

# St. Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic Church

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**Pastor - Father Francis Chidi Ezenezi**

Administrative Assistant - Dawn Marie Duffy

Permanent Deacons

Deacon M. Ketter

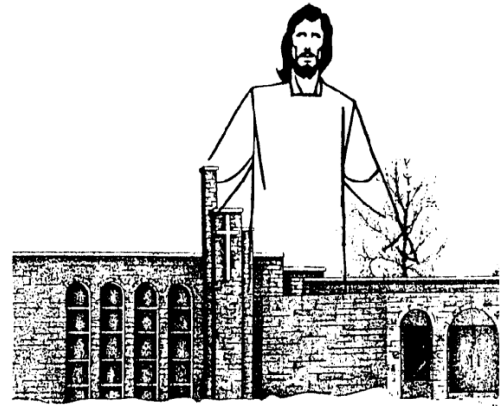
Deacon A. Lamothe

Diocesan Order of Women

Mrs. D. Ketter

Mrs. B. Lamothe

Mrs. P. Porter



## 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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# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 23, 2025

“Jesus teaches us to see others as God sees them.”

## MASS INTENTIONS:

<b>Mon, Feb 24</b>	<b>9am</b>	Intentions of Ted Leduc with Prayers for Healing by Nancy Tremblay
<b>Tues, Feb 25</b>	<b>9am</b>	Yvette Fournier+ by Theresa Taillefer
<b>Wed, Feb 26</b>	<b>9am</b>	Emile Turgeon+ by Theresa & Nestor Crawford
<b>Thurs, Feb 27</b>	<b>9am</b>	Lila Legault+ by Doreen Primeau
<b>Fri, Feb 28</b>	<b>9am</b>	In Thanksgiving for Favours Received by Lilianne <b>Sacrament of the Sick</b>
<b>Sat, Mar 1</b>	<b>4pm</b>	Trevor Cranney+ by Nancy Tremblay Andre & Simonne Martin+ by Marcelle Beaulieu
<b>Sun, Mar 2</b>	<b>9am</b>	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis
	<b>11am</b>	Intentions of Pat Vecchio & Family by Colleen & Bart Hutson Vic Pettella+ by Maria Miscio

**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, Melinda Scarfone

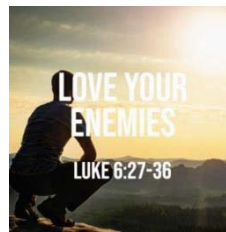
**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:**

### SCRIPTURE READINGS Feb 24 – Mar 2, 2025

Monday	Sirach 1:1-10; Mark 9:14-29
Tuesday	Sirach 2:1-11; Mark 9:30-37
Wednesday	Sirach 4:11-19; Mark 9:38-40
Thursday	Sirach 5:1-8; Mark 9:41-50
Friday	Sirach 6:5-17; Mark 10:1-12
Saturday	Sirach 17:1-4, 6-8, 10-15; Mark 10:13-16
Sunday	Sirach 27:4-7 1Corinthians 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45 <i>Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2025

### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Love your enemies.....Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.” (Lk 6:35-36)  
This is not optional, it is a command.  
“Jesus is well aware that loving enemies exceeds our possibilities, but this is why He became man - to transform us into men and women

capable of a greater love. This is the love that Jesus gives to those who ‘hear Him’. Thus it becomes possible! With Him, thanks to His love, to His Spirit, we are able to love even those who do not love us, even those who do us harm.

Jesus wants God’s love to triumph over hatred and rancour in every heart. Those who hear Jesus, who make an effort to follow Him even at a cost, become children of God, and begin to truly resemble the Father who is in Heaven. We become capable of things we never thought we could say or do, and of which we would have been rather ashamed, but which now give us joy and peace instead. And thus we do not brag about it but are grateful for it.

To respond to insult and wrongdoing with love, has created a new culture in the world: “a culture of mercy”. If our hearts are open to mercy, if we seal forgiveness with a brotherly/sisterly embrace and secure the bonds of communion, we proclaim to the world that it is possible to overcome evil with good. This is the revolution of mercy.” Feb. 24, 2019

Sunday February 16, 2025 \$1 693.75  
Building Fund balance to date \$198 453.78

**Building Fund Goal: \$200 000**

Thank you for your generous contributions!



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



**Reminder: Lent begins March 5<sup>th</sup>! \*A Reminder that Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting &**

**Abstinence from Meat\* for those who are 14 yrs & Older**  
All are encouraged to also do a special penance on this day.



**Coffee Sunday! Sunday Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>!**  
Reminder to bring your goodies at the beginning of Mass! We will see you there!

**The month of February is dedicated to:  
The Holy Family**

4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 1 Corinthians 13



**Pope Francis – February  
Prayer Intention**

**For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life**

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubt of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



**2024 Donations - Thank You!**

Dear Parishioners,  
On behalf of the members of the Parish Finance Committee, we wish to express our unreserved gratitude to you for your thoughtfulness, support, generosity and your continued commitment to our parish in 2024.

It is wonderful to witness the good work that is done when so many hands are joined together to spread the Gospel and give witness to the good work of Jesus in our Christian community and in the world.

All of us are called to share our gifts with one another and our Church community. Please consider donating:

- 1) Sunday Envelopes
- 2) Online Giving: [canadahelps.org](http://canadahelps.org) (Church of St. Peter the Apostle)
- 3) e-Transfers: [stpeters@cogeco.net](mailto:stpeters@cogeco.net)
- 4) Pre-Authorized Donations

Wishing you abundant blessings in 2025.

Rev. Francis Ezenezi



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**Jubilee of Deacons: February 21 - 23, 2025** Permanent Deacons, together with their families, are especially invited to this jubilee event. At the very heart of the diaconate: to be a

servant of the mysteries of Christ and, at one and the same time, to be a servant of their brothers and sisters. Deacons embrace the ministry of word, ministry of liturgy, and works of charity which, in their turn, are carried into daily life.

<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>

**CWL NEWS:**

**Why belong to the Catholic Women's League?**

The gifts we have are made valuable only by sharing them with others. Your gifts are gratefully accepted by the Catholic Women's League where members willingly share the good things God has given them.

We can't wait to meet you! **Come, join us!**

For more information contact **Christine Osborne** at 705-303-3808.



**THIS WEEK**

Sunday Feb 23 **9AM & 11AM COFFEE SUNDAY**  
\*\*\*\*\*NEEDY COLLECTION\*\*\*\*\*

Tues Feb 25 **7:00PM** – Liturgy Committee

Wed Feb 26 **9:30AM** – Rosary Cenacle

Thursday Feb 27 **9AM-9PM ELECTIONS ONTARIO**  
**1:30PM** – Choir Practice (11AM)  
**6:30PM** – Choir Practice (9AM)

Friday Feb 28 **6:30PM** – Youth Choir Practice

Saturday March 1 **3:00PM** – CONFESSION

Sunday March 2 **9AM & 11AM**

**FREE BREAKFAST** – St. Peter's Knight's of Columbus



**Catholic Girls League Retreat: Preparing our Hearts for Lent** - Calling all girls ages 11-17! **Saturday, March 1st - 10:00AM – 3:00PM** St Joseph's Mother House - McColgan Room – **All costs are sponsored - Lunch will be included**


Facilitated by Father Joseph de Viveiros. Be Ready to Grow Closer to God and Make Lasting Friendships! **ALL MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE PLEASE**

[katielaporte04@gmail.com](mailto:katielaporte04@gmail.com)

**Free Breakfast – Sunday March 2nd!**



St. Peter's Knights of Columbus wish to invite all to a pancake breakfast this **Sunday March 2nd** in the St. Peter's Parish hall after the **9am & 11am Masses**. **Free will offering.** The menu includes delicious eggs, homefries, sausages, fruit & beverages. We look forward to seeing you!!

 St. Peter the Apostle Youth Choir  
Calling all youth, ages 8+yrs!  
Join us for singing, fun, and friendship!

**February 28 @ 6:30 PM**

Meet new friends, and enjoy a fun evening together.  
Special Treat: Once a month, we'll have a fun activity!  
We can't wait to see you there!

**The Way of the Cross**

All are welcome to join us **Fridays in Lent** at @ **6:00pm.**

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!



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