

THE ROCK ROAD



ST. PETER'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." (Matthew 4:17)

Dear St. Peter's family,

Recently, when Bishop Reed visited St. Peter's, one of the more precocious kindergarteners in our parish approached the Bishop with a question. Apparently, the little boy had learned to play chess with his father, and so he asked the Bishop, "Can you only move diagonally?" And then the little boy pulled out of his pocket a bishop's chess piece and handed it to Bishop Reed. It was cute, and the Bishop appreciated the question he had never been asked before. The Bishop even showed the boy how he can move in different directions across Tucker Hall.

The season of Lent might as well begin with a question. Can we *only* move in one direction? Every Ash Wednesday, we are invited to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance. If I can describe repentance, I would say it's like we are headed in one direction and then we turn to move in a different direction.

I love one of the customs from the ancient church when baptismal candidates would answer a set of questions while they were facing west, in the direction of the setting sun. The questions had to do with renouncing sin and the old way of life. The candidates were facing west as if to say that day is over. They renounced sin and the old way of life. Then, the candidates would physically turn toward the east, in the direction of the rising sun. They were asked just like our baptismal candidates are asked, "Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?" They would answer, "I do." They had repented!

We can repent or turn in big and small ways. Lent is an opportunity for us to self-examine, to check in and ask ourselves where in our lives we need to change direction. It might be in a relationship or in your daily routine. Perhaps you feel like you need to make a big turn. If so, the turn toward God is always a turn in the direction of the rising sun and a new day. In Lent, we can turn in a new direction, only to find the Lord ready to lead us down a better path. I *invite* you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance.

Faithfully,



ST. PETER'S

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THE REV. BERT BAETZ
Rector



THE REV. MIKE WHEELER
Asst. Priest



GINNY STEHLING
Parish Administrator



JENNY LIGON
Children's Minister



KOURTNEY DOSTER
Middle School Minister



KELSEY KELLER
High School Minister



JANET BOUTIN
School Director



FELICIA LEHMANN
Asst. Director, School



DAVID MIRON
Director of Music and Organist



CLAIRE RABSON
Chancel Choir Director



KRISTIE KEESE
Controller



GUY SCOTT
Facilities Manager



BRUCE HEUN
Sexton



LAUREN VEREEN
Communications Coordinator

VESTRY

2024

AMY BEST, Sr. Warden
CATIE EASTLAND
JAMES HORNE, Jr. Warden
AMANDA MCDONALD, Clerk

2025

GRANT BAEHRE
SARAH HILBURN
AMY IVES
JON WILEMS

2026

MARI GLAMSER-SAMUEL
MICKEY HORANY
LORI SCHREINER
HERB WILLIAMSON

February Vestry Highlights

The Vestry met in the Multi-Purpose Room on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 5:30pm. Father Bert opened the meeting with a prayer. Life and ministry moments were shared. During the time for Spiritual Formation, the Vestry divided up into their classes and studied a passage from the prophet Micah. Fr. Bert also shared with the Vestry a new book to be studied by the Vestry for this year. The book is titled *The Way of Love* by Scott Gunn.

The Vestry approved the minutes of the January regular meeting and other actions taken since the January meeting. The Vestry also approved the minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting. The January financials had been emailed to the Vestry by the Controller, Kristie Keese. We are 8.3% complete with our 2023 budget year. Income through the month of January was at 19% and expenses were at 8%. The financial report was approved by the Vestry.

On behalf of the Organ Ad-Hoc Committee, James Horne reported to the Vestry. The first of the month were rainy days and David cannot do woodworking on those days, so he has worked ahead on other things. He has done half of the wiring for the facade chests and preliminary work for rebuilding stops rail on the console. He has also done parts of the Great and Pedal Reservoirs connection. He expects to install transept facade in the next 2 or 3 weeks.

On behalf of St. Peter's Episcopal School, Amanda McDonald reported to the Vestry. The School Board met on January 23:

- Betty opened meeting with a prayer.
- December minutes reviewed and approved.

Director Report presented by Janet Boutin:

- School enrollment holding strong at 143.
- EOY Scholarship Drive \$15,000.
- Library Renovation: completing cabinets, touch up paint, building 3 activity houses, installing glass tops, finish desk area.
- Staff grieving due to sudden loss of one teacher's husband and passing of Ms. Kay. Kay worked at the School 32 years.
- 2023–24 Priority Registration begins February 20th. Most age groups already filled by existing families.

Old Business:

- Board reviewed 2023-24 price sheet. This will be announced in February on-line newsletter and available on church website now.
- Kristie will look into ERC next month.

Financial Report:

- Felicia reported School is doing very well; significant amount in bank. Families paying their bills.
- December financials required no action.

Vestry Highlights cont'd

The School Board met on February 20:

- Betty opened meeting with a prayer.
- January minutes reviewed and approved.
Director Report presented by Janet Boutin:
- School enrollment at full capacity; 143.
- Losing part-time staff member. Kourtney recently graduated college and will be working for Oklahoma City University.
- Library Renovation: building 3 activity houses, installing glass tops, purchasing rug and library materials.
- Over 3 day weekend, updated/improved lighting at school entry.
- 2023–24 Priority Registration began February 20th. Most age groups already filled by existing families.

New Business:

- Board approved school calendar 2023-24

Old Business:

- Teacher salary increases discussed and approved for the 2023-24 school year.

Financial Report:

- Justin reported another great month; excellent cash position. Will meet later to discuss investing cash in endowment or other interest bearing accounts.
- January financials required no action.
- Next meeting Monday, March 20, 2023, 12:30pm; MPR

On behalf of the Buildings & Grounds Commission, Sarah Hilburn reported to the Vestry. The Commission has a meeting scheduled with a Stained Glass Company to discuss the possibilities of adding stained glass windows in the parlor. Steps are being taken to develop the plans for the new columbarium area. The Commission is also considering bids and options for alternative locks and security mechanisms for the current columbarium gate.

James Horne presented the Junior Warden's Report:

- The small refrigerator in kitchen of Tucker Hall need to be replaced. Guy priced aside by side household type at Lowe's for \$1295.79. Brandy approved of the model and I approved the purchase. It was installed about Feb. 10th.
- A new projector for Tucker Hall was requested to have more brightness and clarity. Research was done by Lauren Vereen on different models and one was chosen for price of \$3182.57. It has 6200 lumens compared to existing 3500 and resolution of 1920 x 1200 compared to existing of 1024 x 768. It was approved and should arrive in a couple of weeks.

Vestry Highlights cont'd

Amy Best presented the Senior Warden's Report:

- Council. "Go Baptize and Make Disciples". Listen to the Bishop's address on the website. Fun whirlwind 3 days. Learned about so many ministries in this diocese helping so many in need. Amazing. Elected a new bishop of course. Plus, enjoyed quality time with St. Peter's delegates and alternates.
- St. Peter's vestry nominating committee. Comprised of the four outgoing vestry members meet. They meet in the fall. May seem early to even be discussing, but it is a good idea for us all to be thinking of potential members.
- The Apartments. What to do? There are three first floor apartments. Three second floor. Three older women live on the first floor; been there a while; rent at a reduced rate. Second floor all rented at a market rate. Not suggesting kick anyone out, but eventually these women will pass. We have a \$600K investment here. Need to form a task force to see what we do with this. Option A: do we continue to be landlords? B: A book store or a place for intentional community or other use? C: a combination of both? This task force will be formed in the immediate future. About six members. One being from the vestry. Fr. Bert to present ideas, then leave the group. The task force will have six months to research and present a plan, come back to the Vestry in the Fall for approval. Present the proposal at the Annual Meeting in January.

Fr. Bert reported to the Vestry. Since the Vestry Retreat, we have had several busy weeks and weekends. On the Sunday after the Retreat, our delegation travelled to St. Thomas, San Antonio for the Bishop's Discernment Forum. On Sunday, February 5, Bishop Reed made what is likely his last visit to St. Peter's as Bishop Diocesan. Bishop Reed confirmed/received seventeen members into the parish, and we baptized four children on the day of his visit.

On February 16, Fr. Bert and the St. Peter's delegation travelled to Corpus Christi for Diocesan Council. We heard a good number of reports on our shared ministry in the diocese and elected the Rev. Dr. David Read from St. Helena's, Boerne to be our Bishop Coadjutor.

On Tuesday, February 21, we hosted the Pancake Supper and the burning of the palms. On Wednesday, February 22, we held three Ash Wednesday services with very good attendance throughout the day. Fr. Bert preached at the 7am service and the Rev. Dr. Katherine Lehman preached at the 12pm and the 5pm services.

On Sunday, February 26, we welcomed Bishop Pons Ozelle from Nebbi Diocese in Uganda. We had a very good turnout for his visit, and Pons was a wonderful presence to our parish!

Frs. Bert and Mike will continue with their Sunday Ephesians study through the spring. The Lenten Series will begin this Wednesday, and we have another superb lineup of speakers. The year's series is titled The Art of Lent. In addition to the speaker series, the Clergy and Lauren Vereen have created a Lent web page where parishioners can find art and Scripture verses to use for their personal reflection. The speakers will then speak to one or more pieces of the art found online and the theme of the week.

Fr. Bert shared with the Vestry the new Music Mediations program offered during Lent. Evet Monday during Lent and then Monday through Thursday of Holy Week, at the lunch hour from 12pm to 1pm, organist and music director will offer a musical meditation in the sanctuary.

Vestry Highlights cont'd

Fr. Bert shared with the Vestry a bit about this year's Holy Week preacher. The Rev. Nathan G. Jennings, PhD, serves as the J. Milton Richardson Professor of Liturgics and Anglican Studies and Director of Community Worship at the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin. In his field of study, Jennings is interested in liturgical theology. In teaching, Jennings reflects on liturgy theologically as that which enables participation in God and God's work in the world. We are fortunate to welcome Nathan to St. Peter's as our Holy Week Preacher. In addition to preaching, Nathan will offer a couple of teachings on Wednesday and Thursday in Holy Week. Stay tuned for more details and the opportunity to make your Holy Week a memorable one.

Fr. Bert told the Vestry that he plans to visit with Kelsey Doster and Jenny Ligon about the future of our middle school ministry, since our Middle School Minister Kourtney Doster is leaving for a job in Oklahoma City.

Fr. Bert plans to take a few vacation days later in the spring. He has shared those dates with the Senior Warden.

There was no other business. The Vestry and Rector closed their meeting with the Lord's Prayer, and the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, March 20 at 5:30pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. As always, anyone in the parish is welcome to attend. If you wish to be on the agenda and speak, however, please notify the Rector no later than the previous Tuesday, March 14, when he writes the agenda to be sent to the Vestry.



ST. PETER'S

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PRAYER PALS



Introducing the newest ministry here at Saint Peter's... Prayer Pals!

WHO: This is for everyone! Children, youth, and adults.

WHAT: Adults will be partnered with a child or youth in the parish and will be tasked with simply praying for this child and checking in on them whenever you see them at church

WHY: The purpose of prayer pals is to establish and foster intergenerational connections in our parish.

WHEN/WHERE: The main purpose of prayer pals is simply praying for your pal, which is something you get to do on your own anywhere and anytime. We also encourage you to seek out your prayer partner on Sunday mornings to check in on them...coffee and donuts in Tucker Hall is the perfect place!

We are wanting every child and youth in our parish to have a prayer pal! With that being said, any interested adult in the parish, or parent wanting to get their child/youth partnered, please scan the QR code below and fill out the interest form!



Child Interest Form



Adult Interest Form

Contact Jenny@stpeterskerrville.com or
Kelsey@stpeterskerrville.com if you need a copy of the form!

A Message from Father Mike...

A blogger I follow (the only one) recently posted: "Do We Ever Get It Right?" Spoiler alert: No.

Using the cult classic film *Ground Hog Day* as background ("back"... "ground"... get it?), my blogger recounts the lead character played by actor Bill Murray who awakens each morning to the same day--February 2--and does the same thing over and over. "At first, it's fun. Then, it's maddening..." to the point of committing suicide to end the madness, only to awaken again to the same day. The writer-director suggested that the "day" repeats at least 10,000 times! Murray adapts to his circumstances, slowly working towards a perfect day--and, finally(!) everything works out. Another good Hollywood ending. The way we like to believe life should work. Practice makes perfect. (Some people actually believe this--another maddening exercise).

Well, who doesn't want to get everything right? It's Lent, and we're called to do lots of things, over and over and over again: Repent; Confess; Fast; Pray; Deny ourselves; Forgive; Hone our spiritual lives until we're...HOLY! The problem is, in real life, there aren't any do-overs. In the real world, it's more like "What if?...what if?...what if?..." "Regret is a terrible, terrifying master" (blogger). Don't we know this?

Reality makes us confront a hard truth: No. We never "get it right." Not once. Not after 10,000 tries. Not ever. We can fix cars. We can repair space shuttles. We can bend our dogs' behaviors to our human wills. But we can't seem to do this to/for ourselves. This can be frustrating. It can even be dangerous. It's as though we're hard-wired for failure: Surprise! It's *Ground Hog Day*, #10,001!

In sensitive souls, the nagging background noise of failure ratchets up our sense of caution. It exacerbates our anxieties. It marshalls our fear(s). It can ruin a proper sense of self and make human community nearly impossible. Shame becomes the by-product and threatens to control our whole world. GHD#10,002. GHD#10,003... It's a recipe for despair.

Agreeing with my blogger (in so many words): This is just idiocy. It's futile, useless, irrational. These kinds of judgments follow the endless asking of the erroneous question: "Do We Ever Get It Right?" Arguing with these repetitious thoughts, actions and behaviors can be compared to pain signals. Can you imagine arguing with a sprained ankle?

"Do We Ever Get It Right?" is the wrong question, it turns out. In daily life and, in particular, our life in Christ. Maybe our school-days did this to us: A's for getting it right; B's for just a bit wrong, but mostly right; C's for not-so-much; D's for really messing things up; and F's for complete failure. I don't know anybody with a personal report card with straight A's. Do you? GHD#50,001...

(Blogger): "We imagine that 'getting it right' will make us 'be right' ourselves. The two, however, are only kin to one another in their bondage to shame." Here is the Christian response, in the language of St. John, using imagery of a different sort when speaking to sin and the spiritual life:

"But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have communion with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).



In another few verses St. John reminds us (as if we needed reminding) that we will, indeed, sin:

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us" (1 John 1:8-10).

St. John makes "walking in the light" (not "walking in the right") the primary point of our lives. Christ is our Light. He is, in fact, the Light of the World (John 8:12). Walking in Christ, in His light, by His light, brings us into communion with Him and one another. "Did I get it right?" is self-referential; we become the center of attention, rather missing the point (of life). "Am I walking in the Light?" focuses on Christ. Then, if I fail, I fail within the Light. The Light which will reveal not my failure, but the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, who cleanses us from all sin. Bringing us back into communion. Into a "eucharistic life."

"He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me" (John 6:56-57).

"That eucharistic life is what 'getting it right' looks like. Walk in the Light as He is in the Light. Eat. Drink. Pray. Repent. Repeat."

Blessed, Holy Lent,

Mike

P.S.: Fr. Stephen Freeman, blogger: Glory to God for All Things

For a More Holy Lent



PRAY

- Daily Devotions & Book of Common Prayer

FAST

- Such as on Wednesdays or Fridays (or other days in Lent)
- Choose a fast that is meaningful and challenging for you, but also realistic and sustainable. You can fast from activities or habits that distract you from your time with God, such as social media, or gossip.

WORSHIP

- Sunday and Wednesday Eucharists
- Music Meditation Hour (Wednesdays during Lent)

STUDY

- Attend the Lenten Series and participate in the Art Study on our website
- Participate in Christian Formation on Sundays

REPENT

- Reconciliation of a Penitent, Private Confession (Schedule an appointment with Frs. Bert or Mike)

OTHER

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2023



Music Meditations

Every Wednesday during Lent, (3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29) and then Monday through Thursday of Holy Week (4/3, 4/4, 4/5, 4/6), at the lunch hour from 12pm-1pm, organist and music director David Miron will offer a musical meditation in the sanctuary.

The music will be selected to create a sonic space for contemplation, reading, and prayer. You may sit in meditation, kneel at the altar rail, or in front of the reserved sacrament, read scripture or any book that you wish, take off your shoes and lie on the floor, or any other posture that facilitates closer connection with God.

Everyone in the Kerrville community is welcome to come use this time for deepening your spiritual journey during Lent.

These are not performances, and there will be no programs; we ask that you not applaud or break the contemplative mood in any way. David will play some of his favorite music for reflection, pieces he goes to for his own renewal and restoration.

Anyone who is there at the end of the noon lunch-hour time is asked to depart in silence.

Questions? Contact David@stpeterskerrville.com





The Art of Lent

March 1: Self-Examination

The Rev. Jamie George

March 8: Repentance

Mr. Steven Purcell

March 15: Prayer

Br. Michael Gallagher

& Fr. Peter Funk

March 22: Sacrifice

The Rev. Dr. Matt Boulter

March 29: Renewal

The Rev. Justin Lindstrom

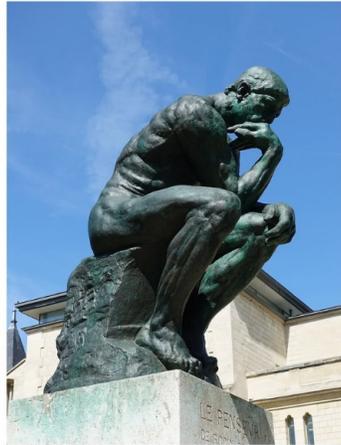
St. Peter's Episcopal Church and School
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Kerrville TX 78028-4650

The Art of Lent

Since its inception, the church has used art to express and teach the Christian faith. For this year's five-week Lenten Series, we have selected a variety of works of art suited for the season. Provided on our website, you will find devotional material for the Lenten Series. We encourage you to use the art and scriptures for your own personal reflection.



www.stpeterskerrville.com/lent



The Thinker
by Auguste Rodin
(1840 -1917)

Examine yourselves to see whether you are living in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you?

2 CORINTHIANS 13:5a

Series Speakers

This year's Lenten speakers will speak to that week's theme and art. We look forward to another wonderful lineup of speakers and hope to see you on the Lenten journey!

Schedule

5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist in the Church
5:30 PM	Soup Supper in Tucker Hall
6:15 PM	Speaker Series in Tucker Hall
7:00 PM	Evening Prayer in the Church



THE REV. JAMIE GEORGE

For the last fourteen years, Jamie has served as co-church planter with her husband, The Rev. Jay George, growing Grace Episcopal, San Antonio, from church plant to parish status. She has a B.S. in Exercise and Sport Science from Texas Tech, a Master of Divinity from Fuller Theological Seminary (2021), and completed Anglican Studies through IONA (2022). Bishop Reed has appointed Jamie George to serve as Curate at St. Helena's for two years. A Curate is generally a recent seminary graduate and newly ordained person who is entering into his or her first position in parish ministry. She and Jay have three grown children – Adilyn, also Texas Tech grad, Jacob and Emily.



MR. STEVEN PURCELL

Steven Purcell came to Laity Lodge in 2006 by way of Seattle. From 1997-2002, he was the Director of Conferences and Retreats at Schloss Mittersill, in Mittersill, Austria. Prior to that he attended Regent College in Vancouver, B.C., where he studied Spiritual Theology with an emphasis on its integration with the arts. Steven lives with his family in Boerne.



BR. MICHAEL GALLAGHER

Br. Michael is a Roman Catholic Benedictine monk at Holy Cross Monastery in Woodville, Texas. Michael has degrees in music from Penn and law from Villanova. He practiced law in Philadelphia and New York from 1978 to 1988. He entered Mount Saviour Monastery in New York in 1988. In 1998 Michael came to Texas with Fr. Peter to co-found Holy Cross Monastery.

Fr. Peter and Br. Michael give retreats, talks and spiritual direction at the Monastery and in the wider community, as well as workshops on music, prayer, lectio divina and Benedictine life and spirituality



FR. PETER FRUNK

Fr. Peter is a Roman Catholic Benedictine monk at Holy Cross Monastery in Woodville, Texas. Peter was ordained for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in 1964. His ministry has included prison, high school teaching, campus, Tribunal and parish work. Formerly a monk of Mount Saviour he came to Texas to co-found Holy Cross Monastery with Br. Michael in 1998.



THE REV. DR. MATT BOULTER

The Rev. Dr. Matt Boulter is the rector of St. George's Episcopal Church in east central Austin, Texas. A former Presbyterian minister with a Ph D in philosophy, Matt's great love is reaching the city with the love, the good news, of Jesus Christ. His recent book, Repetition and Mythos: Ratzinger's Bonaventure and the Meaning of History, is the culmination of decades of intellectual passion. Married to Bouquet for a quarter of a century with an 18-year old heading off to college and a 14-year old in middle school, Matt has much for which to be thankful.



THE REV. JUSTIN LINDSTROM

The Reverend Justin Alan Lindstrom is the Associate Rector for Community Formation at Christ Episcopal Church in San Antonio, TX. In this role, Justin oversees the children, youth, college, and young adult ministries of the church and serves as the director of all outreach. Christ Church is a thriving and growing congregation in the historic region of Monte Vista. Previously, Justin has served as Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral in Oklahoma City, was the Founding Vicar of Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church in Cypress, Texas, and was the Associate for Youth and Family Ministry for St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston. He has been ordained for 24 years. Justin is the author of Faith, Family, Focus, Finances, a framework to help individuals and families discover their core values, live out their values, become debt free and live with intention. Justin is married to Susan and they have two children. Covell, their son, is the Donor Relations and Grant Supervisor for Project Quest in San Antonio. Cooper, their daughter, is a senior at Texas Lutheran University. The Lindstroms live in San Antonio, TX.



LET US WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Arden Renée Bartlett
Stone Henry Tate
Luke Daniel Blalock
Emily Olivia Blalock



CONGRATULATIONS

TO OUR CONFIRMANDS

Donald Shaw Frazier
Jeffrey Clyde Perry
Deborah S. Perry
Caden Clark Keller
Melissa Manville Schneider
Megan Renee Riettini
Joan Aileen Clanton Kenalty

Paula Gerbig Zunker
Michael Nelson Riettini
Abigayle Jane Maloney
Amanda Ruland Baehre
Kelsey Michelle Keller
Kourtney Kelly Doster

TO OUR RECEIVED

Susan Marie Frazier
Donald Carl Schimmel
Pamela Annette Evans
Richard Joseph Schneider

AND TO OUR REAFFIRMED

Cathleen Vaughan Cavazos
James Kenalty
Calvin Smajstrla
Sharon Evans





DWTX COUNCIL 2023



Three days of excitement in Corpus Christi at the American Bank Center were filled with both joy and anticipation for the election of our new Bishop Coadjutor, in conjunction with bittersweet moments as The Rt. Rev. David Reed prepares for his retirement.



It is safe to assume the group of attendees from St. Peter's enjoyed themselves, evidenced in their table starting "the wave" during roll call, as well as Amy Best sharing her best pirate joke during an open mic moment.



The worship service on Friday evening was moving, complete with a full choir and an accompanying ukulele band. Prior to the service, the clergy and bishops lined the hallway, and it was quite the sight to behold.



Long days transpired into successful and important work. The full list of completed elections can be found at dwtx.org. The Episcopal Diocese of West Texas spans sixty counties and 69,000 square miles in southern Texas. Its 87 actively participating congregations serve approximately 20,000 parishioners. So now, let us "Go, Baptize and Make Disciples" as our Bishop has encouraged us to do.



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LOVE for the LEAST



PARTY WITH A PURPOSE

On February 11th, the Love for the Least Partners and Co-Chairs Dee Elliott and Hiram Wilson hosted a "Party with a Purpose" benefitting Love for the Least.

Thanks to our incredible volunteers, donors, and attendees, this event was a huge success. Jerry and Stacy Kramer, our missionaries in Northern Iraq, were given \$8,303.00.

We have helped to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to many who never have had the opportunity to learn about our Lord and Savior.

Please remember to keep Jerry, Stacy, and all of the people we are helping, in our prayers.

Learn more at <https://lovefortheleast.org/>



PRAY WITH US

Heavenly Father, we thank you for Jerry and Stacy. Watch over them as they carry the good news of Christ to far-off places. Comfort them and protect them from harm. Accept our gifts, receive our prayers, and use us to help share the light of Christ to others.

Amen.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

On Ash Wednesday, Father Bert and our Children's Minister, Jenny Ligon, stashed away the "Alleluia" in a very special chest. "Burying the Alleluia" serves as a symbolic gesture at the beginning of Lent to mark the solemnity of the season about to begin. This tangible exercise scaffolds the themes of the season for even the littlest parishioners of our congregation, who are on the initial steps of their faith journey. The "Alleluia" will remain hidden away until the burst of Glory that is Easter Morning. The week following, our school children will witness the return of the "Alleluia," in recognition of one season of the church year changing to another.





ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
ST. PETER'S WELCOMED

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BISHOP OF NEBBI DIOCESE IN UGANDA



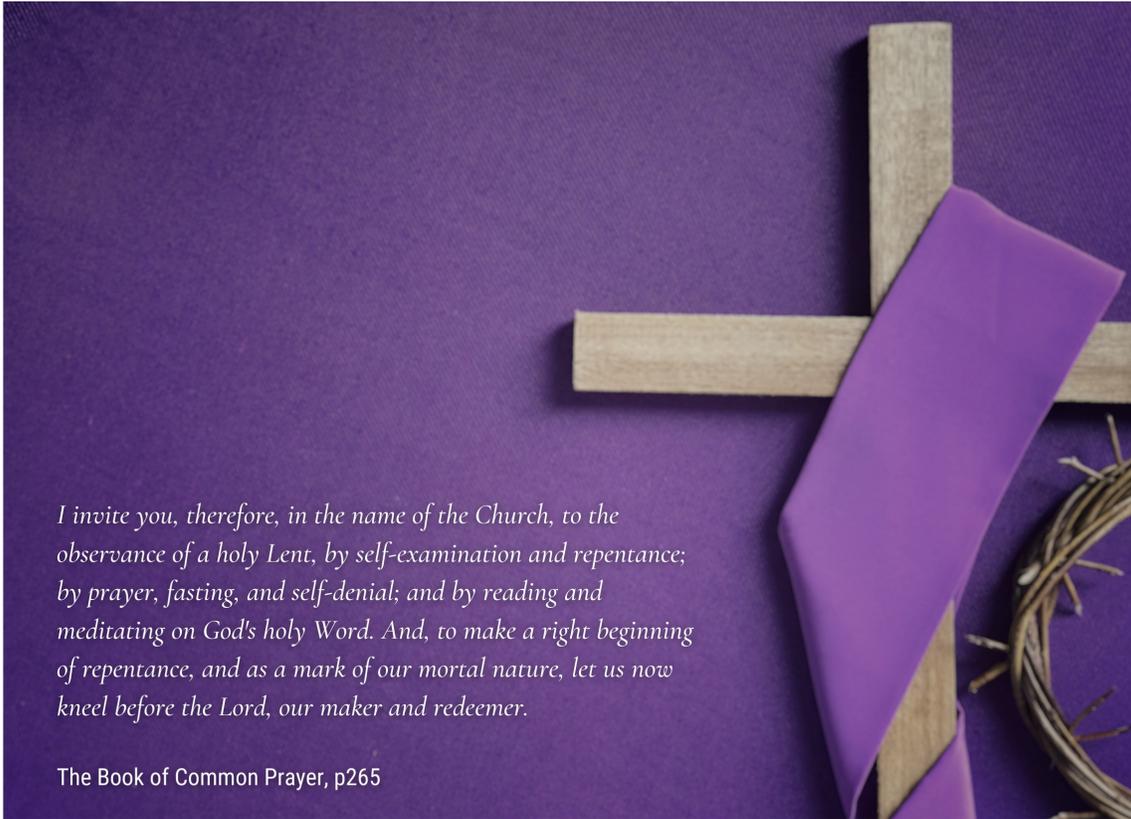
Family

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT ST. PETER'S

During the Lenten Season, in lieu of adult classes, St. Peter's presents The Art of Lent, a speaker series based on a variety of works of art suited for the season. For more details on the series and respective speakers, visit pages 11-13.

A daily devotional based on the weekly themes is on our website at stpeterskerrville.com/lent

- 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, in the Church
- 5:30 PM Soup Supper in Tucker Hall (kid-friendly options available)
- 6:00 PM *The Art of Lent For Kids* begins in the MPR. (Children's programming)
- 6:15 PM Middle School and High Schoolers meet in the Youth Room
- 6:15 PM Speaker Series in Tucker Hall
- 7:00 PM Evening Prayer in the Church



I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

The Book of Common Prayer, p265

Gather

WEEKLY GATHERINGS AT ST. PETER'S

PFF (Prayers, Fellowship & Football) – Tucker Hall

Tuesdays 12 – 1 PM

PFF is a men's lunch group with no agenda. It's purely social and men of all ages are welcome. Join us for a delicious \$8.00 lunch and lively conversation! If you need more information, please feel free to call Jon Wilems at (281) 723-9671 or John Elliott at (830) 238-4958. An RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.

Contemplative Prayer

Tuesdays 2-3 PM, led by Susan Parker

Everyone is welcome! Our goal is to support one another in private contemplative prayer and meditation and share our faith journeys. We are affiliated with Contemplative Outreach LTD and World Community for Christian Meditation. For more information, please contact Susan Parker at 830-257-3918, or email her at parkers710@gmail.com for location information.

Path of Life – Multipurpose Room in Tucker Hall

Wednesdays 10:30 am – Noon, Led by Becky Purl and Betty Mosty

Path of Life meets in the MPR of Tucker Hall at 10:30 AM. All are welcome to join this learning, caring and fun group! Books are available at the meeting.

Friday Book Study – Church office 2nd floor Audio-Visual Room

Fridays 11am – Noon, Led by Susan Parker

The group has begun the study of *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship* by Gregory Boyle by the Jesuit priest Gregory Boyle. Join us at 11 am every Friday either in person in the AV room in the office building or via Zoom. Contact Susan Parker for Zoom information; 257-3918 or parkers710@gmail.com.

SUNDAYS

Adult Christian Formation Class at 10:25 AM

Study of the Ephesians, in the MPR, Led by the Clergy

Children's Sunday School at 10:30 AM

Classes are for PreK – 3 through Kinder and 1st Grade through 5th grade.

Nursery

Open from 9AM to 12:30PM Shelton Hall
Contact: Mary Ellen (leegrad1973@gmail.com)
or Jenny (Jenny@stpeterskerrville.com)



HOLY WEEK *Schedule*

PALM SUNDAY
April 2

8 AM
9:15 AM
11:15 AM

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

TUESDAY
April 4

7 PM

Evensong

WEDNESDAY
April 5

7 PM

Evensong

**MAUNDY
THURSDAY**
April 6

7 PM

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

GOOD FRIDAY
April 7

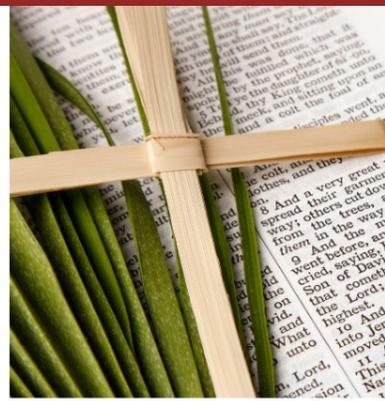
12 PM

The Good Friday Liturgy

EASTER DAY
April 9

6 AM
8 AM
9:15 AM
11:15 AM

Easter Vigil (Sunrise Service)
The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two



St. Peter's Parish picnic will take place at Camp Mystic on April 16th at 10 AM.



HOLY WEEK PREACHER

LET US WELCOME

THE REV. NATHAN G. JENNINGS, PhD

The Rev. Nathan G. Jennings, PhD, serves as the J. Milton Richardson Professor of Liturgics and Anglican Studies and Director of Community Worship at the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin.



In his field of study, Jennings is interested in liturgical theology. In teaching, Jennings reflects on liturgy theologically as that which enables participation in God and God's work in the world. In his most recent publication, *Liturgy and Theology, Economy Reality*, Jennings presents liturgy as a cosmic gift economy whereby God renders cosmos out of chaos. He is currently working on a book that will provide an outline of sound liturgical decision-making.

We are fortunate to welcome Nathan to St. Peter's as our Holy Week Preacher. In addition to preaching, Nathan will offer a couple of teachings on Wednesday and Thursday in Holy Week. Stay tuned for more details and the opportunity to make your Holy Week a memorable one.



Easter Flowers

ORDER FORM

Order beautiful flowers for our altar as a memorial or thanksgiving. Flowers are \$15.00 each. All proceeds go to replenish our altar flower fund.

Deadline for ordering is April 2nd, Palm Sunday.

Name:		Phone:	
	# of plants:	Total Cost:	
Easter Flowers	_____	\$_____	
TOTAL (# of plants X \$15)		\$_____	
Please Complete below:			
In memory of:			

In thanksgiving for:			



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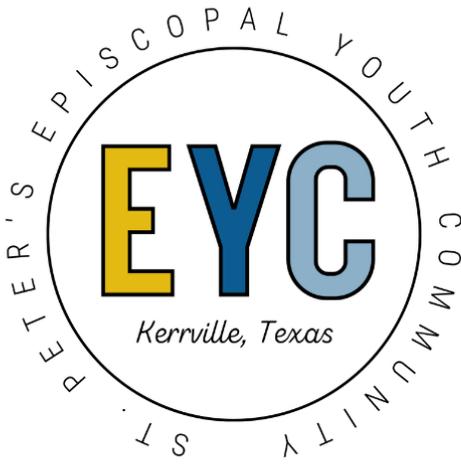
SUNDAY
APRIL 16
10 AM



Join us for a day of worship and family fun! After worship, lunch will be served along with potluck desserts. We can't wait to see you there!

Take I-10 West to Exit 505 for Harper Road. Off the exit ramp, take a right on to Harper Road. Go straight in Ingram onto Highway 39 West. In Hunt, continue onto Highway 39 Southwest. Camp Mystic is located on the left hand side of the road about 7 miles from the Hunt Store.





Youth Group Programming Guide

Wednesday Nights
6:00 p.m.
Youth Room

Every Wednesday Night, High School and Middle School students are invited to join us for fellowship, games, and time in the Word.

Sunday School
10:30 a.m.
Youth Room

Every Sunday Morning, High School and Middle School students are invited to join us for Sunday School to discuss and make meaning of our reading's in church.

**Learn
More**

all are welcome!



To keep up with what's going on in our
HIGH SCHOOL group, scan the QR below:

St. Peter's High
School Group!



THE *Episcopal* CHURCH 

EYE23

EPISCOPAL YOUTH EVENT

Regreso A Casa: A New Age of Faith

JULY 4-8, 2023
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
COLLEGE PARK, MD
\$400/PERSON

**REGISTRATION
OPEN**

The Episcopal Youth Event is a gathering of youth ages 15-19 from around the world who assemble on a college campus to learn, laugh, and worship together. It is the single greatest and second largest event the Episcopal Church does. Since this event is held only once every three years, for many #EYE23 will be their only chance to attend.

<https://events.episcopalchurch.org/eye/>

Contact us with any questions!
Kelsey@stpeterskerrville.com
Kourtney@stpeterskerrville.com

Scholarships Available!

FOR THE GIRLS

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Mornings on School Days
6:30 a.m. to 7:15 a.m.
Starbucks on Junction Highway

SEE YOU THERE!



ST. PETER'S SPROUTS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SPRING 2023 GUIDE

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

St. Peter's "Sprouts" will continue grow in their faith and discover the unwavering love and joy from our Lord. Classes begin January 8th in Shelton Hall following the 9:15 AM service. Prior attendance is not required, and it's a great time to jump in! Classes will be led by Jenny Ligon and Barb Jansen, and our other wonderful volunteers!

Classes are for PreK 3 - Kinder
and 1st - 5th Grade

THE GREAT EGG HUNT

SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH
FOLLOWING THE 9:15 SERVICE

Children will meet in the Children's chapel for Father Bert's Easter Lesson and will be dismissed by age group to hunt eggs on the back playground



**WE WILL COLLECT PRE-FILLED
EGGS IN THE CHURCH OFFICE**

ST. PETER'S SPROUTS PRESENTS:

The Art of Lent FOR KIDS

JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE
LENT THROUGH ART!

**WEDNESDAYS
DURING LENT**
5:30 PM IN THE MPR



RSVP requested. Scan QR code to register.



Adult class continues

10:30am - MPR off Tucker Hall

The clergy leads a study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians on Sunday Mornings. This year's diocesan scripture theme is taken from First Thessalonians 5:11, "Encourage one another and build each other up." Linked with the theme, Bishop Reed has called on churches in the Diocese to study Ephesians and Philipians. In these letters, Paul beautifully describes the nature of the church, renews our hope in the work of the Spirit, and calls on us to look higher. Both letters are perfect for our study and echo our theme of building up.



ST. PETER'S HANDY HELPERS

St. Peter's Handy Helpers are ready to serve you! This group of volunteer parishioners aims to help fellow parishioners with household projects that they cannot do themselves.

Examples of services: replacing light bulbs, replace toilet tank parts, replace light fixtures, dust or replace ceiling fans, replace faulty outlets or switches, install smoke alarms, replace smoke alarm batteries, repair leaking faucets, etc...

HOW TO REQUEST SERVICES:

- Fill out our online form on the website:
<https://www.stpeterskerrville.com/handyhelpers>
- Scan the QR code (right)
- Print the form from our website (copies also available in the church office)
- Call the office at (830) 257-8162





HOSPICE: BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

Please join St. Jerome's Guild in Tucker Hall on Thursday March 2, at 2:00 PM for a presentation by St. Peter's member and Vestry member, Amy Ives. Amy is the Director of Home Based Services for Peterson Health. Amy will be talking about her profession as a nurse and also her experience in hospice nursing and how these have influenced her as an individual and strengthened her relationship with Christ. All are welcome. Please come and bring a friend.



Amy Ives, Director of Home Based Services for Peterson Health

Did You Know?

There is a men's group similar to the women's Daughters of the King!



THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW

We are called Brotherhood of St. Andrew or Brothers Andrew. Men need Men's support: physically, emotionally and Spiritually. Come join us. Talk to James Horne, Carter Crain, Mickey Horany, Tom Murray or other Brothers. We presently meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1:00 after PFF.

We meet the 1st & 3rd
TUESDAYS
@ 1PM

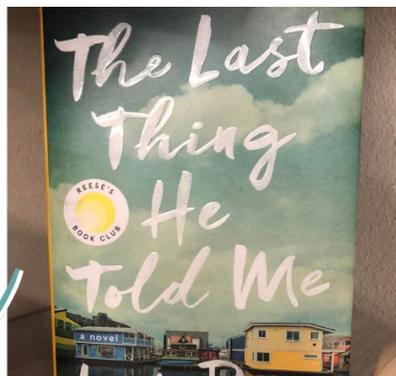
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- Christian Assistance Ministries(CAM)
- Christian Men's & Women's Job Corp.
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hill Country CASA
- Peterson Hospice
- Pregnancy Resource Center
- Raphael Clinic
- Young Life Kerrville
- **and several more!**

Come see us!

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Receiving on Mondays
 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Consignments by appointment only.

**Donations gratefully received
 without an appointment on
 Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.**

E.C.W.

Episcopal Church Women

The ECW will not meet
in the month of March.

See you in April!



*Deliver
a smile!*

If you know someone ill or recently home from the hospital who could use a delivered meal, the St. Peter's Episcopal Church Women want to help! Call Dee Elliott, and the Rosemary's Helping Hands Committee will take care of it for you.

830-238-4958

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

Each year, the Episcopal Church Women (ECW), recognizes and honors St. Peter's graduating high school seniors with a scholarship and a gift. In order to receive the scholarship, the student must be a Baptized and Confirmed Episcopalian, be an active member of the church, (church attendance, Sunday School, acolyting, etc), and must submit an application. Applications will be mailed on January 31. If you are a graduating high school senior, and do not receive an application, please call me at 830-329-3602. **Completed applications can be mailed to me at Cathy Martin, 1717 Foothills Dr., Kerrville, TX 78028, or placed in an envelope labeled Attention: Cathy Martin, and dropped off in the church office. Deadline to submit an application is Sunday, April 24.** Certificates of award will be presented at your school's senior awards ceremony. Seniors will be recognized and presented with a gift on a Sunday to be determined at the 9:15 service.



FROM THE
LABYRINTH GUILD

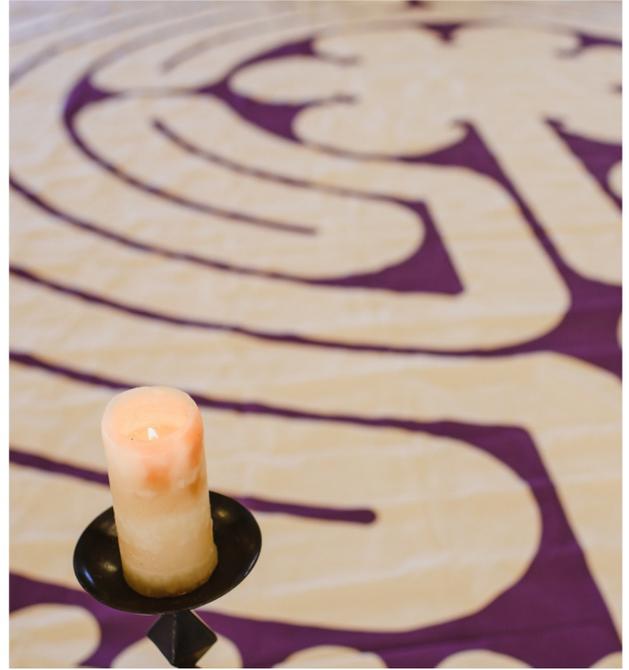


**Spring Equinox Labyrinth Walk
MONDAY MARCH 20TH**

Rain or Shine | Indoor canvas labyrinth available in Tucker Hall

As light swells, prompting Earth's greening, so also does the growth of the soul in Christ's light.

Hildegard of Bingen



Looking to spend more time at St. Peter's?



JOIN THE COMMUNICATS!

Please consider serving your community, potential new church members, and existing parishioners as an office volunteer.

Contact ginny@stpeterskerrville.com or come by the office!

JOIN US FOR THE BEST TIME!



Best Timers meet every other month on the 3rd Thursday of the month. All are welcome to join us for these bi-monthly gatherings!

Our next gathering is this month!

Anyone wishing to join us for lunch should contact the coordinator, Lynda Griffin, to acquire the location and time **no later than the Wednesday before.**

RSVP to Lynda Griffin:
lk.grffn@gmail.com or 830-896-5163

MARCH USHERS

	9:15 AM	11:15 AM
3/5	Libby and Dan English	Doug Holmes Harriet Ritter
3/12	Sue and Doug Whinnery	
3/19	Amy Richards, Nellwyn Sadler	
3/26	Sarah and Junior Hilburn	

WE COULD USE YOUR HELP!



Are you interested in being an usher? Ushering at the 9:15 or 11:15 services is a fun way to get involved, and we offer flexible schedules! Contact Doug Holmes or Nellwyn Sadler for more information.

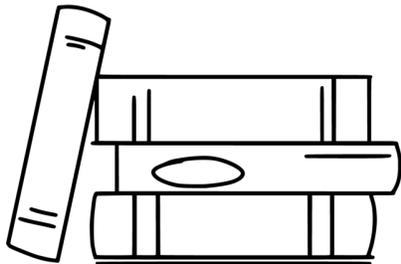


holmes.d4549@gmail.com
nellwynsadler@gmail.com

FRIDAY BOOK STUDY

We invite you to join us at 11 am every Friday either in person in the AV room in the office building or via Zoom.

Contact Susan Parker for Zoom information; 257-3918 or parkers710@gmail.com.



Contemplative Prayer

We begin with a brief sacred reading, which leads us into a time of silence that lasts about 20 minutes.

The goal is to support one another in private contemplative prayer and meditation and share our faith journeys.

We are affiliated with Contemplative Outreach LTD and World Community for Christian Meditation.

For schedule information contact Susan Parker at parkers710@gmail.com or 257-3918.



The DOK meets the 3rd Thursday of each month 11 AM-12 PM.

This month, due to Spring Break, our meeting will be the 4th Thursday.

Monthly Meeting
Thursday, March 23rd at 11 AM

If you have any questions, or need information, please contact:

Beverly Dodds
bevdtxas@msn.com

PATH OF LIFE

This women's bible study meets in the MPR of Tucker Hall at 10:30am. We are currently studying the Book of Acts.

All are welcome to join this learning, caring, and fun group!

For questions and more details, please reach out to Becky Purl at happy1@stx.rr.com.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We welcome all to join us in knowing Christ and making him known to others.

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM
9:15 AM
11:15 AM

During Lent

The Holy Eucharist - Rite One, in the Nave
The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two, in the Nave
The Holy Eucharist - Rite One, in the Nave,
and streaming on our [YouTube Channel](#)

WEDNESDAYS

5:00 PM
7:00 PM

During Lent

The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two in the Nave
Evening Prayer in the Church

See our website: www.stpeterskerrville.com
for links to current worship services.

In addition, past worship services and offerings are available on YouTube. Our Youtube channel link is on our home page - or search in YouTube for St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Kerrville!

Ways To Help The School Without Spending Any Money



- Support the Cottage Shop by donating slightly used clothing, knick-knacks, linens, and more.
- Donate a used car. All we need is the title and a key. Greg Maxwell Motors takes care of the details.
- Drop off recycled cans, metals, electronics, old appliances to Scrap Solutions. Just say, "It's for St. Peter's School!"
- Remember the School when planning your estate. Just visit our website www.stpeterskerrville.com and complete the forms.



Thank you for your ongoing support!
Janet Boutin, School Director



All donations to the
School are tax deductible.



LOVE ♥ HOPE ♥ FAITH ♥ CHARITY ♥ JOY

Thank you!

St. Peter's Families,



The gifts you donated to Divinity Family Services brightened the holidays for hundreds of area young children.



Randy and Ivalu Rose
Divinity Family Services

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Thank you for your help!



Dear Families of St. Peter's School,

Thank you for the food items from
your Thanksgiving Chapel Food Drive.



God Bless!

Christian Assistance Ministry



STAY CONNECTED



Many of our ministry groups meet through the week in all areas of the campus. As always, please contact Ginny in the church office to schedule a meeting room and time.

Below you will find the contact information for Ministry Leaders. Please be in touch with your respective Ministry Leader to learn how members of your ministry group are engaging with one another.

If you have questions, call the office. If you need support from your clergy, please contact Fr. Bert or Fr. Mike. We are here for you to know Christ and make Him known to others.

Ministry Group

Clergy
Clergy
High School Youth Minister
Middle School Youth Minister
Children's Minister
Contemplative Prayer
Path of Life

Sisters in Scripture
Friday Book Study
Chancel Choir
Praise Team
Acolytes

Altar Guild
Eucharistic Visitors
Greeters
St. Paul's Guild
Ushers

Labyrinth Guild
St. Jerome's Guild

Rosemary's Helping Hands
The Order of the Daughters of the King
The Brotherhood of St. Andrew
Hospital Visitors
Communicats – Office Volunteers
Rock Roadies
Prayers, Fellowship and Football (PFF)
Community Best Timers
Episcopal Church Women (ECW)
The Cottage Shop
Love for the Least Partners
Hamburger Ministry
Men's Group (Wed. evenings)

Leader/Contact person

The Rev. Bert Baetz
The Rev. Mike Wheeler
Kelsey Keller
Kourtney Doster
Jenny Ligon
Susan Parker
Becky Purl
Betty Mosty
Lisa Earl
Susan Parker
Claire Rabson
Mark Voss
Lee Underwood
Calvin Smajstrla
Dawn Hatch
Fr. Mike Wheeler
Brooksie Bledsoe
Jane Quein
Doug Holmes
Nellwyn Sadler
Anne King
Betty Mosty
Vicky Wilson
Dee Elliott
Beverly Dodds
James Horne
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MARCH

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Birthdays

Linda Jones	2-Mar	Matthew Kern	8-Mar	Jennifer Imel	22-Mar
Jack Stevens	2-Mar	Finn Schneider	8-Mar	Beverly Dodds	24-Mar
Lester Pieniazek	2-Mar	Shirley Trees	9-Mar	Nancy Muldoon	24-Mar
Betty Mosty	3-Mar	Donald Capps	10-Mar	Doug Whinnery	24-Mar
Alice Whatley	3-Mar	Charles McCaskill	10-Mar	Erin Wofford	25-Mar
Jay Beene	3-Mar	Ronnie Woods	11-Mar	Donald Oehler	26-Mar
Lily Leonard	3-Mar	Brenda Fleckenstein	13-Mar	Chastan McRae	26-Mar
Arnold Evans	4-Mar	Marshall Motley	13-Mar	Sharon Johnson	26-Mar
Sydney Ives	4-Mar	Mark Voss	13-Mar	David Bryson	28-Mar
Gazelle Schreiner	5-Mar	Mickey Horany	13-Mar	Meliss Machen	29-Mar
Will Richards	5-Mar	William Siemens	13-Mar	Tina Ceppi	29-Mar
Carol Holmes	5-Mar	Shari Truitt	16-Mar	Monica Hightower	29-Mar
Debra Wolcott	6-Mar	Ernest Alvarez	16-Mar	Joan Kenalty	30-Mar
Scott Woodward	6-Mar	Chedzoy	16-Mar	Mark Fields	31-Mar
Hunter Schmidt	7-Mar	Noah Kern	18-Mar	Ann Kiecke	31-Mar
Grace Guerriero	7-Mar	Deidra Harmer	19-Mar		
Kylie Nidever	8-Mar	Kristen Cook	21-Mar		
Hiram Wilson	8-Mar	Linda Thorne	22-Mar		



Happy Anniversary!

Denise & Russell	Baehre Jr.	7-Mar
Deborah & Ross	Rommel	10-Mar
Mary & Dave	Weekley	12-Mar
Donna & Jim	Raymond	16-Mar
Jessica & Jerre	Williams	23-Mar
Lori & Gus	Schreiner	25-Mar
Lynda & Phil	DeMasco	25-Mar





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Visit our website at:
www.stpeterskerrville.com



March 2023

St. Paul's Guild



	8:00 AM	9:15 AM	11:15 AM
5	LouAnn Maxwell	Caden Keller/ Imelda Horne	Fred Henneke/ Paula Karl
12	John Nolen	Mills Ligon/ Rita Self	Lee Martin/ Nicia Oakes
19	Dave Weekley	Amanda McDonald/ Barb Jansen	Herb Williamson/ Kay Hayes
26	Kim Chatalain	Heather Stebbins/ Amy Ives	Doug Holmes/ Susan Parker



Wednesdays - 5pm
 1- Kim 15-Deidra 22-Kay 29- Susan

