

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:
- No Sunday Solemn Vespers and Benediction:
Not held during the summer months.

- Talks on the Faith and RCIA Classes:
From Tues. Sept. 22nd to Nov 10th at 7 pm.

- No First Friday Faith Studies:
Not held during the summer months.

- No First Friday Adorations:
Not held during the summer months (no 4 pm Mass).

- No First Wednesday Men's Monthly Meeting:
Not held during the summer months.

MAINTAINING A PRAYERFUL ENVIRONMENT:
Preserving Our Sacred Space:

The Hymn Book / Missal racks have been enlarged to hold these. Kindly return them to the rack after use instead of on the pew seat.

Our parish's pews and kneelers are 103 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."

Volunteer Part Time Organist:
Organist requested for Sat. 5 pm Mass during Summer. If you can assist, kindly contact the parish office.

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.

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.

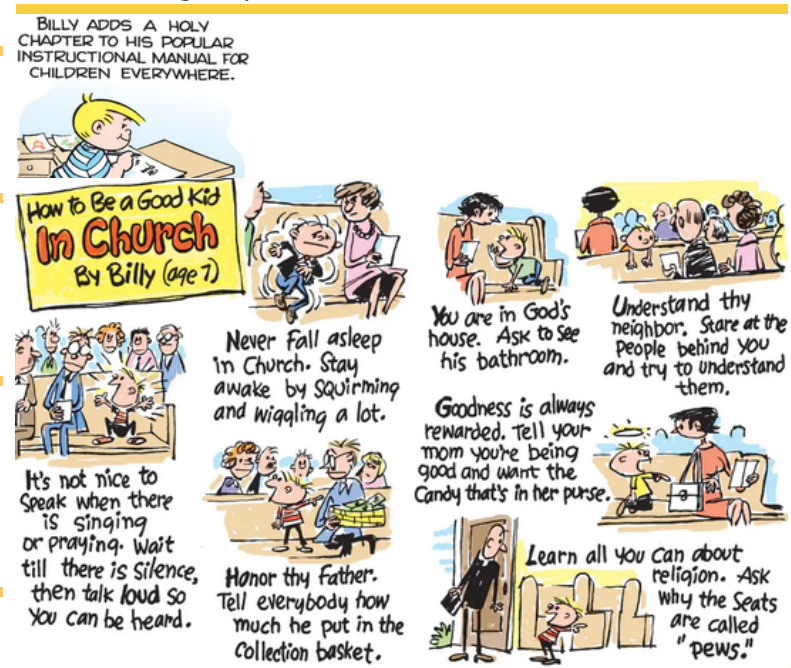
2026 Sunday Offering Made Easy by Direct Deposit or Credit Card:

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.

- 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

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Archdiocese of Vancouver
Archbishop: Most Rev. Richard W. Smith D.D.



THE 18TH - 21ST SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 2ND - 23RD 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
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

The Parables and Metaphors of Jesus:
The Barren Fig Tree: Lk 13:6-9
The Bridegroom and His Attendant: Jn 3:29
The Builder: Mt 7:24-27; Lk 6:47-49
The Dragnet: Mt 13:47-50
The Friend at Midnight: Lk 11:5-13
The Good Samaritan: Lk 10:25-37
The Good Shepherd: Jn 10:11-16
The Great Banquet: Lk 14:15-24
The Growing Seed: Mk 4:26-29
The Hidden Treasure: Mt 13:44
The Laborers in the Vineyard: Mt 20:1-16
The Lamp: Mt 5:15; Mk 4:21-23; Lk 8:16-18
The Leaven: Mt 13:33; Lk 13:20-21
The Lost Coin: Lk 15:8-10
The Lost Sheep: Mt 18:10-14; Lk 15:4-7
The Mustard Seed: Mt 13:31-32; Mk 4:30-32; Lk 13:18-19
The Pearl of Great Price: Mt 13:45-46
The Pharisee and the Tax Collector: Lk 18:9-14
The Pounds: Lk 19:11-27
The Prodigal Son: Lk 15:11-32
The Rich Fool: Lk 12:16-21
The Salt That Loses Its Savour: Mt 5:13; Lk 14:34
The Sheep and the Goats: Mt 25:31-46
The Sower: Mt 13:1-9; Mk 4:1-9; Lk 8:4-8
The Talents: Mt 25:14-30
The Thief and Sheepfold Door: Jn 10:1-5
The Ten Bridesmaids: Mt 25:1-13
The Tree and Its Fruits: Mt 7:17-20; 12:33; Lk 6:43-44
The Two Debtors: Lk 7:41-43
The Two Sons: Mt 21:28-32
The Unforgiving Servant: Mt 18:23-35
The Unrighteous Judge: Lk 18:1-8
The Unrighteous Steward: Lk 16:1-9
The Vine and the Branches: Jn 15:1-8
The Wedding Banquet: Mt 22:1-14
The Weeds among the Wheat: Mt 13:24-30
The Wicked Tenants: Mt 21:33-46; Mk 12:1-12; Lk 20:9-19

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AUGUST 2ND 2026 READINGS: 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
In today’s liturgy we are once again invited to the great feast of God’s kingdom. Throughout the scriptures this image of the messianic banquet evokes a sense of the abundance and the conviviality which will characterize the fullness of life to be enjoyed by all God’s people at the endtime. The prophet Isaiah silences potential protests of unworthiness. All that is required to sit down at this table is awareness of one’s need. Everyone who is hungry and thirsty is admitted free. The evangelist points out the extravagance of the meal. There is ample food for everyone, with plenty to spare. The apostle Paul, in the concluding passage from Romans, suggests the true nature of the feast. We are nourished and sustained by the overwhelming and unshakeable love which God has heaped upon us in Christ Jesus.
Today we feast together at the Eucharistic table which is foretaste and pledge of the banquet to come. Despite the prophet’s words, however, our meal has its price. We must bring to the table the “loaves and fish” of our everyday lives to be transformed and shared for the nourishment of all.
We who are Church must go from the table to carry the bread of the kingdom to all our sisters and brothers who hunger and thirst for life.

AUGUST 9TH 2026 READINGS: 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
When a strong wind halts the passage of their boat, the disciples believe they see a ghost approaching them. They do not think it is Jesus whom they left in prayer on the mountain. But He is following them, moving like a shadow across the water in order to save them from the danger they face. Through the turbulence of the waves His voice reaches them. Peter, at first hesitant to recognize Him, finally throws himself into the water at the call of his master. Suddenly he is caught in the squall and is about to go under. Jesus reproaches him: “How little faith you have, why did you falter?” At the voice of him who sustains his enthusiasm, Peter comes up from the baptism of fear and death into which he had sunk. The waves subside, the wind abates, and those in the boat give their hearts over to faith.
On the hostile sea of this world, the ship of the Church breaks through the waves, rising above the assaults of evil. The master is not visibly present. His return is awaited at the end of the night. The Church must steer its course toward the harbor of salvation by the light of the powerful word of the risen Lord.
Soon after the resurrection, the faith of the disciples foundered. They experienced doubt and fear in the face of Him whom they perceived as spirit (Luke 24:37). In the person of a weak but enthusiastic Peter, the faith of the disciples finds its expression. This is our faith. If we turn resolutely toward Christ in obedience to His call, our faith can never be overcome by fear and doubt.

AUGUST 16TH 2026 READINGS: 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Jesus withdraws to the Gentile districts of Tyre and Sidon to get away from the adversaries who taunt Him for breaking the Jewish rituals of purification. Here He will redefine the limits of clean and unclean. Through the supplication of a Canaanite woman, He will deal with the question of salvation for the Gentiles.
Strangely enough, Jesus remains silent as if He shared the arrogant particularism of the Jews toward these “dogs of the Gentiles.” He seems to hesitate and when He decides to answer the woman, He does so in shocking terms. He wishes to do the will of God who desires that the lost sheep of Israel be gathered together. Only then, from the base of this renews people, will He welcome the Gentiles, in accordance with their belief into the great family of Abraham. What is this woman’s problem? She does not believe that she has any right to demand the bread of divine friendship reserved primarily for the Jews. All she can ask for are crumbs. But she asks with such faith and humility that she will receive the fullness of salvation for which she hopes. In the welcome Jesus gives this foreigner, the Christians of the first century saw a prophetic model for their own attitude toward the Gentiles believers. They had to go beyond the limits of an elitist religion, one based on race alone, in order to preach a universal salvation grounded in faith.
Can we transcend the frontiers of our prejudices. Many whom we consider alien in fact teach us the meaning of faith.

AUGUST 23RD 2026 READINGS: 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
“You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God!” You are “Rock” and on this rock I will build my Church.” These are two affirmations which concern the faith of every believer. There is much more here than an exchange of compliments between Jesus the Son of Man and Simon the son of John.
Jesus asks His disciples what people are saying about the identity of the “Son of Man.” Consonant with the popular expectation that the prophet Elijah would return to usher in the messianic day of the Lord (Mal 3:23-24), the crowds think perhaps He is Elijah or one of the other prophets, among whom they include John the Baptist. For surely Jesus is a great prophet. He is a prophet and more than a prophet. He does indeed usher in the messianic era because, the Church hears Peter say, He is Himself the Messiah - and more than Messiah. He is “Son of the Living God.”
It is not strange that we should hear from the lips of Peter this faith expression of the newly born Church at the beginning of its history. It is upon Peter’s profession of faith that Jesus builds His Church. Through Peter, the man of first fervours, but also the disciple who would deny Him, Jesus makes Himself known. He charges Peter with the building up of his brothers and sisters until the coming of the kingdom. The Rock put his mark on the Church just as John, the mystic, or Paul, the missionary, did so in their own ways. The Church is above all the home of us poor believers, caught between faith and doubt, generosity and infidelity, but nevertheless stuttering with Peter, “I believe.”

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, Aug. 2nd - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*
MONDAY, Aug. 3rd - Ferial
9:00 am (BC Day) - *Chow Chung Tak+*
TUESDAY, Aug. 4th - St. Jean-Marie Vianney +1859
4:00 pm - *Oliva Family*
WEDNESDAY, Aug. 5th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Brian Woo*
THURSDAY, Aug. 6th - The Transfiguration of the Lord
8:00 am - *Dick Ballard+*
FRIDAY, Aug. 7th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Janet Wong+*
SATURDAY, Aug. 8th - St. Dominic +1221
9:00 am - *Monica Mary Conlin*
5:00 pm - *Julia Wong+*
(19th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, Aug. 16th - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*
MONDAY, Aug. 17th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Raymond Omer Courchene+*
TUESDAY, Aug. 18th - Ferial
4:00 pm - *Monica Mary Conlin*
WEDNESDAY, Aug. 19th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Lindsey Graham+*
THURSDAY, Aug. 20th - St. Bernard +1153
8:00 am - *Dick Ballard+*
FRIDAY, Aug. 21st - St. Pius X +1914
8:00 am - *Daniel Falcon+*
SATURDAY, Aug. 22nd - The Queenship of Mary
9:00 am - *Isabel MacDonald*
5:00 pm - *Fr. Edward J. Thylstrup, S.J.+*
(21st Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Ice Cream, Lemonade, and Cookies for BC Day:
Ice cream, lemonade, and cookies are served on the west lawn after the Masses of August 1st/2nd.

Volunteer Gardening:
Volunteers are needed to attend to our parish gardens. For many, many years our parish was so blessed to have a special volunteer, Susanna Cox, to attend to all our gardens. Now in her 80's, she has moved to live with her daughter. We are looking for volunteers to help carry on some of her work by being assigned to a small specific garden. If you would like to help - kindly contact the parish office - and arrangements will be made for you to look after your spot. Thank you. St. Isadore patron of gardeners, pray for us.

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 gatheringsafter 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!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, Aug. 9th - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*
MONDAY, Aug. 10th - St. Lawrence +258
8:00 am - *Ken Joseph Yung Hsiang Huang+*
TUESDAY, Aug. 11th - St. Clare +1253
4:00 pm - *Lindsey Graham+*
WEDNESDAY, Aug. 12th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Dick Ballard+*
THURSDAY, Aug. 13th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Daniel Falcon+*
FRIDAY, Aug. 14th - St. Maximilian Kolbe +1941
8:00 am - *Raymond Omer Courchene+*
SATURDAY, Aug. 15th - The Assumption of Mary
9:00 am - *Monica Mary Conlin*
5:00 pm - *Ken Joseph Yung Hsiang Huang+*
(20th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, Aug. 23rd - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am; 11:00 am; 4:00 pm - *Parishioners*
MONDAY, Aug. 24th - St. Bartholomew, Apostle
8:00 am - *Daniel Falcon+*
TUESDAY, Aug. 25th - Ferial
4:00 pm - *Dick Ballard+*
WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26th - Ferial
8:00 am - *Raymond Omer Courchene+*
THURSDAY, Aug. 27th - St. Monica +387
8:00 am - *Lindsey Graham+*
FRIDAY, Aug. 28th - St. Augustine +430
8:00 am - *Daniel Falcon+*
SATURDAY, Aug. 29th - The Passion of St. John the Baptist
9:00 am - *Monica Mary Conlin*
5:00 pm - *Julia Wong+*
(22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)