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PROJECT ADVANCE 2024 Building our Parish Community



Project Advance 2024

Dear Parishioners of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish,

We are excited to share with you the progress of our new Parish Centre project, which will serve the needs of our congregation for years to come.

This project has been a long-term vision of our parish, started of course by Father John Horgan. We are grateful for the hard work and dedication of our building committee, our architects, our contractors and our parish staff who have brought us this far.

We are now in the final stages of securing the approval of the archdiocese and the city. With your help of a pledge to Project Advance, we hope to break ground in but a couple of years. The immediate plan is to sell Cartier Hall at the optimum price, in order to substantially pay for the new Centre.

We thank you, our parishioners, for your generous donations and your prayers for this project. We look forward to new families also making a pledge this year.

Together, we are building a Parish Centre that will be a place of prayer, fellowship, education and service for our community.

Thank you again for considering a pledge to our Project Advance 2024 campaign!

These pledges may be mailed or dropped in the collection basket anytime before Dec. 31st.

Blessings and Peace!

Fr. Ron Thompson

Pastor

Sunday Donations

Sept. 28 - 29, 2024

Sat. 5 pm \$530 from 23 envelopes - \$23.04 average

Sun. 9 am \$651 from 34 envelopes = \$19.18

Sun. 11 am \$915 from 18 envelopes = \$50.83

Sun. 4 pm \$640 from 22 envelopes = \$29.09

Grand Total: \$2736 plus loose \$392.55 = \$3128.35

Sunday Donations

Oct. 5 - 6, 2024

Sat. 5 pm \$967 from 32 envelopes = \$30.22 average

Sun. 9 am \$772 from 28 envelopes = \$27.57

Sun. 11 am \$515 from 22 envelopes = \$23.41

Sun. 4 pm \$595 from 17 envelopes = \$35.00

Grand Total: \$2849 plus loose \$430.25 = \$3279.25

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 reaches 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 the

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATION

brochure.

sspeterpaul.ca

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 MONERIS form and return it to the parish. For those already registered, please contact the parish office at 604-261-3535 for changes such as your address, tel. #, etc.,

NB: The Building Fund contributions are not taxed by the Diocese, whereas the regular Sunday contributions are taxed at 14%.



"God WILL answer all our prayers. But you never know if it's gonna be a 'yes' or a 'no.'"



Archdiocese of Vancouver

Archbishop: Most Rev J.

Michael Miller, CSB

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TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME OCT. 13TH, 2024

Holy Mass : Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

(Vespers and Benediction 3:30pm)

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

First Fridays: Adoration 12:00 noon-4:00 pm; Benediction 3:45 pm; 2nd Mass 4:00 pm

Saturdays and Civic Holidays: 9:00am

Church is Open: Wed - Fri. 12 noon - 3:00 pm

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

Marriage: By appointment -- Notify 8 Months in Advance



Welcome 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 requests of the Pastor are kindly asked to be made by phone during office hours, not by email. 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.

SUNDAY READINGS: 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Good Teacher, what must I do to share in everlasting life?" The anonymous man of today's gospel expresses the ageless human hunger for life. He stands always observing the commandments. He is unwittingly in a good position to be saved. But this man is still lacking something. It might even be said that he is lacking everything. We have given nothing to God if we are not ready to give it all. The love of Christ calls us to a total gift which is concretized in the call, "Come, follow Me." This is a question neither of morality nor of asceticism, but of commitment to Jesus. It is no longer a question of "doing more", of distinguishing "precept" or "counsel". To follow Christ means all or nothing, your money or your life.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, Oct. 13th - The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

MONDAY, Oct. 14th - Thanksgiving Day

9:00 am - Brian Ross

TUESDAY, Oct. 15th - St. Teresa of Avila + 1582

4:00 pm - Ken Huang+

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 16th - St. Marie-Marguerite D'Youville+ 1771

8:00 am - Rolando Oliva

THURSDAY, Oct. 17th - St. Ignatius of Antioch+ 110

8:00 am - M. Eugenia Elisabetta Ravasio+

FRIDAY, Oct. 18th - St. Luke+ 84AD

8:00 am - Rosemarie Dylim

SATURDAY, Oct. 19th - Ferial

9:00 am - Fr. John Horgan+

5:00 pm - Fr. John Horgan+

(The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

THIS WEEK

Solemn Sung Vespers & Benediction

3:30 pm; Mass at 4:00 pm

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish RCIA Classes and Talks on the Faith

Oct. 15th, Tuesday in the Church.

7:00 pm

Come and join us.

FORTHCOMING

Do the lay faithful have a great dignity and role in the Church's mission? Yes! Come hear **Fr. Michael Sweeney, OP, on "The Co-responsibility of the Lay Faithful in the Mission of the Church to the World"**. This annual lecture series will be held at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission BC on **Saturday, October 19, from 10 AM to 3 PM**. Free admission. For more info, visit <https://sck.ca/news-media/sck-lectures/> or call 604-826-8975.

"DOOR IS OPEN"

Oct. 19 - 20 weekend.

We are grateful for CLOTHING ONLY donations to be dropped in the bins provided in the vestibule.

Please help us out by **only dropping off items the weekend of Oct. 19 - 20** as we have no storage space.

Organized by Sts. Peter & Paul Men's Group

LEAVE A LEGACY

By remembering Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in your will, 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 and teach as we enter into our 2nd 100 years of service. May our Lord reward you in this life and in the next.

Quiet Contemplation Time

We are pleased to invite parishioners back to the Church for private prayer and adoration. Saints Peter & Paul Parish will open the doors from Wednesdays to Fridays from 12 noon to 3 pm.

SIGN UP

If you would like to receive a box of 2024 contribution envelopes, please sign the blue binder provided on the right of the Baptismal font. Also, please note if you would like the weekly bulletin to be emailed to you, please sign the red binder next to the blue binder.

(N.B. Your email address will not be shared with anyone.)

Complimentary Water

Available in the fridge by St. Anne's statue by the west vestibule.

November: the month of Holy Souls

Special envelopes are provided for offering Holy Mass for the intentions of deceased family members and friends during the month. One Mass will be offered for each envelope received and all these will be placed at the Altar during this month.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

Saturday, Nov. 2nd

9:00 am and 11:00 am

PROJECT ADVANCE VOLUNTEERS

Nov. 2-3 - after the Masses

Nov. 9-10 - after the Masses

There will be a **Vocation Live-In** on the weekend of November 2-3 at the **Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC**. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

1/2 day Recollection

by Father Juan Lucca

"A step by step explanation of the 'Ordo Missae' "

Saturday Nov. 30th

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

(Lunch provided)

ANNUAL ADVENT POTLUCK CELEBRATION

@Vancouver College Alumni Room

Saturday, Dec. 7th at 6:00 pm

More information to follow.

FORMED

New Formed Program

To aid our parishioners' want and need for Catholic Resource, we are pleased to announce that we have set up, with the Augustine Institute, the new Formed program.

This resource is **Free** for parishioners of Sts. 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:

- Go to "www.formed.org"
- Type "Saints Peter & Paul Vancouver" to find and click on our Parish **Saints Peter & Paul 1425 W 39th Ave., Vancouver BC**
- Click "Next"
- Type first and last name as well as your email address and click "Sign Up"

Things Guardian Angels Do for Us (continued from last week) by Stephen Beale

11. Bring us closer to God - It follows from the above that guardian angels also aid in bringing us nearer to God. Even when God seems distant, just remember that the guardian angel assigned to you personally is at the same time beholding God directly, as the Catholic Encyclopedia notes.

12. Move us to the good - Guardian angels also move us to the good. As Aquinas writes: It is moreover manifest that as regards things to be done human knowledge and affection can vary and fail from good in many ways; and so it was necessary that angels should be deputed for the guardianship of men, in order to regulate them and move them to good.

This includes prompting us to perform good works, according to Aquinas.

13. Reinforce God's commands - According to Aquinas, one of the roles of our angelic guardians is helping us use our reason to pursue virtue. In particular, he says the angels help us in developing prudence by **servicing as God's "universal instructor," passing on God's precepts.**

14. Illuminate the truth - Angels "propose the intelligible truth to men" through sensible things, according to Aquinas (Question 111, Article 1, Answer). Although he does not elaborate on this point, this is a basic teaching of the Church that the material world points to invisible spiritual realities. As St. Paul says in Romans 1:20, "Ever since the creation of the world, his invisible attributes of eternal power and divinity have been able to be understood and perceived in what he has made."

15. Strengthen our minds - A second way that angels enlighten us, Aquinas says, is by reinforcing our intellects. As he puts it, "the human intellect as the inferior, is strengthened by the action of the angelic intellect."

16. Communicate through our imagination - In addition to working through our senses and intellects, our guardian angels also influence us through our imaginations, according to Aquinas, who gives the example of Joseph's dreams. On the Contrary and Answer, But it might not be something as obvious as a dream; it could also be through more subtle means like a "phantasm," which could be defined as an image brought to the senses or the imagination.

17. Influence our wills - Angels cannot directly move the will, but, according to Aquinas, they can indirectly influence it through our senses and intellect, as stated above. This means that our guardian angels influence every part of our being for the better—our senses, intellect, and will.

18. Aid in our salvation - The ultimate goal of all that guardian angels do is to aid in our salvation, according to Aquinas. "Angels are sent to minister, and that efficaciously indeed, for those who shall receive the inheritance of salvation, if we consider the ultimate effect of their guardianship, which is the realizing of that inheritance," Aquinas writes. Here he is drawing from Hebrews 1:14, which states, "Are they not all ministering spirits sent to serve, for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?"

19. Remind us of our ultimate goal - Inspired by Christ's words in Matthew 18:10, St. Augustine suggests that guardian angels remind us that our ultimate goal is the beatific vision of God: As, then, they see, so shall we also see; but not yet do we thus see. Wherefore the apostle uses the words cited a little ago, now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face. This vision is reserved as the reward of our faith; and of it the Apostle John also says, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is (1 John 3:2). By the face of God we are to understand His manifestation, and not a part of the body similar to that which in our bodies we call by that name.

20. Never leave us -Guardian angels assume their duties at our birth and maintain them up to our death. For Aquinas, this is just an extension of the broader truth that we never completely leave God's care, even in sin and doubt: now it is evident that neither man, nor anything at all, is entirely withdrawn from the providence of God: for in as far as a thing participates being, so far is it subject to the providence that extends over all being. God indeed is said to forsake man, according to the ordering of His providence, but only in so far as He allows man to suffer some defect of punishment or of fault. In like manner it must be said that the angel guardian never forsakes a man entirely...