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VANCOUVER**
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J. Michael Miller, CSB

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

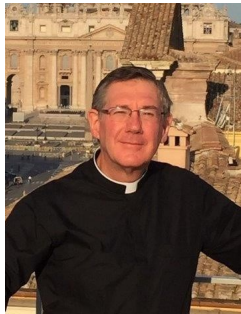
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Welcome to visitors! New Parishioners! We are pleased to have you pray with us at Saints Peter and Paul. We hope you enjoy your visit to our beautiful Church. Please introduce yourself after Mass to Father Ron and parishioners; we would like to meet 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 defence 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 the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 23RD — JANUARY 29TH, 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.

QUIET CONTEMPLATION TIME

We are please to invite parishioners back to the Church for private prayer & adoration. Saints Peter & Paul Parish will open the doors from Wednesdays to Fridays from 12 noon to 3 pm.
"Come let us adore Him."

UPCOMING

First Friday, 4th February 2022—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Church from 12:00 pm (Noon) to 7:00 pm.
Benediction will be at 6:45 pm
2nd Mass at 7:00 pm

Please take the time to sign up at the vestibule podium hourly from 12:00 pm (noon) - 6:00 pm to "watch" with the Lord.

PARKING IN FRONT OF RESIDENT'S DRIVEWAYS

It has come to our attention, sadly, that parishioners have parked wrongly.

"The Eleventh Commandment park carefully & not hurriedly."

We value the goodwill of our neighbours, please take care not to block access to any driveways or carports or garage when parking your vehicle. When parking in the lane adjacent to the east side of the Church, please enter off Cartier so that you will be facing North, then pull in tightly along the fence, directly behind the car in front of you so that there is room, if needed, for other cars to park and pass. Thank you for your co-operation!

23RD JANUARY 2022 READING

"The beginning of the gospel according to Luke": To grasp what this means we must clearly recognize that a gospel is not a collection of anecdotes about Jesus and his teaching. Every evangelist is a witness to the Son of God. He responds to the question posed by those who have met Jesus in the living word of the community, "Who are you, Lord?" Each of these witnesses reports his faith in the Lord according to the history of his own community's experiences and reflections on Jesus. This explains why no two gospels are exactly the same. Nevertheless, there is only one Gospel because there is only one Christ.

Luke sets Jesus' first preaching in the synagogue at Nazareth. Jesus comments on a passage he has just read from Isaiah. He limits his homily to a single affirmation, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled..." His life bears out what he has proclaimed as the rest of Luke's gospel will demonstrate.

MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>January 23rd, 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>January 24th, St. Francis De Sales, 1622 AD †</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Julie Seibold †</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>January 25th, The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Feast</i>	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>Barbara (Walker) Baker †</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>January 26th, St. Timothy 97 AD † St. Titus 107 AD †</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Thanksgiving Oliva Family</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>January 27th, Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Holy Souls †</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>January 28th, St. Thomas Aquinas 1274 AD †</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Holy Souls †</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>January 29th, Ferial 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9:00 am 5:00 pm</i>	<i>Betty Mius † Paul T.S. Wong †</i>

FUTURE NASHVILLE DOMINICAN CONVENT



DOMINICAN SISTERS OF
Saint Cecilia
Founded in 1860—Nashville

The Archbishop & Father Ron are inquiring into the possibility of a convent here in Sts. Peter & Paul parish. A sufficient house would need to be rented for five (5) years lease. Beginning July 2023. If you have any leads please let Fr. Ron know.
Thank-you for your help in this blessed matter.

MASK MANDATE

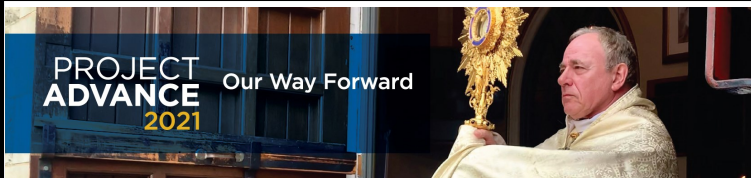


During the days of more than usual contagion, for your protection & for the protection of others (including Father), masks are required by all; even those triple vaccinated, (except when receiving Holy Communion), over the nose and mouth while in the Church.

The Archbishop has directed that Masks are mandatory at all times inside the Church, as per local regulations, except during the reception of Holy Communion.

BC Provincial Health Authority Update: Due to the latest restrictions set out by the Provincial Health Officer and acknowledged by the Archbishop of Vancouver, the parish will suspend all in-person gatherings of meetings and groups that are non-liturgical until further notice.

If needed, masks are available in the Vestibule.



pandemic as a vibrant family of faith and hope and that the Church's evangelizing mission will be strengthened.

2021 PROJECT ADVANCE CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your generous gift in support of Project Advance 2021, through which we are directing funding to ministries in your local parish and to the wider community. Your gift ensures that we continue to emerge from the

STS PETER & PAUL PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL



We will be taking a short break on our Youtube channel while we upgrade our equipment.

You can watch our old videos on our Youtube Channel.

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

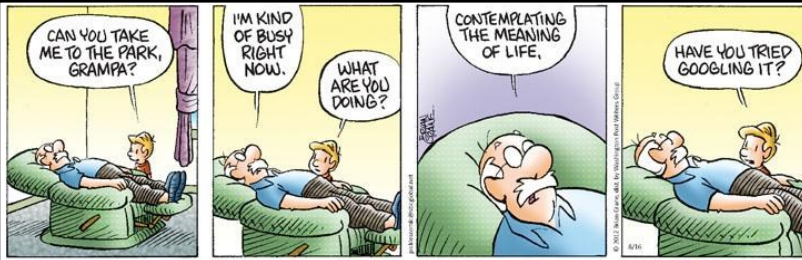
<https://sspeterpaul.ca/1725-2/>
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Building Fund

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!



ADVENTURE HE HAS PLANNED :

BY DAN RAMOS

When a natural storm is approaching, we think of danger. We expect destruction. We react with panic. The same goes for our internal and personal storms. They cause us anxiety, fear, and worry. And rightly so because they disturb our comfort and their consequences are often uncertain. Most of us would agree that storms are absolutely unpleasant.

Seven months ago, I was discerning a significant life decision, one that would greatly alter my future. As I struggled for clarity and direction, I felt like I was in the middle of my own personal storm: inner turmoil, confusion, and uncertainty. When I took it to prayer, asking God to calm this storm that I was barely surviving, He led me to the Gospel episode where the disciples find themselves in a storm, with Jesus asleep in the boat with them. I had heard this passage many times before and so I knew exactly how things played out: panic ensues, Jesus wakes up and calms the storm, and the disciples are exhorted for their lack of faith.

But this time around something new came to mind: What if Jesus never calmed the storm? What if the disciples didn't panic and instead trusted that things were under control? What if it was by this very storm that Jesus intended to bring the disciples to a new part of the sea – perhaps a place they had never been to before, perhaps a place that could never be discovered without the power of the storm to drift them there? And as I wrestled with these questions, one word came to mind: adventure.

At first, it seemed out of place from my current experience, but slowly it started to make some sense. When I'm with Jesus, the storm is an adventure.

Sure, the storm may still be difficult and unpleasant, but maybe the storm is the means by which Jesus wants to take me to new places. It becomes purposeful because Jesus is with me and He always has greater plans for me.

As my eyes opened to this new insight, it brought me to understand faith in a completely new and life-changing way.

I always knew that having faith meant I should trust in Jesus when things got tough. But now I was recognizing that beyond simple trust, I was being invited go deeper by asking, "Jesus, what are you doing in me in the midst of this storm, and where do you want to take me?" I shifted from passive trust to intentional faith. I realized that it wasn't just about holding on for dear life and trying to endure the storm; I was being invited to something more.

He wanted me to ask Him these questions so that I can participate in His great plans, plans that He would bring to fruition not in spite of the storm I was facing but because of it.

Undoubtedly, the current situation of the world feels like a perpetual storm. And in a particular way, as Catholics, it's been difficult because this pandemic has limited our access to the very thing we turn to for refuge: the Church. We might be tempted to be like the disciples caught in the storm – anxious and fearful – focusing only on holding on for dear life until this storm passes through.

But then we would miss what Jesus is doing. What if something great has been intertwined in it all this time?

As His disciples, we are invited to more. We are invited to meet Jesus right in the middle of this storm. We are invited to trust that He is in control. We are invited to have a faith-filled presumption that He is doing something in us and through these stormy times, He is taking us to a new place. We are invited to go on an adventure with Jesus.

It's a mystery why certain storms are part of our human experience. But we can know this: Jesus uses them to take us to new places, new heights, and new depths that perhaps we wouldn't have gotten to without the storms. When we realize that Jesus is in the storm with us, the same feeling of being afraid of destruction can become a feeling of being excited about the adventure. It doesn't mean that our experience will be easy, comfortable, or pain-free, but it does mean that the struggle is temporary, purposeful and directed towards something greater. With Jesus, this is guaranteed.

Jesus, what are You doing in us in the midst of this storm, and where do You want to take us? We press forward in this season because, with You, the storm is an adventure.

Article from: <https://beholdvancouver.org/resources/your-uncertainty-may-be-the-adventure-he-has-planned>

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.

MONERIS (DIRECT DEPOSIT) 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*

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.

THE ORDER OF MALTA

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, t-shirts, 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 non-perishable food you can drop them in the blue boxes that should be available on:

21—23 January 2022
25—27 February 2022
25—27 March 2022
22—24 April 2022
28—30 May 2022
17—19 June 2022

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

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

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.

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.



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