



**ARCHDIOCESE OF
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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 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 30 — MAY 6, 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.

THINGS TO NOTE:

There will be no Vespers for the next two Sundays, 23rd & 30th April 2023.

THIS SUNDAY'S READING, 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 30RD APRIL

The image of the good shepherd has nothing to do with saccharine sentimentality. Shepherds were important figures in the Palestinian landscape. They bore total responsibility for the flocks on which their people depended. They saw to it that the sheep found adequate grazing and water in a land that could be harsh and forbidding. They kept the animals safe from wild predators and human marauders, sometimes at the cost of their own lives. If the shepherd were unfaithful, the sheep could not long survive. It is no wonder that he people of the Old Testament cast God himself in the image of the good shepherd, sustainer and protector of the flock of Israel.

The Church found the perfect fulfilment of this image in the risen Christ, who had laid down his own life to become the very source of life for his people. He nourishes his flock with the word and the bread of life. In the mixed metaphors of today's gospel, he is the gate through which they pass to the safety of the sheepfold and the shepherd who defends them from all threats of evil.

In the First Letter of Peter, Christ the shepherd is called the "Guardian of your souls." The Greek word used is episkopos, more commonly translated "bishop". Although Christ is no longer visible present to us as he was to his first hearers, he continues to nourish and to preserve his people through the Church ministers. On Good Shepherd Sunday, then, we give thanks for the gift of all the good and faithful shepherds who lay down their lives in daily service to the Lord's flock.

FAITH STUDIES SERIES

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

Coffee : 10:15 am

Dates of Faith Studies:

Friday, 5th May

"Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist"

Friday, 2nd June 2023

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

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of a long time Parishioner, Robert Johnstone.

MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>April 30th, Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>May 1st, Easter Tide</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Harley †</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>May 2nd, St. Athanasius, 373 †</i>	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>Msgr. D. Neumann †</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>May 3rd, St. Philip & St. James, †</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Private Intention—Healing</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>May 4th, Easter Tide</i>	<i>8:00 am 10:00 am</i>	<i>Hector Quaglitti-Romano † Funeral—Robert Johnstone †</i>
<i>First Friday</i>	<i>May 5th, Easter Tide</i>	<i>8:00 am 7:00 pm</i>	<i>C. Thompson † Special Intention</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>May 6th, St. François De Laval, 1708 † Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>9:00 am 5:00 pm</i>	<i>Benilda Paderes Fr. Frank Landry</i>



OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY THURSDAY 29 JUNE 2023 will mark the 100TH ANNIVERSARY Of the founding of

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

MASS 5 PM & DINNER 6:30 PM WITH THE ARCHBISHOP

Tickets will be on sale, beginning in April 22/23

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**



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.

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*

STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP



Next meeting will be the **Thursday 4th of May**, (instead of Wednesday May 3rd) at 7 pm, at the Church.

Presentation: The Presence of the Mystery of the Eucharist “Bread for the Journey”

Discussion & Refreshments to follow. Come and join us!

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.

STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION: MEDITATIONS ON JESUS' APPEARANCES

PART 2

Sixth station, The Risen Christ shows himself alive to the disciples, From the Gospel according to Luke (Lk 24,36-43)

As they were saying this, Jesus himself stood among them. But they were startled and frightened, and supposed that they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do questionings rise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have." And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

Seventh station, The Risen Christ gives power to forgive sins, From the Gospel according to John (Jn 20,19-23)

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Eighth station, The Risen Christ strengthens the faith of Thomas, From the Gospel according to John (Jn 20, 24-29)

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

Ninth station, The Risen Christ meets his disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, From the Gospel according to John (Jn 21,1-9.13)

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat; but that night they caught nothing. Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them. "Children, have you any fish?" They answered him, "No." He said to them. "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, for the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his clothes, for he was stripped for work, and sprang into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish lying on it, and bread. (...) Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish.

Tenth station, The Risen Christ confers the supremacy upon Peter, From the Gospel according to John (Jn 21,15-17)

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

Eleventh station, The Risen Christ entrusts to the disciples the universal mission, From the Gospel according to Matthew (Mt 28,16-20)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Twelfth station, The Risen Christ ascends Heaven, From the Acts of the Apostles (Act 1,6-11)

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth." And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Thirteenth station, Waiting with Mary the Holy Spirit, From the Acts of the Apostles (Act 1,12-14)

Then they (the apostles) returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away; and when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Fourteenth station, The Risen Christ sends the promised Spirit, From the Acts of the Apostles (Act 2,1-6)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language.

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%.

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:

27—28 May

17—18 June

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.**

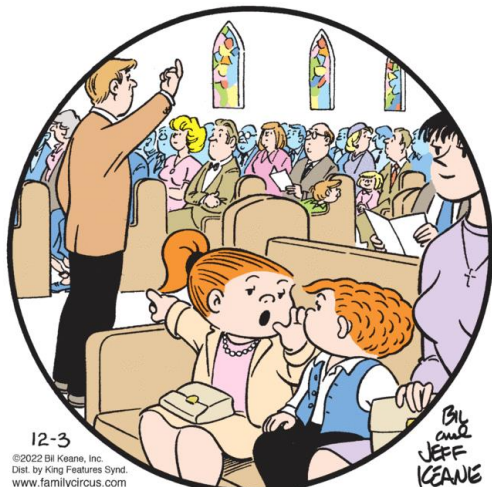


LEAVE A LEGACY

By remembering Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in your Will; by this you leave a legacy in a place you love. Consider a bequest to the Parish Building

Fund.

This will enhance the Church's mandate to sanctify & teach as we enter into our 2nd 100 years of service. May our Lord reward you in this life and in the next.



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"He stops you from talking.
He's a husher."

Bill
and
JEFF
KEANE



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!

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"

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

QUIET CONTEMPLATION TIME

The Church is open for prayer during the Christmas season, Wednesday—Friday 12noon—3:00 pm [including First Friday, 6 January 2023 but No Benediction or 7 pm on this day]

"Come let us adore Him."