



**ARCHDIOCESE OF  
VANCOUVER**  
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# SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

**PASTOR: FATHER RON THOMPSON**

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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 regular Office Hours not by Email. As the Parish Office receives dozens of emails daily, phoning is important in order that your request is received. 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 IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 22— JANUARY 28, 2023

**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.**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP:** Wednesday, 1st February 2023 @ 7:00 pm

**FAITH STUDY:** Friday, 3rd February 2023 @ 10:30 am —11:45 am

**FAMILY DAY:** Monday, 20th February 2023

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** Wednesday, 22nd February 2023, Mass 8 am, 4 pm, & 7 pm

**LENTEN 1/2 DAY OF RECOLLECTION:** Saturday, 25th February 2023 @ 10:15 am—12:30 pm

**THE UNFOLDING OF THE GOOD FRIDAY EVENTS ACCORDING TO THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES & THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Saturday, 25th February 2023—Fr. Ron

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Begins Wednesday, 1st March 2023 @ 6:30 pm in Lent

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**(FR. EMMERICH VOGT, OP) TOPIC: "THE EUCHARIST & LIFE OF PRAYER"**

**MERCY SUNDAY WEEKEND RETREAT AT THE ABBEY:** Retreat Master:  
Fr. Chrysostom Mijinke, OP, Friday 14th April—Sunday 16th April 2023  
@ 1:30 pm—7:30 pm

## STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP



Next meeting will be the 1st of February 2023 at 7 pm, at the Church.

Presentation: "What makes life meaningful?" - Bishop Robert Barron

Discussion & Refreshments to follow. Come and join us!

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15TH JANUARY 2023

This Sunday's gospel opens with the preaching of Jesus. The time of prophecy has ended with the arrest of the Baptist. He had to decrease so the other could increase. The gates of the prison have been closed upon this great voice. Up to this time Jesus has been silent. Henceforth he must proclaim that the kingdom is here.

This proclamation begins surprisingly at this frontier crossroads of Galilee. Common opinion held that nothing good could come from Galilee. (John 1:46) It was to this people, then under subjection, that Isaiah had announced the messianic light of the Immanuel. It is again to them that Jesus addresses himself. He is the one who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King." (Isa 52:7). This dawn of the kingdom calls for a change of heart.

From this moment on, the Messiah had some faithful followers. The memory of their fidelity of Jesus remains. Here the Church is born.

## MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>January 22nd, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>January 23rd, Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Fr. John Horgan ☩</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>January 24th, St. Francis De Sales, ☩ 1622</i>	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>Julie Seibold ☩</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>January 25th, The Conversion of St. Paul, ☩</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Fr. Dunstan Massey, OSB ☩</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>January 26th, St. Timothy &amp; St. Titus, ☩</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>T. Innocentes ☩</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>January 27th, Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Luka Mark Erceg</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>January 28th, St. Thomas Aquinas, ☩ 1274 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9:00 am 5:00 pm</i>	<i>Private Intention—Healing Paul T.S. Wong ☩</i>



### **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.

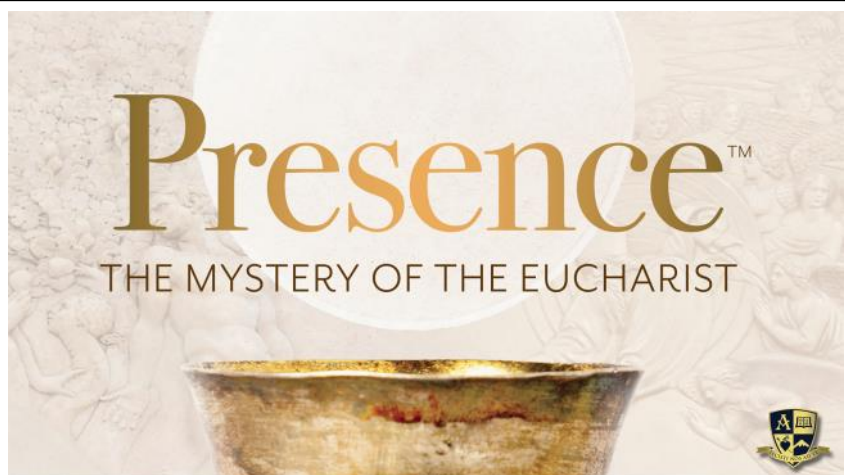
**A big Thank-You to all parishioners for their support in this effort!**

### **FAITH STUDIES SERIES**

First Fridays of every month: 10:30 - 11:45 am  
Coffee : 10:15 am

Dates of Faith Studies: Friday, 3rd February 2023  
Friday, 3rd March 2023  
(April 7—Good Friday) Friday, 14th April 2023  
Friday, 5th May 2023  
Friday, 2nd June 2023

All Individuals are invited to participated in video presentations & discussions. See you there!



### **MAINTAINING A PRAYERFUL ENVIRONMENT**

**ROMANS 15:6 “SO THAT TOGETHER YOU MAY WITH ONE VOICE FLORIFY GOD”** (EPISTLE OF 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT)  
St. Paul exhorts us to live in harmony and, in order to ensure the Sacredness and Transcendence of the Liturgy, it is important to express this harmony in our voice.

The Liturgy is an act of prayer & praise by using prose & poetry in “one voice” together. Our words spoken at Mass are not in our conversational style but rather are formal & melodic. Though not louder than our conversational style but rather are formal & melodic. Though no louder than our common parlance, yet words are prayed with a rhythm and are deliberate (not in a rush); most importantly, spoken in harmony & at the same pace (unison) as everyone else.

The priest celebrant sets the tone and pace of the spoken word. We are to follow his lead. To bring all together as one, it is necessary to “think before we speak”: i.e. take a breath, before we respond “Amen”, “And with your Spirit” etc...; pauses allow for reflection. Silence throughout the Liturgy reveals its true sacredness & transcendence. Pope Benedict: “The greater Mystery, surpasses all words, summons us to silence... We should expect the Liturgy to give us a positive stillness that will restore us.” (Spirit of the Liturgy: 2000).

**“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, though, not sound proof. We appreciate your assistance in this matter so all the words of Holy Mass may be easily heard. Thank-you.

**FAMILY WITH SMALL CHILDREN SEATING:** On Weekends the left (east) back bench is reserved for parents with young children—even after Mass has begun. Thank you for your consideration & cooperation.



100th Anniversary Celebration



## Sts. Peter & Paul Parish

We are looking for more photos, films, videos of any parish events, within the last 99 years, and would love to include them in our 100th Anniversary celebration Souvenir Program Book and our Video History.

**Please drop off your memorabilia in person at the Parish Office.**

For details or to share your photos, please contact the Parish Office, **604-261-3535** or email [parish.sspp@rcav.org](mailto:parish.sspp@rcav.org)

## OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY

THURSDAY 29 JUNE 2023 will mark the  
100TH ANNIVERSARY  
Of the founding of  
SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH



### POPE BENEDICT XVI QUOTES ABOUT ADORATION

“In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering.”

“Receiving the Eucharist means adoring Him who we receive. Only in this way do we become one with Him, and are given, as it were, a foretaste of the beauty of the heavenly liturgy. The act of adoration outside Mass prolongs and intensifies all that takes place during the liturgical celebration itself.”

“In the Eucharist, the Son of God comes to meet us and desires to become one with us; Eucharistic adoration is simply the natural consequence of the Eucharistic celebration, which is itself the Church’s supreme act of adoration.”

“We cannot live, we cannot look at the truth about ourselves without letting ourselves be looked at and generated by Christ in daily Eucharistic Adoration.”

“Adoration outside Holy Mass prolongs and intensifies what has taken place in the liturgical celebration and makes a true and profound reception of Christ possible. I... warmly recommend, to Pastors and to all the faithful, the practice of Eucharistic adoration.”

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 2023



**Please join us:**

- ✓ Information Session with the Principal
- ✓ School Guided Tours
- ✓ Q&A



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### 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.



### 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.



### 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.

### MERCY SUNDAY WEEKEND RETREAT AT THE ABBEY:

Retreat Master: Fr. Chrysostom Mijinke, OP.

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More Info to Follow.



## NEW TO THE PARISH?

If you are new to the Parish, please fill out a Registration Form available in the vestibule 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 a MONERIS 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%.

## 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.

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—22 January 2023**

25—26 February 2023

25—26 March 2023

To find out more about how your donations help our community:

<https://www.thedoorisopen.ca/>

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

## 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 FORMED PROGRAM

FORMED

We are please to announce to aid in our Parishioner's want and need for Catholic Resource that we have setup a FORMED account with the Augustine Institute.

This resource is **free** for Parishioners of Saints Peter & Paul Parish, all you have to do is sign-up online via your computer or smart devices with the app if you would like.

Steps for Parishioners to register for free on FORMED:

1. go to "signup.formed.org"
2. Type "Saints Peter & Paul Vancouver" to find and click on our Parish:

**Saints Peter & Paul Parish 1425 W 39th Ave Vancouver BC**

3. Click "Next"
4. Type first and last name as well as your personal email address and click "Sign Up"

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

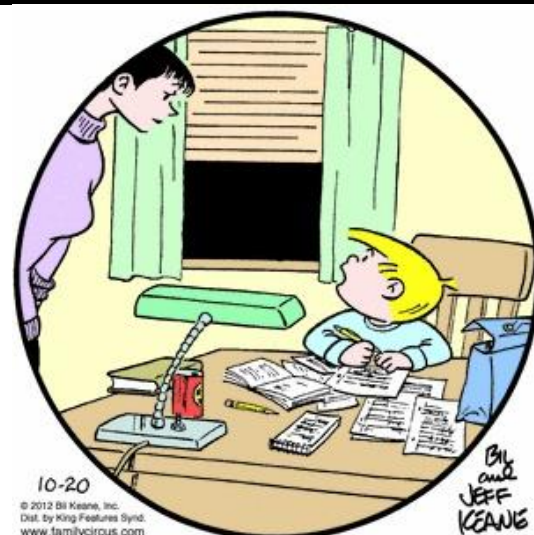


*How long does it take to become a Catholic?*

Becoming Catholic is a life-long commitment. However, the Christian initiation process typically lasts for few months in order to prepare to take this step. Participants in the initiation process generally meet at least once a week. **Here at Sts. Peter & Paul our program will begin, Tuesday, September 27, 2022 @ 7:00 pm**

**at our Parish Church. Father will use the program called, "The Search" (7 weeks program) found in our FORMED database. The Second part will take place in the New Year.** The initiation of individuals who are ready to make the commitment to become new members of the Catholic Church usually take place at Easter (Easter this coming year is Saturday, April 8, 2023).

More questions? Contact the Parish Office



**"Mommy, they don't make you do homework in heaven, do they?"**