

WALK IN LOVE

The Very Rev'd Marcus A. Kaiser, Sr. | Dean & Rector

St. Peter's Cathedral Family,

In the Stewardship pamphlet, there are many photos and few words. Behind each of these is an untold story, a story of God's provision for His church, but also His love for the world through His church.

In the last year, we have celebrated much and accomplished much as well. We launched our first ever Great Commission Pledge to increase our budgeted spending beyond our walls through the Missions & Evangelism ministries, including the Charles Simeon Institute. We had the highest attendance of the Lay School of Theology course we've ever had. Dozens of families participated in our 2nd Annual Family Bible School. We hosted the Gulf Atlantic Diocese on multiple occasions for Synod, a special Synod to elect our new bishop, and other diocesan events, including the recent consecration of Bishop Alex Farmer. Cathedral Concerts have continued to be a blessing to our community. Prayer Ministry was launched in both Intercessory Prayer Ministry and Healing Prayer Ministry—and we've already seen miracles! In February, over 200 women gathered for a retreat with renowned speaker and author, Susan Alexander Yates. Children's and Youth Ministries have collaborated more than ever to truly be a Family Ministry, training families how to do discipleship in their homes, not just at church. And so much more...

Again, we have much to celebrate! But I believe we're just getting started in how we, as a cathedral parish, can offer ourselves to the Lord as we walk in love—for one another, the broken world around us, and ultimately for our Creator.

I've said it before and I'll say it again—there's no pulling punches, this is stewardship season. Yes, it's about money, but only insofar as the money is about the Kingdom of God and offering Him ourselves just as Jesus offered himself wholly, for us, as a fragrant offering. Our hope is that, like last year, we might continue to approach this season differently as we seek to be good stewards of all God has entrusted to us and all that He is leading us into.

I pray you will be both encouraged and challenged, as I am, by what you see in the pamphlet. It just scratches the surface of all God has done, is doing, and will do through the ministry of St. Peter's.

And I pray that we will all respond simply and only in one way—by walking together as a living sacrifice to our Lord.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Marcus

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. -EPHESIANS 5:1-2

MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

WELCOME, BISHOP NASON BALUKU!

ABOUT BISHOP NASON

The Rt. Rev. Nason Baluku is the third bishop of the Diocese of South Rwenzori. He was consecrated and enthroned as bishop on December 13th 2020 at St. Paul's Cathedral, Kasese. He succeeded the Rt. Rev. Jackson Nzerebende, who had been the bishop of the diocese since 2003.

He was born in Mahango Sub-County on the slopes of the Rwenzori mountains in Kasese District. He holds a Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership and Management and a Bachelor of Community Leadership and Development, both from Uganda Christian University (UCU). He received a Diploma in Theology from UCU and a Provincial Certificate in Theological Studies from Bishop Balya Theological College.

He was born again at the age of 12 in 1979 and was confirmed three years later in 1982 by Bishop Kamanyire. By the time he was 17 years old, he was commissioned as a catechist, and later a lay reader. In 1995, he was ordained as a deacon, and then as a priest 1996. He was appointed as a canon of St. Paul's Cathedral in 2005.

Bishop Nason has served in a variety of ministry positions, including a vicar of several parishes, an archdeacon, diocesan secretary, program director for the Bishop Masereka Christian Foundation, PDR coordinator in the Provincial Secretariat, and project manager for the international organization Barnabas Fund. He is married to Jane Biira Baluku and God has blessed them with seven children.



ABOUT SOUTH RWENZORI DIOCESE



South Rwenzori Diocese represents the Anglican Church of Uganda in Kasese District. It was carved from Ruwenzori Diocese in 1984 and is now made up of 13 archdeaconries, 84 parishes, and 558+ local congregations. The diocese is located in the Southwest of Uganda and covers the same area as Kasese District. To the south is Lake Edward and to the west is the border with the Democratic Republic of the Congo. We are found in the foothills of the Rwenzori Mountains and the lowlands of the Western Rift Valley. At the foot of the mountains is Kasese Town, the administrative centre for the district.

WHEN CAN I HEAR FROM AND MEET BISHOP NASON?

Bishop Nason is preaching at both services this morning and will be speaking between services in the Parish Hall.

TOMORROW, *Monday, September 19th*, please join us in the Parish Hall at *6pm* for dinner and hear more about the ministry South Rwenzori, as well as learn more about a St. Peter's Mission to Uganda planned for April 2023. Childcare is available for this evening. *Please make reservations with Amy Stewart at AmyS@StPetersFL.com.*

For questions, or more information, please contact Missions & Evangelism Staff Coordinator, Christy Flury at Christy@StPetersFL.com.

DISCIPLESHIP

SENIOR LUNCHEON IN OCTOBER

Thursday, October 6th | We will have Dr. Chris Mulrooney join us to discuss the current culture of aging.

(USUALLY) SECOND SUNDAY MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL PARTY! | 6:30-8pm | TONIGHT

Join us at the Youth House for food, fellowship, and fun! We normally meet on the 2nd Sunday, but this time we are meeting on the 3rd Sunday due to a once-in-a-lifetime (*but hopefully not!*) opportunity to meet and hear from Bishop Nason Baluku! *Fun Fact:* Bp. Nason and his wife, Jane, have 7 kids! Contact Fr. David Marten or Jennifer Nicholson for more information.



IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR NEW WINESKINS!

This week, from September 22nd-25th, more than sixty members of St. Peter's will be in North Carolina with other Anglicans from all over the world, including Bishop Nason Baluku, for the New Wineskins Conference. You can participate too! Register (free!) for the livestream experience at StPetersFL.com/NewWineskins

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! REGISTER FOR FALL SEMESTER CLASSES & WEDNESDAY DINNERS

Pick up your copy of the Discipleship Opportunities Catalogue in the Narthex and discover the classes you would like to participate in this semester. Classes began last week!

Visit StPetersFL.com/Register to register.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT!

Friday 30 September | 6-8pm

Join us at the Youth House for a night full of fellowship and fun with the families of St. Peters. We will have pizza, yard games, board games, and our all-time favorite, BINGO! Please RSVP to Amy Stewart at AmyS@StPetersFL.com to sign up for a side or dessert. This is a great opportunity to bring a neighbor or friends!

PARISH VISITORS GUILD OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE |

The Parish Visitors Guild is a group of parish members who are passionate about coming along side those who need encouragement. It could be the loss of a loved one or job, illness, or any number of difficulties we all face. They reach out in several ways. This is a great opportunity to offer encouragement to those who truly need it.

If you are interested in being part of this vital ministry, please contact Alice@StPetersFL.com for more information.

PRAYER MINISTRY AT COMMUNION

If you would like to be prayed for by a team of prayer ministers, after receiving communion, please proceed to the prayer ministry teams near the Liberty Cross in the transept near the large wooden door to classroom 201. You may form a line along the wall of the transept if necessary. Prayer needs and concerns are kept confidential, but please share praise reports with us! WE'VE ALREADY WITNESSED HEALINGS THROUGH THIS MINISTRY AND WE WANT TO SHARE THOSE TESTIMONIES WITH OUR CATHEDRAL PARISH! IF YOU HAVE A TESTIMONY YOU'RE COMFORTABLE SHARING, PLEASE EMAIL WillHenry@StPetersFL.com

MOM-TO-MOM HAS RETURNED

Thursdays, 9:30-11am | Our study this fall is *Growing Together*. We will explore how growing our children involves us growing as moms. All women are welcome to join in as we seek to become equipped, encouraged, and energized as moms in the most significant job in the world—raising the next generation.

WORSHIP

VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

Welcome—we're so glad you're worshipping with us today! Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us on the lawn for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been coming for awhile, we are so glad you came. Come say hello and meet us in the Narthex. We would love to answer any questions you may have about the church or help you learn how to get involved. Just look for Katie or Tina! There are also other resources in the Narthex to help you get acquainted with the church. If you're new, please join us for our Newcomer's Dinner on October 11th!

CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST & CARE MINISTRIES



If you have any pastoral needs or know of someone who needs pastoral care and prayer, please contact Care Ministries Coordinator, Alice Sanderson at Alice@StPetersFL.com

Please call the Cathedral Office at 850.701.0664 or email Alice@StPetersFL.com to be added to the Cathedral Prayer List. **YOU CAN ALSO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST OR CARE MINISTRY NEED AT [STPETERSFL.COM/PRAYER](https://StPetersFL.com/PRAYER)**

Military: Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt. Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, Major Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, SSgt Corey Owen, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, 1st Lt. Parker Jax, Capt. Chandler B. Jax, 1st Lt. Carson Jax, 1st Lt. Rebecca Jax, Gabriel Melendez, Col. Burt Newman, Major Gen. John Richardson, Capt. Oliver Rushing, Spc. Andrew Sanderson, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Smith, SFC Dewey Spence, Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, Tommy VanLandingham MM3, Seaman Benjamin Waddill PFC John P. Warren

Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends: Mike, Maryanne Smiley, James Eubanks, Tanny Buford, Brady Jax, Courtney Evans, Kathryn Neal, Marian Williams, Bart & Connie MacFarlane, Shirley Coyle, Phyllis Schmidt, Ben Allen, Joan Moore

STEWARDSHIP SEASON BEGINS TODAY!

Please keep an eye out for the annual stewardship mailing, which should arrive in your mailbox soon! We only exist by the grace of God and the generosity of you, our members! May we continue to be a thriving cathedral parish that is blessed to be a blessing to the hurting world around us!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR TWO THINGS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th!

1. PLEDGES FOR THE 2022-2023 OPERATING BUDGET ARE DUE
2. WE'RE TURNING 17! AND WE'RE HAVING A CELEBRATION & COOKOUT! STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!



FINANCIAL MINUTE

Total Operating Budget: \$2,896,155.24 | *% Collected YTD:* 89.04% | *Debt Retired in September:* \$11,898.71
For more information about making a pledge, visit StPetersFL.com/Give