

# **SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH**

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## PALM SUNDAY—COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Dear brethren, since the beginning of Lent until now we have prepared our hearts by penance and charitable works.

Today we gather together to herald with the whole Church the beginning of the celebration of our Lord's Paschal Mystery, that is to say, of his Passion and Resurrection. For it was to accomplish this mystery that he entered his own city of Jerusalem. Therefore, with all faith and devotion, let us commemorate the Lords entry into the city for our salvation, following in his footsteps, so that, being made by his grace partakers of the Cross, we may have a share also in his Resurrection and in his life.

#### PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, sanctify 🕆 these branches with your blessing, that we, who follow Christ and King in exultation, may reach the eternal Jerusalem through him. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### GOSPEL

When they have come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately."

The took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the Prophet, saying,

"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look your king is coming to you, humble, and the mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on the, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting.

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking; "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the Prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee." - The Gospel of the Lord. R/.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Dear brethren, like the crowds who acclaimed Jesus in Jerusalem, let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen



\* As the Gospel will be long, please feel free to sit during the Gospel for this week.

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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.

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 2 — APRIL 15, 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.

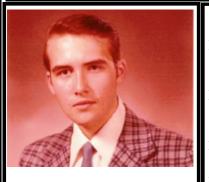
# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Wednesday @ 6:30 pm (except April 5th due to 5pm Chrism Mass at the Cathedral).

CONFIRMATION: Easter Tuesday, 11th April @ 7:00 pm, with Archbishop Michael (No 4 pm)

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

FIRST COMMUNION MASS: Sunday 7th May-11:00 am



# **GUESS WHO?**

Parishioners: High School Graduation Photo, for all to guess who this person maybe?

Answer in future bulletin.



"My piano teacher is very religious. She keeps closing her eyes and saying, 'Good Lord!"

#### LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE:

Sunday, 2nd April @ 6:30 pm Saint Anthony of Padua 8891 Montcalm Street, Vancouver Tuesday, 4th April @ 7:00 pm Immaculate Conception 3778 West 28th Avenue, Vancouver

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

PALM SUNDAY Saturday, 1 April—5:00 pm Sunday, 2 April—9:00 am, 11:00am, & 4:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Thursday, 6 April—7:00 pm - Adoration till 11:00 pm

LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY (FASTING & ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT) Friday, 7 April—12:00 pm (noon) & 3:00 pm

MASS OF EASTER: HOLY SATURDAY: Saturday 8 April, Vigil Mass 8:30 pm (after Sundown) - Organ & Trumpet

> EASTER SUNDAY: Sunday 9 April—9:00am, 11:00 am (Organ & Trumpet), & 1:00 pm (Organ) (No 4:00 pm)

### HOLY WEEK CONFESSIONS:

Wednesday, 5 April —8:30 AM Holy Thursday, 6 April —8:30—9:00 PM Good Friday, 7 April —<u>8:30—9:00 AM</u> Holy Saturday, 9 April—No Confessions HOLY WEEK CHURCH OPEN HOURS:

Wednesday, 5 April —12 noon—3:00 PM Holy Thursday, 6 April —(No AM Mass) 6:00 pm—11:00 PM Good Friday, 7 April —11:00 am—5:00 PM Holy Saturday, 8 April —9:00—10:00 AM & 7:30 PM

## STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP



Next meeting will be the 12th of April, (instead of April 5th) at 7 pm, at the Church.

Presentation: The Presence of the Mystery of the Eucharist "The Story of the Eucharist"

MASS INTENTIONS				
Sunday	April 2nd, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Parishioners	
Monday	April 3rd, Holy Week	8:00 am	Douglas Mackay-Dunn Sr. 🕆	
Tuesday	April 4th, Holy Week	4:00 pm	Genoveffa Chies 🕆	
Wednesday	April 5th, Holy Week	8:00 am	Hector Quagliotti-Romano 🕆	
Thursday	April 6th, Holy Week, The Lord's Supper	7:00 pm	Special Intention	
Friday	April 7th, Good Friday, The Passion of the Lord	12:00 pm 3:00 pm		
Saturday	April 8th, Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, The Resurrection of the Lord	8:30 pm	Parishioners	
Sunday	April 9th, Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord	9:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm	Parishioners	
Monday	April 10th, Easter Monday, Easter Octave	9:00 am	Oliva Family	
Tuesday	April 11th, Easter Octave, (No 4pm)	7:00 pm	Confirmation Students	
Wednesday	April 12th, Easter Octave	8:00 am	Ella Puagliotti Romano 🕆	
Thursday	April 13th, Easter Octave	8:00 am	The Unborn in my Family	
Friday	April 14th, Easter Octave	8:00 am	Private Intention	
Saturday	April 15th, Easter Octave Second Sunday of Easter	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Bortolo Bote 中 Cecilio Bote 中	

## FROM THE DESK OF POPE BENEDICT XVI

Easter is the feast of the new creation. Jesus is risen and dies no more. He has opened the door to a new life, one that no longer knows illness and death. He has taken mankind up into God himself. "Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God", as Saint Peter says in the *First Letter to the Corinthians* (15:50). On the subject of Christ's resurrection and our resurrection, the Church writer Tertullian in the third century was bold enough to write: "Rest assured, flesh and blood through Christ you have gained your place in heaven and in Kingdom of God" (*CCL* II, 994).

A new dimension has opened up for mankind. Creation has become greater and broader. Easter Day ushers in a new creation, but that is precisely why the Church starts the liturgy on this day with the old creation, so that we can learn to understand the new one aright. At the beginning of the Liturgy of the Word on Easter night, then, comes the account of the creation of the world.

Two things are particularly important here in connection with this liturgy. On the one hand, creation is presented as a whole that includes the phenomenon of time. The seven days are an image of completeness, unfolding in time. They are ordered towards the seventh day, the day of the freedom of all creatures for God and for one another. Creation is therefore directed towards the coming together of God and his creatures; it exists so as to open up a space for the response to God's great glory, an encounter between love and freedom.

On the other hand, what the Church hears on Easter night is above all the first element of the creation account: "God said, `let there be light!" (*Gen* 1:3). The creation account begins symbolically with the creation of light. The sun and the moon are created only on the fourth day. The creation account calls them lights, set by God in the firmament of heaven. In his way he deliberately takes away the divine character that are shining bodies created by the one God. But they are preceded by the light through which God's glory is reflected in the essence of the created being.

What is the creation account saying there? Light makes life possible. It makes encounter possible. It makes communication possible. It makes knowledge, access to reality and to truth, possible. And insofar as it makes knowledge possible, it makes freedom and progress possible. Evil hides. Light, then, it also an expression of the good that both is the creates brightness. It is daylight, which makes it possible for us to act.

To say that God created light means that God created the world as a space for knowledge and truth, as a space for encounter and freedom, as a space for good and for love. Matter is fundamentally good, being itself is good. And evil does not come from God-made being, rather, it comes into existence only through denial. It is a "no".

At Easter on the morning of the first day of the week, God said once again: "Let there be light". The night on the Mount of Olives, the solar eclipse of Jesus' passion and death, the night of the grave had all passed. Now it is the first day once again—creation is beginning anew. "Let there be light", say God, "and there was light"" Jesus rises from the grave. Life is stronger than death. Good is stronger than evil. Love is stronger than hate. Truth is stronger than lies.

The darkness of the previous days is driven away the moment Jesus rises from the grave and himself becomes God's pure light. But this applies not only to him, not only to the darkness of those days. With the resurrection of Jesus, light itself is created anew. He draws all of us after him into the new light of the resurrection and he conquers all darkness. He is God's new day, new for all of us.



## OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY THURSDAY 29 JUNE 2023 will mark the 100TH ANNIVERSARY Of the founding of SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH MASS 5 PM & DINNER 6:30 PM WITH THE ARCHBISHOP

## Tickets will be on sale, beginning in April 15/16

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

## 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 by the end of each month and the second collection 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

#### NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY 2023

Day 1	04/07 Good Friday	after 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Day 2	04/08 Holy Saturday	9 a.m.
Day 3	04/09 Easter Sunday	after 9 a.m. Mass
Day 4	04/10 Easter Monday	after 9 a.m. Mass
Day 6	04/12 Easter Wednesday	after 8 a.m. Mass
Day 7	04/13 Easter Thursday	after 8 a.m. Mass
Day 8	04/14 Easter Friday	after 8 a.m. Mass
Day 9	04/15 Easter Saturday	after 9 a.m. Mass

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Solemn Sung Vespers; Benediction April 16 3–4 p.m.

## 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.



<u>Building Fund</u>

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, 14th April—"Bread of the Journey" (Not—April 7—Good Friday)

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!

