

St. Peter's Catholic Church & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Mission Church

"To live, love, learn the faith, and grow disciples of Christ"

Reverend Timothy A. Gadziala, JCL

St. Peter's Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am
(bilingual) 11:00 am

Monday: 6:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am
Wednesday: 6:00 pm
Thursday: No Liturgy
Friday: 12:00 pm
Saturday: (First Saturday) 9:00 am

St. Elizabeth's Mass Schedule

Sunday: (English) 2:00 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4 pm to 4:45 pm

Or by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday from 9 am-11:50 am and 6 pm-9 pm
Adoration Chapel

Faith Formation

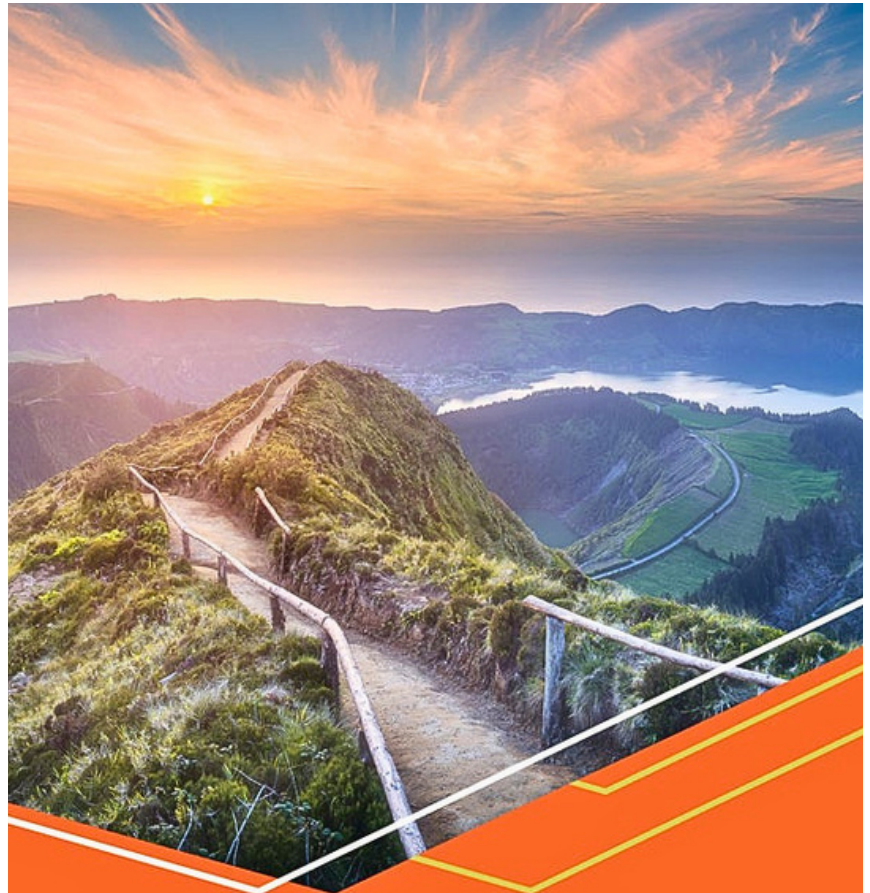
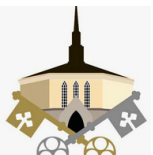
PREP (PK-8th): Sundays 9:30 am
LIFETEEN: Sundays 9:30 am
OCIA/CIC: Sundays 9:45 am
Adult Bible Study: Tuesdays 9:30 am

Parish Staff

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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

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NEW TO OUR PARISH? WELCOME!

Whether you are new to town, returning or been with us a while, we welcome you to our parish community. Registering as a parishioner provides a sense of belonging, allows the parish to more effectively minister to you, and helps you stay connected. For a Registration packet, stop by the office or find the Registration Form online at www.stplagrange.com

Learn more about our Catholic Faith at formed.org. Use parish code 'HPK4VT' to sign up for your free account!

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This Week's Mass Schedule**Monday, August 31****Mass:** Sarai Martinez (†)**6:00 pm****Tuesday, September 1****Mass:** John Relihan (†)**9:00 am****Wednesday, September 2****Mass:** Christa Gonazlez (L)**6:00 pm****Thursday, September 3****No Liturgy****Friday, September 4****Mass:** Sarai Martinez (†)**12:00 pm****Saturday, September 5****Mass:** Oscar Medina Canales (†)**9:00 am****Mass:** Enrique Isidro (†)**5:00 pm****TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****Sunday, September 6****Mass:** People of the Parish**8:00 am****Mass:** Enrique Isidro (†)**11:00 am****No Liturgy****5:00 pm*****Let Us Pray For Those Who Are Sick***

If you know someone who needs to be added to the prayer list, please contact the office. Please pray for our loved ones. May they feel the healing touch of the Lord, especially:

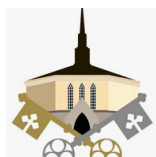
Clancy Alford	Jody Hudson	Jackson Squires
John Rivera	Ralph McCurdy	Fran Buchino
Terry Bishop	Bill Anderson	Crystal Rivera
Darcey Leis	Timothy Suspanic	Ed Wheatley
Brigid Smith	Wendell Arrington	Wanda Rivera
Joe Rivera	Beckham Daniel	



There is no Second Collection this weekend. The collection last week, Meals on Wheels, was \$1,780.45. The Second Collection next week will be for Catholic University. Thank you for your generous support.

***The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions***

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with the many people worldwide in praying for his intentions. This month we pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.



Is someone in your family ill? Are you a new mother? Let us know! Call the Church office @ 706-884-4224. Our Meals for the Sick ministry will be happy to assist you as you recover from your hospital/rehabilitation stay.

¿Hay alguien enfermo en su familia? ¿Es usted una nueva madre? ¡Háznoslo saber! Llame a la oficina de la Iglesia al (706) 884-4224. Nuestro ministerio de Comidas para los Enfermos estará encantado de ayudarlo mientras se recupera de su hospitalización / rehabilitación.

Liturgical Ministries' Schedule**Saturday, September 5, 5:00 pm****Altar Server:****Extraordinary Ministers:**

Raymond Hodnette

Lector:

Jacque Hornsby

Ushers:

Mike Ellis, Bill Weckman

Peter Rivera, John Scherer

Sunday, September 6, 8:00 am**Altar Servers:****Extraordinary Ministers:**

Chris Joseph

Lector:

Seth Thalla

Ushers:

Ed Sacco

Lon Revall, Kevin Cain

Sunday, September 6, 11:00 am**Altar Servers:****Extraordinary Ministers:**

Toni Embrey

Lector:

Winston Pineda

Ushers:

CJay Tarwater

Lourdes DelValle, Charles Jacob

Sunday, September 6, 5:00 pm (Spanish)**Altar Servers:****Extraordinary Ministers:****Lector:****Ushers:*****Weekly Offertory***

for the weekend
of August 23

Offertory:	\$4,773.00
Online Giving:	\$2,313.04
Attendance:	573



This weekend, please welcome **Rev. William Elser** who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of **Unbound**, a lay Catholic sponsorship outreach that helps children and elderly in 16 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org.



We will be having our annual Blue Mass on Friday, September 11th at 6:00 pm to honor those who work in our community as first responders. We will have a reception afterward in the Parish Hall. You may contribute monetarily to help defray the cost of the reception. Please put a check in the mail, or offering basket with "Blue Mass" in the memo line. The fund is also listed in online giving. If you would like to help with setup or cleanup, or to prepare food, (there is a set menu) please contact Fern Bergeron at 706-402-3903 or wildflower604@hotmail.com. PLEASE come and show your support of these selfless individuals and all they do for our community.

Meals on Wheels

Even the most independent among us, if fortunate to live long enough, may experience a decline in mobility or health that can strip away our independence and diminish the quality of our lives. Great advances in medicine have extended our average life expectancy to a record high of 78.7 years. Living longer means more years spent in the struggles that accompany old age. Add to that the increase in geographic mobility of our families and the result is millions of seniors left behind, hungry and alone. For millions of Americans, Meals on Wheels is literally the difference between remaining in their own homes and needing to relocate to a nursing facility. The nutritious meal, friendly visit and safety check help them cope with three of the biggest threats of aging: hunger, isolation and loss of independence. Research proves that when seniors have the right support, they gain greater quality of life, need fewer hospital stays and live longer. With your donation on the weekend of August 22/23 you help make sure that seniors are not forgotten. If you want to take part by preparing or deliver the Meals every Friday at 9 am, please call Fern Bergeron at 706-885-9388. If you like to be a driver, please contact Pat Rivera [706-402-3493](tel:706-402-3493) (This is the correct number). For more information about Meals on Wheels, please visit their website at <https://www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org>

This Week At St. Peter's

View our parish master calendar online at our website, <https://www.stplagrange.com/events/>

31	AUG. MON	6 – 7pm 6:30 – 7:30pm	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary Grieving Group
1	SEP. TUE	9 – 10am 6 – 7pm	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary Mass @ St. Elizabeth
2	SEP. WED	9 – 10am 6:45 – 8pm 7 – 8pm	Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary Confirmation Class The Rock Choir Practice Sanctuary
3	SEP. THU	12 – 6pm	Red Cross Blood Drive Parish Hall
4	SEP. FRI	9am – 12pm 9 – 11:50am 9 – 11am 12 – 1pm 1 – 2pm 6 – 9pm	Eucharistic Exposition St Elizabeth Eucharistic Exposition Meals On Wheels Parish Hall Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary First Friday Luncheon Eucharistic Exposition
5	SEP. SAT	9 – 10am 4 – 4:45pm 5 – 6pm	Mass (First Saturday) @ St. Peter's Sanctuary Reconciliation Vigil Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary
6	SEP. SUN	7:30 – 7:45am 8 – 9am 9:30 – 10:45am 11am – 12pm 1:30 – 2pm 2 – 3pm 5 – 6pm	Sunday Morning Rosary Sanctuary Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary NO PREP classes Mass @ St. Peter's Sanctuary Rosary @ St. Elizabeth Chapel Mass @ St. Elizabeth's Sanctuary Mass (Español) @ St. Peter's Sanctuary



- Mass on Wednesday, September 2nd will be moved to 9am.
- Mass on Monday, September 7th (Labor Day) will be moved to 9am.

St. Elizabeth Corner

Sunday, 8/30/26

1:30 PM; Rosary in the Chapel
 2:00 PM; Mass
 After Mass; Knights Meeting
 Potluck dinner at Janet Lawand's house after Mass

Tuesday, 9/1/26

6:00 PM; Mass

Friday, 9/4/26

3 – 6 PM; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, 9/6/26

12:30 PM Bible Study – Mark
 1:30 PM; Rosary in the Chapel
 2:00 PM; Mass
 Snacks & community after Mass

Tuesday, 9/8/26

6:00 PM; Mass



CHURCH ETIQUETTE

St. Peter's Catholic Church

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5PM
SUNDAY 8AM, 11AM, 5PM (SPANISH),
MONDAY/WEDNESDAY: 6PM
TUESDAY: 9AM
WENESDAY: 6PM

BEFORE ENTERING

We should prepare ourselves for Holy Mass, by going to confession, fasting an hour before receiving Holy Communion, and wearing proper attire (dress modestly and suitably).

DURING MASS

Upon entering our sanctuary, you should turn off cell phones, make the sign of the Cross with Holy Water, genuflect outside pew towards the Tabernacle, respect others and maintain silent.

Please remember to be welcoming and encouraging to visitors.

If you happen to have a inconsolable child, please remove them from the sanctuary.

When going up to receive Holy Communion and returning to your pew remember prayerful hands. When receiving the Eucharist either on tongue or in hand, consume the Host in front of the priest, do not walk away with the Eucharist in hand.

The Mass ends when the celebrant announced, "The Mass has ended, go in peace," however it's polite to stay in your pew until the celebrant has left the sanctuary.

REVIEW

*The Mass is a sacrament of Love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.
(Sacrosanctum Consilium, 47.)*



Sponsor today

We're all part of one human family created in God's image. As a sponsor with Unbound, you'll get the satisfaction of knowing you're living your faith as part of a caring community. You'll also learn about your new friend through letters and photos, and you can write and send photos, too!

To select someone to sponsor, visit the information table after Mass, scan the QR code or call (800) 875-6564.



WHO WE ARE

Unbound is an international nonprofit founded by lay Catholics and grounded in the Gospel call to put the needs of the marginalized and vulnerable first. We build relationships of mutual respect that bridge cultural, economic and religious divides. We work side by side with people of diverse faith traditions in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

HOW WE WORK

We believe the surest path out of poverty is a self-directed one. Sponsored individuals and families use your support to work toward goals like education, dignified housing, better nutrition and developing livelihoods. Mothers lead the way in our programs through active participation in small groups. From accessing microloans to starting small businesses and forming their own credit cooperatives, mothers are creating paths to self-sufficiency for their families.

HIGHLY RATED STEWARDSHIP

Our commitment to excellent financial stewardship of the funds you entrust to us earns Unbound top ratings from independent charity evaluators.



I want to sponsor:

- ☐ Any child ☐ Girl ☐ Boy ☐ Youth ☐ Elder
- ☐ I would like to contribute through my bank account or credit card (see reverse).
- ☐ Enclosed is my first monthly contribution of \$45.

(Please do not send cash. Make checks payable to Unbound.)

Name _____

Address _____

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Mobile phone (_____) _____ Email _____

(We'll only call or text you with important updates.)

Parish _____

MAIL TO:

Unbound, P.O. Box 660005, Dallas, TX 75266-0005

You can also sponsor online at

unbound.org or call (800) 875-6564.

Si prefiere hacer esta transacción completamente en español, llame al 800.875.6564. Tenemos representantes que hablan español listos para ayudarle a comenzar su apadrinamiento. O visite unbound.org donde podrá elegir a un amigo para apadrinar.



UNBOUND



Apadrine hoy

Todos somos parte de una familia creada a imagen y semejanza de Dios. Como padrino de Unbound, se sentirá satisfecho de saber que está viviendo su fe como parte de una comunidad solidaria. También, por medio de cartas y fotos conocerá a su nuevo amigo y sabrá de su vida. ¡Además, podrá usted escribirle y enviarle fotos!

Si desea seleccionar a alguien para apadrinar, visite la mesa de información después de la misa, escanee el código QR o llame al (800) 875-6564



QUIENES SOMOS

Unbound es una organización sin fines de lucro, fundada por católicos laicos y, arraigada en el llamado del Evangelio de anteponer las necesidades de los marginados y vulnerables. Construimos relaciones de respeto mutuo, que crean un puente más allá de las divisiones culturales, económicas, y religiosas existentes. Trabajamos hombro con hombro con personas de diversas tradiciones de fe en África, Asia y América Latina.

CÓMO TRABAJAMOS

Creemos que el camino autodirigido es el más seguro para salir de la pobreza. Las personas y familias apadrinadas utilizan el apoyo de su apadrinamiento para alcanzar metas como la educación académica, una vivienda digna, una mejor nutrición y el desarrollo de programas sustentables. Las madres son un ejemplo en nuestro programa con su participación activa en grupos pequeños. Las madres están creando caminos hacia la autosuficiencia para sus familias, desde tener acceso a pequeños préstamos hasta la creación de pequeñas empresas y formar sus propias cooperativas de crédito.

ADMINISTRACIÓN ALTAMENTE CALIFICADA

Nuestro compromiso de una excelente administración financiera con los fondos que usted nos confía, le otorga a Unbound las mejores calificaciones de los evaluadores de organizaciones benéficas independientes.



AUTOMATIC BANK WITHDRAWAL

I hereby authorize a direct debit from my checking account each month for payment to Unbound. (Please attach voided check.)

Routing #

Account #

Amount \$.00

Authorized Signature Date

You may cancel this agreement anytime by contacting Unbound at (800) 875-6564. Please allow 2 business days to cancel.

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION

I authorize Unbound to charge my credit card in the amount of:

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Card #

Expiration date /

Cardholder name

Signature Date

So that we may process and provide a receipt for your contribution, please complete the contact information section on the front of this form.

Please print clearly.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **First Friday lunch** - September 4 after noon Mass in the Parish Hall
- **Blue Mass** - Friday, September 11th at 6pm. There will be no noon Mass.
- **CCW Annual Yard Sale** - Saturday, September 19th, 2026 8am to 12pm



All are invited **September 4 after the 12:00 mass** for our shared **First Friday Social**.

Our guest speaker will be Henry Jacobs the Deputy Director for the non-profit Chattahoochee Riverkeeper.

Please **bring a dish to share** in hospitality, renew your spirit and enlightenment your mindfulness.



Due to Labor Day weekend, there will be NO PREP classes on Sunday, September 6th.

Debido al fin de semana del Día del Trabajo, NO habrá clases de PREP el domingo 6 de septiembre.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.



Our annual CCW yard sale will be September 19th from 8am to noon in the Parish Hall. Drop off begins Sunday, September 13th after the 11am Mass.



Nuestra venta anual de garaje de CCW se llevará a cabo el 19 de septiembre, de 8:00 a. m. a 12:00 p. m., en el Salón Parroquial. La recepción de artículos para donar comenzará el domingo 13 de septiembre, después de la Misa de las 11:00 a. m..



Are you expecting or have a newborn and need assistance? The Pro-Life Ministry is here to help with your baby's needs. Please contact the Church Office at 706-884-4224 for more information.

¿Está esperando un bebé o tiene un recién nacido y necesita ayuda? El Ministerio Pro-Vida está aquí para ayudarle con las necesidades de su bebé. Para más información, por favor comuníquese con la Oficina de la Iglesia al 706-884-4224.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - Mission

2904 Judson Bulloch Road, Warm Springs, GA 31830
706-846-5223

Sunday, September 6, 2:00 pm

Mass Intention:

Enrique Isidro (†)

Weekly Offertory

for the weekend
of August 23

Offertory:	\$800.00
2nd Collection:	
Attendance:	36

(Practicing) Catholic- Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

To Carry the Cross

Carry the cross? Absolutely. I'm happy to! Hand it over. Here's the thing: I just might...set it down for a second, from time to time. That's okay, right?

How else am I supposed to have both hands free to gesture in anger? I can't do that if I'm carrying the cross. Well, fine, then let me just shift its weight, so I can catch my breath and say what I think about this person who's got it all wrong — I'll just lean it against the wall here. No? Okay, fine, I won't put it down! I'll keep holding it. That's better, actually. Then I can use it as a weapon.

What? Am I doing this "Christian" thing wrong?

"Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it," Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. "But whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

This is not an affirmation of the paradox that if you no longer care about something, you can finally have it once and for all. It's not a judgment about the worthlessness of life in this fallen world or the futility of trying to preserve that life.

It's merely a statement about priorities.

When Peter says, "God forbid!" at the thought of suffering, God is not his priority. His own safety is.

When I say, "God forbid!" at anything that comes from the mouth of God, it's a reminder to look at my hands — because they've probably put down the cross.

How merciful is our Lord — he never takes my cross from me, even when I walk far away from it. He always lets me pick it back up. In his dear and sweet goodness, he even helps me lift its weight. And he gestures, in case I've forgotten: "This way. Follow me."

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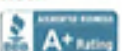
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