



PASTOR FEEDBACK SURVEY

7 MINUTES

The Archdiocese of Vancouver invites you to participate in a feedback survey to support your pastor's growth as a spiritual leader

The survey will ask you about his:

STRENGTHS

AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

HOMILIES

AND OVERALL LEADERSHIP OF THE PARISH

BEGIN SURVEY



Your response will be anonymous

Take the Pastor Feedback Survey

The Archdiocese of Vancouver is conducting a survey in our parish to help Father Ron enhance his spiritual leadership. The survey will ask for your feedback on his strengths, areas for improvement, and specific topics such as his homilies, community building, and overall leadership. We encourage all parishioners to participate. The survey is anonymous and only takes about 7 minutes to complete. To participate, simply scan the QR code below or use the link. Your input is helpful. Thank you for your participation!

LEAVE A LEGACY

By remembering Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in your will, you leave a legacy in a place you love. Consider a bequest to the Parish Building Fund. This will enhance the Church's mandate to sanctify and teach as we enter into our 2nd 100 years of service. May our Lord reward you in this life and in the next.

2025 Sunday Offering Made Easy by Direct Deposit or Credit Card

Thank you for your interest in Sts. Peter & Paul Parish's Sunday Offering Plan. This plan allows you to give your Sunday Offering on a monthly basis by direct deposit or credit card. It is the most convenient way to make your Sunday Offering. Your commitment to give this way also ensures that your Sunday Offering reaches us even if you are away or not able to come to our Parish in person. Instead of giving weekly, your Sunday Offerings would be simplified to one monthly donation. For more information, take the **PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATION BROCHURE**. 2025 PAD forms are now available from website and vestibule.

FORMED® New Formed Program

To aid our parishioners' want and need for Catholic Resource, we are pleased to announce that we have set up, with the Augustine Institute, the new Formed program. This resource is **free** for parishioners of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish. All you have to do is sign up online via your computer or smart devices with the app. Steps for parishioners to register for free on FORMED:

- Go to "www.formed.org"
- Type "Saints Peter & Paul Vancouver" to find and click on our Parish **Saints Peter & Paul 1425 W 39th Ave. Vancouver, BC V6M 1T2**
- Click "Next"
- Type first and last name as well as your email and click "Sign Up"



SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH



Archdiocese of Vancouver

Archbishop: Most Rev
Richard W. Smith

PASTOR: FATHER RON THOMPSON

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CHURCH LOCATION: 1430 West 38th Avenue

PARISH OFFICE PHONE: 604-261-3535

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

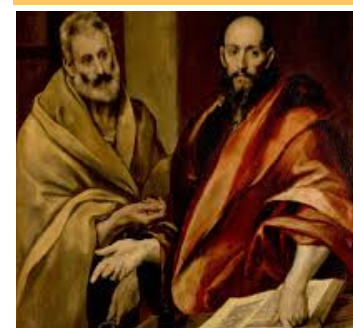
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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPT. 28TH 2025



Welcome Visitors! New Parishioners!

We are pleased to have you pray with us at Saints Peter and Paul. We hope you enjoy your visit to our beautiful Church. Please introduce yourself after Mass to Father Ron and parishioners; we would like to meet you!



Fr. Ron Thompson Please Note:

All requests of the Pastor are kindly asked to be made by phone during office hours, not by email. Thank you.

ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do Thou, o Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Sunday Mass: Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

Sunday Vespers & Benediction: 3:30 pm

Weekday Mass: Monday: 8:00 am, Tuesday: 4:00 pm, Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 am

Saturdays and Civic Holidays: 9:00 am

Also First Fridays: Adoration: 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm, with Benediction: 3:45 pm, 2nd Mass: 4:00 pm

East Side Adoration Chapel is Open: Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Confessions: Wednesday - Friday: 8:30 am, and Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Marriage: By Appointment -- Notify 8 Months in Advance

SUNDAY READINGS: TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The prophets Jeremiah and Ezekiel introduced a new insight. It is not only the nation a whole that must make moral choices and suffer their consequences. Every person must decide to obey or disobey the word of God spoken in the Law and the prophets; and every person must take the consequences. In that sense, judgment belongs to the one who makes the choice, not to the God who accepts it. We are fair or unfair to ourselves.

Both prophet and evangelist remind us that no choice is definitive except the final one. The son may say one thing now and do another later. In fact, most of us have played both the first son and the second: we have made commitments we have not kept and kept commitments we had not made. Our lives are always in the making through the process of decision. Yet we shape ourselves gradually into one consistent pattern of obedience or disobedience by the choices we make.

The gospel, echoing many an Old Testament passage, suggests that is it not we alone who are affected by the outcome. In the parable, the man is father to both sons. In the story of Jesus, God parent to the chief priests and elders as well as to the tax collectors and prostitutes. He sends the word of salvation to them both. We can imagine the father standing at his door awaiting the return of both the sons he sent to the vineyard. And only one appears.

Whatever our past choices, today's message is clear: now is always the time to repent and believe. No one is so urgent about our decision as the God who has given us both the choice and the power make it in Christ Jesus. "Do I indeed derive any pleasure from the death of the wicked? Do I not rather rejoice when he turns from his evil way that he may live?" (Ezek. 18:23).

Trending this Week on Formed:



Sunday Donations

September 13 - 14, 2025

Sat. 5 pm \$540 from 23 envelopes = \$23.48 avg.

Sun. 9 am \$1110 from 41 envelopes = \$27.07 avg.

Sun. 11 am \$735 from 30 envelopes = \$24.50 avg.

Sun. 4 pm \$875 from 20 envelopes = \$43.75 avg.

Grand Total: \$3260 + \$575.25 loose = \$3835.25

September 20 - 21, 2025

Sat. 5 pm \$730 from 26 envelopes = \$28.08 avg.

Sun. 9 am \$965 from 30 envelopes = \$32.17 avg.

Sun. 11 am \$740 from 28 envelopes = \$26.43 avg.

Sun. 4 pm \$890 from 21 envelopes = \$42.38 avg.

Grand Total: \$3325 + \$398.30 loose = \$3723.30

In gratitude for your regular financial support!

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Inspiring Quotes from St. Therese of Lisieux

- 1. Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing.
- 2. True charity consists in bearing all our neighbour’s defects – not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues.
- 3. Do you realise that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you – for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart... Don’t listen to the demon; laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love.
- 4. In trial or difficulty I have recourse to Mother Mary, whose glance alone is enough to dissipate every fear.
- 5. If every flower wanted to be a rose, nature would lose her springtime beauty.
- 6. For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.
- 7. Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love.
- 8. I learned from experience that joy does not reside in the things about us, but in the very depths of the soul, that one can have it in the gloom of a dungeon as well as in the palace of a king.
- 9. The world’s thy ship and not thy home.
- 10. When I die, I will send down a shower of roses from the heavens, I will spend my heaven by doing good on earth.
- 11. Holiness consists simply in doing God’s will, and being just what God wants us to be.
- 12. The good God does not need years to accomplish His work of love in a soul; one ray from His Heart can, in an instant, make His flower bloom for eternity.
- 13. It pleases Him to create great Saints, who may be compared with the lilies or the rose; but He has also created little ones, who must be content to be daisies or violets, nestling at His feet to delight His eyes when He should choose to look at them. The happier they are to be as He wills, the more perfect they are.
- 14. A word or a smile is often enough to put fresh life in a despondent soul.
- 15. Jesus has chosen to show me the only way which leads to the Divine Furnace of love; it is the way of childlike self-surrender, the way of a child who sleeps, afraid of nothing, in its father’s arms.
- 16. Remember that nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with love.
- 17. A soul in a state of grace has nothing to fear of demons who are cowards.
- 18. Jesus, help me to simplify my life by learning what you want me to be and becoming that person.
- 19. My whole strength lies in prayer and sacrifice; these are my invincible arms; they can move hearts far better than words.
- 20. As Jesus had made me realize that the Cross was the means by which He would give me souls, the more often it came my way, the more suffering attracted me.
- 21. For a long time now I have not belonged to myself; I have given myself entirely to Jesus. He is free to do with me whatever He likes.
- 22. True love feeds on sacrifice and becomes more pure and strong the more our natural satisfaction is denied.
- 23. I can nourish myself on nothing but truth.
- 24. Only God can see what is in the bottom of our hearts; we are half-blind.
- 25. Jesus, help me to simplify my life by learning what you want me to be and becoming that person.

Free Estate and Memorial Planning Seminar:

Mark your Calendar:

Saturday Nov. 8th at 10 am here at Sts. Peter and Paul Church.

This free presentation provides general information about the importance of a will, choosing the right Executor, the Probate, the Power of Attorney, and the tax benefits of charitable giving, plus a few words on health care planning.

You will learn about the beauty of the funeral rite and formulating pre-need and funeral arrangements. You will receive a complimentary Estate and Memorial Planning Guide, online tools, and practical resources.

During this session, a short presentation on best practices for investments for income tax purposes will also be shared.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, Sept. 28th - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - Parishioners
MONDAY, Sept. 29th - St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael
8:00 am - Anselmo Reyes+
TUESDAY, Sept. 30th - St. Jerome +420
9:00 am Truth & Reconciliation - Suzanne Brenton+
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 1st - St. Therese of Lisieux +1897
8:00 am - Paul Fook-Bo Cheung+
THURSDAY, Oct 2nd - The Holy Guardian Angels
8:00 am - Fr. Pablo Santa Maria Watson
10:00 am - Vancouver College
FRIDAY, Oct. 3rd - Ferial
8:00 am - Special Intention
4:00 pm - Christine Angus+
SATURDAY, Oct. 4th - St. Francis of Assisi +1226
9:00 am - J. Thompson+
5:00 pm - Aurora Reyes+
(27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Sunday Solemn Sung Vespers and Benediction:
Vespers at 3:30 pm and Mass at 4 pm. Join us for prayer.

Note - Truth and Reconciliation Holiday:

Mass Tues. Sept. 30th is at 9 am.

Men’s Monthly Meeting:

Wed. Oct. 1st at 7 pm in the Church.

Join us for discussion and refreshments. Topic: Fake Facts: Artificial Intelligence and the Catholic Mind by Fr. Robert Spitzer SJ. We look forward to others attending!

First Friday Faith Studies:

Oct. 3rd at 10:30 am (Coffee at 10:15).

Anyone interested, both men and women, are invited to join us for discussion. Topic: Chris Stefanick’s Are you Going to Heaven? Here's What Jesus Said...

First Friday Benediction and 2nd Mass:

Oct. 3rd with Adoration at 12 noon to 4 pm, Benediction at 3:45 pm, and 2nd Mass at 4 pm.

Complimentary Water:

Available in the west vestibule fridge by St. Anne’s statue.

Project Advance:

You may also drop your pledge in the collection basket or in the mail anytime throughout the year.

Thank you for your support. It means a great deal.

Maintaining a Prayerful Environment:

Our parish’s pews and kneelers are 102 years old. Please lower/raise the kneelers ‘gingerly’ and handle these with gentle care. Thank you.

A Practical Note:

Especially during the homily, when children chatter, the back pews have easy access to the vestibule, walk over and take a seat there as needed. Thank you.

A “Yappy” Event:

Blessing of Animals Sun. Oct. 5th at 10 am on Front Porch.

Through the intercession of St. Francis, may the Lord bless us and “the creatures, great and small.”

RCIA Classes and Talks on the Faith

(This takes place in the Church): Tuesdays at 7-8 pm from Sept. 16th to Nov. 4th (8 wks).

All are welcome to learn more about the Faith and for the non-Catholics who want to become one.

Catechism Grade 1-7:

“PREP” Classes begin Tues. Sept. 23rd at 4:30-5:30 pm in the Church.

Registration forms (green) are available next to bulletin. For more info, please contact Parish office, Tues. - Fri. from 9 am - 3 pm.

The Door is Open:

Upcoming Door is Open Sundays: Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21

Our Parish Fundraiser Committee

has been Formed:

Upcoming news to be posted on the bulletin.

The Sacrament of Baptism:

Parents and Godparents are to be married in the Catholic Church, and parents need to be registered parishioners for at least 2 months.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples planning marriage (here or elsewhere) must contact the Parish Priest at least 8 months before the wedding. Must attend the Marriage Preparation Course and the Catholic is to be registered here, at least 6 months and regularly attending Mass here.

Blessing of Cars or Religious Articles:

Please see Father after any of the Sunday Masses.

Blessing of Homes:

Please contact the parish office.

East Side (Ramp) Door Adoration Chapel Open:

For private prayer from Tues. to Fri. 9 am to 3 pm. This is a place for private prayer and reading, not vocal prayers. If needed, the parish office washroom is available during these hours: enter outside to the west side of the Church - to the office.