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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 Easter May 1st — May 7th, 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

1st Communion of Parish Children-Sunday, 1st, May 2022—11:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION— Friday 6th May 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.

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 Him."

1st May 2022 Sunday Readings

Christ's appearance to seven of his disciples on the shore of Lake Tiberias marks an important step in the growth of paschal faith. As the Father sent his Son into the world, so the Lord Jesus will send his disciples on mission. The overwhelming catch of fish from the lake is a living parable of church's apostolic activity. The Risen Christ is the source of its fruitfulness.

Just like the apostles who went back to their nets after the tragedy of passion, we too are sometimes tempted to lose hope. What if our faith in the resurrection were not more than a religious tradition? What if Christ no longer dwell in this established Church, which seems so rooted in defensiveness and little given to apostolic boldness? If that were so, we might be tempted to return to the reassuring banality of our everyday tasks. Or we might be tempted to organize ourselves into a Christian ghetto, separate from those who might upset our certitudes. WE could ream nostalgically of the Church of former times when faith was taken for granted and religion ruled society.

But Christ stands on the shores of this world, more involved than ever, and he calls us to throw away our nets. We do not always recognize him at the first meeting, but he is there. He calls to us from the heart of our communities, in the commitments of those who seek the truth, who love and who forgive, who struggle for a better and more just world. He is there above all

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ijn that meal where we share his memory.

Mass Intentions			
Sunday	May 1st, Third Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)	9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Parishioners
Monday	May 2nd, St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor, 373 AD ⊕	8:00 am	Msgr. D. Newmann &
Tuesday	May 3rd, St. Philip & St. James, Apostles, 62 AD 🕆	4:00 pm	Richard Leung 🕆
Wednesday	May 4th, Easter Ferial	8:00 am	Joan Rudd
Thursday	May 5th, Easter Ferial	8:00 am	C. Thompson 🕆
First Friday	May 6th, St. François De Laval, Bishop 1708 AD ⊕	8:00 am 7:00 pm	Brensan Family Jim Kidd 🕆
Saturday	May 7th, Easter Ferial Fourth Sunday of Easter	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Angelo Benetti 🕆 Brensan Family

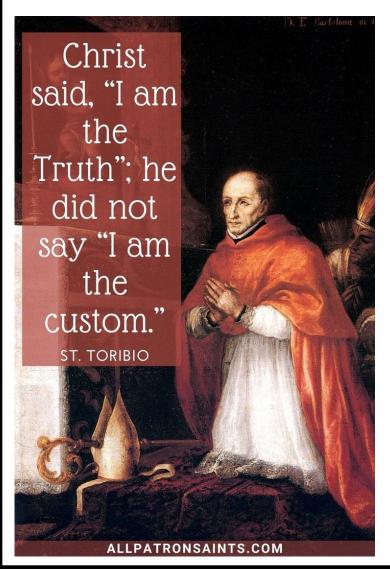


Building Fund

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.

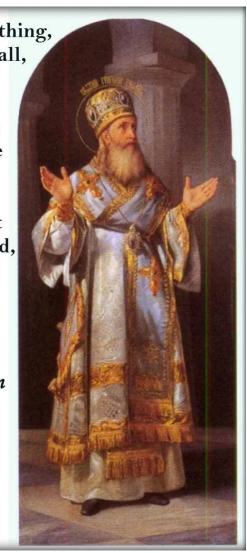
A big Thank-You to all parishioners for their support in this effort!

WISDOM OF THE SAINTS



"Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God. if we have given what we could." St Gregory of Nazianzen (330-390)Father & **Doctor** of the Church

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MEDITATIONS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER BY GAYLE SOMERS



Gospel (Read Jn 21:1-19)

St. John tells us that an appearance of Jesus at the Sea of Tiberius (also called the Sea of Galilee) was "the third time Jesus was revealed to His disciples after being raised from the dead." As is always the case in St. John's Gospel, there are layers of symbolism in the simple action described. The disciples have already seen the Risen Lord, but they have not yet been commissioned by Him to make disciples of all nations (see Mt 28:15-20), nor have they received the promised Holy Spirit for the power they will need for this work (see Acts 1:4). For now, they are still fishermen. Surely they wondered what would come next. With time on their hands and a living to earn, they decide to go fishing, which was usually done at night on that sea.

It was a fruitless night of work; they caught nothing. At dawn, "Jesus was standing on the shore, but the disciples did not realize" that it was Him. This is a common theme of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances. The apostles have trouble recognizing Him (as we still do in the Eucharist, veiled as He is there). See that He calls out to them with the term, "Children." By this first word of His address to them, He

places the meaning of this episode within the context of the Kingdom His Father sent Him to build (recall that He taught the disciples to call God "Our Father" in prayer). When they tell Him they have caught nothing, He directs them to cast their net in another direction, which results in a huge haul of fish. Recall that at the outset of Jesus' call to His disciples, it was a very similar action that drove Peter to his knees in recognition of his sin and Jesus' holiness (see Lk 5:1-11). John, who calls himself in this Gospel "the disciple whom Jesus loved," knows instantly that the Man on the shore (the place of stability, as opposed to the frequent and unpredictable turbulence of the sea) is Jesus. Peter immediately jumps into the water and swims toward Him, while the others get the boat and the full net back to shore. Jesus has already set up a charcoal fire and is cooking fish and bread on it, but He wants some of the fish the disciples had caught. This breakfast, then, is to be a combined effort of Jesus and His friends. Peter drags up the net with one hundred fifty-three fish in it. We have to wonder who counted them and why. It is the kind of detail in St. John's writing that usually has a deeper meaning. St. Jerome tells us that at that time, Greek zoologists had counted one hundred fifty-three different kinds of fish. This suggests that the full net represents the people the disciples would "catch"—all kinds of different people, from all nations, representing the whole of mankind, in the "net" of the Church that won't break apart under Peter's handling.

Jesus then cooks the fish and bread and feeds the disciples with it, calling to mind the feeding of the five thousand in Jn 6:1-14, these being the only two meals in the Gospel eaten by the Sea of Galilee and the only two where fish and bread are served. However, Jesus had more on His mind than feeding His friends as He gathered them around the charcoal fire. He wants to have a conversation with Peter, who had three times denied Him by the light of a similar fire (see Jn 18:18). He repented with just one look from Jesus, crying tears of contrition and grief. Jesus gives Peter three opportunities to confess his love for the Lord Whom he had denied; each confession brings a specific command to Peter to care for the flock entrusted to his care. Jesus, the Good Shepherd (see Jn 10:1-21; Ezek 34), is about to depart. We know He established Peter as the rock of the Church, entrusting him with the keys of the kingdom (see Mt 16:19). By this charcoal fire, three times Jesus assures Peter that his denial has not disqualified him from his work of caring for God's flock. Jesus asks him to confess his love for Him, not his potential for heroics. Peter now knows well his own weakness, and so does Jesus ("Lord, You know everything"). In meekness and humility, he vows his love and nothing else. Ironically, although Peter had once foolishly boasted about his willingness to die (see Jn 13:37-38), Jesus now describes the martyr's death that awaits Peter. He has learned that martyrdom for the sake of Jesus is a grace given by God, not something to be grasped in man's own bravado, a difficult but necessary lesson. Now, when Peter hears the same words he had heard three years earlier from Jesus, "Follow Me" (see Mk 1:17), he knows exactly what they mean.

Original Article Posted on: https://catholicexchange.com/meditations-for-the-third-sunday-of-easter/



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.

INCOME TAX

If you would like your income tax donation receipt both for Sts Peter & Paul Parish or/and Project Advance you can contact the Parish Office or pick them up directly from the Office.



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.



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



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

We are looking for volunteer musicians to play at our Saturday 5:00 pm & Sunday 4:00 pm Mass. If you are able to play 1 or 2 times

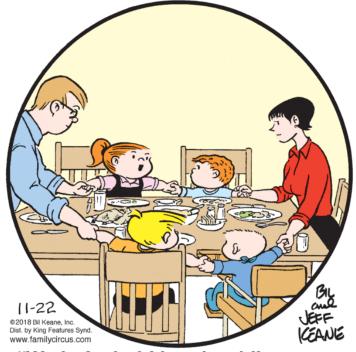
a month, please contact the parish Office. Thank you for lifting up our voices.

MAINTAINING A PRAYERFUL ENVIRONMENT



Reminder to Readers of Weekdays & Sunday Masses to make a deliberate pause of 20 <u>full</u> seconds after the First (& Second) Reading. For in this way, following the Lectionary instructions, the word of God—has time to enter through our ears to our heart. Thank you for your help in this way!

"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



"We hafta hold hands while we say grace so nobody gets a head start eating. Right, Mommy?"