

## 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.

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY JUNE 4 — JUNE 10, 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.

#### THIS SUNDAY'S READING, THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY 4TH JUNE

All liturgical celebration, indeed all Christian prayer, is Trinitarian: to the Father, through the Son, in the Holy Spirit. The liturgical celebration of the Holy Trinity as an "idea feast" finds its origins in the Carolingian Church of the eight and ninth centuries. A votive Mass of the Holy Trinity proved so popular that it began to replace Sunday celebrations. In 920 the bishop of Liège composed a full Mass and Office to be celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost. The feast was established for the entire Roman church in 1334.

The smaller functional unity of human life is not the individual. Every man and woman, no matter how deformed in spirit or body, exists because he or she was born of the coming together of two human beings. No infant survives without acts of touching and feeding which are acts of human relationships. If we exist at all, we exist as the product of some form of human community.

We profess that we have been created in God's image. Our self-image is so clearly and relentlessly one of life in community that we can not help but see in the scriptures suggestions and revelations of God's own life as life for himself, ever sign of God's action in our world leads us to him as a God in interaction.

Creation itself is God's self-expression, the extension of his love to that which is other than himself. God's ongoing dialogue and creation reaches its climax in Jesus who is God-among-us. This Jesus is taken up into the fullness of the Father's glory and the fullness of their love is poured forth upon us in the gift of the Spirit.

Though we falter before the complexity of centuries of theology seeking to understand the unfathomable depths of God, we resolutely form the shape of our faith by praying day after day to the Father, through the Son and in the Holy Spirit. As we mark our bodies with the cross we utter the name of the Father, Son and Spirit. So we enter into life with God through baptism. We shall enter into the fullness of that divine community through the gate of death.

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH 100TH ANNIVERSARY

PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US

THURSDAY 29 JUNE 2023, WITH ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL

MASS AT 5:00 PM—BANQUET 6:30 PM

BANQUET TICKET \$100 PER PERSON, TABLE OF 8 FOR \$750

TO PURCHASE CONTACT THE PARISH

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Mass Intentions			
Sunday	June 4th, The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Parishioners
Monday	June 5th, St. Boniface, 754 🕆	8:00 am	Private Intention
Tuesday	June 6th, Ferial	4:00 pm	Patricia Kho 🕆
Wednesday	June 7th, Ferial	8:00 am	Hector Quagliotti-Romano 🕆
Thursday	June 8th, Ferial	8:00 am	Trinidad Penaranda 🕆
Friday	June 9th, Ferial	8:00 am	Arthur Bascran
Saturday	June 10th, Ferial The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Douglas Mackay-Dunn Sr. 🕆 George Reifel

## THE SOLEMNITIES OF JUNE CORPUS CHRISTI AND SACRED HEART OF JESUS, - PART 2, by: Stephanie A. Mann

The first liturgy for the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was written by St. John Eudes, the 17th-century promoter of the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary (the memorial for the Saturday following the Solemnity). He emphasized, as Pope Benedict XVI pointed out in a General Audience during the Year of Priests in August, 2009, a "path of holiness" that was "founded on steadfast trust in the love that God had revealed to humanity in the priestly Heart of Christ and in the maternal Heart of Mary. In those times of cruelty, of the loss of interiority, he turned to the heart to speak to the heart, a saying of the Psalms very well interpreted by St. Augustine. He wanted to recall people, men and women, and especially future priests, to the heart by showing them the priestly Heart of Christ and the motherly Heart of Mary." Pope Benedict's mention of the "priestly Heart of Christ" hints at the Eucharistic aspect of the Sacred Heart.

Fr. John Hardon expands on this hint, noting that the timing of these solemnities indicates there's a connection we should understand. In an article titled "Devotion to the Holy Eucharist Advances Devotion to Jesus' Person," he articulates the connection, which I'll outline here in his words, although I'd urge reading the whole article:

Once the words of consecration have been pronounced by a validly ordained priest, what used to be bread and wine are no longer bread and wine. ... There is now, on the altar, Jesus Christ, true God and true Man, full God and full Man.

Since the Eucharist is simply and unequivocally Jesus Christ, then he is present in the Eucharist with the fullness of his humanity, and this means also with his physical, human heart.

When, then, we speak of the Real Presence, we imply that part of this reality, which is Christ, is the heart of flesh and blood that ... Christ has in the glorified body he now possesses (in Heaven) since the resurrection.

This means that the heart of Christ is in our midst, because Jesus is in our midst.

We have in the Holy Eucharist, not only the physical Christ in his human and divine natures, and, therefore, his heart of flesh substantially united to the Word of God. We have in the Eucharist the effective means by which we can show our love for God, since it is not just our own affections when we unite them with the heart of the Eucharistic Christ.

By our use of the Eucharist, that is, by our celebrating the Eucharistic Liturgy, and by our reception of the heart of Christ in Holy Communion, we receive an increase of the supernatural virtue of charity. We are thus empowered to love God more than we would ever be able to do otherwise, especially by loving the people whom he graciously—though often painfully—places into our lives.

Fr. Hardon's explanation of the connection between these two solemnities, these two devotions to the Holy Eucharist, and to the Sacred Heart, reminds us again of the tremendous richness of our Catholic Faith. For all of us, it will take a lifetime to meditate on the mystery of God's love for us, loving the world so much that he sent us his Son—and his Son loving us so much that he left us his Sacred Body and Blood, and his Sacred Heart, to sustain us on our journey to eternal life with him in Heaven. When we pray the Mass, we experience and celebrate this mystery. When we are sent from the Mass (Ite, missa est), we live it.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are asking for volunteers to help with the special tasks in order to make our 100th Anniversary Celebration a great success

There are volunteer sheets for helping the Cleaning of the Church for the 100th celebration and a volunteer sheet to help with the setup, for the event, and after the event.



Please take the time to sign up in any of these special tasks. A deep Thank you to everyone for making the 100th Celebration Special.

#### LIFT YOUR VOICE AND SING

Special Practices for the Centennial Celebration Mass with the Archbishop on Thursday June 29th 5:00 pm:

Sunday, June 18 @ 10:15 am, Conductor: Alex Yeung Sunday, June 25 @ 10:15 am, Conductor: Paula & Bevin DeWit of Holy Rosary Cathedral



All those who would like to and willing to join the unified choir of Saints Peter & Paul Parish are welcome to attend these two practices in order to sing at the June 29th, 5 pm Mass.

May 2023

Dear Parishioners,

It is with great gratitude and joy that we celebrate our Parish's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year of 2023.

Part of our Jubilee is, to be as steadfast as we are able to be, in order to move forward with the construction of our New Parish Centre.

Presently, it is in the hands of the Archdiocese for us to sell Cartier Hall at a good market price. Donation are presently needed to help us move forward; as the cost of this project will exceed the sale of this property. Then, the shortfall will also have to be covered by a sustainable mortgage. When permission is granted, we will be able to concretely move forward with the project; as City approvals have already been given.

Thus, this year's Project Advance Campaign is ever so important (and the Building Fund too) in order to help make our Anniversary Dream a reality!

Our sincere gratitude for those who have participated in these over the years.

We also at this time take the opportunity to encourage others to pledge; even for the first time.

Volunteers will be available to assist with this, if desired, after 3 weekends of Masses beginning May 20/21<sup>st</sup>. You may also drop your pledge in the Collection basket at any time throughout the year. Blank forms are available next to the bulletin, for your perusal in order to do this.

Many our Lord bless all our families here at Sts. Peter & Paul and may our 100 Anniversary Celebration rightfully lead us in faith, hope & love as we enter the next 100 years!

Blessing and Peace!

Rev. R. thompson

Fr. Ron Thompson Pastor

## PLEASE NOTE



On June 12—18, Saints Peter & Paul Parish, will be getting some "sprucing up". To facilitate this we are moving the Altar to in front of the communion rail of the Church. This will allow the Altar Area to receive a "facelift". There will lighting upgrades, painting around the altar area and ceiling, and cleaning through the Church.

## REMEMBER THE SICK

In your generosity, please remember to keep in your prayers our Parishioners who are sick and are unable to attend Mass:



Frank McCullough Elisabeth Skrilec William Urquhart

We are grateful for our parishioner's here at Sts. Peter & Paul for your generous support of last year's successful Project Advance appeal. We raised \$93,744 of which \$53,544 was returned to our parish. Previous Project Advance donors will be receiving letters in the mail to launch the Archbishop's phase of this year's Project Advance Campaign: Empowering our Parish vision. Please return your donation forms to the Sunday collection. Volunteers will be available to assist with this, if desired, after 3 weekend Masses beginning May 20/21st. You may also drop your pledge in the Collection basket at any time throughout the year. Blank forms are available next to the bulletin, for your perusal in order to do this. Online donations at projectadvance.ca are encouraged, when possible, as this minimize processing and costs for the Parish Advance office. Your support helps many community programs as well as our own parish special project namely seed money for our Parish Centre. Thank you for the continued Project Advance support in 2023. God Bless.

## STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP

Next meeting will be this **Wednesday 7th of June**, 7:00 pm

Presentation: The Presence of the Mystery of the Eucharist
"Bread for the Journey"



Discussion & Refreshments to follow. Come and join us!

#### **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 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%.

# 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:

17—18 June

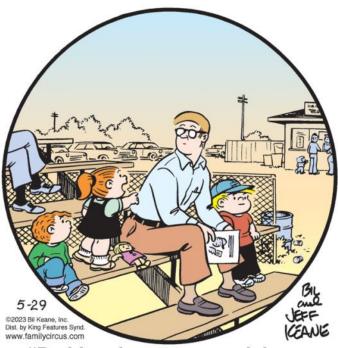
To find out more about how your donations help our community:

https://www.thedoorisopen.ca/

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

## **QUIET CONTEMPLATION TIME**

The Church is open for prayer, Wednesday—Friday 12noon—3:00 pm



"Daddy, when are we goin' over to the confession stand?"



## **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 <u>FREE</u> website for Parishioners of Saints Peter & Paul Parish, all you have to do is signup 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 Parish1425 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 pro-

A JOURNEY IN FAITH cess generally meet at least once a week. The initiation of individuals who are ready to make the com-

mitment to become new members of the Catholic Church usually around Easter.

More questions? Contact the Parish Office



## 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.