



Trending this Week on Formed:



Sunday Donations August 23 - 24, 2025

Sat. 5 pm \$295 from 20 envelopes = \$14.75 avg.
Sun. 9 am \$1105 from 34 envelopes = \$32.50 avg.
Sun. 11 am \$1385 from 26 envelopes = \$53.27 avg.
Sun. 4 pm \$564.90 from 20 envelopes = \$28.25 avg.
Grand Total: \$3349.90 + \$407.45 loose = \$3757.35

August 30 - 31, 2025

Sat. 5 pm \$965 from 28 envelopes = \$34.46 avg.
Sun. 9 am \$1310 from 40 envelopes = \$32.75 avg.
Sun. 11 am \$530 from 22 envelopes = \$24.09 avg.
Sun. 4 pm \$565 from 18 envelopes = \$31.39 avg.
Grand Total: \$3370 + \$563.95 loose = \$3933.95

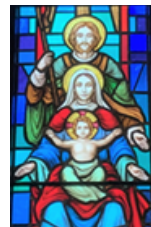
In gratitude for your regular financial support!

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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"



"I bet Noah had to keep the dogs and the cats in different rooms."

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

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Archdiocese of Vancouver

Archbishop: Most Rev
Richard W. Smith



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPT. 7TH 2025

Sunday Mass: Saturday: 5:00 pm

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

[**Sunday Vespers & Benediction:** 3:30 pm (Except Summer: July - Sept.)]

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 (Except Summer: July - Sept.)]

East Side 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:

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It is not an easy way of life that Jesus proposes to the "great crowd that was with Him." His words are not addressed to a select few, the professional religious people, but to all who would follow Him. He calls for radical renunciations. We must prefer nothing to the love of Christ, not even the strongest bonds of affection. To be His disciples, we must take up our cross and renounce everything.

Is this reasonable? We have become so reasonable that most of the time we no longer show any of that gospel audacity which marks the authentic disciple of Jesus. In a world where the conditions of life are dominated by the idols of materialism, Jesus' call demands heroic response. We are led to rediscover, in the gospel, the high cost of grace.

In the invitation to radical detachment, the issue is attachment to a person, Jesus. We become what we love. If we love money, we will become money. If we love Christ, we will become children of God.



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.

Pope Leo XIV to Altar Servers: "Mass is a serious, solemn moment. May the beauty of the liturgy, the order and majesty of the gestures draw the faithful." (con't...) There is certain proof that Jesus loves us and saves us: He gave His life for us by offering it on the cross. Indeed, there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for those one loves (cf. Jn 15:13). And this is the most wonderful thing about our Catholic faith, something that no one could have imagined or hoped for: God, the creator of heaven and earth, wanted to suffer and die for us, His creatures. God loved us to the point of death! To accomplish this, He came down from heaven, humbled Himself by becoming man, and offered Himself as a sacrifice on the cross, the most important event in the history of the world. What do we have to fear from such a God who loved us so much? What more could we hope for? What are we waiting for to love Him in return as He deserves? Gloriously resurrected, Jesus is alive with the Father, now caring for us and communicating His imperishable life to us.

And the Church, from generation to generation, carefully preserves the memory of the Lord's death and resurrection, of which she is a witness, as her most precious treasure. She preserves and transmits it by celebrating the Eucharist, which you have the joy and honor of serving. The Eucharist is the Treasure of the Church, the Treasure of Treasures. From the first day of its existence, and then for centuries, the Church has celebrated Mass, Sunday after Sunday, to remember what her Lord has done for her. In the hands of the priest and with his words, “This is my Body, this is my Blood,” Jesus still gives his life on the Altar, He still pours out his Blood for us today. Dear Altar Servers, the celebration of Mass saves us today! It saves the world today! It is the most important event in the life of a Christian and in the life of the Church, because it is the rendezvous where God gives himself to us out of love, again and again. Christians do not go to Mass out of duty, but because they absolutely need it; they need the life of God, who gives himself without return!

Dear friends, I thank you for your commitment: you are doing your parish a great and generous service, and I encourage you to persevere faithfully. When you approach the altar, always keep in mind the greatness and holiness of what is being celebrated. Mass is a time of celebration and joy. How, indeed, can we not have joy in our hearts in the presence of Jesus? But Mass is also a serious, solemn moment, marked by gravity. May your attitude, your silence, the dignity of your service, the beauty of the liturgy, the order and majesty of the gestures, draw the faithful into the sacred grandeur of the Mystery.

I also hope that you will be attentive to the call that Jesus may address to you to follow him more closely in the priesthood. I address myself to your young, enthusiastic, and generous consciences, and I am going to tell you something that you need to hear, even if it may cause you some concern: the shortage of priests in France and throughout the world is a great misfortune! A misfortune for the Church. May you, little by little, Sunday after Sunday, discover the beauty, the happiness, and the necessity of such a vocation. What a wonderful life that of the priest who, at the heart of each of his days, encounters Jesus in such an exceptional way and gives him to the world!

Dear Altar Servers, thank you once again for your visit. Your numbers and the faith that dwells within you are a great comfort, a sign of hope. Persevere courageously, and bear witness to those around you of the pride and joy that serving at Mass brings you.

I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing to you, your companions, your priests, and your families.

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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, Sept. 7th - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*
MONDAY, Sept. 8th - The Nativity of Blessed Mary
8:00 am - *Fr. Vincent Hawkswell*
TUESDAY, Sept. 9th - Ferial
4:00 pm - *Ken Huang+*
WEDNESDAY, Sept. 10th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Rose Sung Ching Lee+*
11:00 am Funeral Mass - *William Urquhart+*
THURSDAY, Sept. 11th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Howard Chan*
FRIDAY, Sept. 12th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Special Intention*
SATURDAY, Sept. 13th - St. John Chrysostom +407
9:00 am - *Fr. R. Mcleod+*
5:00 pm - *Christine Angus+*
(The Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

Solemn Sung Vespers and Benediction:

Resumes Sun. Sept. 14th at 3:30 pm.

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.

Men’s Monthly Meeting:

Resumes Wed. Oct. 1st at 7 pm.

First Friday Faith Studies:

Resumes Fri. Oct 3rd 10:30 am.

No First Friday Benediction and 2nd Mass:

This resumes Oct. 3rd.

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.

Housekeeping Note:

Even with good intentions to “share the good news,” please do not leave any pamphlets, leaflets, cards, etc. in the Church without the Pastor’s specific permission. Thank you for your understanding.

The Door is Open:

Clothing donations only; please, please please, do not drop off here except on the 3rd Sundays of every month. We have no storage space; unfortunately any donations at other times are discarded! Thank you for your careful cooperation!

This is much appreciated and needed.

If need be, use Value Village, etc. instead.

Upcoming Door is Open Sundays:

Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21

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 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 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.