



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.



Archdiocese of Vancouver
Archbishop: Most Rev J. Michael Miller, CSB



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!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:
An update on our New Parish Centre Project to be built on the west side of the Church: (1450 W 38th and 1449 W 39th and the lane in between these): Virtually, the city has given necessary approval to move ahead. Our challenge now is to finance this. The total construction cost is estimated at 14.5 Million. We have an offer to purchase Cartier Hall for 8.5 Million. This means that we still need to raise 6.5 Million to pay for this project. Our present parish cash flow only covers operating expenses. Extra donations are required; including by contributions to the Parish Building Fund & Project Advance. An overview of the entire New Centre Building (one long one going from 38th to 39th); the 38th side (2 stories) would be the Great Parish Hall (named after Sts. Peter & Paul) with a connecting kitchen (named after St. Andrew the hospitality apostle). Nearby (on the Church side) would be the Conference Hall (named after St. James the Great) towards 39th would be the Adoration Chapel (named after St. John the Beloved). West of these (towards the neighbour: 1459 W 39th) would be the Office Wing (named after St. Matthew the tax collector). Upstairs on the 39th side would be more meeting rooms (named after all the other Apostles). Below all this would be underground parking and elevators throughout. These 12 rooms would be dedicated by the donor as they so pleased. If you might be interested in doing this, please let me know. I can't help but to remember that this Centre was Fr. John Horgan's dream; thus the Chapel of Adoration will be named after his patron. In the meantime, also, our Project Advance campaign for 2023 continues to assist this project, pledge forms for this are next to the bulletin. Our gratitude for your kind consideration in these matters that can bring about the needed growth to our parish life.

Blessings to you and yours!
Fr. Ron Thompson, Pastor



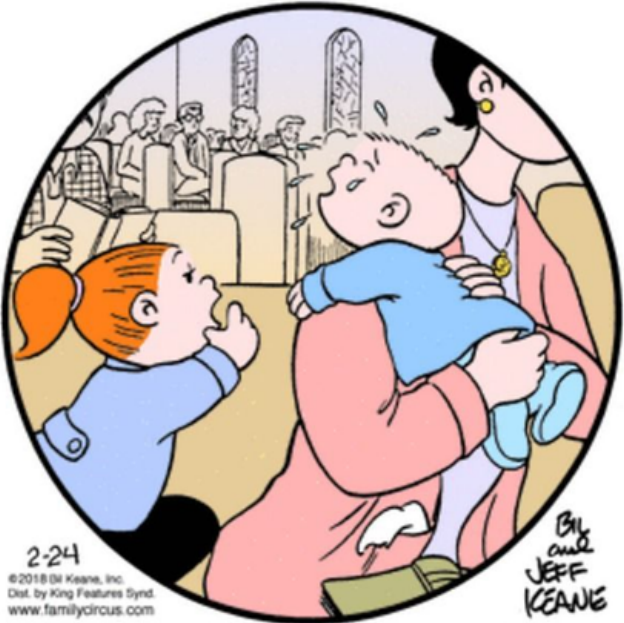
2024 Sunday Offering Made Easy by Direct Deposit or Credit Card
Thank you for your interest in Sts. Peter & Paul Parish's Sunday Offering Plan. This plan allows you to give your Sunday Offering on a monthly basis by direct deposit or credit card. It is the most convenient way to make your Sunday Offering. Your commitment to give this way also ensures that your Sunday Offering reach us even if you are away or not able to come to our Parish in person. Instead of giving weekly, your Sunday Offerings would be simplified to one monthly donation. For more information, take this brochure .

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SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

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FEB. 25 - MAR. 2, 2024 | YEAR B | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Holy Mass :Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

(Vespers and Benediction: 3:30pm), 4:00pm

Weekdays: Monday 8:00am; **Tuesday** 4:00pm; **Wednesday- Friday** 8:00am

First Fridays: Adoration 12:00noon-6:45pm; Benediction 6:45pm; Second Mass 7:00pm

Saturdays and Civic Holidays: 9:00am

Confessions: Wednesday- Friday, 8:30am Saturday: 9:30am and 4:00-4:30pm

By Appointment; **Marriage:** Notify 8 Months in Advance

Office Schedule: Tuesday- Friday: 9:00am-3:00pm

Readings: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Every year the first two Sundays of Lent present the whole gamut of human existence, the whole range of the history of salvation. On the first Sunday of Lent the temptation of Jesus recalls the temptation of every human being since the beginning. On this second Sunday of Lent the transfiguration of Jesus holds out the transformation in glory which is the goal of every human hope. The hope remains as yet unfilled. It is too soon to set up tents. Jesus continues to remind his disciples that first Son of Man must suffer & be put to death. Only then they begin to understand what “to rise from the dead” means. We celebrate Lent caught in the tension between the images of the first & second Sundays, between temptation & transfiguration. Like Abraham, we must walk in faith through the trial, confident that the “sufferings of the present are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed in us” (Rom 8:18). For “what we shall later be has not yet come to light, but we know that when it comes to light we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:2).

Five Essential Insights of St. John Paul II

2. He gave us a theology of human love.

In his first encyclical, John Paul II wrote that man “remains a being that is incomprehensible for himself, his life is senseless, if love is not revealed to him, if he does not encounter love” (Redemptor Hominis, 10). In the light of the incarnate Word, who reveals the Father's love and bestows the Spirit on us, we begin to understand why: God himself is infinite communion, perfect self-giving, shared joy. Since man is created in the image of this God, he “cannot ‘fully find himself except through a sincere gift of self.’ This ... is the magnificent paradox of human existence” (John Paul II, Letter to Families, 11; cf. Gaudium et Spes, 24).

As a young priest working with married couples, the future pope learned to “love human love” (cf. Crossing the Threshold of Hope [1994], p. 123). Throughout his pontificate, he boldly developed a theology of human love in many of his teachings. He taught that the human body has a “nuptial meaning.” In our sexual difference (i.e., existing only as men or as women who together image God), we can already glimpse the signs of the fundamental human vocation to love.

3. He articulated the “saving mission of the family.”

John Paul II's theology of human love reached its culmination in a development of a theology of marriage and the family so rich that it will take generations to fully unfold in the life of the Church. The faithful and fruitful communion of man and woman shows forth in the world the faithful and fruitful communion that is in God. And that is not all. The family has a mission so vital that with it, humanity stands or falls.

Simply by becoming what it is – that is, a “community of life and love” – the family is a “saved and a saving community” at the heart of the Church's mission. “The family,” John Paul II wrote, “has the mission to guard, reveal and communicate love, and this is a living reflection of and a real sharing in God's love for humanity and the love of Christ the Lord for the Church his bride.... Family, become what you are!” (Familiaris Consortio, 17; cf. 70).

4-5 Forthcoming.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, February 25th /(2nd Sunday of Lent)

9:00am / 11:00am / 4:00pm- Parishioners

MONDAY, February 26th / Lenten Ferial

8:00am - Sr. Maria -Walberga, OSB

TUESDAY, February 27th / Lenten Ferial

4:00pm -Brian Ross

WEDNESDAY, February 28th / Lenten Ferial

8:00am - Rodolfo Villarica

THURSDAY, February 29th / Lenten Ferial

8:00pm - Special Intention

FRIDAY, March 1st / First Friday

8:00am - Kathleen Marcelino

7:00pm - Ethan Wong

SATURDAY, February 24th / Lenten Ferial

9:00am - Lam Shui Yuk+

5:00pm - Fr. Francis Chang+

(3rd Sunday of Lent)

THIS WEEK

2024 Penitential Services

To celebrate Jesus's Death and Resurrection we need to open our hearts to His merciful goodness.

The Church encourages us to participate in this Lenten Season by going to Confession and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

2024 Penitential Services

DATE OF SERVICE
NAME OF PARISH

March 6, Wednesday, 7:00pm Our Lady of Perpetual

March 12, Tuesday, 7:00pm St. Augustine

March 13, Wednesday, 7:00pm Immaculate Conception

****March 13, Wednesday, 7:00pm Saints Peter & Paul**

March 15, Friday, 7:00pm St. John the Apostle

March 17, Sunday, 2:30pm - 4:00pm St. Mark

March 21, Thursday, 7:00pm Holy Name of Jesus

March 24, Sunday, 6:30pm St. Anthony of Padua



Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion in your community Feb.14 - Mar. 24.



FORTHCOMING WEEK

2024 DATES

- Thurs. Feb. 29th - Leap Year Day
- Sun., Mar. 10th : 2:00am: Daylight Savings Begins
- Wed. Mar. 13th : 7:00pm Sts. Peter & Paul Lenten Penitential Service
- Tues.- Fri., March 19th- 22nd: 9am-10am Lenten Talks by Fr. Emmerich Vogt, OP
- Palm Sunday (Sat.) Mar., 23rd 5:00pm
- (Sun) Mar., 24th 9am; 11am; 4pm
- Thurs. Mar., 28th Holy Thursday: 7pm (Adoration until 11pm)
- Fri., March 29th - Good Friday: 12noon & 3pm
- Sat., Mar. 30th- Easter Vigil: 8pm
- Sun., Mar. 31st- Easter Sunday: 9am; 11am & 1pm

Retreat-Fri. Apr. 26th 7:30pm until Sun. Apr. 28th by Fr. David Bellusci, OP @Westminster Abbey:

“St Thomas Aquinas:
Truth as the way to Love”
More info to follow

PARISH ONGOING

FOR QUIET CONTEMPLATION TIME

Church is open for prayers Wed.,—Fri., 12 noon 3pm

Sts. Peter & Paul Faith

Study Group Meeting Scheduled for this Friday, Mar. 1st @ 10:30 AM (Coffee at 10:15) Location: Church Vestibule.



STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GROUP
Next meeting 1st Wednesday of the month

will be next Wednesday, Mar. 6th 7 pm, in the Church.
See you there!

FATHER EMMERICH RETURNS TO SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

The Role of Mary in Salvation History

Reflections in View of the Message of Fatima

Tuesday through Friday
19 - 22 March 2024

Daily Mass at 8:00 a.m.
Following Mass: Coffee and Crumpets
Conference Follows



Father Emmerich returns to Saints Peter and Paul to reflect on the Role of Mary in Salvation History. In that context he will explore what the message of our Lady of Fatima means for us Catholics today.

He will consider what it means for the individual Catholic to belong to a Church which on earth is called “The Church Militant.” Practically speaking how does a Catholic fight against demonic evil?

Fr. Emmerich is a priest of the Holy Name Province of the Dominican Order and is currently assigned to Saint Dominic Priory, San Francisco..

For the past forty-two years he has been involved in giving retreats and seminars to Mother Teresa's Priests and Sisters in Mexico, Poland, Russian, Lithuania, Guatemala, Uruguay, India, Madagascar, Russia,, and Portugal.

He is assigned to Western Dominican Preaching, giving retreats and parish missions.

The weapon against evil stressed at every apparition of our Lady to the children of Fatima is the Rosary. How is it that the Rosary is such a powerful force against the demonic evil we see daily in the News, evil that seems to be overtaking our formerly Christian cultures?

The Church, like a nation, must defend herself and her faith. She must fight for the truth and for the salvation of souls. But each member of the Church must possess a fighting spirit that is never severed from the greatest commandment: Love. For God Himself is love, and love never wishes evil upon its enemies.