

2025

Birtheright Walkathon



SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025
10 AM - 1 PM
QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK

Join us for our 14th annual 3k fundraising walk! Funds raised will go towards supporting pregnant women and new moms in the Vancouver region. Email us for more information.

Meet at Holy Name of Jesus Church
4925 Cambie St Vancouver

birthrightvancouver@gmail.com

www.birtheright.org/vancouver



TRINITY SUNDAY

Sunday Donations May 31 - June 1, 2025

Sat. 5 pm \$903 from 31 envelopes = \$29.13 avg.
Sun. 9 am \$1082.50 from 40 envelopes = \$27.06 avg.
Sun. 11 am \$615 from 25 envelopes = \$24.60 avg.
Sun. 4 pm \$550 from 20 envelopes = \$27.50 avg.
Grand Total: \$3315.50 + \$494.50 loose = \$3810

June 7 - 8, 2025

Sat. 5 pm \$605 from 26 envelopes = \$23.27 avg.
Sun. 9 am \$723 from 33 envelopes = \$21.91 avg.
Sun. 11 am \$1890 from 20 envelopes = \$94.50 avg.
Sun. 4 pm \$1300 from 28 envelopes = \$46.43 avg.
Grand Total: \$4518 + \$451.90 loose = \$4969.90

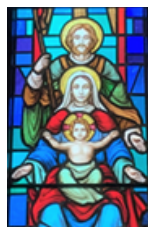
In gratitude for your regular financial support!

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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.

2025 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.

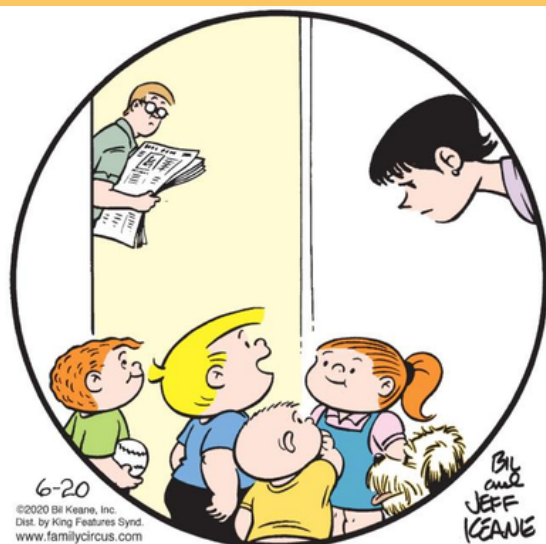
It is the most convenient way to make your Sunday Offering. Your commitment to give this way also ensures that your Sunday Offering reaches us even if you are away or not able to come to our Parish in person. Instead of giving weekly, your Sunday Offerings would be simplified to one monthly donation.

For more information, take the **PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATION BROCHURE**. 2025 PAD forms are now available from website and vestibule.

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. 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 V6M 1T2**
- Click "Next"
- Type first and last name as well as your email and click "Sign Up"



"On Father's Day we're gonna play with Daddy ALL DAY!"

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

PASTOR: FATHER RON THOMPSON



Archdiocese of Vancouver

Archbishop: Most Rev Richard W. Smith

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PARISH WEBSITE: <https://sspeterpaul.ca>



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY JUNE 15TH 2025

Sunday Mass: Saturday: 5:00 pm

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

[Sunday Vespers and Benediction: 3:30 pm (Except Summer: July and Aug.)]

Weekday Mass: Monday: 8:00 am, Tuesday: 4:00 pm,

Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 am

Saturdays and Civic Holidays: 9:00 am

Also First Fridays: Adoration: 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm, with

Benediction: 3:45 pm, 2nd Mass: 4:00 pm (Except Summer: July & Aug.)

Church is Open: Wednesday - Friday: 12 noon - 3:00 pm

Confessions: Wednesday - Friday: 8:30 am, and

Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Marriage: By Appointment -- Notify 8 Months in Advance

The Sacrament of Baptism:

Parents and Godparents are to be married in the Catholic Church, and parents need to be registered parishioners for at least 2 months.

Blessing of cars or religious articles:

Please see Father after any of the Sunday Masses.

Blessing of homes:

Please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples planning marriage (here or elsewhere) must contact the Parish Priest at least 8 months before the wedding.

Must attend the Marriage Preparation Course and the Catholic is to be registered here, at least 6 months and regularly attending Mass here.

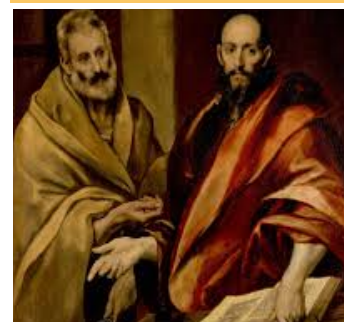
Father's Day - June 15th 2025:

Fr. Ron wishes a blessed Father's Day to all the fathers of our parish. May God our Father grace us in our vocation to be in His likeness.

At Mass we also remember in a special way to pray our fathers who have gone before us.

Parish Feast Day of the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul (and in honour of Canada Day):

Lemonade and cookies are served on the west lawn after these Masses of June 28th/29th. Take a moment and enjoy our **Feast!**



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

St. 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.

BENEDICT XVI
ANGELUS
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

After the Easter Season which culminated in the Feast of Pentecost, the liturgy provides for these three Solemnities of the Lord: today, Trinity Sunday; next Thursday, Corpus Christi which in many countries, including Italy, will be celebrated next Sunday; and finally, on the following Friday, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Each one of these liturgical events highlights a perspective by which the whole mystery of the Christian faith is embraced: and that is, respectively the reality of the Triune God, the Sacrament of the Eucharist and the divine and human centre of the Person of Christ. These are truly aspects of the one mystery of salvation which, in a certain sense, sum up the whole itinerary of the revelation of Jesus, from his Incarnation to his death and Resurrection and, finally, to his Ascension and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Today we contemplate the Most Holy Trinity as Jesus introduced us to it. He revealed to us that God is love “not in the oneness of a single Person, but in the Trinity of one substance” (Preface). He is the Creator and merciful Father; he is the Only-Begotten Son, eternal Wisdom incarnate, who died and rose for us; he is the Holy Spirit who moves all things, cosmos and history, toward their final, full recapitulation. Three Persons who are one God because the Father is love, the Son is love, the Spirit is love. God is wholly and only love, the purest, infinite and eternal love. He does not live in splendid solitude but rather is an inexhaustible source of life that is ceaselessly given and communicated. To a certain extent we can perceive this by observing both the macro-universe: our earth, the planets, the stars, the galaxies; and the micro-universe: cells, atoms, elementary particles. The “name” of the Blessed Trinity is, in a certain sense, imprinted upon all things because all that exists, down to the last particle, is in relation; in this way we catch a glimpse of God as relationship and ultimately, Creator Love. All things derive from love, aspire to love and move impelled by love, though naturally with varying degrees of awareness and freedom. “O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!” (Ps 8: 1) the Psalmist exclaims. In speaking of the “name”, the Bible refers to God himself, his truest identity. It is an identity that shines upon the whole of Creation, in which all beings for the very fact that they exist and because of the “fabric” of which they are made point to a transcendent Principle, to eternal and infinite Life which is given, in a word, to Love. “In him we live and move and have our being”, St Paul said at the Areopagus of Athens (Acts 17: 28). The strongest proof that we are made in the image of the Trinity is this: love alone makes us happy because we live in a relationship, and we live to love and to be loved. Borrowing an analogy from biology, we could say that imprinted upon his “genome”, the human being bears a profound mark of the Trinity, of God as Love.

The Virgin Mary, in her docile humility, became the handmaid of divine Love: she accepted the Father’s will and conceived the Son by the power of the Holy Spirit. In her the Almighty built a temple worthy of him and made her the model and image of the Church, mystery and house of communion for all human beings. May Mary, mirror of the Blessed Trinity, help us to grow in faith in the Trinitarian mystery.

SUNDAY READINGS: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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 eighth 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 Liege 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 smallest 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 relationship. If 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 and with the other. Though we will never come to know God as God knows himself, every 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 with creation reaches its climax in Jesus who is God-among-us. This Jesus is taken up into 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 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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, June 15th - The Most Holy Trinity

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

MONDAY, June 16th - Ferial

8:00 am - *Bianca Jaegge*

TUESDAY, June 17th - Ferial

4:00 pm - *Ken Huang+*

WEDNESDAY, June 18th - Ferial

8:00 am - *Marcel Dvorak+*

THURSDAY, June 19th - Ferial

8:00 am - *Fr. John Horgan+*

FRIDAY, June 20th - Ferial

8:00 am - *Special Intention*

9:30 am - *Vancouver College Mass*

SATURDAY, June 21st - St. Aloysius Gonzaga+ 1591

9:00 am - *Manuel B. Oliva+*

5:00 pm - *Rosalina Saraspi+*

(Corpus Christi)

Solemn Sung Vespers & Benediction:

3:30 pm Vespers; Mass at 4:00 pm.

Come and Pray with us.

Door is Open:

We are grateful for **CLOTHING** donations to be dropped off in the bins provided in the vestibule. Thank you.

Solemnity of Corpus Christi Holy Hour & Healing Service Sun. June 22nd at 3 - 4 pm:

Adoration, Vespers, Healing Service Prayers, general Benediction, followed by individual Benedictions.

Volunteer Organist Needed:

June & July: Sat. 5 pm Mass.

Project Advance:

You may also drop your pledge in the collection basket or in the mail anytime throughout the year.

Thank you for your support. It means a great deal.

Please Note:

Your previous pledge forms were already put in the mail for you to consider for this year’s campaign.

Otherwise there are blank forms available next to the bulletin.

Maintaining a Prayerful Environment:

Our parish’s pews and kneelers are 102 years old.

Please lower/raise the kneelers ‘gingerly’ and handle these with gentle care. Thank you.

A Practical Note:

Especially during the homily, when children chatter, the back pews have easy access to the vestibule, walk over and take a seat there as needed. Thank you.

Short Term Rental Available Starting in July:

1450 West 38th Ave. Main And Upper Floor

3 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 Baths

If you are sincerely interested

Contact the office for more information.

From the Pastor’s Desk:

Project Advance 2025 Letter

My dear Parishioners of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish,

Especially in this season of Easter, we remember Jesus’ words: “Behold, I make all things new” (Rev. 21:5). This newness is now historically so in the Catholic Church, with the gift of our new Pope, Leo XIV. His inaugural words to us emphasized the need for the Faith in order to give meaning to life itself. The Popes have often stated that 95% of the Church’s life and ministry is found on the parish level.

Here at Sts. Peter & Paul parish we provide the opportunity for the people of God to worship Him and be guided and strengthened to share Him with others. Our parish celebrates the Eucharist as the source and summit of the Christian life. Along with this, we provide prayerful, spiritual, educational and social activities in order for parishioners to live and deepen their faith; for themselves and for others.

As your pastor for these past four years, it gives me special joy to see an increase of membership, and ongoing inquiry to join us. The noticed increase of construction of new residences (including the New Oakridge Park) reveals that this trend will continue.

The building of our new Parish Centre is necessary in order to meet our present and future needs. It will provide so many opportunities for parishioners to gather and celebrate and deepen our faith.

We need a place to provide Funeral and Sacramental receptions, opportunities for retreats and recollections, regular gatherings after Sunday Mass, as well as other special annual events. Ongoing are the need to hold Catechism classes, as well as new Catholics, youth, young adults and seniors to gather.

Our Cartier Hall is up for sale for the optimum price. We still need more funds in order to move ahead with Construction. I would say, more than ever, your support is needed at this time. Without it, it would be difficult to secure a mortgage for the rest of the Construction cost.

I ask you to prayerfully consider a pledge to Project Advance 2025. This would be gratefully appreciated and assist our parish to also live out the proclamation to: “make all things new!”

Blessings and Peace!

Fr. Ron Thompson, Pastor