

# SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

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Welcome to visitors!/New Parishioners! We are pleased to have you pray with us at Saints Peter and Paul. We hope you enjoy your visit to our beautiful Church. Please introduce yourself after Mass to Father Ron and parishioners; we would like to meet you!



Fr. Ron Thompson

Please Note: All Request of the Pastor are kindly asked to be made by phone during Office Hours not by Email. Thank-You

St. MICHAEL'S PRAYER Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

# CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY November 21 — 27, 2021

Holy Mass: Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am,11:00am (Vespers and Benediction: 3:30pm),4:00pm

Weekdays: Monday 8:00AM; Tuesday 4:00PM; Wednesday – Friday 8:00AM First Fridays: Adoration 12:00 noon– 6:45PM: Benediction 6:45PM; Second Mass 7:00pm

Saturdays and Civic Holidays: 9:00 am

Confessions: Wednesday—Friday; 8:30AM; Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:00-4:30 pm

Office Schedule: Tuesday—Friday: 9:00 am—3:00 pm

By Appointment; Marriage: Notify 8 Months in Advance.

# UPCOMING

CHANGE TO WEEKDAY MORNING MASS, Starting Monday, November 22, 2021—Weekday Morning Masses (Monday, Wednesday—Thursday) will be changed from 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM WEEKDAY CONFESSIONS (WEDNESDAY—FRIDAY) to : 8:30 AM

<u>Mark your Calendar</u>

CHRISTMAS LIRURGIES Masses of Christmas— Friday, December 24th, 2021—4:00 PM & 6 PM Saturday, December 25th, 2021—9:00 AM & 11:00 AM (No Evening Mass)

Holy Family (Boxing Day): Sunday, December 26th, 2021—9:00 AM & 11:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Christmas Octave: Monday—Monday, December 27—31, 2021—9:00 AM

New Year's Masses (Solemnity of the Mother of God) Friday December 31st, 2021 — 5:00 PM Saturday January 1st, 2022—9:00 AM & 11:00 AM (NO EVENING MASS)

Ерірнаму Sunday, January 2, 2022—9:00 АМ, 11:00 АМ & 4:00 РМ

EPIPHANYTIDE: Monday, January 3rd, 2022—8:00 AM Tuesday, January 4th, 2022—4:00 PM Wednesday—Friday, January 5th—7th, 2022—8:00 AM Saturday, January 8th, 2022—9:00 AM

Baptism of Our Lord, Saturday Masses, January 8th, 2022 — 5:00 PM Sunday, January 9th, 2021—9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 4:00 PM

# CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY READINGS

Pilate orders an inscription to be placed on the cross: "Jesus the Nazorean the King of Jews" (John 19:19). Thus he announces the conclusion to which he has come about the man sent to him for interrogation and sentencing. The essential content of that interrogation appears in today's gospel. It is a strange interchange, where the accused acts as judge3. It is he not Pilate, who dominates the proceedings.

Does Pilate want to make Jesus admit his claim of royalty? Jesus does not deny the claim, but before answering the Roman procurator, he raises a preliminary question, as if he wanted this official to commit himself personally: "Are you saying this on your own?" Jesus continues, if you are speaking of royal title in the political sense in which my accusers take it, "My kingdom does not belong to this world." He has come into the world "to testify to the truth". It is as witness to the truth that he is king. It is for this he was born and for this he will die.

Jesus died to exorcise forever the temptation to reduce his gospel to one or another of political forces of society. Yet it remains a temptation for us to make the Church one of the kingdoms of this world. We must instead hope for a kingdom where the church will cease to be because God will be all in all.

Mass Intentions						
Sunday	November 21st— Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe		9:00 am 11:00 am		Parishioners	
Monday	November 22nd—34th or Last Week in the Ordinary Time, St. Cecilia, Vrigin and Martyr + 230		8:00 am		Souls +	
Tuesday	November 23rd, Ferial		4:00 pm Holy		Souls +	
Wednesday	November 21th St. Andrew Ding Las Drivet and Companions		_		Souls +	
Thursday	lay November 25th, Ferial		8:00 am Holy		Souls +	
Friday	November 26th, Ferial		8:00 am Holy		Souls +	
Saturday	November 27th, Ferial				Souls + Souls +	
MASK MANDATEThe Archbishop has directed that Masks are mandatory (over nose & mouth) at all times inside the Church, as per local regulations, except during the reception of Holy Commun- ion."I regard it as prudent that, as in all other indoor gatherings in BC, the wearing of masks will be required when attending Mass in the churches of the Archdiocese of Vancouver.All other parish gatherings indoors, such as meetings, prayer groups, PREP, etc., are cov- ered by the BC mask mandate, and all those aged 12 and older must wear masks."If needed, masks are available in the Vestibule.						
On Wednesday, November 10 the Tenth Annual Archbishop's Dinner was held in person at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver. Due to the current coronavirus pandemic, we understand that not eve- ryone who would have liked to attend was able. For one night only, on November 24, we will broadcast a recording of the evening with some special behind the scenes additions! In honour of the year of Marriage and Family, Archbishop J. Michael Miller has identified Mar- riage and Family Ministries as an URGENT PRIORITY in the life of the local Church in Vancouver Register to Attend—For Free https://support.rcav.org/virtualdinner2021						
	New to the Parish?	Mon	ERIES (ON	NLINE GI	VING) DEDICATED GIVING	
If you are new to the Parish, please fill out a Registration Form available in the foyer and drop it in the Collection Basket.			IS NOW AVAILABLE TO THE PARISH			
If you would like Donation Envelopes and/or the BC Catholic please remember to check the boxes on the registration form.To make Sund ish is now pro- cated Giving t bution will be For those already registered, any changes such as your address, tel. #, etc., please contact the Parish Office at 604-261-3535.To make Sund ish is now pro- cated Giving t bution will be Fund is takenNB: The Building Fund contributions are not taxed by the Dio- cese, whereas the regular Sunday contributions are taxed at 14%.If you are inter Moneries Enve tory Mail Slot.						
ALTAR SERVERS: There is a need for Altar servers at our Masses. Young men & boys (Grade 3 +) are invit- ed to serve at the weekend Masses. Simply contact the parish office & Father will give them simple instructions. Thank you for stepping forward, saying "yes" and thus adding to the dignity of Holy Mass.					u are away periods ing to write weekly cheques able flow of contributions ing of our parish resources.	

### November the Month of Holy Souls:

Special Envelops are provided for offering Holy Mass for the intentions of deceased family members and friends during the month. 1 Mass will be offered for each enevelope received and all these will be placed on the Altar during this Month.

"Eternal rest grant unto them 0 Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace."



# <u>Building Fund</u>

We are moving forward with having our own Parish Centre, this massive project will take the efforts of many people to support. If you can please consider giving to the Building Fund, every cent of the Building Fund will go towards this Parish Goal.

A big Thank-You to all parishioners for their support in this effort!

# ON THE FAITH (& RCIA):

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained Tuesday @7:00pm

Talk 9 (Mary and the Saints)

Talk 10 (The Last Things)

Tuesday @ 7:00pm, in the Church Vestibule.

Fr. Ron will share a Series of Talks along with the 'Symbolon'

PREP CLASSES:

Prep Classes for Elementary Students not attending Catholic School resumes: Tuesdays from 4:30-5:30pm.

Please register through the Parish office: Tuesday– Friday 9:00am—3:00pm.

#### WHY WE PRAY BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT—JOHN A. KANE



#### Preparation to Receive Him

Nov. 23

Nov 30

Silent and loving before Him, we are absolutely certain of His hidden reality; more certain than they who, in the days of His flesh, beheld and touched His body, which curtained the magnificence of the Godhead. With the eyes of faith, we see Him, not disfigured and clouded by the weaknesses of human nature, but shining with heavenly light in the grandeur of His beauty and in the perfection of His attributes.

To be so near our God, so rapt in love before Him, is to re-ceive His most coveted blessings. As, when He walked the earth, He went about doing good, so, from the tabernacle, He dispenses love, joy, mercy, and peace. All that concerns us is to Him too deep, too precious for words. He cannot there-fore send us away without some emanation of His humility, His obedience, His meekness, His self-denial. He best knows our needs, and will, if our faith is strong, supply them, or at least lighten the burden oppressing our hearts. And once within the circle of His divine attraction, we will leave Him either with our petitions answered, or with courage to suffer patiently.

In our visits, we can prepare ourselves to receive Him sacramentally. Poor, wretched, miserable, blind, and naked, we cannot alone make ourselves fit for the reception of our God. He must clothe our souls with the wedding garment of divine grace, and adorn them with virtue.

As we kneel before the eucharistic Savior, the Eternal Fa-ther will draw us closer to His Divine Son. Christ will so influ-ence us as to bring out the best that is in us. The Holy Spirit will calm us with the peace of God, and thus remove the ob-stacles to our loving advance in intimate conversation with the sacramental King. Our very nearness to Christ will dispel our diffidence at the thought of too hasty an approach to the God who has found sin among the angels. Breathing the spiri-tual air of the tabernacle, illumining our souls with the light reflected from His earthly dwelling, strengthening our wills for conflict with temptation, deepening our faith in His al-mighty power, and purifying our desire to love Him more un-selfishly — how can we better prepare ourselves to receive our God with a fervor that will ever inflame us with eager enthusi-asm in His service?

-Excerpt from Why We Pray Before the Blessed Sacrament: https://catholicexchange.com/why-we-pray-before-the-blessed-sacrament

# Maintaining A Prayerful Environment

The General Instructions of the Roman Missal (GIRM):

# 147 of the official 'how to celebrate Holy Mass' states that the people wait during the Preparation of the Gifts for the Priest to complete his invitation: Pray Brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father," before they stand and then say "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands...." This also is spelled out in our St. Joseph Pew Sunday Missal on P.21 that we Stand only after the Priests says the whole invitation.

Prayerful Pause of 30 full seconds after the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: The Lectionary Rubrics (Instructions) state: "A period of silence is observed after the reading." At the Abbey in Mission this is for 2 minutes. Here, in parish life, it will be a full 30 seconds. (At the Archbishop's Pastoral Visit at Assumption, Port Coquitlam, he was pleased with this practice and encouraged it)

## **2021 Project Advance Campaign**

Pledges are still continuing please drop your pledges into the Basket or you may drop them off at the Office during Office times.

To assist with your pledges to this year's campaign, the Parish portion will go towards funding our New Parish Centre.

We have already the Development Permit for this and are moving ahead with the few Civic changes, including the exterior to be more in harmony with the neighbourhood and mirroring the Church as the more important structure.

Our gratitude for all who have, in the past, assisted in this so needed project for our parish life and look forward for more parishioners to practically be engaged in supporting this, Our wholehearted thank you!

Also, in early November we will have a mail out to those who have contributed in the past, we value your support in this important time!



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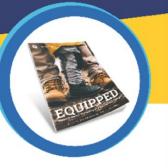
#### **Kids today are growing** up with technology.

Our Way Forward

In many ways, technology is great. The Internet brings many opportunities for education, entertainment, and communication. But there are also many dangers online-dangers your children need to be prepared to handle.

The home is the hub of where we nurture our children into thriving adults who love the Lord and steward their sexuality. Parents are the first educators of their children when they are at home, when they are away, when they lie down and when they get up (Deuteronomy 11:19).

Equipped: Smart Catholic Parenting in a Sexualized Culture uses the image of the home to guide you in how to teach your



children to say no to pornography. while at the same time forming them in a broader understanding of:

- Their God-given identity
- . The importance of sexual integrity
- · How to understand sexual shame · How to engage media with discernment

This book makes it possible to have engaged, healthy and informed conversations about online threats.

#### **Request for Clothing & Non-Perishable Food**

The Order of Malta is organizing Blue Drop Boxes in the back of the parish vestibule for the "Door is Open" Catholic charity.

The Door is Open is a drop-in ministry that provides food, clothing, counselling, shelter services, referrals, and a warm, safe environment in the heart of Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, a neighbourhood recognized for the highest concentration of the poorest urban population in the whole of Canada. It feeds up to 250 people everyday of the year. Right now, more people than usual need their assistance to survive and are counting on the Door is Open for their daily meals. At this time, they cannot allow volunteers to help them so they have to prepare the food themselves, mostly sandwiches.

They need non-perishable foods, such as canned tuna, pasta, pasta sauce, etc... You can also make a cash donation if you cannot go shopping. Seasonal, clean clothing is very welcome, especially socks, tshirts, warm jackets, sweaters, hoodies.

Most of us are sitting snug at home, with lots of food, warm and comfortable, we are lucky compare to others. Charity begins at home, this Vancouver.

If you have any reasonably worn clothing that can be reused and nonperishable food you can drop them in the blue boxes that should be available on:

> 19-21 November 2021 10—12 December 2021

Please ensure that any donations are placed in the Blue Box Provided and only on the days provided above, otherwise they will be discarded.

# SEASON OF HOP CHRIST OUR LIGHT

On Tuesday, November 30th, 2021 St. Patrick Regional Secondary will be hosting "A Season of Hope, Christ Our Light", an advent tree lighting ceremony via Livestream at 1:00PM.

CovenantEves

The advent season is a time to prepare for the coming of Christ and is the beginning of the liturgical year, and what better way to prepare than to gather as a community through song, prayer and thanksgiving.

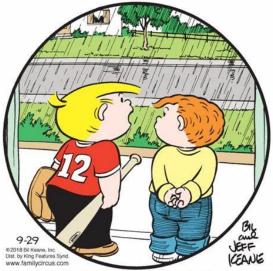
We will be inviting our school community to purchase light bulbs. The light bulb represents an intention which Fr. Ron Thompson will pray over during the ceremony. The light bulbs will remain lit throughout the advent season and serve as a reminder to the community of this prayerful time of preparation.

Each light bulb on the tree can be purchased for \$5.00

An email will be sent to you after purchase, inviting you to list your intention.

As we are in the middle of Covid, visitor access is limited so we ask those of you who are not staff and students to please join us on our Youtube page for the live stream.

**Courtyard:** outside area in front of the Chapel and beside our totem pole.



"I wish God wouldn't wash the world on Saturdays."