



# Peter's Paper

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church  
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## MASS TIMES

### **ROSARY**

Tuesday – Saturday 8:00 am

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday – Saturday 8:30 am

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon & 5:00 pm

### **ADORATION**

Friday (Sign in required) 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

### **RECONCILIATION**

Friday 9:30 am – 10:00 am

Saturday 6:00 pm

Or available by appointment

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Diocesan Website: [www.catholicycvc.ca](http://www.catholicycvc.ca)

## **Pastor's Perspective**

In 2020 we saw a marked shift in how parishioners contributed to the finances of St. Peter's. Prior to COVID the majority of parishioners gave through the envelope system. By year-end many of you had signed up for electronic giving. I am appreciative to all of you, whether you gave via envelope or electronically. Your generosity meant 2020 was a year where we operated in the black by a wide margin. The Finance Committee will share this good news with you at the Zoom Town Hall on Wednesday at 7:30 PM. (<https://zoom.us/j/3038505514> - Dial in: 1 587 328 1099 - Meeting ID: 303 850 5514) For those of you who want to continue using envelopes in 2022, we will insure this can happen. The 2021 have already been purchased and are being issued. At the same time, I would like to encourage envelope givers to consider switching to electronic deposits. Why make this change, we will:

1. Cut costs: Envelopes cost us \$2500.00 a year.
2. Easy and convenient: You can set up regular dates when you want the donation to be deposited with St. Peter's.
3. No waste – over 400 people who ask for envelopes did not pick them up (the picture on the right shows what hasn't been picked up this year)
4. Less administration – more time efficient for our accountant
5. Less need for volunteer counters
6. Online giving reduces errors

If you would like to switch to online giving please go [HERE](#) to our website. If you would like more information or help with this, please call Cindy Kreutzer at 403-286-5110 or email her at: [cindy.kreutzer@st-peters.ca](mailto:cindy.kreutzer@st-peters.ca).

I hope to see many of you on Wednesday at 7:30 for the Town Hall.

In His grace,

Fr Jonathan



## CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

The sacrament program that is being used by the Diocese of Calgary for 2021 is the online course of *Chosen* by Ascension Press. Only 11 of the 24 available lessons (along with the weekly learning activities) will be required. Other virtual supports will be provided to the candidates and their families as they progress through the lessons. **Parents will need to register twice:** Once with the Parish (there is no charge to register with the parish) and once with Ascension Press (there will be a small charge to register for *Chosen*). Please see our website [www.st-peters.ca](http://www.st-peters.ca) and click on Sacraments » Confirmation for more information on how to register. **REGISTRATION WILL BE OPEN FROM JANUARY 5 UNTIL JANUARY 31.** Please email [sacraments@st-peters.ca](mailto:sacraments@st-peters.ca) if you have any questions.



## FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION

The home-based coaching sessions for those who have already registered for First Eucharist will begin on February 1 and will run until April 23. The format will be the same as the one used for the First Reconciliation program.

There will be 5 sessions available which will cover the 10 chapters of the First Eucharist workbook. You will be able to book your online sessions beginning January 2021 on the Diocese website <https://www.catholicyc.ca/firsteucharist.html>. The First Eucharist celebrations will tentatively take place in May 2021. Please email [sacraments@st-peters.ca](mailto:sacraments@st-peters.ca) if you have any questions.



## ROSARY

Daily recitation of the Rosary is at 8:00 am prior to Mass. Doors will be opened at 7:55 am. You must wear your mask at all times during the recitation of the Rosary.

## ADORATION

Adoration is on Fridays starting at 10 am - noon. A safety coordinator will sign you in at the door and go through the screening process. This will be our new protocol going forward.

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL



**Did you know... 1 in 5 Calgarians worry about not having enough money for food.**

**The first 4 months of the New Year are SSVP's busiest. Donations of non-perishable food, cash and grocery gift cards are appreciated.**

During the winter months, donations of hearty soups and canned pasta are especially welcome.

**Children's Clothing:** SSVP accepts new and gently-used children's clothing. Items can be left in the bin in the narthex. Clothing is sorted by size and season and delivered to the homes of the families we serve.

**Please consider helping in these ways:**

**Grocery Cards** can be left at the Church during office hours. Please purchase from St. Peter's Building Fund

**E-transfer funds** [treasurerssvp@outlook.com](mailto:treasurerssvp@outlook.com)

**Set up an auto-deposit** — forms available on parish website or at office.

*Vincentians pray for the people we help-and for the people who help us!*

## BOTTLES OF BLESSED HOLY WATER NOW AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE

*\*Suggested donation of \$3.00 for the container\**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Rest of the Soul (RS), Special Intentions (SI)

Jan 16 8:30am	Joseph & Lucy Yu (RS)
Jan 16 5:00pm	Bishop Wiesner (SI)
Jan 17 8:00am	Millie Oborowsky (SI)
Jan 17 10:00am	Parish (SI)
Jan 17 12:00noon	Varadharajan & Fathima Mary (RS)
Jan 17 5:00pm	Linda Wong (RS)
Jan 19 8:30am	Souls in Purgatory (RS)
Jan 20 8:30am	Diane & Otto Miedma (SI)
Jan 21 8:30am	"Thanksgiving for the Grace of God" (SI)
Jan 22 8:30am	Bishop Wiesner (SI)

## AN EVENING SERVICE OF PRAYER - JAN 21

Week of Prayer of Christian Unity - Jan 18-25  
Join Bishop Todd Atkinson (Preacher, Via Apostolica), Dcn. Trevor Jameus (Via Apostolica), Rev. Terry Fach (Ambrose University), Fr. Matthew Perreault (Anglican Diocese of Calgary), and Rev. Adrian Martens (Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary) as they celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Live-streamed from Ascension Catholic Parish on **Jan. 20, 2021 from 7-8pm**. We hope you can join us as we pray and listen about how we can help the cause of Christian Unity.

[Watch livestream here](#)

# AFTER THE SEARCH

## **AFTER THE SEARCH – VIRTUAL FAITH STUDY CONTINUES!**

How do we make 'The Search' happen? Join in on this 7-week study with Zoom. If you missed joining 'The Search' it is not too late to see what it is all about.

Chris Stefanick and Tim Gray from Augustine Institute explore the themes of 'The Search' in 'After the Search' See St Peter's website [www.st-peters.ca](http://www.st-peters.ca) to join this study. The cost for this virtual study is \$10 includes The Search book by Chris Stefanick. Registrant will be advised on how to pick up their books and also given information on accessing the study online.

### **Two session times:**

**Sunday's: January 31 to March 14 7:30 – 9:00pm**

**Facilitated by Kathy Ervin and Dixie Hawkins**

**Wednesday's: February 3 to March 24 7:00 – 9 pm**

**Facilitated by Sean Lynn and Richard Beaulieu**

## **BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

If you have something you would like to get into the bulletin, please email it to [bulletin@st-peters.ca](mailto:bulletin@st-peters.ca). The deadline each week for bulletin submissions is **Wednesday**.

## **CHANGE THE WORLD – BE A CATHOLIC!**



**RCIA** – If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr. Jonathan – [frjonathan@st-peters.ca](mailto:frjonathan@st-peters.ca) – for more information.

**Adult Confirmation Classes** – If you are a baptized Catholic but are missing one or more sacraments, please contact Fr. Jonathan – [frjonathan@st-peters.ca](mailto:frjonathan@st-peters.ca) – for more information on how to register for the adult catechism classes.

## **REGISTERING FOR MASS**

**Registrations for weekend Masses will open at noon on the Wednesday before.** We are now limited to a maximum of 70 people per Mass. If you need to make any changes to your registration, please do so by calling the office and leaving a message so that we can make the appropriate seating adjustments. When registering for Mass please make sure you are only registering for one Mass and not multiple Masses on the same weekend.

## **COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR**

Due to COVID-19, *Coldest Night of the Year* (CNOY) will be a little different this year. It will be a "virtual" walk, meaning we won't have a big walk day and rally at Eau Claire as in past years. Teams and individuals will register and fundraise through the CNOY website as in the past. We encourage teams and individuals to do your own "COVID safe" walk at a location and distance you choose. You may walk any day during February 2021, but we recommend event day Saturday, February 20 so you can join in the excitement across the country on social media. We strongly recommend wearing masks and following group numbers as limited by current restrictions. We want everyone to be safe! **Support the Sunday meals at Feed the Hungry this year by walking with the Coldest Night of the Year.** **Register:** <https://cnoy.org/location/calgarydowntown> to set up your CNOY 2021 team or to join a team.

## **WORLD DAY OF THE SICK – FEB. 11**

"The celebration of the XXIX World Day of the Sick on 11 February 2021, the liturgical memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Lourdes, is an opportunity to devote special attention to the sick and to those who provide them with assistance and care both in healthcare institutions and within families and communities. We think in particular of those who have suffered, and continue to suffer, the effects of the worldwide coronavirus pandemic." ~ Pope Francis. The theme of this year's message is **"You have but one teacher and you are all brothers"** (Mt 23:8), which encourages a trust-based relationship with the sick and the nurturing of integral human healing.

## **RETREAT CENTRE UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FCJ Centre, Calgary** - The FCJ Centre is offering a large number and range of Advent retreats, prayer services, workshops, and other experiences for spiritual enrichment. Upcoming schedule: <https://www.fcjcentre.ca/>

**Mount St. Francis, Cochrane** - Nestled in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains where are all welcome in the name of Christ, Mount St. Francis offers silent retreats and spiritual direction led by The Franciscan Friars of Canada. Upcoming schedule: <https://mountstfrancis.ca/year-at-a-glance/>

**Divine Mercy Centre, Calgary** - Livestream Prayers available at: <https://sistersofdivinemercury.org/livestream-adoration>

**Martha Retreat Centre, Lethbridge** -

The Martha Retreat Centre seeks to provide a quiet, welcoming space where people, individually or in groups, can come away and rest awhile, nourish their spirits and open their hearts to God's call to them in the current reality of their life's circumstances. Upcoming schedule: <https://www.martharetreatcentre.ca/programs-retreats>

## BAPTISM



### INFANT BAPTISM

Baptisms are taking place and all baptisms are currently private baptisms. For more information on baptism or to register your child for baptism, please visit <https://st-peters.ca/baptism-1/> or email [baptism@st-peters.ca](mailto:baptism@st-peters.ca)

### SCHOOL AGE BAPTISM

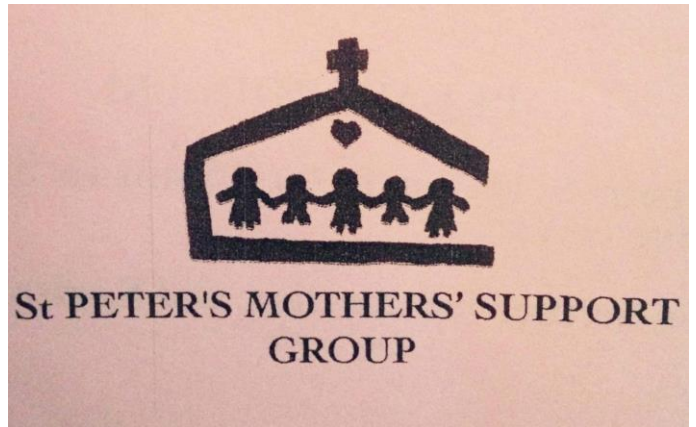
The next School Age Baptism preparations will begin in the Fall of 2021.

## DONATE BY E-TRANSFER

*E-Transfer is now available for your Offering – please direct your donations to [accounting@st-peters.ca](mailto:accounting@st-peters.ca)*  
You do not require a security question, the donation will be deposited directly into St. Peter's account, and there are no fees to St. Peter's associated with this form of payment for a donation. In the message box of the E-Transfer please put your address and/or phone number so that the donation is recorded to the proper person. *This address is only for St. Peter's donations. To donate to St. Vincent de Paul please email [treasurersvp@outlook.com](mailto:treasurersvp@outlook.com)*

## KNIGHTS DREAM VACATION PROJECT

The Airdrie Council 8045 of the Knights of Columbus is hosting their annual Airdrie Dream Vacation draw. All proceeds from this project are returned to charities they support. There are 600 tickets with the first draw on **April 4, 2021**. Each month for 12 months a Dream Vacation voucher will be given away (value \$2500) plus 4 draws of \$120. Seven Early Bird prizes will be drawn on **February 14, 2021**. For more information or to purchase a ticket, visit [airdriedreamvacation.ca](http://airdriedreamvacation.ca). Use *Dine21* coupon to receive Dine Airdrie Card free while supplies last. For more info, contact [tickets@airdriedreamvacation.ca](mailto:tickets@airdriedreamvacation.ca)



## Catholic Women's League

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



### CWL 2021 MEMBERSHIPS

Cost is \$30. Available online at [www.st-peterscwl.ca](http://www.st-peterscwl.ca). Preferred payment is by e-transfer to [treasurer.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com). Credit card, cheque, and cash payments also available. For cash or cheque, include email address, home address, and phone number in the envelope, which can be placed in the CWL drawer in the Narthex. For more information, please contact Trish Perry at [membership.chair.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com](mailto:membership.chair.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com).

## MOTHER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Come and join our Mother's Support Group virtually!!! Please contact Meghan at [meghan.anderson@st-peters.ca](mailto:meghan.anderson@st-peters.ca) to get more information.

## TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2020

*Has Your Information Changed? Have you moved recently? Tax Receipts for 2020 will be mailed out at the beginning of February 2021.*

*Do you give by direct donation and your credit card number has changed?*

*Does your credit card expiry date need to be updated? If any of these apply to you, please call the office at 403-286-5110 and let us know your new information.*





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are now available for pick  
up at the Parish office*



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### ***CWL PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY***

Our Ministry handcrafts beautiful prayer shawls, which are blessed at Masses. The shawls are given out to bring comfort and prayer support to those experiencing illness, loss, loneliness, or depression. If you know someone (woman, man, 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).



### ***DONATING BY PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT AVAILABLE***

Thank you to all our parishioners who have switched to pre-authorized donations since the start of the pandemic. We appreciate your ongoing financial support. Our parish relies on our regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. Consider the benefits of using pre-authorized donations:

- You can donate with credit card or bank account
- You do not have to remember your envelopes or find time to drop your donations off at the church
- By making your pre-authorized offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to care for your parish during this difficult time

If you would like to start pre-authorized debit (PAD) transactions, forms are available at the office or on our website. You can also set up a recurring donation using your credit card online or make a one-time donation at <https://st-peters.ca/waystodonate/>. We accept MasterCard, Visa or American Express.

# Be Ready to do God's Will

In today's first reading, God called young Samuel in a special way. Samuel's life had been dedicated to God, and because he was willing to follow God's plan, God made Samuel a holy prophet.

In the Gospel reading, Saint John the Baptist tells his followers that Jesus is the Messiah. Two of them decided to follow Jesus, and one of them, Andrew, went and got his brother Simon. When Simon went to follow Him, Jesus told him that his name would now be "Cephas," or "Peter," which means 'rock.' God had a special plan for Simon Peter. He was to become the leader of the Church- the first pope!

God does not call all of us to very important jobs like the prophet Samuel and Saint Peter. But each of us should follow Jesus and be ready to do His will. If we always try to do what God wants, then we will be ready if He does have a special job for us! How can you do God's will today?

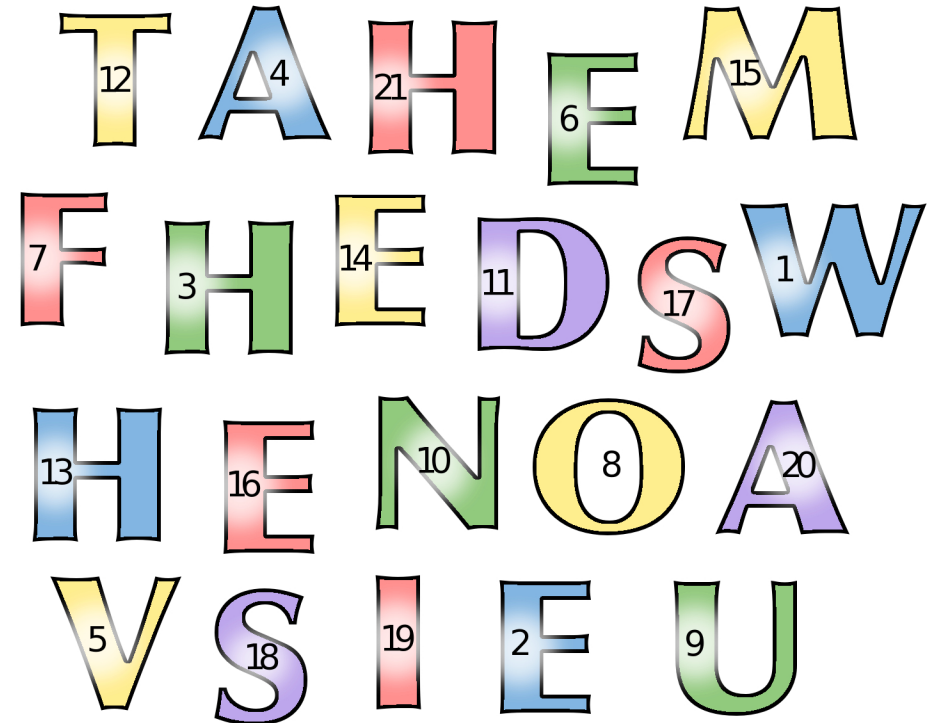


Answer to front page: We have found the Messiah!  
Answer to Cross-Word: his vocation.

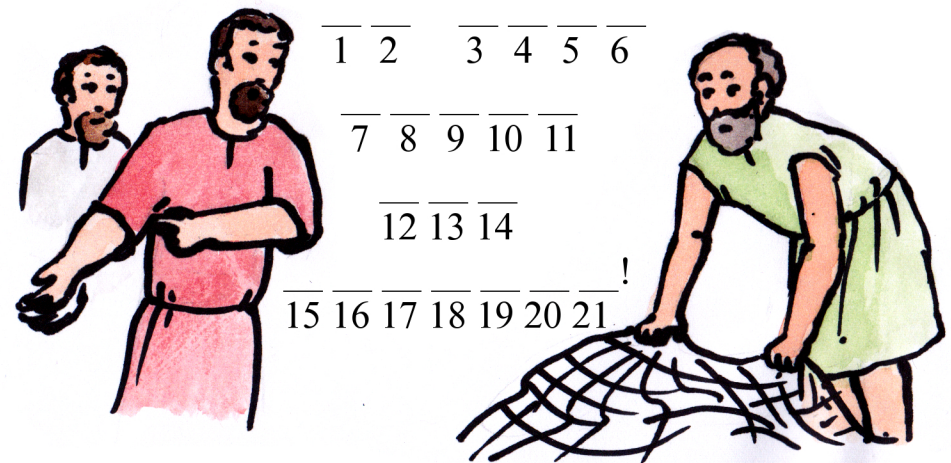
# The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17th, 2021



What did Andrew say to his brother Simon in today's Gospel reading?  
Fill the spaces with the letters in the right order to find out!



# Saint Agnes

## January 21



SAINT AGNES WAS A THIRTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL FROM A NOBLE FAMILY IN ROME IN THE LATE 200'S.



SHE WAS ACCUSED OF BEING A CHRISTIAN WHEN SHE REFUSED TO MARRY THE PREFECT'S SON.

Why do you refuse?  
I'll bet she's a Christian!



WHEN ORDERED TO HONOUR A FALSE GOD, AGNES MADE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS INSTEAD.



SHE WAS TAKEN TO A HOUSE OF SINFUL WOMEN, BUT AGNES WOULD NOT SIN.

Oh, are you against having fun?



HER CLOTHES WERE TAKEN, BUT HER HAIR GREW SO LONG IT COVERED HER BODY.



SOME STORIES SAY THAT THEY TRIED TO BURN HER, BUT THE FLAMES WOULD NOT HARM HER.



I will not deny Christ!  
FINALLY SHE WAS KILLED BY THE SWORD BECAUSE SHE REFUSED TO COOPERATE WITH THE PEOPLE WHO WANTED HER TO SIN.

SAINT AGNES WAS A VIRGIN-MARTYR. SHE HAD PROMISED HERSELF TO JESUS, SO SHE WOULD NOT MARRY ANYONE ELSE. OF COURSE, SHE WOULD NOT TURN AWAY FROM HER FAITH EITHER. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO NEVER LET ANYONE OR ANYTHING COME BETWEEN US AND OUR LORD.

# Samuel's Call Cross-Word

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle.  
Use the left over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

SAMUEL was sleeping in the TEMPLE. He heard a voice calling him, so he RAN to ELI and said, "Here I am. You called me."

"I did not call you," Eli said. "Go BACK to sleep." So he went back to sleep. Then the same thing happened again. The voice CALLED Samuel again, for the THIRD time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "HERE I am. You called me."

Then Eli UNDERSTOOD that the Lord was calling the YOUTH. So he said to Samuel, "Go to SLEEP, and if you are called, REPLY, "SPEAK, Lord, for your SERVANT is listening." When Samuel went to sleep, the LORD came and REVEALED his presence, calling out as BEFORE, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel ANSWERED, "Speak, for your servant is LISTENING."

Samuel grew up, and the Lord was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

What's another way of saying this was Samuel's calling?  
It was

