



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

**5th Sunday of Lent
March 21, 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. DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: Collection will be taken up for Development and Peace this weekend.

2. NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 28TH is the last Sunday of the month, and Palm Sunday: Mass will be celebrated Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. only. Please note that both Masses for next weekend will start outside, at the main entrance of Prince of Peace School (weather permitting).

3. COUPLES CELEBRATING A SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR: If you are celebrating Anniversary number 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more, this year, Archbishop Prendergast invites you to the annual WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS at the Cathedral, Sunday May 2, at 2:30 p.m. Information can be found on the bulletin board at the main entrance to the church or by calling the Diocese at 613-738-5025, ext 217.

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

**Collections
March 14
\$1350.00**

MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 20

5:00 p.m. Mass

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

Sunday, March 14

9:30 a.m. Mass

- Prayers and Healing for Celestina Calangan
(by T. Isit)

11:30 a.m. Mass

- For healing in the Grabetz family
(by Josephene Kealey)

Monday, March 15

No Mass

Tuesday, March 16

9:30 a.m. Children's Mass

Wednesday, March 17

8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 18

8:30 a.m. Mass

Friday, March 19

8:30 a.m. Mass

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

From the Pastor's Desk

The church will soon enter into the prayerful time of Holy Week following Lent. During Lent we have been following Jesus into the desert. The desert is not only a place but it is a spiritual condition. In order to draw spiritual energy and to celebrate the joy of Easter, an annual general confession is necessary for those who have not been to confession for a long time and there is an obligation in conscience for those who have been away from church and sacraments for a period of time. On the 29th March at 7 p.m. two priests will be available for reconciliation. Being renewed in mind and heart, cleansed of all human failings, may the soul find its joy in blossom of the Church and in the warm embrace of the Risen Lord.

Please pray for the following:

Bishop Ernest Leger, Father Gerald Gahagan, Rachelle Caroll, 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

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.

5TH ANNIVERSARY MASS OF THE LATE POPE JOHN PAUL II: The Most Reverend Pedro Lopez Quintana, Apostolic Nuncio Designate, will be presiding at the Mass which is being held on Tuesday, April 6, 6:30 p.m. at Notre Dame Cathedral. This event is sponsored by the Polish embassy, the Apostolic Nunciature and Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. The celebration will be followed by a concert of sacred music performed by the Ottawa Bach Choir and a reception. All are invited to attend.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011 IN MADRID, SPAIN: Are you interested in going? Will you be between 16 and 30 in August 2011? The Archdiocese of Ottawa is organizing a pilgrimage, departing August 10 and returning August 24. Pilgrimage includes optional retreat at the end in Avila. Info: Ted (613-738-5025 ext. 231).

TRIP TO GERMANY AND AUSTRIA: September 6-17, 2010. Join St. Michael's Cathedral rector (Toronto), Fr. Michael Busch, as he hosts a 12-day trip to the "spiritual heart" of Germany and Austria, which includes the world famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, first presented in 1634 and only performed every ten years. The trip includes German and Austrian cities, historic sites, and the Austrian Alps. Booking is required by March 30. For more information, please phone the parish office: 416-364-0234 or contact Ely Chavez at Mega Travel Inc: 416-290-6088 or email: megatravel@rogers.com

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading Isaiah 43: 16-21

The Lord is doing something new for his people.

Psalm 126

A song in praise of the Lord's marvelous deeds

Second Reading Philippians 3: 8-14

Paul says that he counts all things as lot and focuses on one goal, Christ.

Gospel John 8: 1-11

The Gospel for the fifth Sunday of Lent continues to offer lessons about God's mercy and forgiveness. Last Sunday we heard the Parable of the Prodigal Son from the Gospel of Luke. Today we hear not a parable, but the report from John's Gospel of an encounter among Jesus, the scribes and Pharisees, and a woman caught in adultery. Having had gospel readings from Luke for many Sundays now, we might be surprised that this Sunday gospel is from the Gospel of John. All is not as it seems. This gospel story, although found in John, is very similar to stories in the synoptic gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke. It is absent from some ancient copies of John, and has long been considered an insertion into John's gospel. It is, nevertheless, reliable gospel tradition, but comes from an unknown source. The early Christians deliberately put down in writing all the traditions about Jesus they had received. The theme of forgiveness is prominent, as on previous Sundays. Jesus is being tested, as so often by the religious leaders of his day. The matter of fidelity to the Law of Moses is raised in a dramatic way. The actions of Jesus are eloquent. He crouches down to write on the ground, turning away from judgement and condemnation. He then 'stands up' to deliver words of forgiveness, words which restore her life to the woman and allow her to rise up. Words of forgiveness empower us to stand erect, and to accept the challenge not to sin again. Am I prepared to understand and pardon the sinner? Do I value the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a way of receiving for me the new future offered to the woman in the gospel passage? We pray for readiness to seek the forgiveness of Christ. We pray for all those trapped in lifestyles of abuse. "Whichever one of you has committed no sin may throw the first stone." Everything is meant for our good: even sin. Once we confront the sin in ourselves, there is no room for arrogance anymore, no room to be judgmental of others. Sin, if we admit it in ourselves, frees us to be kind, to be merciful, to be humble.



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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.