



# 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 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.*

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 26— MARCH 4, 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

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

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

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Sunday, 19 March 2023 @ After, 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses, Vancouver College Cafeteria

**LENTEN 1/2 DAY OF RECOLLECTION:** Saturday, 25th March 2023 @ 10:15 am—12:30 pm  
(FR. EMMERICH VOGT, OP) TOPIC: "THE EUCHARIST & LIFE OF PRAYER"

**LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE:** Wednesday, 29th March 2023 @ 7:00 pm (4 Priests)

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

## THIS SUNDAY'S READING, 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT 26TH FEBRUARY 2023

We begin the forty-day Lenten journey in the desert where the new Adam becomes freer as the conscience become sharper. United with all who are suffering from famine and oppression, Jesus, the new Moses, relives the forty years of Israel's struggle in the solitude of the exodus. Through the descriptive narration of this ordeal, the evangelists suggest that Jesus, true God and true man, was tempted by Satan throughout his life.

Jesus' mission is the focus of his adversary's attack. Would he be able to accept being poor, ignored and weak? Would he be the Servant-Son according to the heart of God, or Prometheus, relying upon his own power to steal fire from heaven? Every Time Jesus felt his heart and temptation to be a worldly messiah, he rejected it, relying solely on the word of God. He fled the crowds who clamoured for his marvels and wished to make him king. He rebuked Peter who came between him and the way to his passion. Jesus wished to drink the bitter cup of his death, not to save himself once he was nailed upon the cross.

This stands as a strong judgment against many of our choices, our appetite for consumerism, our solicitation of profit and our unbridled ambition. How can we set priorities at the beginning of Lent without contemplating Jesus how turned toward the one source of all his actions, the word of God?

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST—RESCHEDULED

The Men's group Pancake Breakfast will be rescheduled at Vancouver College Cafeteria to Sunday the 19th of March 2023 after the 9 & 11 am Mass respectfully.

Pancakes, Scramble Eggs, Sausages, will be served with Coffee & Juice. Take the time and come join us!



## MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>February 26th, First Sunday of Lent</i>	<i>9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>February 27th, Lenten Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Private Intention</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>February 28th, Lenten Ferial</i>	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>Douglas Mackay-Dunn Sr. †</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>March 1st, Lenten Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>The Unborn in My Family</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>March 2nd, Lenten Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Ella Puagliotti—Romano †</i>
<i>First Friday</i>	<i>March 3rd, Lenten Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am 7:00 pm</i>	<i>Josephine Chan Special Intention</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>March 4th, Lenten Ferial Second Sunday of Lent</i>	<i>9:00 am 5:00 pm</i>	<i>Herbert Mak † Private Intention</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!**

Before Mass today Mark Walhberg's interview about Lenten Practices (and his hosting on the Hallow app) will be presented.

### SPECIAL DONATION FOR EARTHQUAKE SURVIVORS Türkiye & SYRIA

A special Donation will be scheduled for next weekend the 5th of March 2023, **special envelopes are provided at the vestibule.**

Millions of Türks & Syrians were shaken awake by disaster on Feb. 6, and found their lives, like the buildings around them, reduced to rubble. CNEWA's on-the-ground church partners are responding quickly to provide bedding, food, medicine, milk, nursing formula and diapers to more than 2,000 families seeking emergency shelter in convents, parish halls and schools. At this critical moment, your generous and prayerful support is more than necessary.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR Half-day Recollection

**The Eucharist and the Life of Prayer**

**Saturday, March 25, 2023**



Fr. Emmerich Vogt, OP

#### SCHEDULE

10Am Coffee  
10:15 Talk 1  
10:45 Break  
11:00 Talk 2  
11:30 Adoration  
12 Noon Benediction  
Lunch to Follow

*Sponsored by Sts. Peter and Paul Parish*

### MEDIA FOR CATHOLICS

FORMED

FORMED is a **FREE** website 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"

## Hallow

Hallow is a Medication & Prayer App that you can use to aid you in your daily life. The app is free for 30 Days then \$60.00 USD per year.

<https://hallow.com/>

### STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP

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



Presentation: The Search "Why a Church?" hosted by: Christ Stefanick

Discussion & Refreshments to follow.  
Come and join us!





## FAITH STUDIES SERIES

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

Dates of Faith Studies: **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!

\* To Register for the Retreat, Our Parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office during Office Hours. After March 15th registration will be opened to other Parishes.

## Retreat at Westminster Abbey "SAVED BY MERCY, SENT IN POWER"



FRIDAY, APRIL 14 -  
SUNDAY, APRIL 16

First Talk Starts  
at 7:30pm

Retreat Ends  
Sunday at 1:30 pm



Fr. Chrysostom Mijinke, OP  
Retreat Master

More info contact Sts. Peter & Paul's  
Office: 604-261-3535  
parish.sspp@rcav.org

## LENTON DEVOTIONS: "WHEN YOU PRAY..."

- Sunday Solemn sung Vespers and Benediction, 3:30 pm
- Stations of the Cross, Wednesday 6:30 PM
- Quiet Prayers in the Church, Wednesday—Friday, 12:00 noon—3:00 pm. Spiritual reading is provided at the back inside table.



February 22 to April 2  
**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

## HELP SAVE LIVES IN VANCOUVER!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over 20,000 babies saved from abortion
- Over 200 abortion workers converted
- Over 100 abortion centers closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

- Vigil location: On Willow St. at W 32nd Ave.
- Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily
- Campaign Contact: Alba  
[vancouver40days@gmail.com](mailto:vancouver40days@gmail.com)

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

[www.40daysforlife.com/vancouver-bc](http://www.40daysforlife.com/vancouver-bc)

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

## 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 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%.



## CATHOLIC NEAR EAST WELFARE ASSOCIATION CANADA

### **CNEWA Canada Aiding Earthquake Survivors in Turkey:**

The CNEWA in Canada asked for prayer and support to fund the preliminary aid which includes helping the Blue Marist Brother who are sheltering up to 1,000 families in Aleppo, collaborating with the Franciscan Friars and Salesian Fathers.

Donation can be directed to [cnewa.org/ca/work/emergency-syria](https://cnewa.org/ca/work/emergency-syria)

### **Help The People of Ukraine Survive the War:**

The Archdiocese encourages us to donate through the Catholic Near East Welfare Association

Donation can be directed to: <https://cnewa.org/work/ukraine/>

There you can learn more about this charitable organization.

## 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.

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:

**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.**



## PLEASE NOTE

Due to unfortunate event of a flooding, our Parish Office has now been temporarily moved to inside the Church in the family room.

During Office Hours the Eastern Doors (Up the Rampart) will be open used as the entrance to the Office. (The doors are a little sticky).



**THE 2022 TAX RECEIPTS** from Parish & Project Advance (in 1 envelope) are available for Pickup at the Vestibule of the Church. If you are unable to find yours please contact the Parish Office during Regular Office Times by phone or email.

## 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



## 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.



**"Mommy, are Barfy and Sam the same religion as us?"**