

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

Epiphany House Blessing Sheets (Gold) + Blessed chalk are available January 2, 2022 for the blessing of your home: through the inspiration of the 3 wise men: Caspar, Melchior, & Balthsar.

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.

CHRISTMAS OCTAVE (HOLY FAMILY) & EPIPHANY WEEK DECEMBER 26 — JANUARY 8, 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

CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

Masses of Christmas— Friday, December 24th, 2021—4:00 PM Proof of Vaccine Required at this Mass only, as we are expecting higher attendance at this Mass. 5:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Saturday, December 25th, 2021—8:30 AM, 10:00AM & 11:30 AM (No Evening Mass)

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

Christmas Octave: Monday—Saturday, 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)

EPIPHANY Sunday, January 2, 2022—9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 4:00 PM

EPIPHANYTIDE: Monday, January 3rd, 2022—8:00 AM

Tuesday, January 4th, 2022—4:00 PM

Wednesday—Thursday, January 5th—6th, 2022—8:00 AM

Friday, January 7th, 2022 - 7:00 PM only, No Adoration or Morning Mass

Saturday, January 8th, 2022—9:00 AM

Baptism of Our Lord, Saturday Masses, January 8th, 2022 —5:00 PM

Sunday, January 9th, 2022—9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 4:00 PM

EPIPHANY READINGS

The Christmas Season continues with yet another view of God in our history. In his very flesh, Jesus is the revelation of God. This is a season to celebrate a baby, but even more the manifestation, "epiphany," of God to the whole world.

The gospel warms many hearts with the story of the three visitors to Bethlehem. Following the star, they come to offer gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Aided by the first two readings, we can open up the meaning of this vignette. God is present in our history. This is a gift for all. Whether arriving on dromedaries from Midian and Ephah or bearing gold and frankincense from Sheba, whole nations shall walk by this light. In the early Church, this meant that Gentiles would have to be seen as co=-heirs with the Jews, members of the same body.

Enjoying the memories and mystery of this day should thus be more then thinking about the three kings. It is also far more important than nay technical debate about the translation of "magi" (Greek). They have been called kings, wise men, or astrologers. In any event they signal a day to celebrate God's manifestation in Christ Jesus. When we celebrate Epiphany we face the mystery of Christ's identity and our response in faith. Because this revelation is universal, we are presented with a further challenge. Do we treat some as "outsiders" as if we were not co-heris? Do we act as if epiphany were for a few?

MASS INTENTIONS			
Sunday	December 26th, Holy Family of Jesus	* 9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Parishioners
Monday	December 27th, St. John, Apostle, Evangelist \$100 AD	9:00 am	Ma. Esperanza Regala 🕆
Tuesday	December 28th, The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 🕆	9:00 am	Luka Ereg Sr. ⊕
Wednesday	December 29th, Fifth Day within The Octave of the Nativity	9:00 am	Pave Fook-Bo Cheung 🕆
Thursday	December 30th, Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity	9:00 am	Fr. John Horgan
Friday	December 31st, Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Fr. Richard Peedle & Gratitude for Blessing- Huang Family
Saturday	January 1st, The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God	* 9:00 am 11:00 am	Parishioners
Sunday	January 2nd, The Epiphany of the Lord, Solemnity	* 9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Parishioners
Monday	January 3rd, Epiphanytide	8:00 am	Sr. M. Sabina, OP
Tuesday	January 4th, Epiphanytide	4:00 pm	Ernesto Dasco 🕆
Wednesday	January 5th, Epiphanytide	8:00 am	Tomas Constales Jr. 🕆
Thursday	January 6th, Epiphanytide	8:00 am	Tora Anderson ⊕
Friday	January 7th, Epiphanytide, St. André Bessette, Religious †1937 AD	7:00 pm	Fr. E. Vogt, OP
Saturday	January 8th, Epiphanytide, Baptism of Our Lord	* 9:00 am 5:00 pm	Giving Thanks—Merle & Ron Chong Parishioners

STS PETER & PAUL PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL



We will be live streaming our Friday, 24th December 2021, 4:00 pm Mass. Saturday, 25th December 2021, 10:00 am Mass Sunday, 26th December 2021, 9:00 am Mass Saturday, 1st January 2021, 9:00 am Mass Sunday, 2nd January 2021, 9:00 am Mass

If you miss the live stream you will be able to find a recording of the Mass on our Youtube channel.

You can find a link to our channel and videos on our website under the Live Stream & Video Link.

https://sspeterpaul.ca/1725-2/

HOLY FAMILY READINGS

The parents of Jesus used to go overy year to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover, and when he was twelve they went up for the celebration as was their custom. As they were returning at the end of the feast, the child Jesus remained behind unknown to his parents. Thinking he was in the party, they continue their journey for a day, looking for him among their relatives and acquaintances.

Not finding him, they returned to Jreusalem in search of him. On the third day they came upon him in the temple sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to him and asking them questions. All who heard him were amazed at his intelligence and his answers.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD READINGS

This is the octave of Christmas, a designation less popular than in centuries past, but still useful. Carrying a celebration through the eight day allows for more celebrations, more aspects of the mystery to be opened in our midst. The mystery of God in human flesh and history is ritually remembered through these several weeks from Christmas day to the Baptism of the Lord. On this octave day a very specific aspect of this mystery holds our attention: Mary is the Mother of God.

Contemporary Catholics can recall a number of names for this day, titles dictated by Church tradition, society, and various popes. It is New Year's World Day of Peace. In the current calendar's preparation, research showed that it is the oldest feast of Mary in our Church. Amidst the echoes of Christmas and the visit of the shepherds, we take time to celebrate Mary.

The primacy of the celebration of Mary as the Mother of God indicates the primacy of this title.

ALTAR SERVERS:

There is a need for Altar servers at our Masses.

Young men & boys (Grade 3 +) are invited 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.



Building Fund

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!

FR. RON IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF AN OUT OF PRINT BOOK:

"CHRISTIAN PRAYER: THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS" PAULINE BOOKS & MEDIA BOSTON 1976

THANK-YOU

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.

EPIPHANY PROCLAMATION 2022



While a day like Christmas is fixed in our minds and on the calendars on December 25th, many of the important feasts of the Church year move, based upon the date that Easter is set. Easter changes each year moving to the Sunday after the "Paschal Full Moon," and can fall between March 22 and April 25.

In ancient times before calendars were common, most people did not know the dates for the upcoming Liturgical year. On Epiphany Sunday, the upcoming dates were "proclaimed" after the gospel in this way:

Know, dear brethren (brothers and sisters), that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior.

On the 2nd day of March will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the 17th day of April we will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 29th day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 5th of June, the feast of Pentecost.

On the 12th day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the 27th day of November the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

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 1st and 2nd 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 (time is an "Our Father).



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!

New to the Parish?

If you are new to the Parish, please fill out a Registration Form available in the foyer and drop it in the Collection Basket

If you would like Donation Envelopes and/or the BC Catholic please remember to check the boxes on the registration form.

If you would like to Donate via Direct Deposit please complete an MONERIES form and return it back to the parish.

For those already registered, any changes such as your address, tel. #, etc., please contact the Parish Office at 604 -261-3535.

NB: The Building Fund contributions are not taxed by the Diocese, whereas the regular Sunday contributions are taxed at 14%.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Father cannot always grant the date of the Mass requested but the office will arrange as close to the date requested as possible. Please note that all Mass Intentions are published on the Website and Parish Bulletin.

MONERIS (ONLINE GIVING) DEDICATED GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE TO THE PARISH

To make Sunday giving as easy and effective as possible, our parish is now providing a new option for the weekly collection: Dedicated Giving through electronic payments. Regular Sunday contribution will be taken on the 1st of each month and the Building Fund is taken on the 15th of each month.

If you are interested please fill out a form and place it in a sealed Moneris Envelope and drop it off at the Parish Office or the Rectory Mail Slot.

ADVANTAGES TO YOU

- Regular and consistent support to the parish
- Continued support if you are away
- Eliminates "catch-up" periods
- Convenience of not having to write weekly cheques

ADVANTAGES TO THE PARISH

- Allows regular, dependable flow of contributions
- Enables effective planning of our parish resources.
- Reduces paperwork and bookkeeping

WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE THE WEEKLY BULLETIN VIA EMAIL?

Sign up in the Red Binder in the Vestibule or send an email to the Parish Email with the Subject Line Weekly Bulletin.

The Parish Office will be closed for the Holidays from Friday 24th December 2021 —Monday 3rd January 2022. Sacramental Emergencies at any Time. Office will reopen Tuesday 4th January 2022.

ST PATRICK REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL PRESENTS:

OPEN HOUSE 2022-23

MONDAY, JANUARY 10TH, 2022 | SCHOOL TOURS BEGIN AT 3:00PM, 5:00PM AND 7:00PM (MUST REGISTER)





"Already? Didn't we just put it UP?"