



A WARM WELCOME TO

**ST. PETER'S PARISH
ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

**20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 15 & 16, 2009**

Rev. Joseph Vayalil, our Pastor of St. Peter's Parish, and Mr. Bob Birch, our Deacon, welcome all newcomers and visitors to our parish community.

On behalf of all our parish ministry leaders, Father Joe 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.

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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: - FRIDAYS 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS: by appointment before Sunday Masses

First Fridays at 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS: 4:15 p.m. on Saturdays

10:30 a.m. on Sundays

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

For more information kindly call our office
at 613-733-1553.

MARRIAGE: Kindly give us at least 6 months notice.

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



Prayer for Vocations

Lord God,

in every generation you have provided
shepherds after your own heart & spiritual
fathers for the family of the Church.

Hear us in our day as we beg you:

"Do not leave us orphans!

Send us the Holy Spirit!"

Stir up in the hearts of those whom you have
chosen to be priests an awareness of your call
& the courage to say, "Let it be done to me
according to your word."

By your Spirit, mould them in the heart of Mary
to be the image of your Son, faithful stewards
of your grace. Shape them into zealous
apostles, who will preach the Gospel
with boldness, celebrate the Eucharist
with reverence and be living signs of your love
for all people.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. PRIESTS IN RETREAT: From the 31st of August till the 3rd of September, the priests of the Archdiocese of Ottawa will be in retreat. There will be no weekday masses during this period. Masses will resume on Friday the 4th of September.

2. 10:30 a.m. MASS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH ONLY: On Sunday, August 30th, Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. only. This is our coffee social morning.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments at the back of the church after Mass!

- For Parishioners' Intentions, living & deceased

11:30 a.m. Mass

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

Monday, August 17 --- **no 8:30 a.m. Mass** ---

Tuesday, August 18

8:30 a.m. Mass - For All Souls

Wednesday, August 19

9:30 a.m. Mass - For World Peace

Thursday, August 20

8:30 a.m. Mass - For Pro-Life Intentions

Friday, August 21

8:30 a.m. Mass - For Vocations

9:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00 a.m. Benediction

MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 15

5:00 p.m. Mass

- For the soul of Lucy Phan,
by Father Joe & parishioners,
& Fr. Jessi
- On the wedding anniversary of
Mr. & Mrs. Pat Scott by Mary McGee
- For Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate
& religious life
- For Parishioners' Intentions, living & deceased

Sunday, August 16

9:30 a.m. Mass

- For the soul of Lucy Phan,
by Father Joe & parishioners,
& Fr. Jessi
- For the souls of Margaret & Bill Fraser
by Paula Smith
- For the soul of Santiago Duarte
by Mauricio Gomez
- For the soul of Clara Isaac
by her children, grandchildren & great
grandchildren
- For Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate
& religious life

The Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change;
courage to change the things I can;
and wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;
Enjoying one moment at a time;
Accepting hardships as the pathway
to peace;
Taking, as He did, this sinful world
as it is, not as I would have it;
Trusting that He will make all things right
if I surrender to His will;
That I may be reasonably happy in this life
and supremely happy with Him forever
in the next. Amen.

Please pray for God's healing:

Lise Martin, Augusto Romano, Louise Jarvis, Fr. Bob Bedard

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

OTHER ARCHDIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

F.A.C.E.S. FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS: Five pin bowling followed by a social at Fireside Pub. For those 18 – 35. Walkley Bowling Lanes, 2092 Walkey Rd. Sat., July 4. RSVP to Katherine (613-526-2349) or Tom (613-749-7652).

SHEPHERDS OF GOOD HOPE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS: Volunteers are needed to help as service providers. Volunteers must be 18 years of age, and are asked to commit to one shift (4 hrs) per week in one program. Inf (613-789-8210 x228): (ann@shepherdsofgoodhope.com).

GOSPEL REFLECTION:

Why did Jesus offer himself as “food and drink” (John 6:53)? The Jews were scandalized and the disciples were divided when Jesus said *“unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood, you have no life in you.”* What a hard saying, unless you understand who Jesus is and why he calls himself the *bread of life*. The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves (John 6:1-15), when Jesus said the blessing, broke and distributed the loaves through his disciples to feed the multitude, prefigured the superabundance of the unique bread of the Eucharist, or Lord's Supper. The Gospel of John has no account of the Last Supper meal (just the foot washing ceremony and Jesus' farewell discourse). Instead, John quotes extensively from Jesus' teaching on the bread of life.

In the Old Covenant, bread and wine were offered in sacrifice as a sign of grateful acknowledgment to their Creator. In his offering of bread and wine, Melchizedek, who was both priest and king (Genesis 14:18), prefigured the offering made by Jesus, our high priest and king. The remembrance of the manna in the wilderness recalled to Israel that it lives by the bread of the Word of God (Deuteronomy 8:3). When at the Last Supper Jesus described his blood *“poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins”* (Matthew 26:28), he was explaining his coming crucifixion as a sacrifice for sins. His death on the cross fulfilled the sacrifice of the paschal lamb. That is why John the Baptist called him the *“Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.”* Jesus made himself an offering and sacrifice, a gift that was truly pleasing to the Father. He *“offered himself without blemish to God”* (Hebrews 9:14) and *“gave himself as a sacrifice to God”* (Ephesians 5:2).

Jesus chose the time of Passover to fulfill what he had announced at Capernaum – giving his disciples his body and his blood. Jesus' passing over to his Father by his death and resurrection, the new Passover, is anticipated in the Last Supper and celebrated in the Eucharist, which fulfills the Jewish Passover and anticipates the final Passover of the church in the glory of God's kingdom. When the Lord Jesus commands his disciples to eat his flesh and drink his blood, he invites us to take his life into the very center of our being. That life which he offers is the very life of God himself. Do you hunger for the *bread of life*?



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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.

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.