



Father Emmerich is a priest of the Holy Name Province of the Dominican Order & is currently assigned to St. Dominic Priory in San Francisco. As a young priest working in the pro-life movement, he started Priests for Life. He currently is on the Preaching Band, giving parish mission and retreats.

The Mysteries of Salvation and the War Effort

The beloved disciple, John, the one who cared for Mary after Jesus' ascension, tells of a great sign he saw in the heavens: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and she was crowned with 12 stars.

At every apparition of our Lady at Fatima she stressed the Rosary, and *not by accident* in the context of WWI which was raging at the time; and she foretold a worse war if people didn't amend their lives. Now why this request regarding the Mysteries of the Rosary and in the context of warfare? And overall, what does this have to do with LOVE, which we know is the greatest commandment without which no one can be saved.

Is there a connection between the mysteries of our faith — as expressed in the Rosary — and the Greatest Commandment which is love, and all of this in the context of WAR?

The focus, then, of our Conference has to do with 3 central themes:
Love: the greatest commandment,
The mysteries of salvation,
& Warfare.

1/2 Day of Recollection w/ Fr. Emmerich Vogt O.P.:

Topic: "The Role of Mary in Salvation History."

On Sat. Oct. 24th at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish.

9 am Mass, followed by the Rosary, followed by coffee, 10:15 am first conference, 10:45 am short break, 11 am second conference, 11:30 am Adoration and Benediction, 12 pm noon light lunch provided.

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!

Sunday Donations:

September 26 - 27, 2026

Sat. 5 pm \$655 from 23 envelopes = \$28.48 avg.
Sun. 9 am \$690 from 36 envelopes = \$19.17 avg.
Sun. 11 am \$1110 from 24 envelopes = \$46.25 avg.
Sun. 4 pm \$900 from 27 envelopes = \$33.33 avg.
Grand Total: \$3355 + \$397.75 loose = \$3752.75

October 3 - 4, 2026

Sat. 5 pm \$879 from 34 envelopes = \$25.85 avg.
Sun. 9 am \$990 from 41 envelopes = \$24.15 avg.
Sun. 11 am \$1010 from 28 envelopes = \$36.07 avg.
Sun. 4 pm \$810 from 17 envelopes = \$47.65 avg.
Grand Total: \$3689 + \$402.30 loose = \$4091.30

In gratitude for your regular financial support!

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Little Flower Academy Open House:

On Wed. Oct. 21st at 6 pm. More information at 604-738-9016 x114 or wilsonk@lfabc.org

Young Adults Martyr Mystery Night:

On Sat. Oct. 31st at Holy Name Parish with doors open at 6:30 pm.

Scan the QR code for more information.



Seminary of Christ the King Vocation Live-In:

On the weekend of Nov. 14th - 15th.

For any young men, grades 7-11, who are interested in experiencing the seminary life or wanting to learn how to discern God's call to the priesthood.

More information at 604-826-8975 or online registration <https://forms.gle/hJPj6gCRMDU6nsBY9>

Saint Patrick Secondary Open House:

On Tues. Nov. 24th at 6 pm. No registration required.

More information at 604-874-6422

or administration@stpatrs.bc.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.

- Go to www.formed.org
- Press on "Formed for Individuals" and then "Get Started" to create your account.
- Input your name and email address to sign up.
- Type "Saints Peter & Paul Parish" to find and click on ours 1425 W. 39th Ave. Vancouver, BC V6M 1T2
- Click submit and enjoy the programs provided.

SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH

PASTOR: FATHER RONALD W. THOMPSON M. Div. M. Ed.

RECTORY/MAILING: 1425 West 39th Ave. Vancouver, B.C. V6M 1T2

CHURCH LOCATION: 1430 West 38th Ave.

PARISH OFFICE PHONE: 604-261-3535

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

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OFFICE ACCOUNTANT: Theresa Inocentes

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Archdiocese of Vancouver

Archbishop: Most Rev.

Richard W. Smith D.D.

THE 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 11TH 2026

Sunday Mass: Saturday: 5:00 pm

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

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

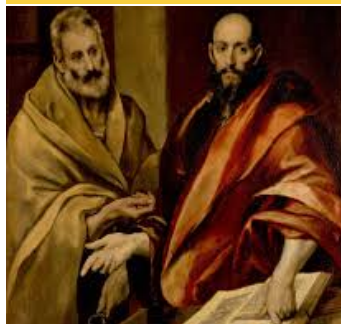
SUNDAY READINGS: 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hebert request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Marie to Daniel Berne. A reception will follow.

This contemporary invitation is nothing like the one reported by Matthew. The king must send out twice for the guests to come to his son's wedding. The people respond to the royal invitation with indifference or overt hostility. Festivity suddenly gives way to punishment. New guests are gathered at random from the byroads to fill the banquet hall. One poor man is cast into the night, because he had neither the time nor the means to dress for the wedding feast.

This strange narrative discloses deeper meaning. The parable sketches in bold strokes the feast of joy and communion to which Israel was first invited. Israel refused to accept the invitation of the prophets and the just ones, even this last invitation offered by Jesus and His apostles. Their city of Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D. by the Romans. The first Christian community took this as the definitive sign that the invitation should be extended to all humanity.

But if "the invited are many, the elect are few." We can be Christian in name, and yet avoid conversion. We can believe that we are invited to the feast of the kingdom, and yet remain indifferent to the empty plates set before so many of the world's children. It is the baptismal life which counts not the baptismal certificate. That life is the clothing of which Paul speaks. "You must put on that new man created in God's image whose justice and holiness are born of truth" (Ephesians 4:24). Without that wedding garment, the wedding invitation counts for nothing in the eyes of the king.



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.

Saint Quotes on Thanksgiving:

1. In all created things discern the providence and wisdom of God, and in all things give Him thanks.” - St. Teresa of Avila.
2. “No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks.” - St. Ambrose.
3. “O my God, let me remember with gratitude and confess to thee thy mercies toward me.” - St. Augustine of Hippo.
4. “Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence.” - St. John Paul II.
5. “The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for what He is sending us every day in His goodness.” - St. Gianna Beretta Molla.
6. “Gratitude is the first sign of a thinking, rational creature.” - Bl. Solanus Casey.
7. “O God, grant that whatever good things I have, I may share generously with those who have not, and whatever good things I do not have, I may request humbly from those who do.” - St. Thomas Aquinas.
8. “Happiness can only be achieved by looking inward and learning to enjoy whatever life has and this requires transforming greed into gratitude.” - St. John Chrysostom.
9. “The best way to show my gratitude to God is to accept everything, even my problems, with joy.” - St. Theresa of Calcutta.
10. “To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything.” - Thomas Merton.
11. “Jesus does not demand great action from us but simply surrender and gratitude.” - St. Therèse of Lisieux.
12. “Get used to lifting your heart to God, in acts of thanksgiving, many times a day. Because he gives you this and that. Because you have been despised. Because you haven’t what you need or because you have. Because he made his Mother so beautiful, his Mother who is also your Mother. Because he created the sun and the moon and this animal and that plant. Because he made that man eloquent and you he left tongue-tied ... Thank him for everything, because everything is good.” - St. Josemaria Escriva.
13. “Gratitude is the memory of the heart.” - St. Mary Euphrasia Pelletier.
14. “Thank God ahead of time.” - Blessed Solanus Casey.
15. “Gratitude is the memory of the heart.” - St. Mary Euphrasia Pelletier.

Saints Peter & Paul Parish 2026 Advent Potluck Celebration:

Saturday, November 28th at 6 PM
Vancouver College Elementary Gym

Join Us This Advent!

As we prepare for Christmas together, we invite everyone of all ages to join us for a joyful evening of Food, Entertainment, Games, Prizes, and Raffles!

Tickets - \$10 Each:

Tickets will be available for purchase before and after weekend Masses or during parish office hours. We accept payment by cash, cheque, or e-transfer at sspp.pariah.acctg@outlook.com

Volunteers Needed:

Volunteer sign-up sheets available next week. We kindly ask for help with selling tickets (event, raffle, 50/50), setting up before the event, cleaning up afterward, and a caller to follow up with those who have signed up.

Our Community Potluck:

This celebration would not be possible without your generous help! Please sign up and let us know the food you would like to share and the portion size you are able to provide. We are expecting 200 people and would appreciate contributions of Appetizers, Salads, Main Dishes, and Desserts.

For more information:

Please contact the parish office at 604-261-3535 or parish.sspp@rcav.org
We look forward to celebrating Advent together in faith, fellowship, and joy!

Gifts and Donations:

We kindly ask for your support by soliciting or donating gifts for our raffle and door prizes. Every contribution of time and support, big or small, will help make this a wonderful gathering for our parish community.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS:

SUNDAY, Oct. 11th - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

MONDAY, Oct. 12th - Ferial

9:00 am Thanksgiving - Aurora Reyes+

TUESDAY, Oct. 13th - Ferial

4:00 pm - Antonio Mena+

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 14th - Ferial

8:00 am - Victoria Woo

10:00 am - Vancouver College Mass

THURSDAY, Oct. 15th - St. Teresa of Jesus +1582

8:00 am - Raymond Omer Courchene+

FRIDAY, Oct. 16th - St. Marie-Marguerite d’Youville +1771

8:00 am - Fr. W. Ashley

SATURDAY, Oct. 17th - St. Ignatius of Antioch +110

9:00 am - Patricia Cheung+

5:00 pm - Fr. J. Horgan+

(29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Talks on the Faith and the

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

Whether you are considering becoming Catholic, are a Catholic who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, or simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith, you are warmly invited to join us on this journey of faith and conversion. RCIA is held on **Tuesday evenings from 7 pm - 8 pm, beginning Sept. 22nd - Nov. 10th.**

Topic: “What’s Our Story?” & “Who is Jesus?”

No registration required. All are welcome. Parishioners, please consider inviting family and friends to join us.

Catechism Class for Children

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP):

If your child is in Grade K-7 (or beyond Grade 7 and not Confirmed) and do not attend a Catholic school, consider joining PREP for sacramental preparation: Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Classes are held on **Tuesday evenings from 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm, beginning Sept. 22nd.** Please contact the office to register or fill out the green registration form on the front table of the Church.

The Door is Open:

Sun. Oct. 18th. Fall clothing donations are appreciated for those in need. Thank you!
(No food or non-clothing items please).

Annual Advent Potluck:

Our Archbishop Richard Smith will attend our annual Advent potluck celebration on Sat. Nov. 28th at 6 pm, and will also celebrate our 5 pm Mass that day. Tickets available for purchase from Oct. 24th - Nov. 22nd, while supplies last. Volunteer and food sign-up sheets will be available next week at the back of the Church.

November - The Month of Holy Souls:

Special envelopes are available for offering Holy Masses for the intentions of deceased family members and friends. One Holy Mass will be offered for each envelope received, and all envelopes will be placed at the Altar throughout the month of November. May the souls of our faithful departed rest in peace.

MAINTAINING A PRAYERFUL ENVIRONMENT:

East Side (Ramp) Door Adoration Chapel:

For private prayer from Tues. - Fri. 9 am - 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.



Use of Perfume or Cologne:

As an act of charity, since we are close together, please refrain from using these.



Sacred Order:

The priest is to be the last in and the first to exit. Mass is under the duration of one hour. Jesus said: “Can you not watch 1 hour with me?” (Mt. 26:40). At the last supper, Judas, not Christ, was the first to leave.

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 and raise the kneelers “gingerly” and handle them 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 they “chatter.”

Vestment Sewing and Stitching Volunteer:

A volunteer is desired to sew and stitch minor repairs to vestments, etc. If interested, please contact the parish office. In gratitude.

Volunteer Gardening:

Kindly contact the parish office to volunteer. Thank you. St. Isadore, patron of gardeners, pray for us.

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 attend Mass here.

Blessing of Cars, Homes, or Religious Articles:

Please see Father after any of the Sunday Masses.

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 the red binder 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.

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