

NEWSLETTER

St. Peter's Italian Catholic Church

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Greetings to you and your family, and thanks for being part of our Faith Community. As we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth, let us try not to be distracted by the lights and sounds that surround us, but be reminded of why Jesus is coming to us: for our personal and community renewal!

This past year has been a stormy one for our Church. In the fall's newsletter, I shared with you my feeling of anger for the scandals that have surfaced in our church. On behalf of Pope Francis and of the church, I ask your forgiveness and pray especially for those who are wounded and confused by the scandals. Indeed, we are now being challenged to renew ourselves and the church!

I have been reflecting that the early disciples of Jesus faced a similar challenge. Some of them left His company. Having watched them leave, Jesus asked the twelve: "Do you also want to leave?" Peter answered: "Master, to whom should we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe, and are convinced, that You are the Holy One of God".

This Christmas offers us the opportunity to give our response to Jesus. He challenges especially those who have been away, sometimes for months or years, from the Sacraments. What a wonderful occasion to put aside old, unhealthy habits, and begin a new relationship with the Lord and His Church. I extend to all of you a warm welcome!

As customary, I include a Christmas offering envelope. Since many of you cannot regularly attend Sunday Mass at St. Peter's, our community relies on your mailing Christmas gift.

I thank God for having graced me with the gift of your presence and friendship during the last six years at St. Peter's. I am holding you in my prayer, asking God to bless you with courage and peace. May our commitment to Christ make of us healers of our wounded Church. May the joy and love of the Holy Family fill your lives each day of the New Year 2019!

May God bless you,

Fr. Louis Piran, c.s.
Pastor,
St. Peter's Italian Church



New Year's Eve Gala Fundraiser

Reservations are now open, \$110.00 per person, Call (323) 225-8119

Join us Saturday, December 31st

No host Cocktails, Hors D'oeuvres 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Dinner 7:30 pm: Midnight buffet, Party favors, Champagne and Dancing until???

Free Valet parking Music by Duo Domino.

Name(s) _____ Phone number _____

Please reserve _____ tickets at \$110.00 per person. Please seat with _____

Please make reservations by December 18, 2018. Make checks payable to Casa Italiana.

We anticipate a FULL HOUSE so make your reservations ASAP. No refunds after December 20, 2018 – No exceptions.

DOORS WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 6:15pm. PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY



2019 DATES TO REMEMBER



Monday, January 21
Sacred Heart Society Polenta Dinner
 Dinner Dance 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 28
Feast of Madonna Della Stella
 Mass 11:00 am; Procession follows;
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Sunday, November 10
Feast of San Trifone
 Mass 11:00 am; Procession follows;
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Saturday, February 16
Valentine Dinner Dance
And Crowning of the Parish Queen
 5:00 pm Mass & Crowning
 6:00 pm Dinner Dance

Monday, May 20
Sacred Heart Polenta Dinner
 Dinner Dance 7:00pm

Sunday, November 17
Small Feast of Madonna di Costantinopoli
 Mass 11:00 am; Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Sunday, March 10
Feast of Madonna di Costantinopoli
 Mass 11:00 am; Procession follows
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Sunday, June 9
Feast of St. Anthony of Padua
 Mass 11:00 am; Procession follows;
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Saturday, November 23
Famiglia Sacro Cuore di Gesù
 Opening of the Holiday Season;
 Mass 5:00 pm; Dinner Dance 6:30 pm

Sun. Mon. & Tue March 17, 18, 19
Feast of St. Joseph
 Mass 11:00 am each day
 Blessing of the St. Joseph Table
 at noon. Complimentary spaghetti
 served each day noon to 8:00 pm

Tuesday, June 13
St. Anthony Mass and Brunch
 Mass 10:00; brunch follows

Sunday, December 1
Costantinopoli & Padre Pio Christmas
 Mass 11:00 am;
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Friday, April 12
Lenten Fish Fest - Pending adequate reservations
 Dinner 6:30 pm

Sunday, June 23
Feast of Sacred Heart of Jesus
 Mass 11:00 am Procession follows
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Sunday, December 8
Feast of Santa Lucia
 Mass 11:00 am;
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Thursday, April 18
Holy Thursday
 Mass of the Last Supper 7:00 pm
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 until midnight.

Sunday, July 14
Feast of St Peter & Mt. Carmel
 Mass 11:00 am; Dinner Dance 1:00 pm
 TENTATIVE please check parish website and
 future newsletters for updates.

Thursday, December 12
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at San Conrado Mission.
 5:00 am Mananitas
 6:00 am Mass follow by breakfast

Friday, April 19
Good Friday
 Way of the Cross 3:00 pm
 Liturgical Services 7:00 pm
 Adoration of the Cross

Sunday, August 11
Pugliese anniversary Scholarship "Feast"
 Event begins after the 11:00am Mass

Sunday, December 15
San Trifone & St. Anthony Christmas
 Mass 11:00 am;
 Dinner Dance 1:00 pm

Saturday, April 20
Holy Saturday
 Confessions 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
 Easter Vigil Celebration 7:30 pm

Monday, August 27
Sacred Heart Polenta Dinner
 Mass at 6:00pm; Dinner Dance 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 24
Christmas eve
 11:45 pm carols. Followed by
 Midnight Mass

Sunday, April 21
Easter Sunday
 Masses: 9:30 am (English); 11:00 am
 (Italian); NO 6:00 p.m. mass

Sunday, September 22
Feast of Padre Pio
 Mass: 11:00 am, Procession follows;
 Dinner-Dance 1:00 pm

Wednesday, December 25
Christmas Day
 9:30 am (English); 11:00 am (Italian)
 NO EVENING MASS

Saturday, April 27
Seminary Fund Raiser Banquet
 Scalabrini Discernment House
 Mass 5:00 pm; Banquet 6:00 pm

Monday, October 21
Sacred Heart Polenta Dinner
 Mass at 6:00pm; Dinner Dance 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 31
New Year's Eve Gala Dinner Dance
 6:30 pm Join us as we bring in
 the New Year.

Monday, October 28
Feast of St. Jude with San Conrado Mission
 Procession from St. Peter's at 6:00pm
 Mass at San Conrado Mission, 7:00pm



FOR INFORMATION ON RESERVATIONS FOR THE ABOVE LISTED EVENTS PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM - PHONE: (323) 225-8119, EXT 10

Dates and times of events are subject to change.