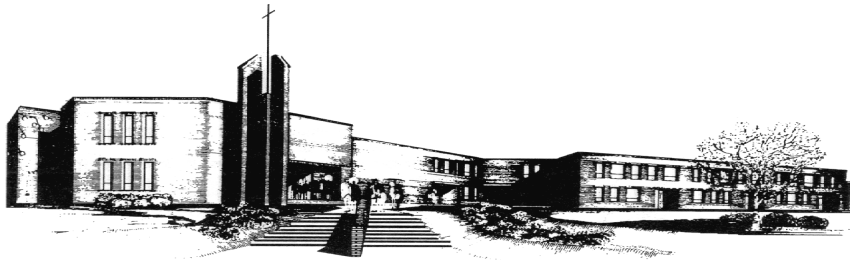


ST. PETER'S PARISH
A Roman Catholic Community



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The 4th Sunday of Lent
Year A
April 2nd and 3rd, 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: \$1166.00

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

CHURCH SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 2

5:00 pm

In honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary, for a favour received

- by John Pasqua

Prayers and Blessings for Norma Galvan and Enrique Rivas

- by Leticia Campos

Sunday, April 3

10:30 am

For the Intentions of the Parishioners

- by Father Joe

Monday, April 4

No Mass

Tuesday, April 5

9:30 am

Wednesday, April 6

8:30 am

Thursday, April 7

8:30 am

Friday, April 8

8:30 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REFLECTIONS

1. **ST. PETER'S LENTEN RETREAT** will be held this weekend. The Parish family is invited for a special Mass at 10:30 am. We will assemble to 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. Previously, he lived one year in Southern India at his community monastery, where he learnt Yoga and other techniques. You can see more at the web page: www.Galileecentre.com

2. **CONGRATULATIONS** to the grade two students from Prince of Peace School, who made their First Confession this past Thursday evening, March 31st, here in the parish. As a parish family it is our duty to pray for these students as they prepare to receive the Sacrament Of First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 1st, 2011.

3. **ST. JOHN VIANNEY DRAMA IS COMING TO OTTAWA:** Mark your calendars for two shows in Ottawa: Holy Redeemer on May 9th at 7:30 pm (tickets available at Holy Redeemer office) and St. Patrick's Basilica on May 10th at 7:30 pm (tickets available at Saint Patrick's Gift Shop). \$12/Adults, \$6/Youth/Students. Visit www.vianneydrama.com for more information.

4. **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.

5. **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, Rachele Carroll, 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: 1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13: *Samuel is sent to anoint David as king.*

Psalm: 23: *The Lord is our shepherd.*

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5.8-14: *The Ephesians are told to live as children of light.*

Gospel: John 9.1-41: *Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man.*

Once again this weekend we have a lengthy passage from the Gospel of John, the story of the man born blind. Only the opening verses are given here and you are invited to complete the reading in your own Bible or Sunday Missal, by reading up to verse 41. This is another story of a journey in faith, which invites us to consider our own journey. The words of Jesus at the very start (verse 5) give us the theme: Jesus is the light of the world. Like the man born blind, we too have the opportunity of seeing again, seeing with greater clarity. Even in the opening verses given above the man has already had to defend the reality of the healing. Yes, he is indeed the man who was blind from birth and he has indeed been given his sight. As the chapter continues he bears witness to Jesus more and more strongly and more and more indignantly. In the end it is clear that there are none so blind, as those who will not see. The religious leaders refuse to see that Jesus brings light into the world. They refuse to acknowledge their own blindness. It may seem strange that we have the story of David's anointing as king in the first reading. This reminds us that, as we were given the light of faith in baptism, we were also anointed for God's service. St Paul tells the Christians of Ephesus in our second reading: 'You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord.'

What might we learn from the courageous witness of the man born blind? Are we to some extent still blind and unwilling to see?

We at St. Peter's pray for those who are still seeking the light and discouraged by darkness. We pray for all those to be baptised at Easter.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 16/17: Palm Sunday Masses

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.