

# Christmas at St. Peter's

### STPETERSFL.COM/ADVENT

## Sunday, 24 December

9AM | ADVENT IV MORNING PRAYER

#### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Noon | 5PM | 8PM | 11PM

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	12:00pm	5:00pm	8:00pm	11:00pm
Child Care	~	~		
Children's Sermon	~	<b>~</b>		
Cathedral Choir		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Candlelight		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Incense			<b>✓</b>	~

#### CHRISTMAS DAY

IIAM | HOLY COMMUNION

## SUNDAY, 31 DECEMBER

IOAM ONE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

## Friday, 5 January 2024

Twelfth-Night & Epiphany Celebration
6:30pm | Holy Communion and Carol Singing
Lighting of the Greens & Chili Cook-Off to Follow

# IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO HELP!

For many years, St Peter's has provided tuition support to vulnerable children through the Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) tuition assistance program in Uganda thanks to generous sponsors, and we now need new sponsors. On our recent trip, we had the privilege of meeting and talking with several students currently sponsored. Hearing their goals of becoming engineers, teachers, craftspeople, and even one young man who wants to be a priest was heartwarming. This program supports primary and secondary students on either a vocational or university track.

For the 2024 school year, our goal is to sponsor 100 students, and we are asking for a donation of \$200 per sponsored student. The \$200 represents an average annual cost per student for tuition assistance and administrative expenses, as some students' tuition is higher than others at more advanced school levels. There are two trees in the back of the Nave decorated with ornaments that you can choose from tosponsor a child in Uganda. To sponsor a student, please take the ornament with their name and sign your name by the student's name on the sheet!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO'VE ALREADY SUPPORTED OUR ADVENT TREE EFFORT!



To celebrate everything our children and students accomplished in classes and choir this past semester!

Please RSVP to Amy Stewart at astewart@stpetersfl.com

Wednesday, December 20

### DISCIPLESHIP

#### WOMEN'S MINI RETREAT | SAVE THE DATE

Friday, 16 February & Saturday, 17 February
Visit STPETERSFL.COM/MINIRETREAT to learn more about our speaker. Registration will open in January!





## LAST CALL! POINSETTIA AND MUSIC DEDICATIONS DUE BY TOMORROW!

Our lovely Christmas services will be even prettier with donations for brilliant poinsettias and special instruments to accompany our glorious choir! Look for the special envelopes in your pew or complete your dedication online at <a href="StPetersFL.com/Give">StPetersFL.com/Give</a>

Send your submission on or before *Monday, 18 December*. Suggested minimum donations are \$25 for poinsettias and \$25 for music. Please print your dedication *legibly*.

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE HELP!**

Please consider staying after the service you attend on Christmas Eve and help with cleanup after the 5, 8, AND IIPM services. Tasks range from picking up bulletins and collecting candles to scraping wax off pews and sweeping floors. Many hands make light work! 30 minutes is all we need! Email <a href="mailto:dbiederman@stpetersfl.com">DBIEDERMAN@STPETERSFL.COM</a> if you can help!

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY: CONFIRMATION INFORMATIONAL MEETING | Between Services | Sunday, 7 January | Here at St. Peter's, catechesis is a vital part of our high school ministry. It is a time of formation when the faith is passed from the parents to the students. This is when the church sees the students become full members. This is such an important time in their lives and in the lives of their families. We will be having a parent and student information meeting on January 7 between services in Room 102A-B. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE CONTACT DAVID MARTEN TO SCHEDULE A ONE-ON-ONE MEETING.

5:00 - 6:00 PM | Dinner | Parish Hall
5:30 PM | Awards and Recap
6:15 PM | Chorister Christmas | Sanctuary
Bring a dessert | Donations are
to share! | welcome!

#### VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

Welcome—we're so glad you're worshiping with us today! Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been with us for awhile, we're so glad you're here!

#### 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 <u>ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM</u>

To be added the the Cathedral Prayer List, email <u>ASanderson@StPetersFL.com</u> or submit a prayer request or Care Ministry Need at <u>StPetersFL.com/Prayer</u>

*Military:* Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt. Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, LCpl Sam Henri, SSgt Corey Owen, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, Capt. 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, MM3 Tommy VanLandingham, SN Benjamin Waddill, PFC John P. Warren, 2nd Lt Jack Ubben, PFC Noah C. Bielling

Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends: John Clarkson, Fay Ann Hannon, David, John, Tom, Patty Applegate, Marsha Hall, Rob Wheeler, Paul Martin, Janet Clemons, the Shields Family, Heidi Fisher, Bonnie Canada, John Dawirs, Eva, Fred, Vicki, Bart, Katherine

as of 12.14.23

## Stewardship & Giving

Pledge Cards for the 2023-2024 Operating Budget have been distributed, and many have been turned in—Thank You! We are over 70% there! If you haven't yet submitted a pledge, It's not too late! Please prayerfully consider how the Lord is nudging you to continue *(or increase!)* your financial support of the Kingdom work happening in, through, and beyond this Cathedral. We only exist by the grace of God and the generosity of you, our members.



Pledges may also be submitted by scanning the QR Code or visiting <u>StPetersFL.com/Stewardship</u>

Any questions should be directed to our Bookkeeper, Lynn Stafford.

#### **END OF THE YEAR FINANCIAL GIFTS**

The office will be closed after *Sunday, 24 December*, and will not reopen until *Tuesday, 2 January*. To make an end-of-the-year donation while the office is closed, you can do one or more of the following:

- 1. Drop into the offering plate at one of the Christmas Eve Services, the Service on Christmas Day, or *Sunday, 31 December* (**One service at 10AM**)
- 2. Mail your gift to St. Peter's. Any gift postmarked 31 December or prior receives credit for 2023.
- 3. Make a donation online: STPETERSFL.COM/GIVE
- 4. Stock gifts may be made as long as the stock is received by *Thursday, 28 December*. Please contact our Bookkeeper, Lynn Stafford, at <u>LStafford@StPetersFL.com</u> for info on this process

All gifts received on or after *Monday, 1 January*, will be counted as a 2024 gift, no matter the date written on the check. Please remember that donations are counted on the <u>day received or the postmark date</u> whichever is earlier, not the date written on the check.