



Dear Lord,
Calm my weary mind, body, and soul.
Help me to be peace in situations where tensions run high.
Melt away my fears with your amazing grace until,
in the silence, I am deeply aware of your presence in my life.
Amen

Hello All,

We hope this communication finds you well. The 2020 pandemic is still with us. We press on, however, with great HOPE because we know that our awesome God is always with us and will guide us through this challenging time. You remain in our prayers and in our hearts, and we look forward to the day when we can welcome you all back with open arms!

Archbishop Blair has extended the dispensation from the obligation of Sunday Mass through Saturday, November 28th. At this time, our Masses are celebrated Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 7:00 a.m., Saturday Vigil at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Reservations are required for weekend Masses only. You may reserve your seat on our website or by calling the Parish Office. Masses continue to be recorded and posted on our website and Facebook page.

Below is a list of events coming up for our community in September as we make every effort to stay connected with you. We have adjusted formats where we can and will continue to adjust as time moves on.

Thursday, September 10th

A Social Distanced Lunch – please join us outside on our church grounds between 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm. and bring a bagged lunch, face mask, and lawn chair. We will provide bottled water and packaged cookies. (Rain date Sept 12th)

Wednesday, September 9th 6:30 pm / Saturday September 12th 10:00 am

“Come and Meet Us,” virtually on Zoom. Anyone interested in learning about the RCIA process of becoming Catholic is welcome to join us. Invite anyone you know who might be interested or just wondering about our faith. Please call the office (860-561-4235) to request an email with the link to either of these Zoom meetings.

September

Faith Formation Registration is underway for the Faith Formation Virtual Program this year. Please use this **Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/R3o2mXZmLMTUrmLF6>

Wednesday, September 9th

Street Sandwich Ministry – drop off in parking lot at 4:30 pm. If you are interested in making 10 simple sandwiches once a month, please call Susan at 860-561-3648 for details and/or alternative drop off arrangements. The sandwiches are brought directly to Hartford shelters after the collection.

Thursday, September 17th

Lectionary Based Bible Study begins again in a Zoom session from 9:30 am – 10:30 am. All are welcome to join as we reflect on the scriptures for the upcoming weekend. No prior experience necessary. Call the office or email ggfraileyspc@gmail.com to receive an emailed Zoom link to join the session.

Saturday / Sunday, September 19th / 20th

HOPES Collection “HOPES - Help Our Parish Elementary Schools” will take place this weekend. Funds received will be used for technology, security, communications, and more. A second collection basket will be in the back of the church or you may send your donation to the Parish Office with a note in the memo line “HOPES Collection.”

Wednesday, September 23rd

Zoom and Learn – Join us once a month to learn and be updated on various Catholic topics. The first session on Zoom will take place from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm on Wednesday, September 23rd. The topic is “The Acts of the Apostles” – an overview of the story and experience of the first Christians and the early church. Call the office or email ggfraileyspc@gmail.com to receive an emailed Zoom link to join the session.

Sunday, September 27th

Fall Food Collection Drive Thru – 10:30 am to 12:30 pm in the St. Peter Claver Parking Lot. Donations will benefit St. Thomas the Apostle Food Pantry and Hands on Hartford Food Pantry. Details and Instructions are on our website.

Saturday / Sunday, September 26th / 27th

Mum Sale – The Knights of Columbus will be selling mums after Masses. The cost will be \$9.00 per 8-inch mum plant. Proceeds of the sale will be applied to the Knights' service in our Parish and the community. If you would like to pre-order, please contact Kevin Walsh at kjw.westhartford@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support.

Please visit our website for more details on all these events by clicking this link.
www.stpeterclaverparish.com

Our weekly bulletin is also available on our website.

*Peace and Many Blessings to you and yours,
The St Peter Claver Staff*