

St. Peter's Post

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School



September 2025

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Dear Families and Friends of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School,

What an amazing start to the school year! We began the month of August with Meet the Teacher Night and followed that up with our Family Life Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony the day before the first day of school. We then witnessed all our hard work come to fruition as so many excited and smiling faces arrived on the first day of school. It has been such a joy to see the Family Life Center transformed with the excitement of teaching and learning over the past few weeks. Thank you to everyone who has helped make this happen. God is good!

However, the joys we witness every day are not without sacrifice. From quick conversations in carline and calls with various families, I have had the privilege of learning some of the ways families are making great sacrifices to send their children to St. Peter's. Multiple parents drive their children to three, even four, different schools throughout Boerne and San Antonio every morning and again every afternoon. Multiple families have also taken on the challenges of additional employment to send their children here. Our teachers have been working long after students leave the building and oftentimes still come in over the weekend to prepare lessons and review student work. It has been a blessing to meet some of the incredible spouses, friends, parents, and other family members of our teachers and staff who have helped with classroom setup, purchased special materials, and provided support in countless ways.

When we sacrifice, life is begotten. We see this most directly in our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection, which opened the gates to eternal life for the entire human race. In the first chapter of his letter to the Colossians, St. Paul writes, "Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I

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am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church". When we sacrifice for another and unite that moment to Christ's suffering, He unfailingly brings forth something new. To all who have made and continue to make sacrifices so that this school can be a reality for our students and families, thank you. It is an honor to serve alongside you as we continue to worship, learn, grow, and build together.

Last but not least, we added a new section to our newsletter—Parish News. As a parochial school, we truly are a ministry of our parish. St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church has been so generous in supporting our school through donations of time, talent and treasure. We appreciate everything our parent parish does for us and encourage all to learn more about our parish events, ways to get involved in the church community, and opportunities to contribute.



In Christ,

Ms. Brintnall, Principal
St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School
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August Family Faith Challenge: Family Dinner
Daniel & Merit Burshe enjoying dinner with grandpa and grandma



PARENT INFORMATION

- **Uniform Purchases**
Purchase in-store or online at www.flynnohara.com.
- **Follow us on social media!**
Follow **St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School** on Facebook at facebook.com/61574173240445 and **stpaboerneschool** on Instagram at instagram.com/stpaboerneschool.
- **Parent Information Webpage**
View our parent information webpage at stpetersboerneschool.org/parent-information for updated information and current newsletters.
- **Art Class Wish List**
Please go to amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3MLP1OAA0L01Z, or scan the QR code, if you would like to bless our art class by donating from their list. Thank you for your generosity!



September Family Faith Challenge

Read Gospel of Mark

One of the best ways to grow in knowledge and love of Christ Jesus is to get to know Him in the Gospels. For this month's Family Faith Challenge, we encourage you to read the Gospel of Mark as a family. With only 16 chapters, Mark is the shortest Gospel and the one scholars commonly believe St. Peter influenced significantly. Families can approach this challenge in different ways. One option could be to read a small portion each night before bedtime. Another option could be to read a few chapters on Saturday or Sunday afternoons and discussing as a family. If your family reads the entire Gospel of Mark in the month of September, amazing! If you only get partially through, the Lord can still do great things with that. As with the August challenge, we would love to see photos of your family reading the Gospel of Mark together this month, so feel free to email them to bulletin@stpetersboerne.com!

August Virtue of the Month Awards: Orderliness

Congratulations to the following students who exemplified the virtue of orderliness throughout the month of August! We will honor them during our morning assembly prior to Mass on Wednesday, September 3.

Kindergarten: Henry Harvey

1st Grade: Audrey Batis

2nd Grade: Emma Garza Rivera

3rd Grade: Mariana Puente Molina

4th Grade: Amaris Quinones

5th/6th Grade: Isabella Le

September Virtue of the Month: Industriousness

September's Virtue of the Month is *Industriousness*. *Industriousness* means habitually devoting one's effort toward worthwhile goals. Focused work on academic studies, a musical instrument, or sport allows us to develop our God-given talents. Being diligent and focused with chores at home helps cultivate a strong sense of responsibility for the gifts God has given. When we practice the virtue of *industriousness* in any work that we do, we can grow in both natural and spiritual maturity.

*Prayer for Industriousness:**

Heavenly Father, You have given me the gift of this day, the gift of this moment. Help me to use my time well. Give me the grace to do all for Your greater glory.

*Industriousness Looks Like:**

Diligently completing your classwork and homework

*Industriousness Sounds Like:**

I need to stay focused and finish my classwork and homework.

**Material that follows taken from Education in Virtue curriculum from OpenLight Media.*

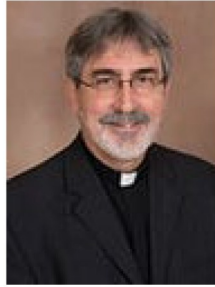
Faculty Spotlight



Getting to Know One Another at SPACS



Ms. Melanie Brintnall
Principal



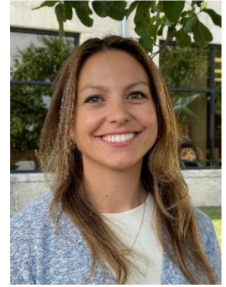
Fr. Norman Ermis
Pastor



Fr. David Chacko
Parochial Vicar/Latin



Mrs. Johanna Isburgh
Office Administrator



Ms. Christen Lizza
Pre-K



Mrs. Kim Brown
Pre-K Inst. Assist.



Mrs. Angelina Stojakovic
Pre-K Inst. Assist.



Mrs. Callie Barnes
Kindergarten



Mrs. Aimee Osterman
K Inst. Assist.



Ms. Catey Borja
1st grade



Mrs. Maria Kennedy
2nd grade



Mrs. Ana Femath
3rd grade



Mrs. Esther Keeley
4th grade



Mrs. Kayy Aguerro
5th & 6th grades



Mrs. Angela Spino
Catechesis of the Good
Shepherd



Mr. Jerry Garcia
Music



Mrs. Sherry Barrera
Art



Mr. Darnell Harts
P.E.



Mrs. Laurie Bartosh
Nurse



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

• Library

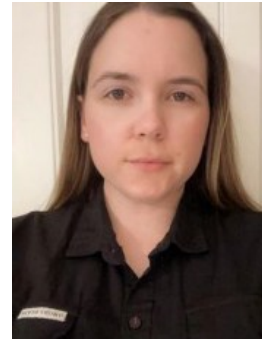
We are excited to fill our shelves with beautiful books. Would you or someone you know like to donate a book or two to help build our school library? Check our Amazon Wish List at the link below, or by scanning the QR code, for titles we hope to have available for students to read. Thank you for your consideration!

Our library shelves will be arriving in mid-September. After they arrive and complete some additional setup, we will be excited to officially open our library for students to check out books!

amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/JTJZCMHLASP5



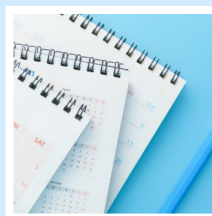
Faculty Spotlight



Because safety and security of all who come to our campus is an extremely high priority, St. Peter's has contracted with Paraclete Consulting Group to provide full time security for our school as well as, over time, for all of our parish properties. Paraclete is a professional security firm that provides security to schools in and around the San Antonio area. They have been providing security for Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School in New Braunfels for the last two years. We selected Paraclete to provide these critical services after an extensive and thorough search and evaluation process.

Supervisor Chris Rhoades and **Caitlyn Judge** will be St. Peter's Personal Protective Officers (PPOs). Chris has 18 years of full-time law enforcement experience and 15 years' military service, and a Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement. Caitlyn has 9 years' experience specializing in immediate threat security management, with 8 years as hospital security director, and a Bachelor's Degree in Homeland Security/Security Management.

Important Upcoming Dates



- **Monday, Sep 1** – Labor Day; No school
- **Friday, Oct 10** – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **Friday, Oct 17** – Family Trivia Night. More information to come.
- **Tuesday, Oct 28** – Special Mass in honor of the school celebrated by Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S., 9:00 am in Main Church. All are welcome to attend.
- **Friday, Oct 31** – All Saints Day Celebration & Athletic Field Day

School in Snapshots



Open House & Meet the Teacher Night



Open House & Meet the Teacher Night



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at FLC



Mr. Garcia's Music Classroom



Mrs. Barnes' Kindergarten Classroom

PARISH TRUCK RAFFLE 2025



NEW 2025 FORD F150 TRUCK XLT

4x2 Supercrew, 2.7L V6 Ecoboost
Engine, Carbonized Gray Metallic

ONLINE SALES NOW
OPEN! SCAN QR CODE.

Online sales end on October 2,
2025 at 10:00 pm CST or after all
1500 tickets are sold.

Per ticket: \$100

Sales in parish office

Mondays—Thursdays
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

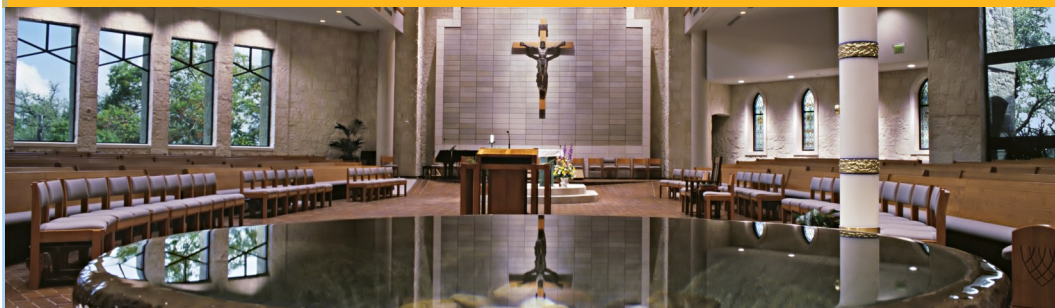
Fridays
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

After weekend Masses sales
during September or until
all tickets are sold. Only
1500 tickets will be sold!

You can also purchase tickets by
visiting [rafflecreator.com/
pages/74140/st-peters-truck-
raffle-2025](https://rafflecreator.com/pages/74140/st-peters-truck-raffle-2025). Purchase of ticket is
not tax deductible. Must be 18
years or older to participate.
Sales tax and fees included in
prize. Winner is responsible for
payment of the income tax on
the total value of the prize. A
vehicle of same value can be
substituted for the truck,
negotiated and coordinated
through Kahlig Auto Group



Parish News



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UPCOMING EVENTS

— Altar Server Training —

September 6, 2025 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
in St. Peter's Main Church

Please RSVP by calling the parish office at (830) 816-5663 and
providing the following information: name, phone number, email
address and which training you will attend. You can also RSVP by
emailing Lacey Sorrell at lacey@stpetersboerne.com.

— Burgers, Baskets & Bingo —

October 4, 2025, doors open at 6:00 pm, Bingo begins at 7:15 pm
in St. Peter's Cana Ballroom

See parish bulletin for more details and information on how to
purchase tickets.

— Precious Gift Ministry Candlelight Service —

October 23, 2025, 6:30 pm
in St. Peter's Main Church

All families who have experienced miscarriage, still birth or infant
loss are invited to this beautiful service to remember our little
ones. For more information on this ministry, visit
stpetersboerne.com/precious-gift.

— Children's Mass —

3rd Sunday of the month at 9:00 am Mass

We need readers, ushers and choir members. For more
information, or if your child would like to participate, please
contact:

Laura Balderrama-Contreras at laura@stpetersboerne.com
Angela Spino at goodshepherd@stpetersboerne.com

Poem of the Month



Halfway Down

by A. A. Milne

Halfway down the stairs
is a stair
where i sit.
there isn't any
other stair
quite like
it.
i'm not at the bottom,
i'm not at the top;
so this is the stair
where
I always
stop.

Halfway up the stairs
Isn't up
And it isn't down.
It isn't in the nursery,
It isn't in town.
And all sorts of funny thoughts
Run round my head.
It isn't really
Anywhere!
It's somewhere else
Instead!



St. Vincent de Paul is much more than a patron saint of thrift shops! Young Vincent became a priest hoping to advance and rise above his modest upbringing. His early ambition amounted to little when he was assigned to a poor rural parish. Here he experienced a new joy in his vocation. Hearing the profound deathbed confession of a dying servant, Vincent became more convinced of the special attention that must be given to the poor. In 1625, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Mission for the purpose of caring for the poor. Originally priests only, the mission expanded to include groups of laity who provided for spiritual and material needs of the poor in each parish. Nearly 400 hundred years later, his legacy lives on!



LEGEND

	School Event Day
	No School
	Early Dismissal
	Inclement Weather Make-Up
	Teacher Work Day

Regular Day:

PK-K 7:40 am-3:00 pm

1st-6th 7:40 am-3:15 pm

Early Dismissal Day:

PK-K 7:40 am-11:45 am

1st-6th 7:40 am-12:00 pm noon

August 2025

- New School Orientation & Meet the Teacher Night—Aug 7, 6:00-7:30 pm
- First Day of School—Aug 13
- The Assumption of Mary (HDO)—Aug 15

September 2025

- Family Cookout—Sep 19

October 2025

- Parent/Teacher Conferences—Oct 10
- Trivia Night—Oct 17
- All Saints Day Celebration & Athletic Field Day—Oct 31

November 2025

- None

December 2025

- Family Movie Night—Dec 5, 5:00 pm
- Solemnity of Immaculate Conception (HDO)—Dec 8
- Christmas Concert—Dec 9, 7:00 pm
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Celebration—Dec 12
- Family Christmas Caroling—Dec 14, 6:00 pm

January 2026

- Catholic Schools Week—Jan 25-31

February 2026

- Grandparent's Day—Feb 6
- School Gala—Feb 13, Time TBD

March 2026

- Prospective Parent Curriculum Night—Mar 25, Time TBD

April 2026

- Heroic Games School Fundraiser—Apr 25

May 2026

- The Ascension (HDO)—May 14
- Spring Concert—May 14, 7:00-8:00 pm
- End-of-Year Assembly—TBD
- Last Day of School—May 29

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School 2025-2026 Academic School Calendar

JULY 2025							AUGUST 2025							SEPTEMBER 2025						
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28 - Teacher Retreat 29-31 - Teacher Planning Day							1-12 - Teacher Planning Days 13 - First Day of School							1 - Labor Day						
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10-Parent/Teacher Conferences 13 - Columbus Day							30 24-28 - Thanksgiving Break							22-26 - Christmas Holiday						
JANUARY 2026							FEBRUARY 2026							MARCH 2026						
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1-2 - New Years Holiday 19 - Martin Luther King Jr., Day							16 - President's Day (Inclement Weather Make-Up Day)							9-13 - Spring Break						
APRIL 2026							MAY 2026							JUNE 2026						
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3 - Good Friday 4 - Easter Sunday 6 - Easter Monday (Inclement Weather Make-Up Day)							31 25 - Memorial Day 29 - Last Day of School													

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