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Dear Parishioners,

St. Peter Parish is a vibrant parish of about 1900 families. With all the activity that comes with a modern parish, the parish staff and I access our database on a daily basis. We also know that this data is constantly changing. Parishioners marry, babies are born, children move away, new people move in, others move out, Sacraments are celebrated, et cetera. Unfortunately, we are not made aware of some of these life events.

It has been 17 years since St. Peter Parish did a census. In that time we have become an online, mobile society. This impacts our records. When landlines are disconnected, cell phones added and emails get created or changed, the parish is not typically notified. The parish records quickly become outdated.

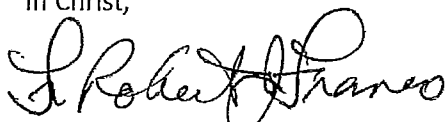
The staff and I decided that it was time to update our records. We are asking each household to complete the attached Census Form no later than **September 15, 2017**. The form collects relevant information for each member of your household. Remembering that Joseph and Mary walked about 70 miles to Bethlehem for a census when Jesus was born, we ask that you take about 10 minutes in the comfort of your home to provide us this needful census data.

The Census Form is self-explanatory. However, if you have any questions, please call the office. We will be happy to help you. You may prefer to complete an online form and submit it securely online at www.stpeternr.org. Paper forms will also be in the racks of the church and parish office. The paper forms can be submitted via the Collection Basket, placed in the CENSUS BOX in the back of the church or mailed to/be dropped off at the parish office.

Enclosed is a St. Peter novena prayer card. Please pray for our parish. We have also included an invitation to some of our upcoming activities. I want to draw your attention to the *Discovering Christ* series this fall. Besides the things listed on this flier, a more complete listing of activities and events may be accessed through our parish bulletin or by referencing our website and social media sites.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us obtain an updated census on all our parish households! Again, Jesus, our Lord and Savior, was born during a census that was being taken at that time. We pray that our census will bring new life in various ways to our parish. At the very least, our updated records will help us to serve you better. Again, I thank you for your cooperation.

In Christ,



Fr. Robert J. Franco

Pastor