## St. Peter Claver Catholic Community



# **World Mission Sunday**



What's our Relationship To the Caesars of Today?

29th Sunday – Is.45:1-6 & Matt.22:15-22 with 1Th 1:1-5 – October 22, 2023

By Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R. – Priest in Solidum

Rather than enjoying the growth of our neighbor nations, we seem to be at odds with some, especially along our southern border. How much of a value-added do we see people from different cultures and religions? Among the ordinary people like us?

I find it a real gift for our Family of Parishes to have an immigrant family show up at Church on Sunday. They had nowhere to stay; They didn't know English and were lost. The parishioners started to respond to their immediate needs. It's been an eye opener to say the least – from shelter, food, clothing, school, just to name a few.

Obviously, they came to the parish looking for acceptance. They were not clear on the issues they would like to is find out what they have, what they may need but don't know. But throughout it all, the parishioners are responding beyond Caesar.

To have a concrete need to respond to people from other countries is real. With all the wars and rumors of wars, obviously we may be called upon to respond. Do we have our clarity of perception? With the resources we have, what can we offer?

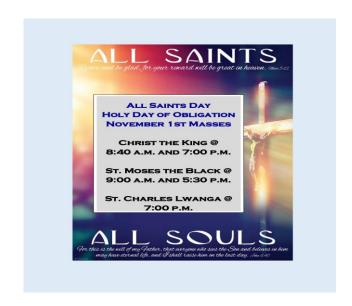
Let's not go into another parish saga. Let us look at what we are called to do with the talents and resources we have. What about our own St. Vincent de Paul? They go beyond the ordinary needs. What about joining them in a common purpose?

The details behind what we choose to do is not the issue. The issue is to be open to let someone else determine what's important. It's important to them. We need to make sure we don't burn out. Just for now, what do you see as our call as Christians?

Our world is getting smaller and smaller. It is not that uncommon to have people show up unannounced. And when they do, how do we make sure they are trustworthy? How do we get ready for a challenging experience – like immigrants?

This experience from another parish came out of the Family of Parish meeting at Charles Lwanga. Each of our parishes was sharing something we are doing. It just put me on to thinking. What if we were to join their parish in their



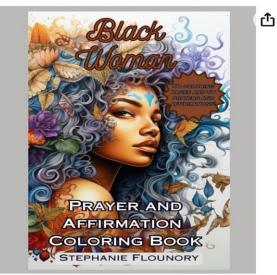


# **Our Mission Statement**

Having reflected on the "four faces of our parish," **St. Peter Claver Catholic Community**, chosen by the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, and under the guidance of Mary, resolves that: 1) we will provide more opportunities for deepening prayer life and faith life for youth, young adults, and adults; 2) we will initiate efforts to reach out and reconnect with those individuals and families who have disconnected from the Church; 3) we will collaborate with other faith communities and organizations within our parish to offer ecumenical events/activities (e.g., neighborhood cleanups, prayer meetings, health fairs); and, 4) we will utilize resources within our parish community to advocate for education and to promote social justice issues.

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Please Pray for Them as They Pray for Us!!

## Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

Olivia Boulden, Christopher Durant, Rochelle Evans, Andre Fox, Kiara Harris, Marley Jonah, Mary Caroline Jonah, Johnetta Mutes, Elke Rittenhouse, Elaine Ryles, Terrence Tidwell, Charles Tilghman, Jon Viado, Vickee Viado, Constance Washington-Daniel, Larry Washington, Wayne Washington, and relatives of our parishioners

## **MEETINGS / EVENTS Oct 22nd to Oct 28th**

Sunday Oct 22nd 11:00 am Mass at Grove and Schafer Celebrant: Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R Priest in Solidum Minister of Service: Alan Flounory

**Lector: Kathryn Crutcher** 

Monday
Tuesday

6:00 pm Minister of Service Mtg. (Church Foyer)
10:00 am St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon

14400 Puritan St. Detroit 48227

Wednesday 11:00 am Lectio Divina (Zoom)
Thursday 1:00 pm Marygrove Emergency Preparedness

Madam Cadilac Hall

Saturday 11:00 am Knights of Peter Claver Mtg.
Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College
Church refers to the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove



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