

ST. PETER'S PARISH // SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

# PETER'S PAPER

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## PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

### WHOSE VOICE SHAPES OUR STEPS?

#### *Listening beyond ourselves to discern God's path*

To discern is more than to decide. It is the art of recognizing whose voice is shaping our steps. At times, we are drawn by the quiet influence of our ego, which convinces us that what is comfortable or advantageous must also be right. Other times, we are misguided by the evil one, who disguises false paths in garments of light. And often, we lean on the voices of others — voices we trust — and yet they can quietly shape us in ways that hold us back. Even voices we know well can confine our vision, keeping us from God's wider horizon.

God's voice does not restrict us within what is narrow. His will is never a closed room, but a doorway. It frees us to live in what truly matters: caring for family, building up community, serving others, and responding to the needs of the world.

Discernment is never secure if it rests only on my self-perception or within the circle of familiar influences. Without this clarity, we risk being guided by the whispers of the ego, the tricks of the evil one, or the comfort of familiar voices. But when we have the courage to listen together — praying, speaking, and seeking God as a parish family — our vision grows clearer. In that shared listening, the Spirit grants us a perspective none of us could reach alone.

This is how we are called to live as a parish: real collaboration grows out of communal discernment. We need to leave room for the movement of grace, which carries us beyond our own preferences. In the flow and crossings of community life, we are invited to give priority to this inspiration — the guide who shows us the right path at each moment of our history.



**St. Peter's**  
Roman Catholic Church

## SCHEDULE

### ROSARY

Tuesday - Saturday 8:00 am

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue - Sat 8:30 am

### WEEKEND MASSES

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

### ADORATION

Friday 9:00 am - 10:30 am

### RECONCILIATION

Friday 9:15 - 10:15 am  
Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm



DO NOT FORGET  
THE WORKS OF THE  
**LORD!**

✠ ✠ ✠  
PSALM 78

**YOU  
ARE  
called**



YOU MATTER.  
YOU BELONG.



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THE HOLY CROSS

## SACRAMENT REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

✚ Register your child online:

👉 [st-peters.ca/sacraments](http://st-peters.ca/sacraments)

📖 Parent Information Session (First Reconciliation)

📅 September 29th / September 30th

🕒 6:00 PM

📍 Parish Hall

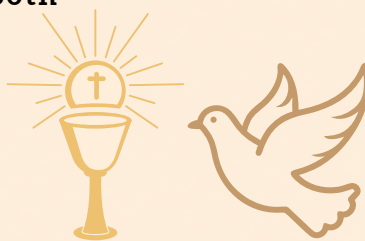
📧 Questions?

✉ [sacraments@st-peters.ca](mailto:sacraments@st-peters.ca)

☎ Call the parish office

💛 Volunteers Needed!

Would you like to help with our  
sacramental preparation program?  
If so, please email [pvsc@st-peters.ca](mailto:pvsc@st-peters.ca)



## The CWL Cake Raffle is this weekend after all Masses

The proceeds from the raffle go  
to support the CWL foster Child



## CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Email:

[Office@st-peters.ca](mailto:Office@st-peters.ca)

Bulletin Submissions:

[bulletin@st-peters.ca](mailto:bulletin@st-peters.ca)

Sacraments:

[sacraments@st-peters.ca](mailto:sacraments@st-peters.ca)

Baptism:

[baptism@st-peters.ca](mailto:baptism@st-peters.ca)

E-transfers:

[donate@st-peters.ca](mailto:donate@st-peters.ca)

St. Vincent de Paul:

[svdp@st-peters.ca](mailto:svdp@st-peters.ca)

Website:

[www.st-peters.ca](http://www.st-peters.ca)

Diocesan website:

[www.catholicityyc.ca](http://www.catholicityyc.ca)

Find us on 

## OFFICE HOURS

**Monday**

Office and Church Closed

**Tuesday - Thursday**

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

**Friday**

9:00 am - Noon

## CLERGY

**Pastor:**

**Fr. Fábio de Souza**

[fabio.desouza@st-peters.ca](mailto:fabio.desouza@st-peters.ca)

**Assistant Pastor**

**Fr. Peter An**

[peter.an@st-peters.ca](mailto:peter.an@st-peters.ca)

**Deacon:**

**Stephen Robinson**

[stephen.robinson@st-peters.ca](mailto:stephen.robinson@st-peters.ca)

# See How We're Building Together!



**Our parish community is making a difference!**

Discover the **Top 5 ways** our community is supporting our Building Fund Campaign.



**E-Transfer – \$195,708**

Quick, secure, and with no fee. Send to: [mychurch@st-peters.ca](mailto:mychurch@st-peters.ca)



**Cash / Cheque – \$157,368**

Simple and effective. Please use the envelopes available in the pews.



**Website Giving – \$89,341**

Fast and convenient. Give anytime at: [Click to donate](#)



**Securities & Shares – \$55,767**

A meaningful way to donate from investments, with additional tax benefits. Download the form: [Click here](#) Please indicate: "In support of St. Peter's Campaign."



**Donation Station – \$28,378**

Easy and accessible. Located in the Narthex.

Every donation makes twice the difference – all contributions are being matched!

## MASS INTENTIONS

SEPT 9 - 14

REPOSE OF THE SOUL (RS)/SPECIAL INTENTIONS (SI)

Date	Time	Name	Date
September 09, 2025	08:30 AM	Jas Houghton	(RS)
September 10, 2025	08:30 AM	Nic Rambooy	(RS)
September 11, 2025	08:30 AM	Cesar Maran Boscan	(RS)
September 12, 2025	08:30 AM	Bill Jeffery	(RS)
September 13, 2025	08:30 AM	Teresita Dizon Obieta	(RS)
September 13, 2025	5:00. PM	Michael Cowley	(RS)
September 14, 2025	08:00 AM	The Birch & Houghton Families	(RS)
September 14, 2025	09:30 AM	Robert Forjasz	(SI)
September 14, 2025	11:30 AM	John Paolone	(SI)
September 14, 2025	5:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Peter's	(RS)





# WELCOME BACK BBQ



FAMILY FRIENDLY

FREE ADMISSION

**JOIN US FOR AN EVENING  
OF JOYFUL FELLOWSHIP,  
GREAT FOOD, AND A  
WARM COMMUNITY SPIRIT!**

This FREE, family-friendly BBQ brings our parish together as we celebrate the beginning of our new pastoral year.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025**

BBQ AFTER 5:00 PM MASS  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

ST. PETER'S PARISH PARKING LOT  
SILVER SPRINGS

**LET'S MAKE OUR EVENT EVEN BETTER!**

SCAN THE  
QR CODE NOW  
TO VOLUNTEER  
OR DONATE FOOD.

OR [CLICK HERE](#)



## Inviting All Men

*An Evening of Fun  
for All Men of St. Peter's*

**Friday, September 26th**



Purchase Tickets Today!



**HEROIC MEN**  
POWERED BY GOD SQUAD, CANADA





# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

- Have you been reflecting on your faith journey?
- Have you wondered if the Catholic Church might be your next step?
- Do you simply have questions about the Catholic faith?

If so, this invitation is for you. We would love to walk with you.

 **We meet Thursday evenings, beginning September 4.**

 **More details can be found on our website:**

**[st-peters.ca/interested-in-becoming-catholic](https://st-peters.ca/interested-in-becoming-catholic)**

 **Contact us at [rcia@st-peters.ca](mailto:rcia@st-peters.ca) to learn more about our process.**



## CHILDREN'S LITURGY REGISTRATION



Starting in October, during the 9:30 AM Mass, children will be invited to take part in their own celebration of the Word, helping them encounter Scripture in a way that speaks to their hearts.

We warmly invite you to register your child using this link: **[Click here to register.](#)**

If you **wish to volunteer** to help with this ministry, please contact **[pvsc@st-peters.ca](mailto:pvsc@st-peters.ca)**

## **9:30 AM Sunday Mass Coffee and Conversation is Back!**

We're happy to announce that Coffee and Conversation will resume on September 7, 2025!

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet, share, and grow in fellowship as a parish community.

We are also looking for volunteers to help host these gatherings.

If you're available to help, please sign up: **[Click here](#)**





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**SEPT 20**  
11 AM

## **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

Those wishing to follow his call by learning to serve at the altar are invited to this training session.

## **ST PETER'S YOUTH GROUP**

**HEY, YOUTH OF ST PETER'S PARISH!**

WE'RE EXCITED TO LAUNCH A NEW YOUTH GROUP THIS FALL FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 7-12.

**When:** Fridays, bi-weekly

**Time:** 6:30-8:30pm

**Kick off date:** October 3, 2025

**[Click here to register](#)**

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are also seeking adult volunteers to assist in running the program.


Please, **[click here to register](#)**

**For enquiries, please email:**  
**youth@st-peters.ca**



# St. Peter's Annual CWL Retreat

All women of St. Peter's are warmly invited to  
the Annual Retreat hosted by St. Peter's CWL.


 **Date:** Tuesday, September 23, 2025

 **Location:** St. Peter's Church

## PROGRAM

 **Pizza & wine (and other beverages such as lemonade):** 5:30 pm

 **Retreat begins:** 7:00 pm

 **Presentation by Father Peter**

(Topic to be announced prior to the event)

## COST

- \$5.00 – CWL Members
- \$10.00 – Non-members

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

1. By e-transfer to: [treasurer.cwl.stpeterscwl@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.cwl.stpeterscwl@gmail.com)

(Please include what and whom the payment is for)

2. By cheque left in the CWL drawer in the church narthex, or mailed to: St. Peter's CWL, 541 Silvergrove Dr. NW, Calgary, T3B 4R9.

3. Online by credit card at [stpeterscwl.ca](http://stpeterscwl.ca)



## A TASTE OF ST PETER'S



Parishioners from various ethnic or country groups are encouraged to donate dishes from their region as a group.



[CLICK HERE TO DONATE](#)  
Your traditional Food



[CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)  
\$10 for 5 tasting vouchers



Saturday  
4 Oct, 2025



After 5pm Mass  
6 – 9 PM



St Peter's Roman Catholic Church  
541 Silvergrove Dr NW, Calgary







# **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

## **School drives keep our shelves full!**

Elementary schools that are part of St. Peter's parish do an excellent job with regular food drives. These donations keep our pantry shelves well stocked. For this, SSVP is grateful.

The need for emergency food hampers is fuelled by low-wage jobs, the cost of rent, inflation, job loss, and illness.

Parish donations of food, cash & grocery cards help SSVP at St. Peter's deliver food baskets with meat, milk, cheese, and fresh produce. Grocery store cards purchased through the Building Fund

finance SSVP's work AND support the parish's debt-reduction plan.

Hamper staples: Hearty soups, canned fruit and meat, breakfast cereal, PB, pasta sauce, and canned fruit.

E-transfer donations to **treasurerssvp@outlook.com** OR set up an auto-deposit. Forms are available from the SSVP donation box located in the Narthex. Envelopes, grocery cards & cash can also be slipped into the SSVP Slot Box. It's part of the bookshelf to the left of the entrance to the sanctuary.

***Join SSVP: Email [ssvp@st-peters.ca](mailto:ssvp@st-peters.ca) for more information about how you can do Christ's work in our community. We have volunteer opportunities for families! Check out our page on the parish website (under Ministries, Service).***

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

Learn more about SSVP at St. Peter's: <https://ssvpstpeters.wixsite.com/stpetersssvp2017>

***"Don't forget to do good and to share what you have because God is pleased with these kinds of sacrifices." HEBREWS 13:16***

*Share The Love*





## Catholic Women's League

### General Meeting

**Wednesday, September 17 at 7 pm.**

This year we'll be asking for non-perishable food donations to St. Vincent de Paul.

We will also be voting on St. Peter's Policies & Procedures Manual that you have read over the summer.

If you have any questions, could you please submit them to [President.cwl@gmail.com](mailto:President.cwl@gmail.com) a few days before the meeting so they can be passed on to the Committee and clarified before the meeting.

#### Newsletter

The September CWL newsletter was emailed out to members on Monday, Sept. 8. If you did not receive your copy, please email [webmaster.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com](mailto:webmaster.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com)



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**St. Don Bosco Council 8146**

**SERVICE TO ONE.**

**SERVICE TO ALL.**

### This Friday

#### **2025 Men's Night Out (MNO)**

*Friday, September 26th*

*Tickets now available online, see poster on the following page.*

### Thinking of Joining the Knights?

**Membership Contacts:**

**David Mildenberger at**  
**[cdmilden@shaw.ca](mailto:cdmilden@shaw.ca), or Angelo Scarpino**  
**at [ascarpino@telus.net](mailto:ascarpino@telus.net)**

## CELEBRATING THE WORD

**"Celebrating the Word" is a small group activity and process that allows people of faith to make meaningful connections between their ordinary life stories and the Gospel story. In this reflective interaction, it is the common experience of group participants that the Sunday readings become alive and are actually experienced as Spirit filled. We engage in prayerful reflection, dialogue and discernment.**

**Every Wednesday,  
From 1:30pm - 3:30pm**

**Please join us!**

**Contact person: [marybriggs@shaw.ca](mailto:marybriggs@shaw.ca)**



## MOTHERS' FELLOWSHIP

Mothers of the parish are warmly invited to our monthly gathering on the second Thursday of the month, 7:30-10:00 pm in the boardroom. It's a time of prayer, sharing, and encouragement.

### Upcoming dates:

Sept 11 • Oct 9 • Nov 13 • Dec 11 • Jan 8  
Feb 12 • Mar 12 • Apr 16\* • May 14 • Jun 11



# PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY TRAINING

For those who feel called to assist their parish in a healing ministry to the sick, elderly, dying, homebound and bereaved members.



ST. PETER'S PARISH

**SATURDAYS,  
OCTOBER 18 &  
25**

9 am - 4 pm  
541 Silvergrove NW,  
Calgary

PHONE 403-218-5521  
EMAIL [mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca)

Register by Oct 15



Register at  
[catholiccyc.ca/pastoralcare](http://catholiccyc.ca/pastoralcare)



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**REGISTER HERE**





## Advancing Truth and Reconciliation in our Parish

The St. Peter's Truth and Reconciliation Action Committee (TRAC) invites you to the fifth and final viewing and discussion, using a Canadian film production entitled *Bones of Crows*. This builds upon the sharing circles held last spring to better understand how the personal, community and social effects of the Indian Residential School System continue through today. Pope Francis urged us to take on this work during his pilgrimage to Canada and by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #59.

*Bones of Crows* is a story of resilience and strength told through the eyes of Cree Matriarch Aline Spears. Removed from their family home and forced into Canada's residential school system, young musical prodigy Aline and her siblings are plunged into a struggle for survival. Over the next hundred years, Aline and her descendants fight for a more just future.

A sweeping drama grounded in historical truth, *Bones of Crows* weaves together underrepresented moments in Canadian and Indigenous history, including the Indigenous contributions to WWII, the ongoing cases of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

The episodes and the ensuing sharing circles will cover challenging material and so will not be suitable for children.

This final session will be on Saturday, September 27 from 9:30 to 11:00 in room C. Please join us as we learn together.



### CWL PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our Ministry handcrafts beautiful prayer shawls, which are then blessed. The shawls are given out to bring comfort and prayer support to those experiencing illness, loss, loneliness or depression. If you know someone (man, woman or child) who would benefit from a shawl, please contact Ann Dowling [anndowli@telus.net](mailto:anndowli@telus.net) or Marie Sieben [sieben.7@shaw.ca](mailto:sieben.7@shaw.ca). **We gratefully accept cash donations and donations of unused yarn!**

### ST PETER'S, CALGARY **HEROIC MEN**

St. Peter's Men's Breakfast is held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 7am in the Hall. We invite all men in the Parish to join us!





## **NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS ARE OPEN.**

Visit our website

## **BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

If you have information or an event you would like included in the bulletin, please email it to [bulletin@st-peters.ca](mailto:bulletin@st-peters.ca).

Submissions are accepted at the discretion of the editor and are subject to editing.

**The deadline each week for bulletin submissions is Wednesday at noon.**

## **GROCERY GIFT CARDS**

Pick up Grocery Gift cards after Mass or in the Office.

***ALL COMMISSIONS ARE  
ELIGIBLE FOR THE BUILDING  
FUND MATCHING PROGRAM.***

**Co-op, Sobeys/Safeway,  
President's Choice and Tim  
Horton's cards available.**

**Using cash, cheque or debit for  
your purchase allows us to put  
more of our commission  
towards our building loan.**

## **TAP TO GIVE**

**TAP YOUR DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD  
TO MAKE A**

**\$10 - \$25 - \$50**

**\$20 - \$50- \$100**

**DONATION**

The TipTapPay devices are located near the main entrance and the bookcase.

To receive a tax receipt, you must scan the QR code on the sign and complete the required information to register your credit card. Tax receipts will be issued annually.

Please email [accounting@st-peters.ca](mailto:accounting@st-peters.ca) with any questions.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**



# ST. PETER'S MOTHERS' SUPPORT GROUP



**"Children are a gift  
from the Lord: They  
are a real Blessing."  
Psalm 127:3**

While trying to raise a Christian family in today's society, meeting the changing demands and challenges, it may be difficult at times to appreciate our "gifts" and remember our "blessings." As mothers, we need the support, experience, and empathy that other mothers can offer.

## **OUR AIMS:**

1. To provide spiritual support through prayer and reflection.
2. To discuss information that will enhance any aspect of family life.
3. To provide an opportunity to welcome new mothers and grandmothers into our parish community.

Meetings are held on Fridays from 9:30 am to 11:15 am, following the CSSD school calendar.

**Our next meeting is September 26 —join us!**

# **PRAYER CHAIN**

**Do you have a loved one that you would like to put on our confidential prayer list? The Prayer Chain is a powerful group of CWL women who pray for the ill or for anyone in need of prayer.**

**Please contact Catherine at: [cmj75@shaw.ca](mailto:cmj75@shaw.ca)**