

St. Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic Church

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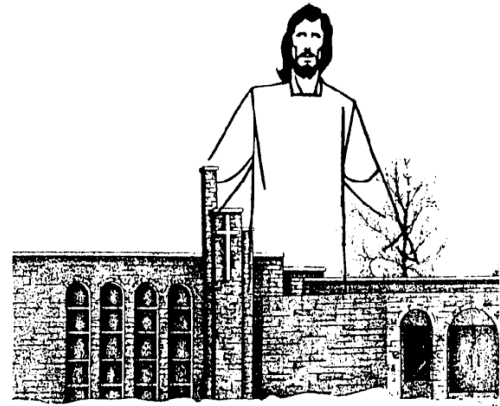
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Baptism

A program of preparation is required. Parents are asked to contact the Parish Office prior to the birth of their child. Adults wishing baptism are asked to contact the Parish Office.

Marriage

Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. A preparation course is required.

Visitation of the Sick

If any member of your family is sick at home or in the hospital, please call and let us know. If you are confined to home, and would like to receive Communion on Sunday, please call the Office before 3:00 pm on Thursday.

Prayers for the Sick

If you or any member of your family is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish office to place that person on our prayer list.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Mass Schedule

For Weekday Mass Schedule please see inside bulletin.

Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:00 - 3:30pm; or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Wednesday of each month 9:30 am-5:00 pm.

Children's Liturgy

Each Sunday at the 9:00 am Mass from September to June. All children (beginning from Jr. Kindergarten) are welcome.

Welcome to St. Peter's

We warmly welcome new parishioners to our parish. You are asked to register by completing a registration form. Forms are available in the Entrance or from the Parish Office.



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First Sunday of Lent – March 9, 2025

“Engaging in challenges on our Lenten journey can help us prepare to carry our own cross.”

MASS INTENTIONS:

Mon, Mar 10	7pm	Int of Isabel Mihajic & Family by Lorraine Downey & Greg Godin
Tues, Mar 11	9am	Kevin O’Brien+ by the Downey family
Wed, Mar 12	9am	Leo Carriere+ by Yvette (wife) & family
Thurs, Mar 13	9am	Lila Legault+ by Doreen Primeau
Fri, Mar 14	9am	Maxine Kennedy Marcotte+ by Shirley & Jack Marcotte
Sat, Mar 15	4pm	Guido Lavalley+ by Blayne & Michele Watson Maria Caliciuri+ by Louise & Joe Defonzo
Sun, Mar 16	9am	Virginia Repaci+ by Domenic & family Gerard Lefebvre+ by Jerome & Barb Lefebvre
	11am	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis



PRAYER LINE: *In sorrow and suffering, go straight to God with confidence, and you will be strengthened, enlightened and instructed.* If you or any member of your family, or anyone you know, is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish Office to place that person on our prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Marcel Desbiens, Ron Aultman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: Maxine Kennedy Marcotte+

SCRIPTURE READINGS Mar 10 – Mar 16, 2025	
Monday	Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32
Thursday	Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14; Matthew 7:7-12
Friday	Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26
Saturday	Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matt 5:43-48
Sunday	Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 Luke 9:28b-36

Second Sunday of Lent

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025

First Sunday of Lent

“Do not put the Lord your God to the test.” (Lk 4:12)

Lent is a good time to recover the joy and hope that makes us feel like beloved sons and daughters of the Father.



“God’s dream makes its home and lives in each one of us so that at every Easter, in every Eucharist we celebrate, we may be the children of God.

Lent is a time of conversion.

Every day this dream is

continually threatened by the father of lies. Lent is a time for letting our eyes be opened to the frequent injustices which stand in direct opposition to the dream and the plan of God.

It is a time to unmask three great temptations that wear down and fracture the image which God wanted to form in us. Wealth, vanity & pride – the three temptations which seek to corrode, destroy and extinguish the joy and freshness of the Gospel and lock us into a cycle of destruction and sin.

To what degree are we aware of these temptations in our live - in our very selves? We must affirm that we have chosen Jesus, not the evil one. For this reason, the Church gives us the gift of this Lenten season and invites us to conversion.

“You are my God and in you I trust”.. Feb. 14, 2016

“May the maternal intercession of the Virgin Mary, icon of faithfulness to God, sustain us in our journey, helping us to always reject evil and welcome good.”

Sunday March 2, 2025	\$2 407.00
Building Fund balance to date	\$198 963.78
Building Fund Goal:	\$200 000
Turkey Dinner – December 1, 2024	\$10 012.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!



2025 Envelopes are ready to be picked up. Please call the Church office – 705-472-1817

Lenten Day of Confessions

Wednesday April 2, 2025

10-00am - 8:00pm

Priests Available all day

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“Return to me with all your heart.”



The month of March is dedicated to:
St. Joseph

St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.



Pope Francis – March Prayer Intention



For Families in Crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.



1. Fast from HURTING WORDS → and SAY KIND WORDS
2. Fast from SADNESS → and BE FILLED WITH GRATITUDE
3. Fast from ANGER → and BE FILLED WITH PATIENCE
4. Fast from PESSIMISM → and BE FILLED WITH HOPE
5. Fast from WORRIES → and HAVE TRUST IN GOD
6. Fast from COMPLAINTS → and CONTEMPLATE SIMPLICITY
7. Fast from PRESSURES → and BE PRAYERFUL
8. Fast from BITTERNESS → & FILL YOUR HEARTS WITH JOY
9. Fast from SELFISHNESS → and BE COMPASSIONATE
10. Fast from GRUDGES → and BE RECONCILED
11. Fast from WORDS → and BE SILENT AND LISTEN



24 Hours for the Lord: March 28, 2025
In this Jubilee Year, the 12th edition of "24 Hours for the Lord," a Lenten initiative of prayer and reconciliation introduced by

*Pope Francis, will be celebrated in dioceses around the world. The 24 Hours for the Lord was begun in 2014. As with previous editions, the event will take place on the eve of the Fourth Sunday of Lent, from Friday 28 March to Saturday 29 March. It is an annual worldwide Lenten initiative for Catholics to receive the mercy of God through Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For this edition, within the Jubilee of 2025, particularly dedicated to Hope, the motto chosen by the Holy Father is taken from the words of the Psalmist, "You are my hope" (Ps. 71:5).
<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>*



The Way of the Cross

All are welcome to join us Fridays in Lent at @ 6pm.

We look forward to praying with you!!

Watch: The Chosen (Season 2)



All are welcome to join us Fridays in Lent @ 6:30pm after the Stations of the Cross. We look forward to spending the evening with you!

THIS WEEK

- Tues March 11 **6:00PM** – Social Life Committee
- Wed March 12 **9:30AM** – Rosary Cenacle
12:00PM – CWL (Executive)
2:00PM – CWL (General)
6:30PM – Knights 1007
- Thursday March 13 **1:30PM** – Choir Practice (11AM)
6:30PM – Choir Practice (9AM)
- Friday March 14 **6:00PM** – Stations of the Cross
Followed by *The Chosen Season 2 (Hall)*
6:30PM – NO Youth Choir Practice!
- Saturday March 15 **3:00PM** – Confession



Join us for a **St. Patrick's Day Potluck Dinner & Party** – St. Peter's Parish Hall on March 15th @ 5pm! (After the 4pm Mass)

Enjoy an evening of Irish fun including games, food and fellowship. Hope to see you there! Bring your favourite food and join in the fun! All are welcome – even those without a food item!

CWL NEWS:

Why belong to the Catholic Women's League?

If you only knew the courage of Catholic Women's League members. In the 1920's, Winnifred Fulton travelled by horseback to start more than 30 councils. Today we continue to carry the message of faith, service, and social justice to women across Canada and internationally. **Pack your courage! Your place is among us.** For more information contact Christine Osborne at 705-303-3808. Our next general gathering, will be on **Wednesday, March 12th at 2 pm** in the parish hall.



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A signature to Turn Debt into Hope

2025 is a Jubilee year - a year in which Pope Francis invites us to "forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them." (Spes non confundit, 16).


Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is responding to this call through the global Turn Debt into Hope campaign. Join our campaign at devp.org/lent. **Solidarity Sunday collection is on April 6th.** Your generosity helps support over 79 projects in 34 countries around the world!

LENTEN RETREAT 2025- The Canadian Catholic Conference of Bishops welcomes all to join in a video series titled Journey Through Lent. **Beginning on Ash Wednesday, 5 March 2025, and for each Sunday in Lent, a video will be uploaded to the CCCB website featuring pastoral reflections.** This series is designed for individuals, families, and communities, providing spiritual inspiration and guidance on how to prepare for the Easter season. <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent/> or www.cccb.ca



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