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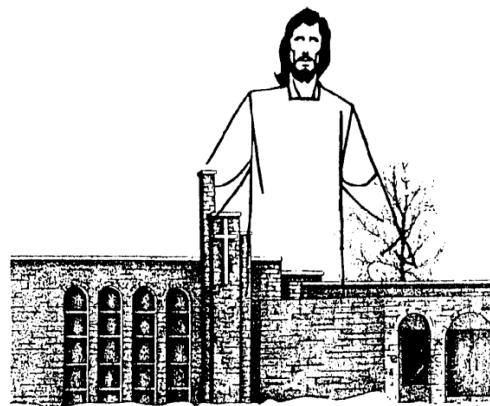
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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Mass Schedule

For Weekday Mass Schedule please see inside bulletin.

Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30pm; or by appointment.

By appointment only from May to August.

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.

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.



PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS



Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 15, 2026

“You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord!”

MASS INTENTIONS:



Mon, Mar 16	9am	Maria Caliciuri+ by Marcelle Beaulieu
Tues, Mar 17	9am	Dorothy Aultman+ by Lorena & Denis Armellini
Wed, Mar 18	9am	Intentions of Anna Tremblay by Bob & Christine Miller Intentions of Laurel Birtch & Family by Bob & Christine Miller
Thurs, Mar 19	9am	Evelyn McLellan+ by Nestor & Theresa Crawford
Fri, Mar 20	9am	Joan Arthur+ by Suzanne Lukasik
Sat, Mar 21	9am	Laurene (Whigham) Smith+ by the Aultman brothers & families
	4pm	Hinscherger Family+ by Dan Clement Blair Fowler+ by Lorraine Downey & Greg Godin
Sun, Mar 22	9am	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis
	11am	Giuseppe & Giovanna Repaci+ by Domenic Lidia Vecchio-Hicks+ by Pat & Mary Vecchio & family

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: Len Weisflock, Victor Veltri, Shawn Prevost, Tony Saini

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: Blair Fowler+ (Brother of Pat Graham)

SCRIPTURE READINGS Mar 16 – Mar 22, 2026

Monday	Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54
Tuesday	Ezekiel 47:1-9,12; John 5:1-16
Wednesday	Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:16-30
Thursday	2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22 Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a <i>St. Joseph</i> <i>(Principal Patron of Canada)</i>
Friday	Wisdom 2:1a,12-22; John 7:1-2,10,25-30
Saturday	Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53
Sunday	Ezekiel 37:12-14 Romans 8:8-11 John 11:1-45 <i>Development & Peace</i> <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent

“I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.”



John 9:39

Today, the Gospel depicts Jesus giving sight to a man blind from birth (cf. Jn 9:1-41).

“In this Gospel we see the good human heart, the tepid human heart, the fearful

human heart, the courageous human heart.

The only person who reacts well is the blind man. Happy to see, he testifies to what happened to him in the simplest way: “I was blind, now I see” (v. 25). He tells the truth. Now free in body and spirit, he bears witness to Jesus. He neither invents nor hides anything. “I was blind and now I see”.

He is not afraid of what the others will say.

It always happens when Jesus heals us. He gives us back our dignity. The dignity of the healing of Jesus is complete. It is a dignity that comes forth from the depths of the heart. This dignity takes hold of one’s entire life.

Like the blind man, do we know how to see the good and to be grateful for the gifts we receive? Do we bear witness to Jesus, or do we spread criticism and suspicion instead? Are we happy to say that Jesus loves us, that He saves us, or, like the parents of the man born blind, do we allow ourselves to be caged in by the fear of what others will think?

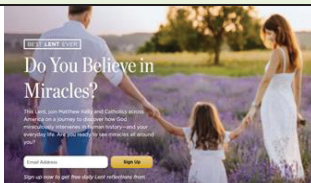
Let us ask for the grace to be surprised every day by God’s gifts. To see each circumstance of life as an occasion to do good – as Jesus did with the blind man.” Mar 19, 2023

Sunday March 8, 2026 \$2 164.60
Building Fund balance to date \$41 180.32



Building Fund Goal: \$100 000
Thank you for your generous contributions!

2026 Envelopes are ready to be picked up. Please call the Church office for more information: 705-472-1817

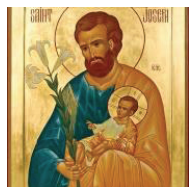


Best Lent Ever! 2026:

[HTTPS://WWW.DYNAMICCATHOLIC.COM/LENT.HTML](https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html)

Feast of *St. Joseph* March 19, 2026

Memorare to St. Joseph



Remember O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who implored your help and sought your intercession was left unassisted. Full of confidence in your power I fly unto you and beg your protection. Despire not O Guardian of the

Redeemer my humble supplication, but in your bounty, hear and answer me. Amen.



ALMSGIVING → LOVE OF NEIGHBOUR

You are to love your neighbour as yourself. The Church teaches that Lent is a time of almsgiving (giving).

Of course the first thing a materialistic

society thinks of when they hear the subject of giving is money. But, almsgiving means giving your time, your energy, your talent – giving, sharing, sacrificing. Almsgiving is related to loving your neighbour as yourself. That is why the Church wants you to give alms.

The Way of the Cross

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

We look forward to praying with you!!



THIS WEEK

Sunday March 15 **9:00AM – NO First Communion**

Wed March 18 **9:30AM** – Rosary Cenacle
1:30PM – Knights – 4th Degree

Thursday March 19 **11:30AM** – Choir Practice (11AM)
6:30PM – Choir Practice (9AM)

Friday March 20 **6:00PM** – **Stations of the Cross**
6:30PM – NO Youth Choir Practice

Saturday March 21 **3:00PM** – **CONFESSION**

Sunday March 22 **9:00AM** – **NO First Communion**

St. Peter the Apostle Youth Choir

Calling all youth, ages 8+yrs!

Join us for singing, fun, and friendship!

March 27, 2026 @ 6:30 PM

Meet new friends, and enjoy a fun evening together.

We can't wait to see you there!



CWL News : THANK YOU, WE DID IT! CONGRATULATIONS!

Our participation in the Petition on Bill C-218 has been successful. The Churches in our area that participated in this campaign were Pro Cathedral of the Assumption, Holy Name of Jesus, St Alphonsus de Liguori and St. Peter the Apostle. I am pleased to report that collectively we submitted 607 signatures. Great work everyone in making our voices heard! These signatures have now been submitted to our MP Pauline Rochefort office. Shirlene Condie-McVeigh
Diocesan Social Justice Chairperson

Pope Leo – March Prayer Intention



For Disarmament and Peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network:

Join us monthly in praying with Pope Leo:

<https://www.popesprayer.va/praywiththepope/>

Invitation to Chrism Mass 2026

Bishop Thomas Dowd invites all the faithful of the Diocese to the Chrism Mass celebrated on

Wednesday, March 25, 2026 @ 7:00 pm. at the Precious Blood Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie..



Morning Eucharistic Adoration

Join us for Weekday Adoration during Lent!

8:00–9:00 AM — Adoration

9:00 AM — Mass

***Adoration on 9 AM Weekday Mass days only.

Monday-Saturday @ 9am***



Sunday March 15, 2026 marks the **Second Scrutiny of Christian Initiation**. Please pray for our Catechumens, Regan, Meagan, Callum; and Danica. Kelsey, Maria and Adriaan are our candidates. They will be welcomed into the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil on **Saturday April 4, 2026.**



First Communion:

A reminder to our students and families: The sacrament of First Communion will be celebrated at St Peter's on Sunday, **April 12th, 2026 @ 11am.** Please pray for our candidates.



On Track for Justice – from father to daughter

Last year, after a 20 year struggle, 312 families affected by industrial pollution moved to the new, cleaner, safer village of Piquia da Conquista. The support of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, Justiça nos Trilhos (JnT), made this relocation possible for 1,300 people. Donate: devp.org/lent.



Easter Memorial Donations

In honour and remembrance of our loved ones this Easter we are accepting donations for the decorating of the Church for our Easter Celebration. Please place all

donations into an envelope and label: **In Remembrance of:**

Donated By: _____

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All donations due: St Peter the Apostle March 29, 2026. A list of names will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Income tax receipts will be issued for all donations with an address / envelope#.



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