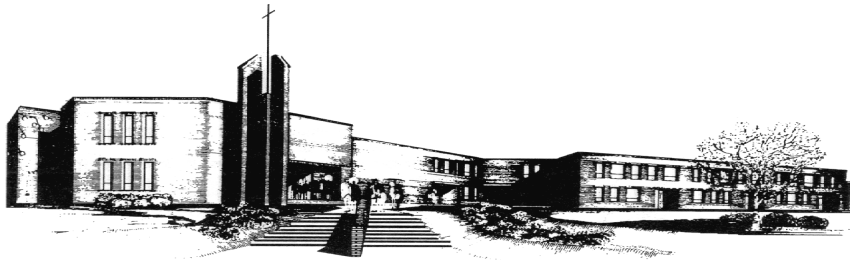


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A Roman Catholic Community



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The 5th Sunday of Lent
Year A
April 9th and 10th, 2011

Welcome to everyone:
parishioners, newcomers and visitors, to St. Peter's Parish.
We encourage everyone to participate *actively*
in the prayer and song of our community worship.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

To promote the gospel values to form a community based on Faith, Hope, and Charity.

MASS SCHEDULE: September to June

Sunday Obligation:

- Saturdays at 5:00 pm
- Sundays* at 9:30 am & 11:00 am
- *Last Sunday of each month: Mass at 10:30 am only

Weekdays:

- Monday: no Mass
- Tuesday* at 9:30 am
(unless otherwise noted within bulletin)
- Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 8:30 am
- * No Mass on a Tuesday after a long weekend holiday.

LEGION OF MARY PRAYER MEETING:

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

ADORATION:

First Friday of the month from 9:00 am - 10:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

20 minutes before weekend Masses.
No appointment necessary.

BAPTISMS:

Saturdays at 11:00 am

MARRIAGE:

Please give 6 months notice. A Marriage Preparation Course and the Pastor's approval are required.

For any more information, call the parish office or visit the parish Website.

Father Joe Vayalil – Pastor
Bob Birch – Deacon
Richard Sutton – Sacristan
Josephene Kealey – Secretary

Liturgy Committee

Fr. Joe Vayalil
Deacon Bob Birch
Richard Sutton (liturgy
coordinator/sacristan)

Finance Committee

Michael Kealey – Chair
John Pasqua
Juanita Peate
Sergio Loyo
Robella Folliet – Bookkeeper

Lectors' Leaders

5:00 pm Mass – George Assing
9:30 am Mass – Jay Hunt
11:00 am Mass – Richard Sutton (temp.)

Ministry of Communion Coordinators

Fr. Joe Vayalil & Richard Sutton

COLLECTION:

March 27th, 2011: \$1730.50

Please continue to support your Parish
as generously as you can.

CHURCH SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 9

5:00 pm

Sunday, April 10

10:30 am

For the repose of the Soul of Jack Smith+
- by Paula Smith and Family

Monday, April 11

No Mass

Tuesday, April 12

9:30 am

Wednesday, April 13

8:30 am

Thursday, April 14

8:30 am

Friday, April 15

8:30 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REFLECTIONS

- SOLIDARITY SUNDAY:** The Fifth Sunday of Lent marks the Canada-wide alms collection in parishes in support of Development and Peace, your Canadian catholic development agency working for justice in the Global South. Archbishop Prendergast encourages the faithful to generously support the Share Lent Collection for Development and Peace scheduled for this weekend. Thank you for your support.
- SCHEDULE CHANGE -- SUNDAY MASSES IN APRIL:** Note that all Masses for Sunday obligation during the month of April will be celebrated on Saturday at 5:00 pm and on Sunday at 10:30 am only.
- NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH, PALM SUNDAY:** Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday at 5:00 pm and on Sunday at 10:30 am only. Weather permitting, Palm Sunday Mass will begin outside at the main entrance of Prince of Peach school.
- ST. PETER'S LENTEN RETREAT:** The Parish family will once again come together this weekend for the second Part of our parish Lenten Retreat in a special Mass this Sunday at 10:30 am. We will hear the Message of Lent that calls us to see clearly and how to respond to the Lord with devotion. Our guest preacher will be Father Jack Lau o.m.i., a member of the missionary of Oblates, who has been the director of spiritual services at Galilee centre, Arnprior. All are invited to the Sacrament of confession for lent, following the Sunday Mass.
- GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS** through the streets of downtown Ottawa will be held on Good Friday, April 22nd, Led by His grace Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J. This event will begin at St. Patrick's Basilica at 9:30 am, and end at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica at noon. Please contact Communion and Liberation for more information: 613-241-7496.
- CELEBRATE YOUR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WITH A MASS OF THANKSGIVING** presided by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J., at Notre Dame Cathedral on Sunday, May 8, 2011 at 2:30 pm. This mass is for couples who are celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2011. Deadline to register is Thursday, April 28, 2011. Please contact the parish office for more information. All families and Friends are invited to this event.
- NATIONAL CATHOLIC MISSION:** The Heart of the Matter on Vision TV, April 18 & 19, 7 & 10 pm. Speakers: Fr. Donald Senior, C.P., Sr. Melannie Svoboda, SND, Fr. Jack Lynch, s.f.m. Fr. Senior will talk about the challenge of reconciliation in our families, our Church, and in our world. Sr. Svoboda will give some reflection on pain and the dawn of hope. Fr. Lynch will describe what's really involved in following Christ.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Alex Tobin, Veneta Richard, Isabel Coutu, Lynn McLeod, Willijn Bertrand, Lorraine Da Pra, Teresita Alvarado, Bishop Ernest Leger, Rachelle Caroll, Lise Martin, Anna Karolewicz, Louise Jarvis, Fr. Bob Bedard

Email the office if you know of someone who is sick and in need of prayers.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37.12-14: *God will open the graves and restore the people of Israel.*

Psalm: 130: *With the Lord is forgiveness and mercy.*

2nd Reading: Romans 8.8-11: *The Spirit of God dwells in you.*

Gospel: John 11.1-45: *Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.*

This Sunday's extended passage from the Gospel of John is the story of the raising of Lazarus. Only the central verses are given here. You may wish to complete the whole story by reading verses 1-16 and verses 28-45 from chapter 11 of John in your own Bible. The words of Jesus to Martha in verse 25 give us the theme: Jesus is the resurrection and the life. No wonder he goes on later in the chapter to restore earthly life to Lazarus as a sign of the life to come. Just as the healing of the man born blind was a 'work of God', inviting faith, similarly the raising of Lazarus shows the 'glory of God' (verse 40) and strengthens faith. All the so-called 'signs' in the Gospel of John do this (See John 2:11). The raising of Lazarus is the last and greatest of the signs. Both Martha and Mary are ready to witness that Jesus is 'the resurrection and the life'. The story concludes with the statement that 'many believed in him' (verse 45). But this sign also provokes strong opposition from the religious leaders who plot to destroy Jesus. The one who gives life will have life torn from him in return. In the other readings too there are clear pointers to the Resurrection to come. The prophet Ezekiel relays God's promise to give the people a new spirit and raise them from their graves. St Paul teaches the Romans about the life-giving Spirit of Christ, the Easter gift of the risen Jesus. The Psalmist cries 'out of the depths' to the Lord with whom there is 'mercy and fullness of redemption'. The prayer is heard by the God of life.

How does this story prepare us for the celebration of the Easter mystery? In what sense is this the greatest of the signs worked by Jesus?

We at St. Peter's pray that we may understand and truly believe that God is the God of life. We ask for the grace to live the time of Christ's passion and death to the full.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 16/17: Palm Sunday Mass

Saturday at 5:00 pm, Sunday at 10:30 am at St. Peter's Parish

Tuesday April 19: Archdiocese of Ottawa Chrism Mass

7:30 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral

Thursday April 21: Holy Thursday

7:30 pm at St. Peter's Parish

Receiving of the Holy Oils

(Chrism, Catechumen, Oil for the sick and healing)

Washing of the feet representing the service and charity of our Lord

Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration until 9:30 pm

Friday April 22: Good Friday, Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3:00 pm at St. Peter's Parish

Reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross

Collection for the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land

Holy Communion

Saturday April 23: Easter Vigil

8:00 pm at St. Peter's Parish

Bring your bells to ring during the singing of the Gloria!

Sunday April 24: Easter Sunday Mass

10:30 am only

~God Bless~

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"I give devise and bequeath the sum of \$..... to St. Peter's Parish, Ottawa, to be used for the benefit of the Parish and its pastoral works."

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

AN INVITATION: If you are visiting our church today, know that we are honored by your presence. Our parish serves the needs of the community in many different ways. We offer preparation for sacraments, children's liturgy, social activities, assistance to those in difficulty, and comfort to the sick and those who mourn a loss. If we can be of service to you, do not hesitate to call on us.