



7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 22, 2009

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.

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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 21

5:00 p.m. Mass

- Special Blessings for Juliet De Silva's 90th birthday by the De Silva Family
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

Sunday, February 22

10:30 a.m. Mass

- For the soul of Barbara Seguin by the family.
- For the souls of Judith Tolibas & Quintilo Rosit by Ameer Pascua
- For Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate & religious life.
- For Parishioners' Intentions living & deceased

4:00 p.m. Mass (in Philippine Bisaya Dialect)

Monday, February 23

- no 8:30 a.m. Mass -

7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Prayer Meeting)

Tuesday, February 24

8:30 a.m. Mass

- For the soul of Peter Wilson on his 1st death anniversary by James & the Wilson Family

Wednesday, February 25

9:30 a.m. SCHOOL ASH WEDS. LITURGY

7:00 p.m. ASH WEDS. MASS

Thursday, February 26

8:30 a.m. Mass

- For Pro-Life Intentions

Friday, February 27

8:30 a.m. Mass

- For Vocations

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

10:00 a.m. Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. THIS SUNDAY, FEB. 22:

Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. only & our Monthly Parish Socials at the gym area after the Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:30 a.m. Masses. Please join us for light refreshments after Mass.

2. This Sunday, February 22, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. will be the Homelands Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral.

All cultural communities are invited to attend as well as those from various cultural backgrounds who have integrated our English and French parishes. All are invited.

3. ASH WEDNESDAY (THIS WEEK) FEB. 25, 2009:

There will be Mass at 7:00 p.m. here in our parish and a distribution of ashes during Mass. Ash Wednesday opens our Lenten period of Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving and reminds us of the Paschal Mystery of Christ. For forty days in Lent the Christian family is reminded of the Sacrament of Baptism and daily walks the path of conversion in Christ whose triumph we encounter in the power of the Cross and Resurrection. The Word and the Eucharist continually form us as People of God and prepare us to glory in the Easter mystery of joy, The Resurrection of the Lord.

4. THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE:

A time of prayer and fasting during Lent to end abortion. Events begin with Vespers, Archbishop Prendergast presiding, at St. Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent, Sun., Feb. 22, 7:00 p.m. Opening Rally at Bank and Sparks St., Tues., Feb. 24, 8:00 p.m. On-site 40-day vigil at Bank and Sparks Sts., Feb. 25 - April 5. Please continue to pray and fast during Lent for an end to abortion. To join vigil or for info. Campaign Life Coalition (613-729-0379); (www.40daysforlife.com/ottawa).

5. CHECK OUT THE NEW WEBSITE OF OUR ARCHDIOCESE:

www.ecclesia-ottawa.org

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

ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER: LENT 2009

My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

The Second Vatican Council's decree on the renewal of the Sacred Liturgy stressed two features of Lent: recalling baptism - or preparing for it - and penance. By these means, "the Church prepares the faithful for the celebration of Easter, while they hear God's word more frequently and devote more time to prayer."

In this Year of St. Paul may we grasp more fully the gift of God's mercy for us and our world. The second reading on Ash Wednesday contains the theme of our Pastoral Year, "Be reconciled to God" (2 Corinthians 5:20). We experience this in the Sacrament of Reconciliation by a good Lenten confession.

This Lent, I urge you to receive the ashes on Wednesday in your parish church, if possible, and to journey with Jesus to Easter by reading the Scriptures on your own or with others.

The gospels of the first two Sundays focus on Our Lord's temptation and transfiguration. They remind us of the struggle against sin — individual and social — for which we do penance, and of the glory of Christ that awaits us in overcoming temptation and sin.

The third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent offer selections from John's gospel telling of Christ's glorification through his cross and resurrection.

Passion Sunday recounts Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and his sufferings. The Passion Narrative brings Lent to a climax and leads into the Sacred Triduum (from Holy Thursday to the Easter Vigil).

The traditional Lenten practices are daily prayer, fast and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and almsgiving to benefit the poor, particularly through the Share Lent campaign of Development and Peace. These spiritual aids move us to beg the grace of knowing interiorly the divine mercy God offers us.

In his Lenten Letter this year, Pope Benedict calls on "*parishes and every other community to intensify in Lent the custom of private and communal fasts, joined to the reading of the Word of God, prayer and almsgiving. From the beginning, this has been the hallmark of the Christian community, in which special collections were taken up, the faithful being invited to give to the poor what had been set aside from their fast.*" The Holy Father says fasting needs to be rediscovered and encouraged in our day, especially during Lent.

I encourage you to focus your Lenten fast by joining the "40 Days for Life", a program of prayer and witnessing activity that supports life by seeking to end abortions in our country.

Some of you may wish to join me in my weekly Monday abstinence from radio, television, CDs, newspapers and the internet. Not because these are evil but to experience the wilderness a bit by unplugging from the noise that surrounds us. The quiet and solitude help us to become still and find time for family prayer or listening to the Word of God.

Whatever the Lenten sacrifice you choose over and above what the Church prescribes, I pray that God will grant all in our Archdiocese of Ottawa to draw near to his loving mercy, so that we may celebrate Easter "with minds and hearts renewed" (Lenten Preface).



+ Terrence Prendergast, S.J.
Archbishop of Ottawa



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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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