



ARCHDIOCESE OF
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J. Michael Miller, CSB

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.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) 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.

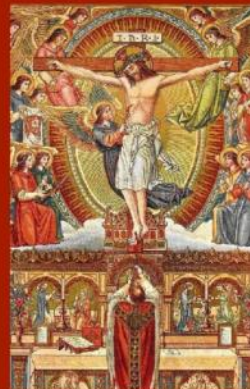


The Most Reverend J. Michael Miller, CSB
Shepherd of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver

*A Spiritual Bouquet for you
on your 48th Anniversary of your Ordination*



_____ Hours at Adoration



_____ of Masses



_____ Divine Mercy Chaplet



_____ Rosaries



_____ Stations of the Cross

Please take the time to sign-up on the sheet provided to offer your prayers for Archbishop Michael.

O Lord, send workers into Your harvest

MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>June 4th, The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)</i>	<i>9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>June 12th, Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Margaret Dunn ☩</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>June 13th, St. Anthony of Padua, 1231 ☩</i>	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>George Rieger ☩</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>June 14th, Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Ella Quagliotti-Romano ☩</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>June 15th, Ferial</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>The Unborn in my Family</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>June 16th, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Meat Permitted)</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Private Intention</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>June 17th, The Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9:00 am 5:00 pm</i>	<i>Sophie Spurr ☩ David Junior</i>

BISHOP ATHANASIOS SCHNEIDER ON THE BLESSED SACRAMENT by: Bishop Athanasius Schneider

An excerpt from *Christus Vincit: Christ's Triumph over the Darkness of the Age*.

Diane Montagna: Your Excellency, you said earlier that the way out of the current crisis in the Church is to “rediscover the supernatural” and to “give primacy to the supernatural in the life of the Church” through a renewed focus on prayer and the Holy Eucharist. Can we now return to the mystery of the Real Presence, and discuss its importance?

Bishop Athanasius Schneider: When we speak about the Eucharist, we have to focus on the essence of the liturgy, on the mystery of the Eucharist, and this is Christ—the living Christ, our Incarnate God, who is really living with His mind, His heart, His soul, and His divinity in the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist. But in this mystery, He is veiled, as His divinity was veiled when He walked on the earth with His people, teaching and speaking with them. Since He was so simple and looked like an ordinary man—though the fullness of divinity was present in Him—many people did not recognize Him and rejected Him—the Pharisees, and scribes, and others—because of His humble appearance. St. Paul says of Our Lord Jesus Christ, “He took the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men, and in habit found as a man” (Phil 2:7).

In a deeper and more radical manner, the same happens in the mystery of the Eucharist, which is an extension of the Incarnation. The Incarnation is continued because now not only is Christ's divinity veiled by His humanity, but the Eucharistic species of bread and wine veil both the humanity and the divinity of Christ. Christ is veiled, but He continues to be the same; He lives here on earth in the same reality of His Incarnation, but in a different mode. It is now a sacramental mode. His humanity in the Eucharistic is already a glorified humanity, but the glorified humanity is real and can be touched. When Jesus rose from the dead He could be touched; He had a real but transfigured Body. The same is true of the Eucharist: His real body, real soul, and the whole plenitude of His divinity are veiled under the appearance of a small piece of bread.

This presents a continuous challenge to our faith, our love. We are challenged to renew our love for the Incarnation, by continually exercising our faith when we see the consecrated Host. This is our Incarnate God: *et Verbum caro factum est: et habitavit in nobis*, “and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us” (Jn 1:14). And now He dwells among us even more deeply and more humbly and more mysteriously—really, in the same realistic way that He walked on the earth, but in another mode. It is real; that is why we speak of the Real Presence—I want to stress this point. This is our faith: that under the veil of the Eucharistic species of bread and wine, the plenitude of Our Lord's humanity and divinity is present. It should touch the deepest depths of our soul and provoke in us a corresponding attitude of soul and body, because this is the Incarnation. We cannot dispense with bodily signs of reverence and respect, because He is bodily present; the God-man is truly present. Concrete gestures of worship, adoration, and awe are the logical consequence of our faith.

DM: And when we dispense with these gestures, faith in the mystery is weakened?

AS: Yes. When we diminish the exterior signs of awe, sacredness, and reverence, in time it quasi-necessarily diminishes our faith in the Real Presence of Our Lord and in His Incarnation. These are connected. Every time we diminish our respect and our awareness of the presence of Christ in the sacrament of the Eucharist—the real, full, substantial, and divine Presence—we diminish at the same time our faith in the Incarnation itself. Faith in the Eucharist and faith in the Incarnation are inseparably linked. Thus, it is a continuous act of faith in the Incarnation and in the supernatural because it is supernatural, because the divinity is so close to us. In the sacrament of the Eucharist Our Lord deigned to veil Himself beneath these external, weak elements of matter. There is nowhere in the entire world, in the entire history of the world, in the entire universe, where God is so close, where the divinity is as close to His creatures, as in the mystery of the Eucharist.

In the Eucharist, only the external elements of the matter, which are called the “accidents,” persist, while the substance of the elements is transformed into the substance of the Body and Blood of the sacred humanity of Christ and, through the humanity, the divinity of Christ is also present. In the Incarnation, God inseparably united His divinity to our human nature: both natures are united in the Son, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity; we call this the hypostatic union. In the Eucharist, this hypostatic union receives a new aspect. The accidents of bread and wine are associated with the substance of Christ's Body and Blood and thus are related to His Divinity in a mysterious and unspeakable manner. St. Thomas Aquinas says that the Godhead of Christ is in this sacrament from real concomitance, “for since the Godhead never set aside the assumed body, wherever the body of Christ is, there, of necessity, must the Godhead be; and therefore it is necessary for the Godhead to be in this sacrament concomitantly with His body. Hence we read in the profession of faith at Ephesus (p. 1, ch. 26): ‘We are made partakers of the body and blood of Christ, not as taking common flesh, nor as of a holy man united to the Word in dignity, but the truly life-giving flesh of the Word Himself’” (*Summa theologiae* III, q. 76, a. 1, ad 1). And the Council of Trent taught: “under the species of bread and wine is the divinity, on account of the admirable hypostatical union thereof with His body and soul” (sess. 13, ch. 3).

Original Post: <https://onepeterfive.com/bishop-schneider-blessed-sacrament/>

PROJECT ADVANCE 2023

May 2023

Dear Parishioners,

It is with great gratitude and joy that we celebrate our Parish's 100th 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 20/21st. 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.

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

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.

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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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
William Urquhart

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.

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.

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:

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.**

QUIET CONTEMPLATION TIME

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

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.



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"Do you think God minds if I just rerun last night's prayer?"

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. The initiation of individuals who are ready to make the commitment 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.