



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

**4th Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2010**

Pastor: Father Joe Vayalil
Deacon: Bob Birch
Sacristan: Richard Sutton
Secretary: Josephene Kealey

Welcome to everyone, parishioners, newcomers and visitors to St. Peter's Parish. We encourage the *active* participation of all in the prayer and song of 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.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. --- fulfills Sunday Obligation
Sundays at 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

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

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES:

Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays at 8:30 a.m.
Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

No Mass on Mondays.

No Mass on a Tuesday after a long weekend holiday.

LEGION OF MARY PRAYER MEETING:

MONDAYS at 7:00 p.m.

CENACLE PRAYER:

THURSDAYS from 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

ADORATION:

FIRST FRIDAYS from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS: 20 minutes before weekend Masses.

No appointment necessary.

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.

MARRIAGES: Kindly give us at least 6 months notice.

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

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5:00 p.m. Mass – George Assing

9:30 a.m. Mass – Jay Hunt

11:30 a.m. Mass – Michael Murray

Ministry of Communion Coordinators

Mike and Lisa Birch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. CONFIRMATIONS ON TRINITY SUNDAY FOR GRADES 6-8: Archbishop Prendergast invites children in grades 6, 7, and 8 to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at Notre Dame Cathedral on Trinity Sunday, May 30, 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 info for the preparation of the register to Annmarie at Pastoral Services (613-738-5025, ext. 217; abrown@ArchOttawa.ca) no later than Friday, April 23. A form for parish use is available on our website <http://www.archottawa.ca> under Pastoral Services.

2. CONFIRMATIONS ON PENTECOST SUNDAY FOR GRADE 9-ADULTS: Archbishop Prendergast invites interested adult and secondary school age candidates to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at Notre Dame Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, at the noon Mass. All candidates will have registered at their respective parish and have received the appropriate preparation there. Parishes are to send names and all necessary info for the preparation of the register to Annmarie at Pastoral Services (613-738-5025, ext. 217; abrown@ArchOttawa.ca) no later than Friday, April 16.

3. PARISH CONFESSIONS (Sacrament of Reconciliation): Confessions every Saturday 20 minutes before Mass, and on Sunday 20 minutes before Mass.

Collections
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MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 13

5:00 p.m. Mass

- For Maria Madelena +
& Thomas Bernard De Souza +
(by the Phan Family)

Sunday, March 14

9:30 a.m. Mass

- In Honour of Padre Pio (by Carmela Filice)

11:30 a.m. Mass

- No intention requested

Monday, March 15

No Mass

Tuesday, March 16

9:30 a.m. Children's Mass

- For Natividad Gomez + (by Nelia Gomez)

Wednesday, March 17

8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 18

8:30 a.m. Mass

Friday, March 19

8:30 a.m.

- For Willy (Jonker) Wcislicka +
(by John & Danka Lankester)

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday, March 29 - St. Peter's Church

7:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

Two priests available for individual Confessions

Tuesday, March 30 - Notre Dame Cathedral

7:30 p.m. Archdiocese of Ottawa Chrism Mass

All are invited to attend

Holy Thursday, April 1 – St. Peter's Church

The Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:30 p.m.

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 and Adoration
until 9:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 2 – St. Peter's Church

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3:00 p.m.

Reading of the Passion

Veneration of the Cross

Collection for the Needs of the Church
in the Holy Land

Holy Communion

Easter Vigil, April 3 – St. Peter's Church

8:00 p.m.

*Bring your bells to ring during the singing of the
Gloria!*

Easter Sunday Mass, April 4 – St. Peter's Church

10:30 a.m. only

Please pray for the following:

Bishop Ernest Leger, Father Gerald Gahagan, Rachelle Carroll, Lise Martin, Tim Dooling,
Anna Karolewicz, 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

SPECIAL SAINT PATRICK'S DAY MASS: St. Patrick's Basilica. Wed., March 17, 10:30 a.m. at the Basilica located at the corner of Kent and Nepean Streets. The Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, Archbishop of Ottawa will be the main celebrant for this event. All are invited to attend.

HOLY CROSS PARISH LENTEN RETREAT: 685 Walkley Rd. Theme: The priesthood of the baptised in the Church and in the World. March 15, 16 & 17, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Preacher: Fr. Maxime Allard o.p. Mass, individual confession. Everyone is welcome.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS IN THE STREETS OF OTTAWA: Communion and Liberation are organizing again this year the Way of the Cross in the streets of Ottawa on Good Friday, April 2, 2010. We start at 9:30 a.m. from St. Patrick's Basilica on Kent St. and we end around 12 Noon at Notre-Dame Cathedral. All are invited to attend.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading Joshua 5: 9a, 10-12

The Israelites celebrate the Passover in the Promised Land

Psalm 34: 2-7

A prayer of praise to God

Second Reading 2Corinthians 5: 17-21

Paul preaches our reconciliation with Christ

Gospel Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

The parable Jesus tells in today's Gospel is unique to the Gospel of Luke. Jesus has been teaching the crowds as he journeys to Jerusalem. As he teaches, the Pharisees and scribes complain and challenge Jesus because he is welcoming sinners at his table. Today we hear the third of three parables that Jesus tells in response to his critics. These three familiar parables—the lost sheep, the lost coin, and today's parable of the prodigal son—invite us to consider the depth of God's mercy and love. The parable of the prodigal son strikes a chord in the human heart because it speaks of the universal experience of separation and forgiveness. The parable tells us less about the son's sin than about the abundant mercy of the father. It reveals a God whose solicitude for all sinners is such that he can never reconcile himself to the loss of a single child. This parable is also a revelation of Jesus himself. His behaviour serves as the story's point of departure. In order to justify his eating with sinners, Jesus describes this father who runs to meet the Prodigal and finds his joy in restoring him to the dignity of a son. The parable also reveals something of the darker side of us. All Christians run the risk of becoming the elder son who will not welcome his younger brother as their father does. This parable is not finished. Its conclusion will depend on us. Will the elder brother pass from disdain to love, from the idea of a calculating God to the idea of a Father who loves because he wills to save? The words of the father to this elder son are truly healing words: 'My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours.' Do I have a welcoming attitude to those who seek God after going astray? Would I, like the elder son, refuse to go in? We pray for generous appreciation of the commitment of others. We pray that we may have the humility to change our ways.



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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.

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.