

**Are You Interested...** in the priesthood or the life of a religious brother, and want to see for yourself what seminary life is like? Come and see!

**Spend Two Days...** at the Seminary and become acquainted with other young men who have the priestly or religious vocation in mind.

**Arrive...** any time Saturday morning, preferably between 8:00-9:00 am.

**Bring...** a sleeping bag, school clothes, and some old clothes for sports, a towel, etc.

**PLANNING TO ATTEND:**

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER OR SEND AN EMAIL FOR A LINK TO THE APPLICATION FORM: RECTOR.MINORS@SCK.CA



SCAN THE QR CODE TO CHECK OUT A VIDEO ON THE SEMINARY



The High School Live-In will include interaction with priests, brothers and seminarians, daily Mass and prayer, recreational activities, sports, and some reflective reading. The suggested fee is \$40.

**FUTURE LIVE-IN: November 14-15, 2026**

Vocation Live-in Seminary of Christ the King PO Box 3310 Mission, BC V2V 4J5  
Phone: 604 826 8715 Fax: 604 826 8725  
Rector: Fr. Anthony Nguyen, OSB Email: rector.minors@sck.ca www.sck.ca

**Seminary of Christ the King Live-In**

There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of July 4-5 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

**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.

**Saint Patrick Regional Secondary**

Accepting applications for Grades 8 to 12. More information on www.stpats.bc.ca or email administration@stpats.bc.ca

**Trending this Week on Formed**



**Sunday Donations June 6 - 7, 2026**

Sat. 5 pm \$829 from 27 envelopes = \$30.70 avg.  
Sun. 9 am \$792 from 31 envelopes = \$24.55 avg.  
Sun. 11 am \$955 from 29 envelopes = \$32.93 avg.  
Sun. 4 pm \$625 from 20 envelopes = \$31.25 avg.  
Grand Total: \$3201 + \$451 loose = \$3652

**June 13 - 14, 2026**

Sat. 5 pm \$595 from 24 envelopes = \$24.79 avg.  
Sun. 9 am \$967 from 33 envelopes = \$29.30 avg.  
Sun. 11 am \$335 from 22 envelopes = \$15.23 avg.  
Sun. 4 pm \$475 from 13 envelopes = \$36.54 avg.  
Grand Total: \$2372 + \$536 loose = \$2908  
In gratitude for your regular financial support!

**sspeterpaul.ca**

**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."



**SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH**

**PASTOR: FATHER RONALD W. THOMPSON M. Div. M. Ed.**  
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**Archdiocese of Vancouver**

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



**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 21ST 2026**

**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: 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Christ does not promise His disciples an enticing style of life. He does assure them that persecution will be their lot. If the gospel is truly a force contesting evil in all its forms, then the Church cannot avoid the narrow gate of the paschal mystery, the cross which leads to glory. Identification with political power and financial power is an illusion.

Even in the midst of persecution, the disciples have security in Christ, "Do not fear!" The apostolate is God's work and carries within itself the assurance of success. Only sin is to be feared. The persecutors can truly kill the body, but our authentic life belongs to God who, like a father watches over the smallest of His creatures.

Martyrdom was once looked upon as a liturgical act: the martyr mounted the funeral-pyre as if an altar. The interrogation and agony were the occasion to proclaim one's faith in Christ before offering the sacrifice. The propagation of the gospel was well served by the martyr. Contemporary martyrdom takes place in the underground of a cave or a camp from which no one returns. The technology of human torture violates both body and soul, permitting the propagandists of oppressive regimes to profit from "spontaneous confessions." The voices of these martyrs inspired by a greater heroism, continue to be lifted up to heaven. On the last day, Christ Himself will offer their witness to His Father.



**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.

## Empty Fear vs. Worthy Fear by Gayle Somers

Today, Jesus tells His disciples that there is empty fear and worthy fear. How will they know the difference? Gospel (Read Mt 10:26-33)

The tenth chapter of Matthew's Gospel begins with Jesus calling the Twelve apostles. Then, He sends them out to preach the Good News He's going to teach them. He gives them detailed instructions for their mission, telling them where to go, what to say, what to do, and, instead of the expected, what not to take with them. He also gives them a solemn warning, which was bound to leave them a little shaken: "Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves" (see vs. 16). He describes the serious opposition they will face as bearers of His message, even within their own families. However, He reassures them with this promise: "... do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour; for it is not you who speak but the Spirit of the Father speaking through you (see vs 19-20). Would this be enough to assuage their fears? Today's reading tells us more.

First, Jesus tells the apostles to "fear no one." He goes on to help them avoid the fear that can come from doubt about the truth of the message they will preach. Strong opposition can make us doubt that the Gospel (which is truly an outrageous message in every sense of the word) is actually what people need to hear. How could the Twelve, a small, ragtag band of traveling disciples, have confidence enough in their itinerant rabbi to sustain them during times of resistance, ridicule, and even violence when they delivered His word? He tells them, "Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known" (vs 26). This is a promise meant to give courage to the apostles. He knows that the Gospel message He will give them, in relative quiet and secrecy, they will one day have to boldly announce to a world that doesn't want to believe it. Jesus gives them assurance that no matter how skeptical people are of their message of salvation resting on faith in a Man who came back from death, one day its truth will be crystal clear to (and adored as glorious by) the whole universe. The apostles simply need patience and perseverance. We do, too.

Next, Jesus addresses the fear that comes from bodily persecution: "And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul" (vs. 28). This is perhaps a fear stronger than the fear that comes from doubt. Fear of physical suffering is instinctive in us, and it runs deep. However, Jesus explains that their opponents' power over them is only temporal and physical, as harsh and as final as it may seem. So this fear, along with doubt's fear, is essentially empty. It cannot have the last word. There is another fear, however, that is a worthy one. What is it?

Jesus tells them, "... be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna" (vs 28b). Who has that kind of power? Some would say Satan, although his power over us is limited by God Himself. It is ultimately our own choice to either resist or receive the corruption he offers us disguised as a satisfying path to happiness. If we grant him a foothold in our lives, he can certainly lead us to destruction, for that has always been his goal (see Gen 3:1-7). We should, therefore, constantly be alert to his lying hatred for us (see Eph 6:1-11; Jas 4:7; 1 Pet 5:8-10) and never underestimate him or overestimate our own mortal strength against him. In this sense, the "fear" of Satan means an informed vigilance against the great damage this enemy can do to us if we let him.

We might also see these words as a reminder to "fear" God, Who ultimately is the only One on earth or in heaven Who has the power over our eternal fate. Notice that here, too, our own personal choice is a factor in what becomes of us. Jesus tells the Twelve that their heavenly Father knows everything that happens in the world. Not even a tiny, insignificant sparrow dies without the Father's knowledge. We have to wonder what the apostles made of that statement. Did it seem like wild hyperbole to them? If so, His next words must have pushed them over the top: "Even all the hairs of your head are counted." What more could Jesus say to give them great confidence in God's love and care for them? He didn't want them to fear any danger from anyone; He wanted them to have courage to do what He asked of them. Still, He reminded them that it would be their own personal response to Him that determined their future: "Everyone who acknowledges Me before others, I will also acknowledge before My heavenly Father. But whoever denies Me before others, I will deny before My heavenly Father" (vs 23-33). To "fear" God and act appropriately, with an understanding of our accountability to Him and His right to deal justly with what we choose for ourselves is another possible interpretation of Jesus' warning to "be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna."

Ultimately, these words contain both comfort and yet a warning. This Cistercian chant puts it well: "Victorious love shouts to the four winds. You who follow Jesus, do not fear what leads to death, rather fear to yield to fear."

Possible response: Lord Jesus, help me not to shrink in fear from shadows. Even a sparrow can remind me of what is real.

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, June 21st - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*

**MONDAY, June 22nd - Ferial**  
8:00 am - *Andrew Patton+*

**TUESDAY, June 23rd - Ferial**  
4:00 pm - *Margaret Tsang+*

**WEDNESDAY, June 24th - Nativity of St. John the Baptist**  
8:00 am - *John Allen Jr.+*

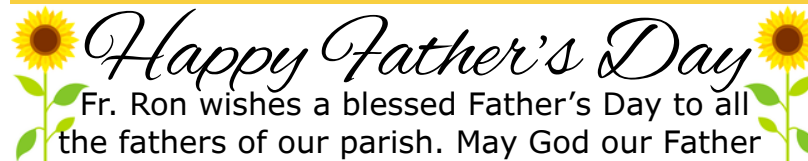
**THURSDAY, June 25th - Ferial**  
8:00 am - *Jane Dawson+*

**FRIDAY, June 26th - Ferial**  
8:00 am - *Michael Page*

**SATURDAY, June 27th - Ferial**  
9:00 am - *Johaann Pocher & Saeed Babadi+*

5:00 pm - *Patricia Fernandes*

(13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)



Fr. Ron wishes a blessed Father's Day to all the fathers of our parish. May God our Father grace us in our vocation to be in His likeness.

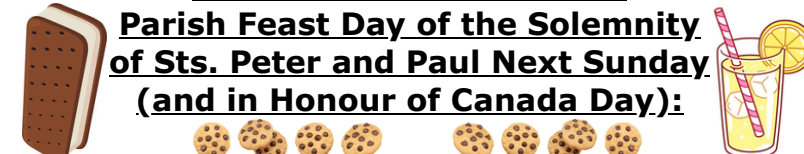
At Mass we also remember in a special way to pray for our fathers who have gone before us.

### **Sunday Solemn Sung Vespers and Benediction:**

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

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

**Parish Feast Day of the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul Next Sunday (and in Honour of Canada Day):**



Ice cream, cookies, and lemonade are served on the west lawn after the Masses of **June 27th/28th**.

There will also be special readings in next week bulletin.

Take a moment and enjoy our **Feast!**

### **The Door is Open:**

"The Door is Open" today Sunday: June 21st and then Sept. 19th. (No summer donations). Thank you!

### **MAINTAINING A PRAYERFUL ENVIRONMENT:**

#### **Preserving our Sacred Space:**

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

#### **2 Back East Side Pews:**

These are reserved for parents with young children for easy access to the vestibule when the children "chatter."

#### **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.

#### **Volunteer Part Time Organist:**

Organist requested for Sat. 5 pm Mass for some of these Masses during the summertime. If you can assist, kindly contact the parish office. In gratitude!

## **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.

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!

### **CONTRIBUTIONS:**

#### **2026 Envelope Boxes:**

The envelope boxes are available at the back right table of the church. If you would like one, simply sign up in one of the red binders and they will be there 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.