



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

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***Sixth Sunday of Easter***  
**May 9, 2010**

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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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**Lectors' Leaders**

5:00 p.m. Mass – George Assing

9:30 a.m. Mass – Jay Hunt

11:30 a.m. Mass – Michael Murray

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## **MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH SCHEDULE**

Saturday, May 8

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

- Peace and good health in the Phan family  
(by Marie, Marguerite Phan)

Sunday, May 9

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

- Prayers and blessings for Bobby McDonald  
(by Martin & Joanne Elsaesser)

- Noelle Bennett +

(by John Collins & Hazel Martin)

- In honour of Padre Pio

(by Carmela Filice)

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

Monday, May 10

**No Mass**

Tuesday, May 11

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

Wednesday, May 12

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

Thursday, May 13

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

Friday, May 14

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

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**1. SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE:** Please note the parish's summer schedule for Sunday Obligation for the months of July and August: Saturdays at 5pm and Sundays at 10am only.

**2. POPE BENEDICT XVI'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY:** *General Prayer:* "That the shameful and monstrous commerce in human beings, which sadly involves millions of women and children, may be ended". *Mission Intention:* "That ordained ministers, religious women and men, and lay people involved in apostolic work may understand how to infuse missionary enthusiasm into the communities entrusted to their care".

**3. DIOCESAN WEEK FOR LIFE:** Pro-Life Sunday is May 9, the day set aside to promote the Church teachings on critical life issues. The sanctity of all human life is proclaimed in our parishes and the special Pro-Life Sunday pamphlet including a statement by Archbishop Prendergast is made available in the churches. The annual **NATIONAL MARCH for LIFE** is on May 13. Please see Mr. James Wilson, our parish pro-life representative for further details.

**4. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The sacrament of First Holy Communion for students attending Prince of Peace School and the parish will be held on Sunday, May 16, at the 11:30 am Mass. Please pray for these children and their families.

**5. HOW TO REQUEST ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:** For those who are not familiar with how to request a mass intention, the process is quite simple. You may call our parish office (613-733-1553) or email your request (stpeters@inbox.com) or drop a note indicating the date you would like for the mass intention, which mass time -- if it is a Sunday -- and whom the intention is for (name). If you wish, we have Mass cards that can be given to family members. The offering for a Mass is \$15.00. You may pay this at the time of request or by taking a white Mass intention envelope at the main entrance of the church. Fill out all the information that is needed with payment and kindly drop in the Mass Intention Slot in the sacristy.

**6. MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY,** when Catholics traditionally focus on Mary, the Mother of Jesus. The practice dates back at least 700 years and is still observed around the world today. May is seen as the beginning of new life and the start of summer, which makes this a logical time for the celebrations of Mary, who brought life into the world. This month of devotions in the church calendar is characterized by special hymns and the use of flowers, which bring nature into the church. There are several Marian feast days in May, including Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Parishioners here at St. Peter's are invited to bring flowers for the Altar during the month of May, and please consider joining St. Peter's Legion of Mary. The legion meets every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the church board room.

**Please pray for the following:**

Bishop Ernest Leger, 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

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**THE LIVING ROSARY:** Celebrated May 13, 7:00 p.m., at The Good Shepherd Parish (3092 Innes Rd.). Together, pray in tribute to the Blessed Virgin Mary and commemorate Pro-Life Week.

**SHEPHERDS OF GOOD HOPE FOUNDATION 6TH ANNUAL HUNGER BANQUET:** Guest Speakers: Archbishop Terrence Prendergast & Rabbi Reuven Bulka. Hellenic Centre, 1315 Prince of Wales Drive; Tues., May 18, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Tickets: \$60/person or table of 10 for \$500. Info & tickets: (613-789-8210); Judy Stilwell, ext. 223 (judy@shepherdsforgoodhope.com); Rob Eady, ext. 229 (rob@shepherdsforgoodhope.com). Free parking.

**YOUTH SUMMIT/MONTEE JEUNESSE:** May 21-24, 2010 (www.youthsummit.ca): Only 2 weeks left to register for this bilingual youth event. Open to all young adults aged 17-35 who wish to deepen their faith and live it actively. Highlights include prayer, workshops, music and a Eucharistic Procession to Parliament Hill! If you are unable to participate in the event, please consider joining the Eucharistic Procession, Christian Concert, or Closing Mass. For tickets or info: (613-728-5025, ext. 229); (youthsummit@archottawa.ca).

**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).

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**EASTER REFLECTION**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**First Reading,** Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29

The early Church community determines, with the help of the Holy Spirit, not to impose the requirement of circumcision on Gentile Christians.

**Psalms 67**

A prayer that all the nations sing praise to God

**Second Reading,** Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

The vision of the splendor of the heavenly Jerusalem is described.

**Gospel,** John 14:23-29

Jesus promises his disciples that the Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit.

As our celebration of the Easter season is coming to an end, the liturgy reminds us that Jesus remains with us through the Holy Spirit, who teaches us everything we need to know, reminds us of all that Jesus taught, and brings us peace. As in last week's gospel, we read this Sunday from the words of Jesus at the Last Supper in the Gospel of John, the so-called 'farewell discourse'. The theme of 'love' emerges again, not the love of one disciple for another, but the disciple's love for Jesus. Love for Jesus brings down the love of the Father. This love is shown by 'keeping the word' of Jesus, and keeping the word of Jesus is keeping the word of the Father who sent him. Jesus draws us into intimacy with the Father. What was stated in the very first chapter of the gospel is explained, that the only-begotten Son has made the unseen God known (1:18). Fidelity to the word of Christ is not easy. Aware that the disciples will need assistance to recall and practise his word, Jesus promises that the Holy Spirit 'will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said'. To live as Christians requires this remembering of all that Jesus said and did, but also openness to the new insights provided by the Spirit, who is constantly active in the Church. The Spirit is given the name 'Advocate', in Greek parakletos, which means one who is 'called alongside', one who is called to assist. John alone uses this term for the action of the Spirit. The final verses speak of 'peace', the peace that the world cannot give. The departure of Jesus to the Father 'who is greater than I' should not undermine the peace of the disciples, for they already know the Father's closeness through Jesus.

What does it mean to keep the word of Christ? How do we know the closeness of the Father?

We pray for those who preach Christ's word. We pray that we may be receptive to the work of the Spirit, called to assist us by Jesus.

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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.

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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."*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.