Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: The New Year begins with a blessing, and the great hope of all today is that it will continue in peace, with the face of God shining upon all people. Held fast within God's kindness, we walk confidently from this sacred threshold into an unknown future.

Responsorial Psalm 67: The psalm continues this theme of asking for God's blessing and mercy. Nations who know they are ultimately ruled by God can rejoice because they are free from the whims or mistakes of limited human beings. Knowing the generous nature of God, how could God do anything but bless?

Second Reading: If only people could fully comprehend the meaning and believe the message of this reading, they might become so easily upset over failures and disappointments. If human beings are God's sons and daughter, heirs to God's kingdom, what could interfere? What else could possibly matter more? Because of Jesus' birth, every human being can call God Father, by whatever dear and intimate version of the name they wish.

Gospel: Luke's version of the shepherds coming to Bethlehem, possibly heard before at the dawn Mass on Christmas day, is so central to faith that it is one of the earliest stories Christian children hear. Shepherds are not people of wealth, yet they are wise enough to be amazed. Can we too, no matter how often we hear the story, wonder at its simplicity as well as its extraordinary scope? As Jesus receives his name, it's a good time to reflect on our own names. What hopes and dreams did they contain? How does it feel to hear our unique and special name, called with tenderness? Jesus himself shares that experience. Just as his name was revealed by the angel at the Annunciation, so too God chose every human name with special care and specificity. We respond as the shepherds did, praising God.

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PRAYER FOR A BLESSING ON THE NEW YEAR

O sacred and adorable Trinity,
hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope,
our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us.
Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year,
the whole Catholic Church;
convert heretics and unbelievers;
soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy
friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the
nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends,
relatives, and acquaintances,
and upon our enemies, if we have any;
assist the poor and the sick;
have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us;
and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year
who will be summoned before Thy judgment seat.
May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance,
so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee,
may likewise be ended through Thee.

Amen. -Unknown Author



Pause for Prayerful Reflection as you enter the New Year

Spend a day unwinding from the holidays with a peaceful, one-day retreat.

Saturday, January 7, 2017; 9:00am – 3:00pm; Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street, Seattle

Rosanne Michaels of the St. James Cathedral staff will guide us through a prayerful recollection of our past year, and a look ahead at the coming year. Throughout the day, participants will be invited to silent periods of personal reflection and prayer. Please bring a brown-bag lunch. Snacks and beverages will be provided. RSVP requested. Questions? Rosanne Michaels, 206-654-4658, michaels@stjames-cathedral.org

Hello Friends! Happy Advent! As we all prepare our hearts for Christmas, believe it or not, I am trying to prepare for the 2017-18 school year, and I need your help. If you know any families, especially those with young children who are just starting school shopping, please tell them to contact St. George Parish School as soon as possible and set up a personal tour. I am happy to share with them all that our St. George community has to offer! Our greatest asset is you, the warm and caring families! I can be reached by email mwingard@saintgeorgeseattle.org or at 206-762-0656.

Our preschool classrooms for 3 and 4 year olds are filling up fast. We are also signing up kindergarteners and students in Grades 4th and 6th for next year. In addition, the deadline for tuition assistance applications through the Fulcrum Foundation closes January 6, 2017. I don't want anyone to miss out on that if it pertains to their family. Full classrooms means a healthy budget for all our programs. Thank for you constant support and prayers!

Merry Christmas,
Monica Wingard, Principal, St. George Parish School

MASS INTENTIONS / LECTIONARY READINGS

Dec 31 Sat	5:30 PM Mass— + In remembrance of Jose Sunglao, Prudencio Sunglao & Victoria Rodriguez	<i>Readings are the same as Sunday</i>
Jan 1 Sun	<i>Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother</i> 8:30 AM Mass— For the parishioners & visitors of St. Peter Parish 10:30 AM Mass — + In remembrance of Vincent Kerkof	Nm 6:22-27 Ps67:2-3,5-6,8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21
Jan 2 Mon	9:00 AM—Word and Communion Service	1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 1:19-28
Jan 3 Tue	9:00 AM— Word and Communion Service	1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Ps 98:1,3c-4,5-6 Jn 1:29-34
Jan 4 Wed	9:00 AM Mass — + In remembrance of Louis Rabang, Jose & Feliza Halos	1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1,7-9 Jn 1:35-42
Jan 5 Thu	9:00 AM Mass	1 Jn 3:11-21 Ps 100:1b-5 Jn 1:43-51
Jan 6 Fri	9:00AM Mass	1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15,19,20 Mk 1:7-11

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Dec 24/25

Due to the holiday printing schedule, collection amounts were unavailable at the time the bulletin was submitted and will be posted next weekend.

Readings for next Sunday:

The Epiphany of the Lord
Is 60:1-6
Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13
Eph 3:2-3a,5-6
Mt 2:1-12

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Today's second reading reminds us that through Christ we have been delivered from the old law and have become sons and daughters of God. New Year's Day provides a perfect opportunity to ask ourselves the question: Does my life reflect my gratitude for all that my loving Father has given me?