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**6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**February 15, 2009**  
FAMILY DAY LONG WEEKEND

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

Reverend Jessimar Cavan Tapia,  
the Pastor of St. Peter's Parish,  
welcomes 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  
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(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:** 15 mins. before weekend 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.

## **MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH SCHEDULE**

Saturday, February 14

### **5:00 p.m. Mass**

- For the soul of Ruth Baxter by Ed Baxter
- For the souls of Maria Magdalena & Thomas Bernard de Souza by the Phan Family
- For the soul of Helen Poupere-Reid by her Family
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

Sunday, February 15

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

- For the soul of Barbara Seguin by the Family
- For the souls of Geronimo & Clara Isit by Teresita Isit
- Thanksgiving Mass for favor received from St. Anthony by Lise Martin
- For intercessions of St. Francis of Paola by Carmela Filice
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

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

- For the soul of Joel Penalosa by Mrs. Laura Nubla
- For Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate & religious life
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

Monday, February 16

**- no 8:30 a.m. Mass -**

## **FAMILY / HERITAGE DAY**

Tuesday, February 17

### **NO 8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Tuesday after a holiday Monday.**

Wednesday, February 18

### **9:30 a.m. Mass is cancelled.**

**PASTORAL DAY MEETING AT THE DIOCESE.**

Thursday, February 19

### **8:30 a.m. Mass**

- For Pro-Life Intentions

Friday, February 20

### **8:30 a.m. Mass**

- For Vocations

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

**10:00 a.m. Benediction**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **1. Final Enrollment Sunday for Candidates**

**of Confirmation:** This Sunday at the 11:30 a.m. Mass is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of enrollment for our students preparing for the sacraments.

### **2. NEXT SUNDAY, FEB. 22 – Last Sunday:**

Sunday Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. only. Please note of this monthly parish schedule.

### **3. No Masses this Tuesday & Wednesday:**

This Tuesday, Feb. 17, being the day after a holiday Monday; and this Wednesday, being the Diocesan Pastoral Day meeting for all priests and pastoral associates.

### **4. HOMELANDS MASS: at Notre Dame Cathedral, next Sunday, February 22, 2009 at 2:30 p.m.**

All cultural communities are invited to attend as well as those from various cultural backgrounds who have integrated our English and French parishes. What a great occasion for all of us to gather and adore Him who has come to gather all nations into one people!

### **5. ASH WEDNESDAY ON FEB. 25, 2009:**

There will be Mass at 7:00 p.m. here in our parish and a distribution of ashes during Mass. This is the first day of the season of Lent – a day of fasting and abstinence from eating meat. Please plan to attend this important liturgical celebration in the life of our church.

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## **Stewardship Reflection:**

**February 15, 2009**

The fate of a leper is a great tragedy at any time and place. In Jesus' time, lepers were considered condemned, part of the plagues God sent as punishment. They were cast out of society and abandoned. St. Mark's Gospel reveals the unthinkable. Jesus reaches out and touches a leper. He risks catching the contagious disease and heals the man. As the gospel story teaches, no one is abandoned in Christ. Are there those in our society or in our personal lives for whom we ascribe no hope, who we have abandoned, treated like lepers? Or as Christ's stewards of our sisters and brothers, do we risk reaching out and touching those who may seem to us to be "unclean" or not worthy of our time or attention?

## Do you think atheists and secular spokesman should have equal air time?

Yes they should. But, we must reflect on where and how that "air time" happens! The Vatican II document *Inter mirifica* (The Decree on the Media of Social Communications) was promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1963. It formed the basis of our thinking on this subject. In no. 12, we read that because of the common good, "civil society has a duty to defend and safeguard a true and just freedom of information". In our lifetime, the "defending and safeguarding" has gone from applying to newspapers, radio and television to a digital-cyber-world: Internet, e-mails, cell phones, blackberries, blogs and so many other new technologies.

If there are so many means of communication out there - and - everyone should be included in the dialogue contained in them - it is equally important to reflect on *how* it will take place. Two weeks ago, Pope Benedict provided us with an excellent framework for this in his message on the World Day of Communications: "I would encourage all people of good will who are active in the emerging environment of digital communication to commit themselves to promoting a culture of respect, dialogue and friendship." He went on to explain that this has created opportunities for dialogue between people from different countries, cultures and religions. Here, calling for "attentive and respectful listening" each individual is exposed to other traditions and values, leading to the promotion of tolerance and understanding. It is a gift which is at the service of all individuals and communities, especially the disadvantaged and the vulnerable.

As the Holy Father concluded his message he called for genuine respectful dialogue in our dialogue: "Human hearts are yearning for a world where love endures, where gifts are shared, where unity is built, where freedom finds meaning in truth, and where identity is found in respectful communion."

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**Please pray for God's healing:** Lucy Phan, Augusto Romano, Genevieve Arden, Emilie Joinette Julia Aquino, Lise Martin, Louise Jarvis, Karen Slywchuk, & 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](mailto:stpeters@inbox.com)

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**DAILY MASS AT HOSPITALS:** Daily Mass is celebrated at the Ottawa Hospital, General Campus and Civic Campus at 12:00 noon; and on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome.

**VISION TV:** National Catholic Broadcasting Council televised Mass from St. Basil's Church, Toronto, daily Monday – Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Perpetual Help Devotions sponsored by the Redemptorists, Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.

**CATECHESIS STUDY – Winter Program at Blessed Sacrament Parish,** 194 Fourth Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario **(the Glebe):** This is a 14 week program that began mid January, aimed towards a deeper understanding of the Catechism (instruction in Christian doctrine). Whether one is novice, or well studied in the doctrines of the Catholic Faith, one should benefit from the many 'in depth' teachings offered during this program. We are presently meeting every Tuesday night ending April 21st with a social [excluding Holy Week], between the hours of 7:00pm and 9:00pm in the Church basement Hall. Please enter by the side handicap doors. There will be ample opportunity for questions in the second half of the evening, and coffee and snacks will be served. All are welcome to attend all evening courses, or select the nights of interest to you. For more details and schedules, please contact Murray MacLeod, Course Administrator. Email: [murraymac@magma.ca](mailto:murraymac@magma.ca)



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**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."*

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