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**Sunday Donations
May 9 - 10, 2026**

Sat. 5 pm \$695 from 25 envelopes = \$27.80 avg.
 Sun. 9 am \$958 from 34 envelopes = \$28.18 avg.
 Sun. 11 am \$530 from 23 envelopes = \$23.04 avg.
 Sun. 4 pm \$940 from 17 envelopes = \$55.29 avg.
 Grand Total: \$3123 + \$410.60 loose = \$3533.60

May 16 - 17, 2026

Sat. 5 pm \$605 from 23 envelopes = \$26.30 avg.
 Sun. 9 am \$1014 from 36 envelopes = \$28.17 avg.
 Sun. 11 am \$870 from 31 envelopes = \$28.06 avg.
 Sun. 4 pm \$655 from 20 envelopes = \$32.75 avg.
 Grand Total: \$3144 + \$441.50 loose = \$3585.50

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.

2026 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 unable 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**. 2026 PAD forms are available from the 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."



"Who wants to listen to me recite God's top ten commandments?"

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

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Archdiocese of Vancouver

Archbishop: Most Rev. Richard W. Smith D.D.

PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 24TH 2026



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: PENTECOST SUNDAY

"Do not be surprised that I tell you must all be begotten from above..., but you do not know where it (the wind) comes from or where it goes" (John 3:7-8). Although Luke places the sending forth of the Spirit on Pentecost, fifty days after the Resurrection, John places it on Easter night. Each one, then, had his own way of portraying the glorification of Jesus. For John, this glorification took place when he was raised up on the cross. For both, the Spirit is the fruit of the victory Christ won by His death and resurrection. Pentecost cannot be separated from Easter.

But why must the disciples receive the Spirit? From Luke's perspective, they must receive the Spirit to be able to speak to all in their proper language and thus inaugurate the universal mission of the Church. John does not say anything different, but he says it in a different way. The apostles are in the upper room with all the doors locked for fear of the Jews. They are afraid and their fear is contagious. They are attentive to every sound outside. They fear arrest. Suddenly Jesus is there in their midst: "Peace be with you!" Peace is what they lack most in this atmosphere of anxiety. Jesus still carries the marks of His passion. He is there, alive and stronger than death. The doors which were once locked no longer hinder His mission.

The hour is no longer one of self-centered fear. Now is the time to allow the Spirit to shatter all barriers and lead the Church where God wills.

A Letter to the Christian Faithful on Renewal in the Archdiocese of Vancouver

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

From the beginning of my appointment, I have sensed that I was entering a current of grace already moving through the Archdiocese of Vancouver. It has been a joy to witness the vitality of this local Church and to learn of its long tradition of faithful witness to Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit has clearly been at work among us and continues to lead us forward in the joyful proclamation of the Gospel.

Over the past year, I have visited communities throughout the Archdiocese and listened to many voices. Meetings with our priests have deepened my understanding of our history and the challenges before us. Through these encounters, I have become even more convinced that God is powerfully at work among us, calling us to respond with faith, courage, and hope.

In many of these conversations, a shared desire for renewal has emerged. By renewal, we mean responding to what God is doing among us. It is not about reinventing the Church or focusing mainly on structures, strategies, or programs. The Church is more than buildings; she is mission. Everything we do must lead people to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. The proclamation of the Gospel is the heart of renewal and must remain at the centre of all we do together.

Therefore, on this Solemnity of Pentecost, I am announcing a process of renewal for the Archdiocese of Vancouver. As we prepare for the great Jubilee of 2033, marking two thousand years since the Redemption, let us ask with renewed faith: what does the Lord desire for his Church in Vancouver, and to what is he calling us?

To guide this process, I have established several task forces to consider how renewal should unfold in different areas of Archdiocesan life and to make recommendations to me. These are: priestly life, parish life, liturgy, schools, and infrastructure. In the months ahead, many ideas, hopes, concerns, and proposals will emerge as participants reflect and pray with generosity and courage, always remembering that we are not directing this process. We are stepping into something God is already doing. This is an exciting moment in the life of our local Church.

The biblical text guiding this process is the Lord's promise in the Book of Revelation: "Behold, I make all things new" (Revelation 21:5). These words assure us that Christ is renewing his Church. Our task is to listen, discern, and follow. I invite everyone to take part in this endeavour, especially through prayer. Please pray for our parishes, priests, schools, and ministries. In particular, pray that care for God's poor ones remains at the heart of our Archdiocesan renewal. In the months ahead, there will also be opportunities to share your experiences and stay connected as this process unfolds.

Please visit rcav.org/renewal to commit to praying for this renewal process and to sign up for updates.

Together, let us entrust this journey to the intercession of the Blessed Mother, our model of openness to the gentle yet powerful work of the Holy Spirit. May she who said, "Do whatever he tells you" guide us by her example and prayer to follow with joy and hope where the Lord leads.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

+Richard W. Smith
Archbishop of Vancouver

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, May 24th - Pentecost Sunday

9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*

MONDAY, May 25th - Blessed Mary, Mother of the Church

8:00 am - *Jane Dawson+*

TUESDAY, May 26th - St. Philip Neri +1595

4:00 pm - *Therese Tran Thi Mau+*

WEDNESDAY, May 27th - Ferial (of the 8th week)

8:00 am - *John Allen Jr.+*

THURSDAY, May 28th - Ferial

8:00 am - *Dick Reid+*

FRIDAY, May 29th - Ferial

8:00 am - *Erna Rimland+*

SATURDAY, May 30th - Ferial

9:00 am - *Ms. Lois Milsom+*

5:00 pm - *Andrew Patton+*

(The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

Project Advance 2026:

The office has already mailed out pledges for those in the past who have contributed to the Project Advance campaign; providing you an opportunity to consider again this year's pledge. This pledge may be mailed or placed in the collection basket anytime for the rest of this calendar year. Blank pledges are available in the vestibule throughout the year.

Also, volunteers will be available in the vestibule after Mass to assist if needed. The dates for volunteers are the weekends of:

May 23/24, May 30/31.

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

This Year's Endeavours:

The building of our new Parish Centre at 1450 W. 38th Ave. is necessary in order to meet our present and future needs. It will provide so many opportunities for parishioners to gather and celebrate and deepen our faith. We need a place to provide Funeral and Sacramental receptions, opportunities for retreats and recollections, regular gatherings after Sunday Mass, as well as other special annual events. Ongoing are the need to hold Catechism classes, as well as new Catholics, youth, young adults and seniors to gather.

Our Cartier Hall is up for sale at this time, the market is not in our favour. We still need more funds in order to move ahead with Construction. I would say, more than ever, your support is needed at this time. Without it, it would be difficult to secure a mortgage for the rest of the Construction cost.

Presently, we are re-visiting the size (cost factor) of our new Parish Centre and working with the city etc. as to how to move forward in this direction.

Thank you for your pledge this year!

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Sunday Solemn Sung Vespers and Benediction:

Vespers at 3:30 pm and Mass at 4 pm. Join us for prayer.

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 - to the office.

Pentecost Sunday Sequence:

When sung after the 2nd reading: melody #609 can be used.

Red petals dropping from the Pantheon's Dome for Pentecost:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cAe4BGUdd2M&t=1s>

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Next Men's Monthly Meeting:

Wed. June 3rd at 7 pm in the Church. Topic: "Catholic Priest stuns Host During Fox News Segment Live on Air."

Next First Friday Faith Studies:

Fri. June 5th at 10:30 am (Coffee at 10:15). Topic: "A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries: Pentecost."

Holy Land Pilgrimage:

Join us for 12 days in the Holy Land, Oct. 22 - Nov. 2, with the Most Revered Richard W. Smith. Price includes airfare. For more information or land only price, please contact Lisa at Lisa@DJLtravel.ca or (604) 562-4567.

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Envelope Boxes:

The 2026 envelopes are available at the back right table of the church. If you would like a box of envelopes, simply sign up in one of the red binders and they will be put out for you the next Sunday. If new, please fill out the New Parishioner Registration Form.

Thank you for your support!

Building Fund:

N.B. All donations made to building fund go towards building our own Parish Centre and are not taxed the usual 15% by the diocese.

SACRAMENTS & BLESSINGS:

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, Homes, or Religious Articles:

Please see Father after any of the Sunday Masses.