



Putting the Team Together – Essential To Be Eligible

Reflection from Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.

January 17, 2021 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 3:3-9 & John 1:35-42 with 1 Corinthians 6:13-20

St. Paul was chosen to be on the team. To be eligible he had to learn to listen to the Coach. He had to want to be willing to be disciplined to follow the leader. Then he went through his training. What he writes reflects what he was doing as a changed man.

You and I are chosen to be “temples of the Holy Spirit.” What does that mean? It means we want to learn to listen to Jesus, to the Resurrected Christ. We want to be willing to be trained to want to live a moral life – a life of hope based on the Word of Life.

The message today written by Samuel and by John is clear. God calls through people and situations. God works within the world and speaks through people. God spoke through Eli to Samuel. God spoke through John the Baptist to the Apostles.

Look at our situation today. Within the United States we are in the midst of a challenge to our democracy. The core of the issue revolves around the way we choose our leader as a nation. Focus on that issue. What does the Word of God reveal to us?

You and I are temples of the Holy Spirit. We are given the call to radiate our hope in Christ Jesus who chose us. We are to do our part in the mission entrusted to us. It is our challenge to find out what we have to offer the team – what talents and experience.

The five-part series beginning on Monday, January 25th, and ending on Monday, February 22, is designed to give us an understanding of what we have to offer. The team is “St. Peter Claver Eucharistic People.” Our purpose – Do His will for His people.

These next three years promise to be a time to organize our team to work together for the sake of our mission. We are to encourage others to see God’s work right in the mess in which we find ourselves. We are to believe the impossible can be.

Those first followers of Jesus had to follow Him not knowing where the road would lead them. Walking would create the path. Jesus took three years to train them. When He ascended into heaven, they listened through Mary and the rest is history.

Let’s do what we can to be ready to say, “Here I am. I come to do your will.”

2020 Catholic Services Appeal

The 2020 CSA Campaign continues. All are invited to visit www.AOD.org for more information about the CSA, or you can make a donation at www.givecsa.org. If you require assistance in making a pledge, please contact Ed Shea.

To date, our total amount pledged is \$6,175, or 92% of our target. Remember, any amounts received over the target are returned to the parish, and will be shared 50/50 with our St. Vincent de Paul ministry.



“Discovering Your Gifts” Workshop

Beginning on Monday, January 25, and for the 4 consecutive Mondays afterwards, we will host the “Discovering Your Gifts” Workshop via Zoom. This is an opportunity for each of us, and for the parish, to identify the gifts and talents that we have to give to others as we advance the mission of St. Peter Claver. Each week’s session will run for 90 minutes, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The cost, including the workbook, is only \$20.

As we celebrate 15 years as a parish and especially as we prepare to join our new “Family of Parishes,” let’s prepare for the future by identifying our true treasury - the time and talent of those chosen to be sent to others.

Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can provide the workbooks prior to the first session. Sign up on our parish website, or talk to one of our Stewardship Commission members, or to Ed Shea.

Prayer Service: Do You See the Wound?

On Wednesday at 6:00 p.m., Fr. John will lead a special prayer service via Zoom. The service will honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and will offer prayers for racial justice, for the 62 million innocent lives lost to abortion since the passage of Roe vs. Wade 48 years ago, for an end to capital punishment, for Christian unity, and for our new president. To join in, go to our parish website.

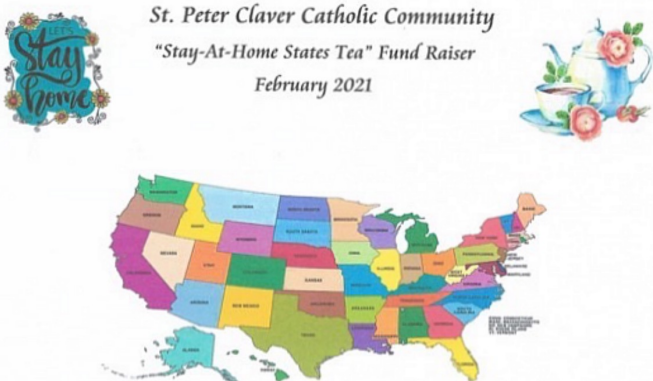
Our Mission Statement

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 re-connect 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 clean-ups, prayer meetings, health fairs); and, 4) we will utilize resources within our parish community to advocate for education and to promote social justice issues.

Virtual States Tea


Our first "Virtual" States Tea is off to a great start. To date, we have raised \$1,615 from 28 donors, with 21 of the donors non-parishioners. The States Tea runs through February, so there's still plenty of time to join in. For information, see the flyer below, or go to our parish website. You can donate on the website, by mail, or by dropping an envelope in the collection basket.

St. Peter Claver Catholic Community
"Stay-At-Home States Tea" Fund Raiser
February 2021



Have a cup of tea and become a sponsor.
There is no need to get dressed or leave the comfort of your home.

State Sponsor: \$100 City Sponsor: \$50 County Sponsor: \$25 Patron: \$ _____



All funds raised will support the mission of the youth and young adults in the St. Peter Claver Catholic Community.

Please return your donation by February 28, 2021 to:
St. Peter Claver Catholic Community
"Stay-At-Home States Tea" Fund Raiser
13305 Grove Street—Detroit, MI 48235

Online donations also accepted: <http://www.spcccdetroit.org>
All donations to St. Peter Claver Catholic Community are tax deductible.

Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Alls, Florine Anderson, Alberta Asmar, Sylvia Baker, Warren & Marcella Bridges, Donald & Barbara Carter, Michael Clarence Carter, Johnnie Davis, Peggy Endlein, Ron Galletero, Ara Grier, Sandra Griffin, Karen Hickman, Myrtis Hildebrandt, Jacqueline Johnson, Bobbie Lewis, Addison Martin, Augusta Martin, Dorothy (Vicki) Martin, Charles Nelson, Joan S. Noland, Nancy Oberhausen, Grady & Celestine Parker, Fred & Villa Ray, Romaine Redd, Flossie Ryles, Jeanne Schuldt, Irene Scott, Gussie Seay, Augusta Starks, Mary Tyler, Christine Versele, Helen Wajda, Anna Washington, Lillie Washington, Carmel Weems, Leonard & Ona Wilson

Please Pray for Them as They Pray for Us!!

Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

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

Ministers Schedule

January 24, 2021

Celebrant: TBD

Minister of Service: Sandra Horn

Lector: Bill Tidwell

Meetings/Events This Week

Sunday	10:00 am	Mass in Church and via Zoom
Monday		<i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>
Tuesday	10:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
Wednesday	1:00 pm	Lectio Divina via Zoom
	6:00 pm	Prayer Service via Zoom
Saturday	11:00 am	Knights of Peter Claver
Sunday	10:00 am	Mass in Church and via Zoom
	2:00 pm	Knights of Peter Claver

Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College
Church refers to the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove College
For the "live" Parish Calendar, go to spcccdetroit.org

Sacramental Preparation

Are you, or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic Church or receiving one of the sacraments? Please contact Jennie Sinatra at the Parish Office.

Collection Results

We continue to rely on your support. Please send your weekly donation to the Parish Office. Or you may want to consider online giving. It's convenient, secure, and totally in your control!

Give Online at spcccdetroit.org

St. Peter Claver Catholic Community

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***Mass: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church
(Check the bulletin for holy days and special services)***

Reconciliation: Before Mass or By Appointment

Parish Office Hours: Parish Staff is currently working from home. Please contact Ed Shea if you require assistance.

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