

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

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ARCHDIOCESE OF **VANCOUVER**

Archbishop: Most Rev J.Michael Miller, CSB



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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 13TH — MARCH 19TH, 2022

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

STATIONS OF THE Cross—Wednesdays, 7:00 pm—Beginning on March 9th, 2022

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME—Spring Ahead (Lose one Hour) - Sunday 13th March 2022 @2:00am

LENTEN PARISH PENANCE SERVICE—Tuesday, 29 March 2022—7:00 pm

ARCHDIOCESAN HOLY WEEK RETREAT—Friday, 8 April 2022—7:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

- Blessing of Cars and Religious Articles: Father is available to bless them after the Weekend Masses (Saturday PM & Sunday Masses)
- Blessings of Homes: Please phone the Parish Office to arrange.

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 Ĥim."

13TH MARCH 2022 SUNDAY READING

Every year the first two Sundays of Lent present the whole gamut of human existence, the whole range of the history of salvation. On the first Sunday of Lent the temptation of Jesus recalls the temptation of every human be3ing since the beginning. On this Sunday of Lent the transfiguration of Jesus holds out the transformation in glory which is the goal of every human

The transfigured Jesus, however, models not only the goal of the Christian but also our ongoing life. The passage forms a fitting climax to the instruction on discipleship which immediately precedes it (Luke 9:23-27). First of all Luke emphasizes that Jesus' transfiguration took place "while he was praying," an action integral to Christian life (cf. Luke 18:1). Secondly, he speaks with Moses and Elijah concerning his exodus, his transit to the Father through death, resurrection, and exaltation, which is announced in the first passion prediction (Luke 9:22). The disciples also are called to take up the cross and follow Jesus in order to arrive at life. Then they will see the glory of the Son of Man and of the Father (9:23-27). This appearance is a foretaste of the glory. Finally at the transfiguration the voice from the cloud, heard at Jesus' baptism, is heard again, this time commanding, "Listen to him." The disciples are who "listen to the word of God and keep it."

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Thus we see in the transfigured Jesus both the goal and the way. We must not confuse the one for the other. The transfiguration marks only a temporary halt in the journey to Jerusalem, only a pause in this exodus. We who follow Jesus must continue to the end, strengthened by the glorious hope to which we are called.

| MASS INTENTIONS | | | |
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| Sunday | March 13th, 2nd Sunday of Lent | 9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm | Parishioners |
| Monday | March 14th, Lenten Ferial | 8:00 am | Birthday Blessing for Simon Scully |
| Tuesday | March 15th, Lenten Ferial | 4:00 pm | Blessing for Grade 5 Students & Families of St. Anthony of Padua School |
| Wednesday | March 16th, Lenten Ferial | 8:00 am | Giving Thanks—Merle & Ron Chong |
| Thursday | March 17th, St Patrick, 461 AD ⊕ | 8:00 am | Fr. E. Vogt, O.P. |
| First Friday | March 18th, Lenten Ferial | 8:00 am | Birthday Blessing for Katria Oliva |
| Saturday | March 19th, St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 3rd Sunday of Lent | 9:00 am 5:00 pm | Mrs. Giovanna Russo ⊕ Holy Souls ⊕ |

FUTURE NASHVILLE DOMINICAN CONVENT



Saint Cecilia

Founded in 1860—Nashville

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF 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.

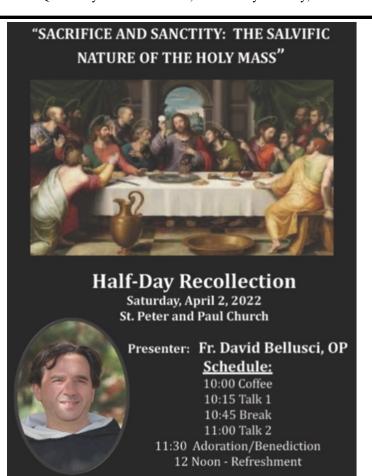


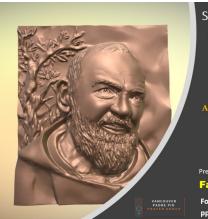
As we approach the beginning of the Lenten Season we would like to share with you about our Archdiocesan Holy Week Retreat, scheduled for Friday, April 8 at 7pm. This will be streamed online and registration will open in the next couple weeks. Check RCAV website for registration.

Archbishop Michael will be our speaker and will offer a reflection on the Stations of the Cross. Following His Grace's reflection we will guide the participants in praying the Stations of the Cross.

LENTON DEVOTIONS: "WHEN YOU PRAY..."

- Sunday solemn sung Vespers and Benediction, 3:30 pm
- Stations of the ross, Wednesday 7, PM
- Ouiet Prayers in the Church, Wednesday—Friday, 12:00 noon—3:00 pm, "Spritiual reading is provided—if you desire.





St. Mary's Padre Pio Prayer Group March 5, 2022, Saturday @7:00pm PST(on zoom)

PPPG Catechesis

Advancing to the Fifth Step of the spiritual Life:

Charism of Prayer

Father David Bellusci, OP

For Zoom meeting ID and password email:



March 2-April 10

Take part in the 40 Days for Life Campaign, more information provided with the Purple Handout Sheet, next to the bulletin.

www.40daysforlife.com/vancouver.bc



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!

FROM TEMPTATION TO TRANSFIGURATION, BY: FR. RICHARD OUNSWORTH, OP



On the first two Sundays of Lent we always hear the same Gospel stories, of the temptations of Christ in the wilderness and of the Transfiguration respectively. We continue to follow the three-yearly cycle of Matthew, Mark and Luke that we have been following in Ordinary Time, and so this year we will hear St Luke's versions of these two events. What insights do these stories from the life of Christ have to offer us as we begin our "Lenten warfare", and in particular what aspects of them are highlighted by St Luke?

The relevance of the temptations to Lent is fairly obvious: this penitential season is indeed modelled on Christ's 40 days' fast in the desert. But it's worth glancing at the first reading from Deuteronomy for a deeper insight. Moses offers a very short summary, a sort of historical creed, of the pre-history of Israel, from the call of Abraham to the settlement of the Promised Land, and this

reminds us that the wilderness is the place where Israel herself was tried by many tribulations before entering into the Land, and where she put God himself to the test (cf. Exodus 17:1-7; 32:1-10; Numbers 14:1-12). As we make our own journeys to the Promised Land of heaven, are we the tempters or the temptees? Do we stand with the faithless Israelites of the exodus generation, in with Satan himself, and put our God to the test? Or with Christ, allowing him to lead us through the trials of this life so as to enter into our heavenly inheritance?

It is clear that for St Luke especially the story of Christ's temptations represents his victory over the wiles of the devil. Later in the Gospel, he records Christ saying, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy" (10:18-19). Christ has won this authority for us in his own temptations. But this is not the end of the story: Luke alone adds that, having been defeated in a theological battle by Jesus, the devil left him "until the appointed time" (4:13), clearly pointing towards the crucifixion. This will be Christ's definitive victory over evil, and the purpose of Lent is to prepare ourselves to share in this victory.

A final point to note is the difference between Luke and Matthew in the ordering of them. St Matthew makes the climactic temptation the one on the high mountain, where Satan offers Christ kingship and glory if he will worship him. Have a look at the very end of Matthew, and you will see why this makes sense as the last of the three temptations. For Luke, it is the temptation to throw himself from the top of the temple that comes last, and this is because of the centrality of the temple in Luke's Gospel (and Acts). Notionally, the temple is the dwelling place of God among humanity; yet it is Christ and no building that is the true temple, and Lent is the time for us to cast down all the stone temples we have built in our lives that pretend to replace Christ.

Briefly onto the Transfiguration: Luke makes the link to the previous week's theme clear, by telling us that Christ's discussion with Moses and Elijah concerns "his passing [literally 'exodus'] which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem" (9:31). It seems clear that Christ is giving his most intimate disciples this apocalyptic vision in order to prepare them – and us – for the Passion which is that exodus. What is it a vision of? The resurrection? I think not: the resurrection is nothing like this. Rather, it is his second coming, the consummation of all things, which we might think of as the ultimate exodus.

One of the biggest differences between the three accounts of the Transfiguration is when the disciples are afraid. For Mark, it is right from the off; for Matthew, it is the voice of God that causes fear, which certainly makes sense. For Luke it is the cloud – another reminder of the exodus, when a cloud led the people through the wilderness. We are indeed on a journey, through penance and passion, to the resurrection and the end of time, but it is a journey so often overshadowed by clouds of confusion and doubt. Lent is a time to hear again the words of the angel to Mary: be not afraid.

Original Article from: https://catholicherald.co.uk/from-temptation-to-transfiguration/



CALLING ON MUSICIANS, (ORGANIST, VIOLINIST, FLUTISTS) PLAYERS

We are looking for musicians to play at our Saturday 5:00 pm & Sunday 4:00 pm Mass. If you are able to play 1 or 2 times a month, please contact the parish Office. Thank you for lifting up our voices.



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.



MAINTAINING A PRAYERFUL ENVIRONMENT "WHEN CHILDREN CHATTER"

We ask that you take them for a walk, either to the family room on the left of the sanctuary or to the vestibule, which is now wired for sound. We appreciate your assistance in this matter so all the words of Holy Mass may be easily heard. Thank-you

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%.

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

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.

FR. RON IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF AN OUT OF PRINT BOOK:
"CHRISTIAN PRAYER: THE LITTINGY OF THE HOURS"

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

THANK-YOU

READERS FOR MASS

We are looking for more readers for our Masses. If you can help, simply phone the parish office. Thank-you for your assistance.

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.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Individual Confession—Multiple Priest -Vancouver West Deanery

Monday March 21 at 7:00 pm Immaculate Conception Parish

Thursday, March 24 at 7:00 pm St. Patrick's Parish

Saturday, March 26 at 11:00 am

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 pm <u>Blessed Sacrament Parish</u>

Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 pm <u>Sts. Peter & Paul Parish</u>

Thursday, March 31 at 2:30 pm **St. Mark's Parish**

Monday, April 4 at 7:00 pm St. Augustine's Parish

Tuesday, April 5 at 7:00 pm Holy Name of Jesus Parish

Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm St. Andrew's Parish

Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm <u>Guardian Angels Parish</u>

Sunday, April 10 at 6:30 pm St. Anthony of Padua Parish



"...and not on that TV show Daddy's watchin' or Billy jumpin' on the bed or whatever Jeffy is mumbling or ..."