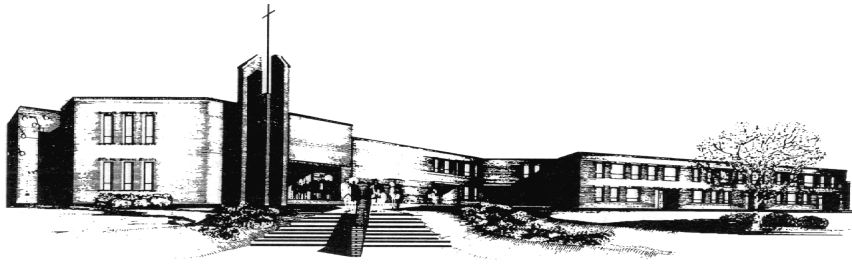


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**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
**Year A**  
**March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

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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 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011: \$1055.00

Thank you for your generosity and support.

## CHURCH SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 19

**5:00 pm**

*For the intentions of the Parishioners*

- by Fr. Joe

Sunday, March 20

**9:30 am**

*For the repose of the Soul of Shirley Cardinal+*

- by the Staff and Committees of St. Peter's

*Mass of Thanksgiving, offered to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

- by Yona Loyola-Nazareth

**11:00 am**

*For the repose of the Soul of Grant Ray+*

- by Bob and Anne Wilson

*For the intentions of the Parishioners*

- by Fr. Joe

Monday, March 21

**No Mass**

Tuesday, March 22

**9:30 am**

Wednesday, March 23

**8:30 am**

Thursday, March 24

**8:30 am**

Friday, March 25

**8:30 am**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & REFLECTIONS

1. **ST. PETER'S LENTEN RETREAT** will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (April 3<sup>rd</sup>). The Parish family will be together for a Mass at 10:30 am, listening together to 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. Visit the Galilee centre Web page for more information: [www.Galileecentre.com](http://www.Galileecentre.com)

2. **INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** for 2010 are ready in the main entrance area of the church. If you wish to have your receipt mailed to you, please provide a self-addressed and stamped envelope.

3. **CONFIRMATION:** Archbishop Prendergast will celebrate Confirmation for adults (grade 9 & above) on Pentecost Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, and for children (grades 6-8) on Trinity Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Both celebrations take place at the noon Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral. All candidates must register at their respective parish and will have received the appropriate preparation there.

4. **VOCATION DAY OF RECOLLECTION:** For men discerning priesthood. Saturday, March 26, 10am – 3pm, at Ste Famille Church, with Mass, talks, adoration, discussion. For men, Grade 12 and up. Info and registration: Fr. Tim McCauley 613-445-3054, [timbmccauley@hotmail.com](mailto:timbmccauley@hotmail.com)

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

6. **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.

7. **40 DAYS FOR LIFE:** From March 9 to April 17, every day, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. All are invited to spend an hour whenever possible at this event. Please call Campaign Life Coalition at 613-729-0379 for more information.

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Alex Tobin, Veneta Richard, Isabel Coutu, Lynn McLeod, Willijn Bertrand, Lorraine Da Pra, Teresita Alvarado, Bishop Ernest Leger, Rachelle 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

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Genesis 12.1-4a: *God promises Abram a great blessing.*

**Psalm:** 33: *God's mercy is upon those who trust in God.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 2 Timothy 1.8b-10: *Through God's grace we are called to holiness*

**Gospel:** Matthew 17.1-9: *Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James, and John.*

On the second Sunday of Lent the gospel of the Transfiguration is always read, from one or other of the three synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke). This year it is Matthew's account which is read. What is it that makes this story appropriate at this time? The story recounts an experience of Jesus which three disciples shared, but which they are told must remain secret until after he has risen from the dead. The experience astonishes the disciples, for they see Jesus transformed, transfigured, as they have never seen him before. To understand the meaning of this event we should remember that in the gospel story Jesus has just told the disciples that he foresees his own passion and death. They react with horror. The transfiguration serves to put their fear in a broader context. Going to his death, Jesus nevertheless trusts that the Father will raise him from the dead. The experience of the transfiguration, the details of which are quite difficult to grasp, gives these three chosen disciples a glimpse of something beyond suffering and death. The reading from the book of Genesis may seem to have little connection, but here too we are aware of a journey, the journey of Abraham into the unknown as he trusts God to be with him. The journey of Jesus to the cross is similar. If we have trust in God we too can 'bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News', as the second reading asks.

How might the story of the transfiguration give us hope? Have we ever experienced anything like transfiguration in our own life?

We at St. Peter pray that we may persevere in trust, like Jesus and Abraham. We pray for a broader vision, that we may be more aware of the things of God, and of God's goodness.

### Catholic Question

**Q:** What is the significance of the transfiguration of our Lord? Also I have seen the dove in many churches, sometimes with the head up and other times with the head down. What does the different position signify?

**A:** Taking the latter question first, the dove is the universal symbol of the Holy Spirit (see Catechism n 701). This symbol stems from the Spirit's descent on Jesus in the form of a dove at the time of our Lord's baptism in the River Jordan (Matt 3:16). The dove is usually placed on Sanctuary ceilings or shown hovering. Whether the head is up or down might depend on the observer's angle of vision. The Transfiguration of Jesus in the presence of Peter, James and John (Matt 17:1-8 and Luke 9:28-36) is a foretaste of Christ's coming in glory at the end of the world. The Catechism (cf n. 555) says that Jesus disclosed His divine glory, thus confirming Peter's statement that He was the Messiah, while at the same time revealing that before entering His glory, He would have to die on the cross in Jerusalem. According to the Catechism, Moses and Elijah were present because they had announced the suffering of the Messiah, the bright cloud that overshadowed them indicated the presence of the Holy Spirit; in fact, " 'the whole Trinity appeared: the Father in the voice, the Son in the man; the Spirit in the shining cloud' (St. Thomas Aquinas, STh HI 45,4,ad 2) " A prayer from the Byzantine liturgy explains this well: "You were transfigured on the mountain, and your disciples as much as they were capable of it, beheld your glory, O Christ, our God, so that when they should see you crucified they would understand that your Passion was voluntary, and proclaim to the world that you truly are the splendour of the Father.

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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.