

*Prayer Requests/ Pray For...*

Bernard Ashkettle, David Schetrompf, Betty Baum, Teresa Pittman, Catherine Kososki, John Krochinsky, Steve Lebowitz, Jill Caplan, Linda Thomas, Leela Donegan, Sean La Barbera, Jeff Schwartz, Richard Webster, Paul Webster, Laure Feuillet, Gary Silver, Erica McKenzie, Arnuf Krishma, Dhruv Krishma, +Austin Michael Leo Wigfield, +Charles Kenner, Dave Bolden, Mark Smith, Penny McKenzie, Gilbert Taylor



*And in our military:...*

Benjamin Yellott, Andrew Golden, Elizabeth and Austin Garmon, Sean La Barbera, and Gabriella Voight

~USCCB~

**Elections are coming up:** we are called to be informed and vote, and the Catholic Bishops of the USA have a website and voter's guides to help you, at:

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

~Catholic Radio ~

Father Jack's Program: "Politics, Love and Spirituality" will air at 12:00PM on Sunday, 10/23 and repeat next Saturday, 10/29th at Fr. Jack's program for this Sunday, the is titled "Politics and Prayer"

WDTF 107.9 1 96.3

~RCIA /Bible Study ~

*God's Revelation: Father/ Creation*  
CCC #'s 198-227; 232-260;279-314  
Welcome to all interested in learning more about our Catholic faith?  
This Monday, October 24th-  
7:30 -8.30PM in the Parish Hall.

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*"Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of the Lord."*

**The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Daily spend time in God's Word, which is unchanging

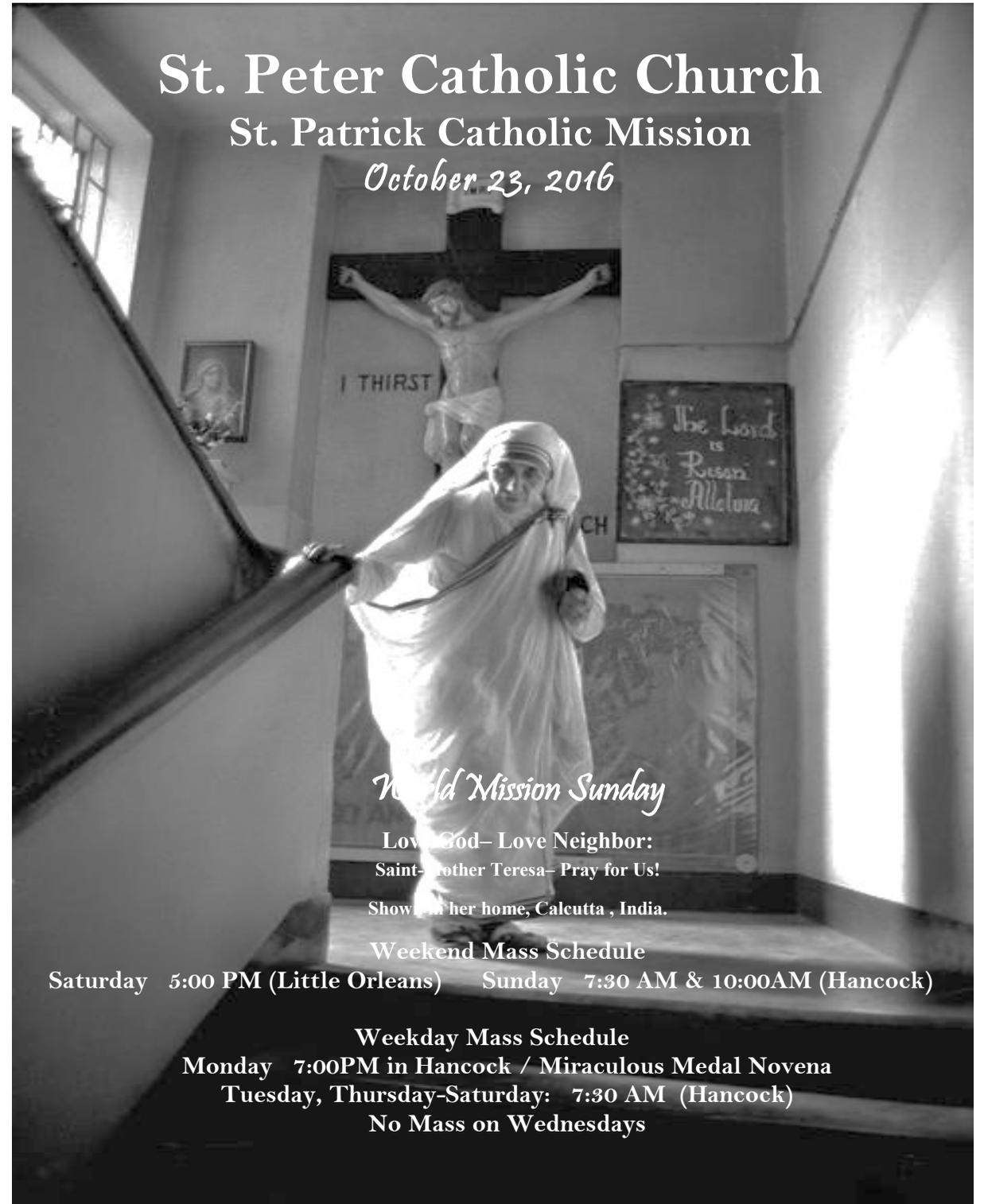
**Readings:** Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

**Next Week (10/30/16):** Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thes 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10

# St. Peter Catholic Church

## St. Patrick Catholic Mission

*October 23, 2016*



*World Mission Sunday*

Love God- Love Neighbor:  
Saint- Mother Teresa- Pray for Us!  
Show in her home, Calcutta , India.

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday 5:00 PM (Little Orleans) Sunday 7:30 AM & 10:00AM (Hancock)

**Weekday Mass Schedule**

Monday 7:00PM in Hancock / Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday: 7:30 AM (Hancock)

No Mass on Wednesdays

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, October 22nd- 5:00PM**

*Larry & Barbara Nall*

**Sunday, October 23rd- 7:30AM**

*Jean & Joe Palencar*

**Sunday, October 23rd- 10:00AM**

*Parishioners of Ss. Peter & Patrick*

**Monday, October 24th- 7:00PM**

*James Palencar*

Evening Prayer at 6:50PM

**Tuesday, October 25th- 7:30AM**

*+Vergie MacCumbee*

**No Wednesday Morning Mass**

**Thursday, October 27th- 7:30AM**

*Bob Palencar*

All Day Adoration begins at 8:00AM

**Friday, October 28th -7:30AM**

*Donna Palencar*

**Saturday, October 29th- 7:30AM**

*+Bob Crouse*

**Saturday, October 29th-5:00PM**

*Larry & Barbara Nall*

*...The Mass is the Prayer of Jesus Christ Himself -so join in with Him!*

**Join Us for These Upcoming Events!**

**Sun. Oct. 23rd- 11.15 AM**—Talk of Contemp. Morality

**4.30PM** Fall Color Walk: a smooth and serene, level walk, from Hancock, to Roundtop Hill, to overlook the Potomac River (1hr. total). Leave from Rectory. Return to Rectory porch 6pm for Wine and cheese; lemonade, hot tea and desert from Oak Barrel.

**Mon. Oct. 24th-** 6:50 PM, Evening prayer, 7:00PM- Mass, 7:30PM- RCIA and Bible Study-

**Mon. Oct. 24-** 7.30pm—Archdiocesan Parish Plan Meeting Church Hall- Youth Group Room-Pizza party following!

**Wed. Oct. 26-** Hancock Halloween Parade 7:30PM

**Sunday Oct 30`** 11:15am Men's Meeting

**Mon. Oct. 31-** Trunk or Treat 5:30 PM & Halloween Party 6pm

**Mon. Oct. 31-** Vigil Mass at 6:00 PM, Little Orleans for All Saint's Day, then 7pm Mass in Hancock.

**Tues. Nov. 1-** 7:30AM, 12N, and 7:00PM Masses for All Saint's/All Soul's Day. *Holy Days of Obligation*

**Fri- Nov. 4th-** Pilgrim Mass- 12Noon- All are welcome!

**Fri/Sat, Nov. 4 & 5 -** Men's Retreat- See Next page for info. **CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR ON SATURDAY NIGHT!**

**Sun., Nov. 6-** Parish Plan Meeting- 11:30am -St Peter Church

**Fri. Nov. 11-6:00 PM-** Homeless Sleepover Night- Hancock. Bring a canned good or non-perishable item to donate.

**Sat. Nov. 12th-** Change begins to 4:00PM Mass at St. Patrick. **Hay Ride at 6 PM...St. Peter's.**

**Sun. Nov. 13th - 1:00 pm** Pilgrimage to The Basilica / Holy Doors & Sacred Art Exhibit at Walter's Art Gallery!

**Fri. Nov. 18th-** Year of Mercy Closing- Mass at 7:00PM

**~Knights of Columbus~**

**The Knights of Columbus- Berkeley Springs Council** may be contacted: John Wakeland 703 - 622-5713 for registration more info or call our office and help all men become Christ centered! .

**~Small Groups for Advent~**

Would you like to meet in a small group setting for 3-4 weeks during Advent and discuss, deepen appreciation for the Mass Beginning on Nov. 30th, we will meet once a week. On Wednesday or Friday nites To join, please call Dcn. Jim or FJL or Office

**~All Soul's Intentions~**

*November* begins a month of praying for the faithful departed-esp'ly those in Bl Purgatory (See the Bible, 2 Maccabees 12: 38-46 Write intentions in the book in the back of church so that we may pray for them

**~Talk on Morality, Gender, and Ethics~**

Join us 11:30 am in Hall : What does the Catholic Church teach on homosexuality? How do we reach out in pastoral care to these, others, and how do we consider "transgender" issues today, Q.& A. following.

**Religious Education News- September 25th, 2016**

**Sun. 10/23-** Regular classes-5th class for the First Reconciliation students at 11:30 AM. Also, the 1<sup>st</sup> set of service hours from the Confirmation Candidates are due today.

**Sun. 10/30-** Regular classes

**Mon. 10/31-** Halloween Party and Trunk or Treat beginning at 5:30PM

**Sun. 11/6-** Regular classes-6th class for the First Reconciliation students at 11:30 AM.

**Investiture ceremony for Confirmation Candidates at the 10 AM Mass!**

**Sat. 11/12-** First Reconciliation at 10 AM.

**Sun. 11/13-** Regular classes-Confirmation & Sponsor Forms Due

**Sun. 11/20-** Regular classes-Confirmation Classes Begin- 11:30AM

*Peace & All Good Things to You!*

*~ Miss Susan* Administrator of Religious Education

**Weekly Offertory**

**Weekly Total- \$2356.00**

**-St. Peter-**

**-St. Patrick-**

Loose Cash- \$579.00

\$ 52.00

Envelopes-\$1294.00

\$ 171.00

Poor Box- \$216.00

\$ 24.00

Altar Flowers- 20.00

**Attendance:**

5:00PM - 25

7:30AM - 77

10:00AM - 109

**Total: 211**



**Thank you for your generous giving!**

**H a l l o w e e n & P a r a d e**

Join us in evangelizing with our Halloween Parade float-Oct 26! This year's theme is "God Bless America" We need volunteers to make this successful. Call the office /Meet at M. Thomas': 245 W. Main St, Hancock MD. 301-678-6295

Also -children dress as a saint on All Saints Eve, a Feast Day, Oct.31, 5.30pm for Trunk or Treat, and party following here 6-8pm!

**~Adoration~**

*Love God/Love neighbor. How do you?*

Adoration is a superb way & we need more adorers-from 8AM-8PM every Thursday. Consider signing up and spending time with our Lord! Pray a paraphrase of St Elizabeth of the Trinity : *Most Blessed Trinity Whom I adore /Help me cling to You evermore!*

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