

ST. PETER CLAVER

AUGUST 30, 2026

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.

Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, “God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you.”

He turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.”

MATTHEW 16:21–23

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James Tissot

ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

At St. Peter Claver we are a community of faith made up of parishioners who uphold the Catholic tradition. We believe in a community, which supports families and children, transcending racial, economic, and geographic boundaries for the purpose of worship, religious education, outreach and fellowship. St. Peter Claver promotes a worship environment that is visually and spiritually Afrocentric. The Eucharist is the source of the energy that moves us to community service and evangelization. This is done in concert with other Christian communities under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.



REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS

African Attire.....	First Sunday of each month	Youth Group/Choir	Seasonal
Bible Study.....	Thursday, 5:45–7 p.m.	Knights of Peter Claver.....	First Sunday, after 10 a.m. Mass
Liturgy Committee	Quarterly	Ladies of Peter Claver.....	First Sunday, after 10 a.m. Mass
Parish Council.....	Fourth Thursday, 4:30 p.m.	RCIA/OCIA.....	Every Sunday, 8:30–9:40 a.m.
Adult Choir & Men's Choir	Thursday, 7 p.m.	CCD/CYO	First & Third Wednesdays, 6–7 p.m.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, September 1, 2026 (8:30 a.m. • 10 a.m. • 6 p.m. • 6:45 p.m.): *Holy Face of Jesus Prayer Group*, Cathedral of Christ the King (Holy Family Room, inside church); (see ad on page 7 for more information).
Wednesday, September 9 & Sunday, September 13, 2026: *Home coming Celebration of St. Peter Claver's Feast Day* at SPC (see the announcement on page 5 for more information).
Saturday, September 12, 2026, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.: *2026 Season of Creation* at Pax Christi Fellowship Hall (4001 Victoria Way, Lexington, KY) (see ad on page 8 for more information).
Saturday, September 19, 5:30 p.m.: *Night of Light* An evening benefiting the Patricia Stewart Catholic education fund for Eastern Kentucky (Bellefonte Country Club, Ashland, KY) (see ad on page 7 for more information).

NEXT WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE: September 5–6, 2026 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 5: 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass	Sunday, September 6: 10 a.m. Gospel Mass
Presiders: <i>Fr. Dennis Knight, Dcn. James Weathers</i>	Presiders: <i>Fr. Dennis Knight, Dcn. James Weathers, Pam Johnson</i>
Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Christy Rickert, Salema Washington</i>	Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Felecia Leach, Ce Ce Ogbogu</i>
Ushers: <i>Cheryl Bogarty, Alyce Graves</i>	Ushers: <i>Linda Lewis, Chuck Bond, Priscilla Johnson, Sharon Searcy, Stephanie Hogan</i>
Server: <i>Eli Blair</i>	Servers: <i>Arabella Floyd, Xavier Caird, Thérèse Boothe</i>
Lector: <i>Colby Blair</i>	Lectors: <i>Hilary Jones, Jennifer Murray</i>
Response: <i>NA</i>	Gift Bearers: <i>MacKenzie Brooks & Family</i>
	Response: <i>NA</i>

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 29: Parish • **Sunday, August 30:** Mary Fogle • **Wednesday, September 2:** Albert Fogle



Time to Register for CCD/CYO

St. Peter Claver's CCD/CYO classes start September 2, 2026
Please register your children, ages 4–18. Each child will need to be registered individually.

CCD/CYO CLASS SCHEDULE

CCD/CYO is on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.
5 p.m. Mass
5:30–6 p.m. Dinner
6–7:15 p.m. CCD/CYO

REGISTRATION FORM

Go to this link or scan the QR code using your smart phone: <https://tinyurl.com/4p6rzwysw>



NOTE: For the September 2 CCD/CYO class, we ask parents to join their child in the classroom so that the Catechists can do a brief overview of what they'll be teaching, setting classroom expectations, and the importance of parental support.

If you have any questions please contact the DRE, Maria Fischer-Boothe at (859) 227–2319.

HOME COMING CELEBRATION OF ST. PETER CLAVER'S Feast Day

1875.



2026.



• WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

Feast of St. Peter Claver, Mass at 5 p.m.

• SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

Mass at 10 a.m. and a meal afterwards, in our Fr. Norman A. Fischer Jr. Fellowship Hall

Join Bishop John Stowe, OFM Conv., Fr. Damian, Fr. Anthony Muthu, and St. Peter Claver's Evangelization Committee, in a homecoming celebration of our Feast Day as we celebrate 151 years of teaching and worship.

On September 9, 2026, we will celebrate the **Feast of St. Peter Claver** with a Mass at 5 p.m.

We will continue with our celebration on Sunday, September 13, with Mass at 10 a.m. and a meal afterwards, in our Fr. Norman A. Fischer Jr. Fellowship Hall.

This will be an excellent time to invite parishioners or family members who have been away or may have moved.

The parish will provide meat, side dishes, drinks, and bread. Parishioners are asked to bring your favorite fruit or dessert, that will serve 20 people.

TO SIGN UP to bring fruit or dessert of your choice. Go to this link <https://spclex.org/potluck> or scan the QR code using your smart phone.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO
THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Painting by Fr. Norman Fischer

NOTICE

There will be NO
Devotion to the
Sacred Heart of Jesus
on Friday, September 4.

NOTICE

There will be NO
FIRST SATURDAY MASS
& ROSARY
on Saturday, September 5.



ST. PETER
CLAVER
CATHOLIC
CHURCH

You Are Invited
TO JOIN OUR HOLY FACE OF JESUS PRAYER GROUP





Holy Face of Jesus
PRAYER GROUP

CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING • HOLY FAMILY ROOM (INSIDE CHURCH)

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

Prayers for 25 minutes (8:30 a.m. • 10 a.m. • 6 p.m. • 6:45 p.m.)

HOLY FACE OF JESUS PRAYER GROUP IS HELD ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

ALL WELCOME!

MEETINGS

GOLDEN MINISTRY

Meetings are on Thursday • St. Peter Claver, Church Hall

1st Thursday: Community Service off site.

2nd Thursday: 10:30 a.m. – Noon

3rd and 4th Thursday: 1:30 – 3 p.m.

If there's a 5th Thursday: 10:30 a.m. or a planned outside activity.

Contact person: Patricia Laprelle
Patricia.laprelle1@icloud.com; (859) 321–8124 call or text

HEALTH MINISTRY

Blood Pressure checks on the First Sunday of every month; **September 6, 2026** (Jasmine), after the 10 a.m. Mass.

Contact persons:
Martha Crumbie • mjcrumbie@aol.com • (859) 396–5178
Kris Miller • ck2304@aol.com • (859) 351–4253

Next Sunday
SEP. 6
Blood Pressure Check

SAVE THE DATE

Father Damian & Saint Peter Claver invite you to:

AN EVENING OF
Christmas Elegance



Saturday, December 5, 2026
6–10 p.m.

SAINT PETER CLAVER • FR. NORMAN A. FISCHER JR. FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for a night full of Holiday Cheers for a special all-inclusive cocktail party with hors d'oeuvres.

Music by Renowned Jazz Artist Benny J.

More Details to Follow



St. Peter Claver parishioners, please mark your calendars!

SPC is doing a new pictorial directory! We want everyone to get a new picture made so that our directory will be complete.

Photo dates: October 13–14, 2026.

You can make your appointment online by scanning this QR code.



There will also be a table set up in the Narthex on the weekend of 9/5–9/6 to help schedule appointments or call the office at (859) 254–0030.

You will have a professional photography session, see your proofs, and have the opportunity to purchase extra portraits for family and friends.



Remember CHURCH DIRECTORIES

INTERREGIONAL AFRICAN
AMERICAN CATHOLIC
EVANGELIZATION CONFERENCE

September 11–12, 2026

ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH
1169 KERR AVENUE • MEMPHIS, TN 38106

For more information, please contact
Theresa Jones-Hawkins at
resajhawk@yahoo.com

YOU'RE INVITED TO
Night of Light

AN EVENING BENEFITING
THE PATRICIA STEWART
CATHOLIC EDUCATION FUND
for Eastern Kentucky

Saturday, September 19th

BELLEFONTE COUNTRY CLUB
208 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE
ASHLAND, KY

5:30 PM COCKTAILS | 7:00 PM DINNER

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND
TICKET PURCHASES VISIT
CEOFLEX.ORG

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Inspiring Futures.

JULY 1–31, 2026 FINANCE REPORT

July 5/2026	Total In-house: \$3,773	Total Online: \$1,220
July 12/2026	Total In-house: \$2,732	Total Online: \$1,045
July 19/2026	Total In-house: \$5,667	Total Online: \$1,150
July 26/2026	Total In-house: \$3,758.62	Total Online: \$2,200.13
July 31/2026	Total In-house: \$0	Total Online: \$1,885
Additional Deposit	Total In-house: \$0	Total Online: \$230
MONTH TOTALS:	In-house: \$15,930.62	Online: \$7,730.13
Projected July Income: \$25,397 / Total: \$23,660.75		
Net Income: -\$1,736.25		

ONLINE GIVING: Offertory, Building Fund, St. Peter Claver Legacy Tree of Life, and Christmas Outreach Donation.

Go to our website spclex.org, click on the DONATE button to go to the Donation page. You may also use your smart phone to scan in the QR code.

If you have any questions or need assistance in setting up your online giving, please contact our Business Manager, Christina Weathers at (859) 254–0030.



IN HONOR OF WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY



A Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance

The Most Reverend John Stowe, OFM Conv., Presiding



Diocese of Lexington CMHM
CMHMministry@cdlex.org

When: Thursday, September 10, 2026
at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Centro de San Juan Diego
1389 Alexandria Dr.
Lexington, KY 40504

This mass is open to everyone and serves
to remember loved ones lost
by suicide and to promote healing for
those who grieve their passing.



In Honor of Worldwide Suicide Prevention Month

Diocese of Lexington Catholic Mental Health Ministry

Join us for a:

ASSESS AND RESPOND TO SUICIDE RISK TRAINING



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11,
2026

10:30 A.M.-2:30 P.M.
Cathedral of Christ the King
Hegman Hall
299 Colony Blvd.
Lexington, KY 40502



Essentials of understanding and how to respond
to suicide risk for everyone.

Lunch included.

Please RSVP to CMHMministry@cdlex.org

Fr. Livinus Uba, PhD
Trainer and
Pastor, St. Jude Parish

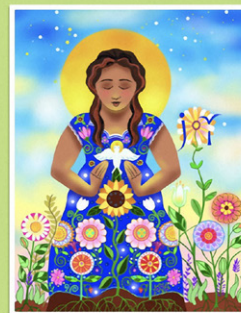
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COMMUNITY**

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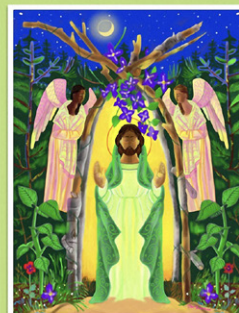
**Sept 5 2026
9:00am - 12:00pm**

**Coldstream Park
\$30 Adults | \$10 Youth**

contact cclaunch@cdlex.org



**"LOVE'S
SPLENDID
GARDEN:
Laudato Si
and
Caring
for Holy
Mother Earth"**



Join Artist and Storyteller Brother Mickey McGrath as he shares his own images and reflections on the crucial importance of Laudato Si and the need for each of us to be a small part in the healing of Holy Mother Earth. From Saints Brigid of Ireland to Hildegard of Bingen to Kateri Tekakwitha- all Sisters of the earth- we will look at the many ways in which we are connected as one human family, each of us made in God's image and likeness.

Creative Activity will be included to remind us that creating beauty with our own hearts and hands brings hope and joy to our deeply troubled world in ways that nothing else can do.

HOSTED BY THE LAUDATO SI COMMISSION

Date and Time: September 12, 2026 9:30am to 3:00pm

**Place: Pax Christi Fellowship Hall
4001 Victoria Way
Lexington, KY**

Registration Cost: \$25

***PLEASE BRING A BROWN BAG LUNCH.**



REGISTRATION