



Peter's Paper

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March 4, 2018
 Year B: Third Sunday of Lent
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WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 8:30am
 Tuesday & Wednesday 7:00pm

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm & 7:00pm
 Sunday 8:00am; 9:30am, 11:30am & 5:00pm

ADORATION

Friday 9:00am – Noon & 7:30pm – 8:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday Evening 6:15pm
 Wednesday Evening 6:15pm & 7:30pm
 Saturday Afternoon 3:30pm

PARISH SCHEDULE: March 5 – March 11

Monday	Prayer Group (Church)	9:10am
	Peace & Trust Parent Workshop (Hall)	7:00pm
Tuesday	Study: Who Am I to Judge? (Conf. Room A/B)	1:00pm
	RCIA (Conf. Room C)	7:00pm
	Celebrating the Word (Conf. Room B)	7:30pm
	Bible Study (Hall)	7:30pm
Wednesday	Men's Breakfast Study (Hall)	6:00am
	Pray and Play	9:15am
	<i>Topic: Mother's Rule of Life</i>	
	Celebrating the Word (Conf. Room B)	1:00pm
Thursday	Early Light Ensemble Choir Practice (Music Room)	7:30pm
	K of C General Meeting (Conf. Room C)	7:30pm
	Pivotal Players (Conf. Room C)	9:30am
	Laudate Choir Practice (Music Room)	7:30pm
Friday	Mother's Group (Hall)	9:30am
	<i>Topic: Understanding and dealing with different temperaments</i>	
	Young Women of Grace (Conf. Room A/B)	7:00pm
Saturday	Stations of the Cross (Church)	7:00pm
	Baptism Preparation (Conf. Room C)	9:30am
	Children's Choir Practice (Music Room)	11:00am
Sunday	Kid's Rock (Conf. Room C)	9:15am
	RCIA Breaking Open the Word (Conf. Room A/B)	5:00pm
	Study: Who Am I to Judge? (Conf. Room C)	7:00pm

Parochial Vicar's Perspective

I would like to encourage you to take up the reading of the Psalms. These 150 prayers are spiritual gems. Some of them have been prayed for 3000 years and have for the past 2000 years formed the basis of prayer for priests and religious.

One of the things that makes these prayers so special is how they compliment another part of the Bible, 1 and 2nd Samuel. The book of First Samuel, beginning at chapter 16 right through to the end of 2nd Samuel chronicle for us the life of King David. In these books we are given a detailed narrative of David's public life. Many of the Psalms, especially Psalms 1-72, were written by him. In these prayers we are given insight into David's private and spiritual life. With David, we have the most complete picture of anyone in the Bible of the correlation between his exterior and interior life.

As we become familiar with these prayers and that portion of the Old Testament encompassing the David story, it will enhance each of these prayers, that are purposeful and grounded.

People repeatedly share with me how difficult they find prayer. It can be a real challenge, especially if we are just trying to make up prayers as we go. To learn to pray the Psalms opens to us prayers that express every human experience and emotion, from the highest highs to the lowest lows.

Here are two examples from David's Prayer Book:

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

***Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well
(Psalm 139)***

***How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?***

***How long must I bear pain in my soul,
and have sorrow in my heart all day long?
How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?***

(Psalm 13)

Two prayers, written by the same man that could not be more different in their theme. Such is our experience of life as well. In the Psalter, we discover our own prayer voice as we join with David's voice, Jesus' voice, the saints' voices and the voice of the One, Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I invite you therefore to deepen your prayer life this Lent by turning to the greatest Prayer Book of them all.

Grace to you,

Father Jonathan

RECONCILIATION ON WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

In addition to the regular parish schedule, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at all parishes throughout the Diocese of Calgary all the Wednesdays of Lent from 7:30 – 8:30pm.

SOCIETY of ST. VINCENT de PAUL



*Approximately 127,000 Calgarians live in poverty.
That's 1 in 10 of your neighbours.*

Vincetians with St. Peter's SSVP live the Gospel message by serving the economically-vulnerable with love, respect, justice and joy.

SSVP at St. Peter's continues to deliver more than one hamper per day.123

Donations of non-perishable food, cash and grocery gift cards are always welcome. Donations of grocery gift cards—including those bought for the Building Fund—are eligible for a charitable tax receipt.

Pantry Wish List: Canned beans & meats, Oatmeal (1 kg bags), Peanut Butter (1 kg & 500 g) and Pasta sauce.

Check us out! Next meeting: 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 13, St. Peter's.

*Vincetians pray for our benefactors
and the people we serve.*

PEACE & TRUST – PARENTAL WORKSHOP

You are invited to attend "Peace and Trust", St. Peter's Parental Workshop with Seminarian Troy Nguyen on Mon, Mar 5 from 7-9pm in the Parish Hall. If you are the parent of young adult children, you will be given tools to help you motivate your children to welcome Jesus more often into their life journey. Registration is required for this free workshop and can be found at <https://st-peters.ca/peace-trust-st-peters-parental-workshop/>. For more information, please contact Troy Nguyen at 403-286-5110 ext 113 or by email at troy.nguyen@st-peters.ca

ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

Although we do not live in a time where the Catholic Faith is threatened as was the Judaism of Esther's generation; we need committed disciples of Jesus Christ. Teenagers and men with conviction who will recognize God has called us to be Catholics "for such a time as this" because we live in a generation where there are many forces intent on undermining Catholic faith, identity and practice. This year's conference will be held at St. Peter's on the evening of March 16th from 6-9 PM and March 17th from 9 – 4 PM. The speakers will include Fathers Jerome Lavigne, Jonathan Gibson, Cristino Bouvette and Raymond de Souza. If you are 14 or over, please join us so that we can discover more how to form the virtues of courage, strength and unity for "Such a Time as This". For more information and to register please go to <https://godsquad.ca/>.

TEACHER'S PILGRIMAGE INFO NIGHT

Come out on March 19th to learn about the Teacher's Pilgrimage to Medjugorje and Croatia taking place July 8th – 26th, 2018! Teachers and all those involved with education are encouraged to consider this opportunity. Information night will be held in Conf. Room C at 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend!

MAN OF THE SHROUD EXHIBITION

March 23 – April 10. Find out more about this amazing exhibit on our website: <https://st-peters.ca/man-of-the-shroud/>. For questions or more information please email: shroud@st-peters.ca

Volunteers are needed from March 22 until April 11. Please be generous in signing up in the Narthex after Masses or online at <https://st-peters.ca/man-of-the-shroud-volunteers/>. Available positions include: exhibit set-up and takedown, exhibit guides, information/bag check, hospitality, 1st Aid, security, parking, and media room.

Volunteer Orientation will take place Sunday, March 18, 1 PM in the Church. All volunteers will receive instructions about their positions.

Please contact Rose Kastelic or Catherine Jeffery at shroud@st-peters.ca with questions or concerns.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us in praying the Stations of the Cross on Fridays throughout Lent at 7:00pm in the church. Each week a different group from within St. Peter's Parish will lead the Stations. Booklets to follow along are provided.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Don Bosco Announcements
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL



- Our next general council meeting will be held March 7 beginning at 7:30 pm in the downstairs Conference Room C.
- Our next ministry Mass is March 18 at 11:30am – please visit the link to sign up and volunteer → <https://www.volunteersignup.org/LCDEE>
- Father Jerome has asked that all active knights complete the volunteer screening as mandated by the diocese. Go to <http://website.praesidiuminc.com/EnrollNow> to enroll, using the code diocal to do so. Go to <http://website.praesidiuminc.com/LoginNow> to login.
- Be sure to check out our Knight's website at www.kofc8146.com

Thinking of Becoming a Knight? Contact Mark Sadowski at 403-606-7739, Angelo Scarpino at 403-862-2307 or email info@kofc8146.com

RESPECT LIFE & FAMILY

YOU CAN HELP MOM & SAVE BABY

Elizabeth House is providing a home for at risk pregnant or parenting youth and their babies who need a safe place to live. www.elizabethhousecalgary.ca

Kara Life Program in the St. Anne Academic Centre is helping pregnant and parenting students remain in school during pregnancy and after the birth of their children. www.cssd.ab.ca/Programs/ProgramSupport/s/KaraLife

Louise Dean School is a specialized Grade 9 - 12 education program for pregnant & parenting teens, with a compassionate & caring community anchored by the strong belief that education is key to moving their lives forward. Louise Dean School has a formal partnership with Catholic Family Service & Alberta Health Services which guarantees that all students access 'wrap-around' supports. www.LouiseDean@cbe.ab.ca

Choice 42 provides moms in an unplanned pregnancy with the knowledge they are making a choice for two by providing information on their baby's development and a data base with helpful resources available. www.choice42.com/resources-alberta

St. Peter's 40 Days for Life

Sign up for our parish lenten prayer day on **Thursday, March 8** (<https://www.volunteersignup.org/KL7C4>) from 7 am to 7 pm across from the Kensington (Abortion) Clinic at 2431 - 5th Ave NW Calgary. You can also sign up in the Narthex. Contacts: Gwen 403-208-9427, Sheila 403-208-0446, Jairo 403-870-3905 Also check out <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/calgary/>



RETROUVAILE: A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Married couples struggling and/or confused about difficulties in their relationship with their spouse can find help in taking the Retrouvaille program! The program is starting on the weekend of **March 9-11**, but there is still time to register. Information can be found on their website at www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com or by calling **403-879-7893**.

CHANGE THE WORLD – BE A CATHOLIC!



Coordinator: Judith McRae
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RCIA – Tuesdays, 7-9 pm in Conference Room C. Our topic this week will be “Take a Look” and will include a detailed Examination of Conscience.



CWL 40TH ANNIVERSARY DID YOU KNOW?

In 1982 the CWL organized a dance to raise money for the building fund. The event was called “The Building Bounce”.

CHALICE SPECIAL OCCASION GIFT CATALOGUE

Thank you to those that purchased a gift from our Chalice Christmas Gift Catalogue – for helping a child or family in need, while honouring a special person in your life. **Chalice Special Occasion Gift Catalogues** can be found in the Narthex by the Parish Office. Please share them with friends, neighbours and families.

CWL

A women's ministry of St. Peter's Parish



- **Man of the Shroud:** CWL is taking leadership in Hospitality and First Aid. Please be generous in signing up in the Narthex or online at <https://st-peters.ca/man-of-the-shroud-volunteers/>.
- **April Ministry Mass:** Saturday, April 28, 5:00 PM. Please sign up at www.volunteersignup.org/E7MRQ. Let us make our participation and service at Masses a priority.
- **Renew your Membership:** if you have not already done so. The fee is \$30.00. Online registration is available at st-peterscwl.ca. Follow the ‘Join the CWL links’. You may also leave your payment in an envelope complete with your name, address, phone, and email in the CWL mailbox in the Narthex.
- **Our next General Meeting:** Wednesday, March 21 at 7:30 PM.
- **Ladies Dinner:** May 25. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Gail Monk at treasurer.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com to be a part of the preparations.
- **Save the date: St Peter's CWL 40th Anniversary:** Mass and Gala will be held on Saturday, September 29th 2018.
- For more information watch for upcoming emails or check our website: st-peterscwl.ca.

Inspired by the Spirit, Women Respond to God's Call

CATHOLIC HOME SCHOOL CONFERENCE

All parents and young adults are welcome to attend the Western Canadian Catholic Home School Conference, March 22 – 24 at Providence Renewal Centre, Edmonton. The theme: Anchoring the Family in this Cultural Storm will be addressed by Archbishop Smith, Louis Rouleau, and other speakers. Also, enjoy wine and cheese on Friday night as we discuss home schooling. Info: www.wcchsc.net, Veronica: 780-467-8410 or email wccchsc@shaw.ca.

ADORATION TO ATONE FOR ABORTIONS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to atone for abortions begins Sun, March 11 at 3:00pm and concludes on Mon, March 12 at 5:00 pm with Holy Mass. Please come and pray at St. John's Convent, 409 -10A St. NW.



BAPTISM



Coordinator: Judith McRae
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Infant Baptism

A Baptism Preparation seminar is required once every three years, up to the third child, for all parents seeking Baptism for their children. Our next Baptism Preparation seminar is March 10th, from 9:30 am promptly until approximately 12:30 pm. Contact Judith in the Office to register for this, at 403-286-5110, ext. 109. See St. Peter's web site under "Sacraments" for our schedule of Baptism dates.

School Age Baptism – Ages 7-10

Registration is now open for School Age Baptism preparation this Spring. Classes will take place from 6 pm to 7:30 pm each Thursday from April 19th to May 3rd, with the appropriate Rites taking place directly after each class, including Baptism directly after class on May 3rd. Parents and Godparents will attend with the children. For more details please visit our web site at <https://st-peters.ca/baptism-1/#schoolage>

FAITH LIFE

Check out the many groups and studies that St. Peter's Parish offers! For any questions please email: ministry@st-peters.ca or check out St. Peter's website for more information: st-peters.ca/spiritual-formation/

FAITH & BIBLE STUDIES

Bible Study based on Edward Sri's book Who Am I to Judge? We'll explore the classical view of morality and find that it's not merely a set of guiding principles for theoretical situations—it is an entire way of life. It runs on Sunday Evenings (7-9 pm) in Conf. Room C or on Tuesday Afternoons (1-3 pm) in Conf. Room A/B. For further information visit the website. Please, register by accessing Faith Life on www.st-peters.ca, e-mail ddhawkins@shaw.ca or phone Dixie: 403-288-5245.

Celebrating the Word (CTW)

Grow and strengthen your Sunday Mass experience as we study and pray the Sunday Gospel readings. Join us on Tuesday evenings 7:30-9:30pm or Wednesday afternoons 1:00-3:00pm in Conference Room B.

Tuesday Evenings Bible Study – On Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm, we are offering a study session on Pope Francis' exhortation on the family: "The Joy of Love - Amoris Laetitia". All are welcome! For more information contact Dixie Hawkins ddhawkins@shaw.ca or 403-288-5245.

Men's Breakfast Study – Join us every Wednesday morning at 6am in the Parish Hall for a delicious breakfast as we study the program "WISDOM" from the *Great Adventure Bible Time Line Series*. For more information contact Sean Lynn godssquadsean@gmail.com.

Pivotal Players – Join Fr. Jonathan every 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:30am in Conf. Room C for a DVD study created by Bishop Robert Barron – Catholicism, The Pivotal Players.

PRAYER GROUPS

Monday Morning Prayer Group - For 30 minutes after Mass each Monday, our prayer group practices intercessory prayer in front of the Tabernacle, to pray for various needs. Everyone is welcome to drop in and participate.

MOTHER'S MINISTRIES

Pray & Play – Meet like-minded moms, learn more about your faith, pray together, share stories over coffee and tea! Join us at Pray & Play Wednesdays 9:15am in the Hall. Children who are there play together while moms meet. *This week's session we will discuss a Mother's Rule of Life.*

Mother's Support Group (MSG)

Our vision is that all mothers will feel supported by other women, will have increased understanding of themselves, and therefore improved knowledge and appreciation of children and the family. We all have different gifts involving strengths and struggles that we bring to our role as mothers. Come and feel supported, encouraged and appreciated! Join us Friday mornings, 9:30-11:15. Babysitting is provided. For any questions please email: msg.st.peters.calgary.ab@gmail.com. – *This week's topic: Understanding and dealing with different temperaments.*

Mom's Book Club – Join us as we make space for reading and reflection, connecting with other moms the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm. Contact Rebecca to sign up: rgafuik@gmail.com.



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary – Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

LENTEN REFLECTION – WEEK 3

Jesus is on His way to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover. He quickly responds to the appalling acts taking place in the temple with holy audacity, righteous anger, and consuming zeal. Just as Jesus clears the temple, if we are living temples of the Holy Spirit, we can also ask what abominations are taking place in us. **Action:** Pray to the Holy Spirit to identify what needs to change in your life. Dare to ask God for help and mercy.

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