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**EASTER VIGIL & EASTER SUNDAY**  
**April 11 & 12, 2009**

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**A WARM WELCOME TO**  
**ST. PETER'S PARISH**  
**ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

Rev. Jessimar Cavan Tapia,  
the Pastor of St. Peter's Parish, and  
Mr. Bob Birch, Deacon, welcome all  
newcomers and visitors to our parish  
community.

On behalf of all our parish ministry  
leaders, Father Jessi encourages your  
active participation in our community  
worship.

**OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:**

To promote the love and compassion that  
Jesus Christ showed to all people, of every  
creed, with a special emphasis on the needs  
of the poor and the underprivileged.

**PARISH ADDRESS:** 1640 Heatherington Road  
Ottawa, ON K1V 9P5 Canada

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.stpetersparish.ca](http://www.stpetersparish.ca)

**E-MAIL:** [stpeters@inbox.com](mailto:stpeters@inbox.com)

**PHONE:** (613) 733-1553 **FAX:** (613) 733-7183

**SCHOOL:** Prince of Peace School (613) 731-4733  
(Elementary School – Kindergarten to Grade 6)

**MASS SCHEDULE:** Saturday at **5:00 p.m.** --- fulfills  
Sunday Obligation  
Sunday at **9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.**

**Last Sunday of every month: Sunday Mass at 10:30 a.m.**

No Mass on Mondays.

No Mass on a Tuesday after a long weekend holiday.

Regular Weekday Mass on **Tuesdays, Thursdays &  
Fridays at 8:30 a.m. and on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.**

**FIRST FRIDAY MASS:** 8:30 a.m.

**FIRST SATURDAY MASS:** 9:00 a.m.

**LEGION OF MARY PRAYER MEETING:**

- MONDAYS at 7:00 p.m.

**CENACLE PRAYER:**

- THURSDAYS at 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**ADORATION:** 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. on Fridays

**CONFESSIONS:** by appointment before Masses

**BAPTISMS:** 4:15 p.m. on Saturdays

10:30 a.m. on Sundays

For info. kindly call our office at 613-733-1553.

No Baptisms on last weekend of the month as it is our parish  
monthly socials: **October to June.**

**MARRIAGE:** Kindly give us at least 6 months notice.

A Marriage Preparation Course is required  
after the Pastor's approval.



**Prayer for Vocations**

Loving God,  
you call all who believe in you  
to grow perfect in love  
by following in the footsteps  
of Christ your Son.  
Call from among us more men  
and women who will serve you  
as priests, deacons and religious.  
By their way of life,  
may they provide a convincing sign  
of your Kingdom for the Church  
and the whole world.  
We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Please pray for God's healing:**

Lucy Phan, Augusto Romano, Genevieve Arden,  
Emilie Joinette Julia Aquino, Lise Martin, Louise Jarvis,  
Fr. Bob Bedard, & Wilf Medland.

**Please send an e-mail to our office if you know of  
someone who is sick and needs to be prayed for:  
stpeters@inbox.com**

**MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH SCHEDULE**

Saturday, April 11

**7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass**

- For vocations to the priesthood, diaconate  
& religious life
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

Sunday, April 12     **EASTER SUNDAY**

**9:30 a.m. Mass**

- For the soul of Jack Smith by Paula Smith
- In thanksgiving to St. Francis of Paola  
by Carmela Filice
- For Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate  
& religious life.
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

**11:30 a.m. Mass**

- For the soul of Milagros Devera  
by Juanita Jimenez Peate and Family
- For Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate  
& religious life.
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

**---- No Weekday Masses on April 14-17 ----**

**The Parish Office will be closed for this week  
after the Easter weekend.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**1. QUO VADIS:** Meeting of men discerning the call to priesthood will be gathering next on Friday, April 17, 6:00 p.m. at St. Theresa's (95 Somerset W.). Fr. Philip Creurer will be speaking. All priests are also welcome to attend. More info Fr. Tim McCauley (613-738-5025, ext. 218).

**2. ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD:** Deacon Jonathan Blake will be ordained on Sat., May 2, 2009 10:00 a.m. at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. Archbishop Prendergast, S.J. will preside. All are encouraged to attend.

**3. WEDDING ANNIVERSARY EUCHARIST:** Notre Dame Cathedral, Sun., May 3, 2:30 p.m. For couples celebrating 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2009. Registration details are available in all parishes. Deadline: Fri., April 24, 2009. Families are encouraged to join in this celebration.

**4. DIOCESAN WEEK FOR LIFE:** Pro-Life Sunday, May 10 - Saturday, May 16.

**5. CONFIRMATIONS ON PENTECOST SUNDAY:** Archbishop Prendergast invites interested adult and secondary school age candidates to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at Notre Dame Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, at the noon Mass. All candidates will have registered at their respective parish and have received the appropriate preparation there. Parishes are to send the names and all necessary information for the preparation of the register to Annmarie at Pastoral Services (613-738-5025, ext. 217; [abrown@archottawa.ca](mailto:abrown@archottawa.ca)) no later than April 24, 2009.

**Prayer for Enlightenment**

O Holy Spirit, divine Spirit of light and love, I consecrate to Thee my understanding, my heart and my will, my whole being for time and for eternity. May my understanding be always obedient to Thy heavenly inspirations and the teachings of the holy Catholic Church, of which Thou art the infallible Guide; may my heart be ever inflamed with love of God and of my neighbor; may my will be ever conformed to the divine will, and may my whole life be a faithful following of the life and virtues of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to whom with the Father and Thee be honor and glory for ever. Amen.

## Archbishop's Easter Message 2009

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

*The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world.*

These words from the Easter Preface give us hope as we marvel at what God has done in Jesus. And what God is doing in our lives, in our Catholic community and, indeed, in all of creation.

In particular, I wish to express my closeness to those who are suffering from the economic downturn or those who are anxious about the future because of it. Let us trust in God's Providence to sustain us and particularly pray that the Lord will move the hearts of those who can, to assist those in need in our midst.

In this Jubilee Year of St. Paul whose life was changed by meeting the Risen Lord, we celebrate for fifty days the Resurrection of Jesus and the promise it holds out for our future resurrection. With the women at the tomb and the apostles in the upper room, we hear our risen Lord say to us, "*Do not be afraid... Peace be with you!*" With Mary Magdalene, we hear Jesus tell us that the relationship he shares with God is now ours too, "*Go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God'.*"

How Jesus' disciples answer this challenge is the task of each Christian generation, including our own. Pope Benedict XVI since his election has reminded us and the world of the central importance of Jesus Christ for our life of faith. Recently the Holy Father described his ministry as an "awareness of having nothing else to offer and give to those I will meet except for Christ and the Good News of his Cross, the mystery of supreme love, of divine love that overcomes all human resistance and makes it possible even to forgive and love one's enemies".

The way we live our faith in the risen life of Christ Jesus in the Archdiocese is always undergoing renewal. For example, the Archdiocese has accepted to host a Youth Summit in May 2010. Our young people will receive the Ark of the New Covenant on May 18 in Quebec City. Its presence will help us to prepare spiritually for the events of that long weekend in May 2010.

Our efforts to open young people to God's call to the vocations of priesthood and consecrated life are being redoubled. Several men are considering an application for seminary studies; and there are women looking at the possibility of religious life. Please pray for our seminarians in training and continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

As I travel through the Archdiocese, I am struck by the vitality of the liturgical life in our parishes and the vibrancy of our choirs, prayer groups, committees and associations of the faithful, all of which regularly search for new members. Anyone seeking an outlet to express their faith has numerous options to choose from.

In closing I wish to salute the priests and members of parish teams involved in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults for their care of those seeking initiation into Christ at the Easter Vigil by baptism, confirmation and reception of Holy Communion. Through God's grace and our cooperation, we have seventy-five catechumens becoming members of our Church this Easter. May God who has begun this good work bring it to fulfilment in the lives of these new brothers and sisters of ours!

I invite these neophytes (the "newly reborn") and all in our diocesan church to come and celebrate the Eucharist with me at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica at 10am on Saturday, April 25, the feast of St. Mark, the anniversary of my ordination as a bishop. Let us all rejoice together!

After a long cold winter our spirits yearn for the warmth of spring. This is true, too, in the spiritual life. May the radiance of the glory of the Risen Lord shine in your hearts and grant you the consolation and joys of the eternal life we have begun, through the Church, to taste in this world even now.

Happy Easter! Blessed Eastertide!



+Terrence Prendergast, S.J.  
Archbishop of Ottawa

**1<sup>st</sup> Qtr Income & Expenses**  
January- March 2009

Income:

Regular Collection	21,061.48
Clergy Support	2,371.25
Masses	280.00
Social Action	210.58
Other Collections	573.00
New Year Collection	1,033.50
Special Donation	2,000.00
 Total	 \$ <u>27,529.81</u>

Expenses:

Salaries/Stipend	11,479.00
Employer's Contribution	
(gov't. tax, pension/group)	2,033.85
Food/Room Allowance	1,200.00
Cult & pastoral Works	2,548.19
Office Supplies	915.69
Utilities (hydro, water, heat)	3,934.15
Taxes, Insurance	1,379.40
Bank Charges	160.60
Social Action	210.58
Misc. (petty cash)	900.00
Maintenance	2,695.45

Special Collections:

Diocesan Missionary Works	\$ 466.71
Development & Peace	\$ 2,223.25

Total \$ 27,456.91

1<sup>ST</sup> Qtr Diocesan Admin.Tax \$ 3,222.00 will be paid on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April.

Father Jessimar, Deacon Bob, and the members of the Stewardship Committee wish to thank all parishioners for their generous financial support to our parish!

**A Happy Easter to All!**

**New Parishioner's Registration form:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code:

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please cut this portion and you may drop this off at the parish office. We welcome you to our parish!**

**BEQUESTS AND WILLS:**

In your kindness, please remember St. Peter's Parish in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their Will, the following clause may be included or added to a will or added by codicil:

*"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.