ST. PETER'S PARISH // SEPTEMBER 20, 2025 25ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PETER'S PAPER

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PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

THE PARISH RENEWAL PLAN

GROWING IN COMMUNION, EXTENDING OUR MISSION

GROWING IN COMMUNION

As we move toward October, we are preparing to share our **Parish Renewal Plan** with our community. This isn't just a set of tasks—**it's a vision for how we grow spiritually,** side by side. The plan focuses on five key areas of parish life: **Word, Worship, Community, Service, and Leadership.**

In each of these areas, we will **encourage ministries to come together** more closely, **fostering communion**, **collaboration**, **and mutual support**. By creating regular opportunities to gather, we strengthen not only individual ministries but also the **unity of our parish as a whole**.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & MINISTRY RENEWAL

This plan also invites us to deepen the spiritual foundation of our parish life. It calls us to strengthen collaboration, allowing Lectio Divina to shape the beginning of our ministries' gatherings, and to create space for annual retreats. These steps remind us that renewal begins when we pray, learn, and serve together, nurturing our ministries so they flourish from within.

EXTENDING OUR MISSION

At its core, this plan is guided by a **clear mission orientation**. Renewal isn't only about organizing ourselves better—it's about **extending the Church's witness beyond itself**. That means:

- Organizing initiatives of welcome for newcomers
- Launching initiatives for children, youth, and families
- Expanding opportunities for adoration and confession
- Opening RCIA sessions to all parishioners

Together, these actions help us become a parish that doesn't simply maintain, but **actively shares faith and brings Christ's light** into the world.

JOURNEYING TOGETHER

At the heart of the plan is a simple truth: **we all have a role in building communion.** When we collaborate, pray, and serve, we embody Christ's presence in the world.

"Renewal is born in communion: walking, serving, and growing as one." With the presentation of our Parish Renewal Plan, we are invited into a journey — a journey of faith, belonging, and mission.



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;

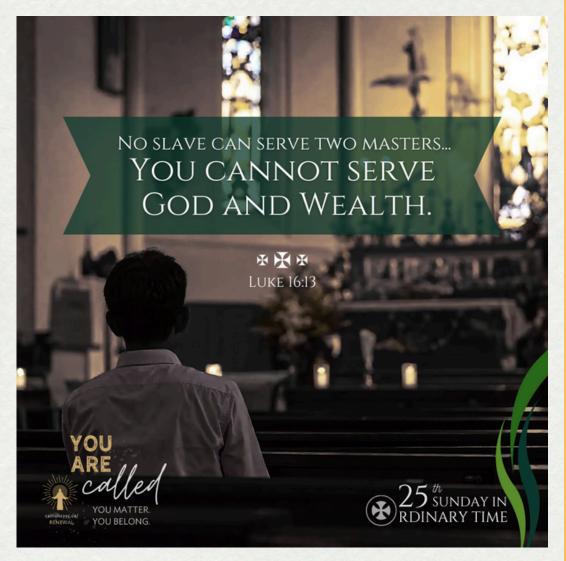
11:30 am; 5:00 pm

ADORATION

Friday 9:00 am - 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION

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



SACRAMENT REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Register your child online:

st-peters.ca/sacraments

- Parent Information Session (First Reconciliation)
- 5 September 29th / September 30th
- ① 6:00 PM
- Parish Hall
- **Questions?**
- Call the parish office
- Volunteers Needed!

Would you like to help with our sacramental preparation program? If so, please email pvsc@st-peters.ca

To donate to our Building Fund Capital Campaign, please click HERE.



CONTACT INFORMATION

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Office@st-peters.ca

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bulletin@st-peters.ca

Sacraments:

sacraments@st-peters.ca

Baptism:

baptism@st-peters.ca

E-transfers:

donate@st-peters.ca

St. Vincent de Paul:

svdp@st-peters.ca

Website:

www.st-peters.ca

Diocesan website:

www.catholicyyc.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

Assistant Pastor

Fr. Peter An

peter.an@st-peters.ca

Deacon:

Stephen Robinson

stephen.robinson@st-peters.ca









WELCOME BACK BBQ

A BIG THANK YOU

TO SPOLUMBOS (FOR GENEROUSLY DONATING ALL THE SAUSAGES), THE GOD SQUAD, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, THE CWL, AND ALL PARISHIONERS WHO SHARED THEIR TIME, ENTHUSIASM, AND DELICIOUS FOOD.



Your generosity made this event a truly memorable celebration of our parish community.













FEED THE HUNGRY

one full Sunday (\$6,000), providing a hot meal served with dignity for those in need.

Feed the Hungry offers a family-style, sit-down lunch every Sunday, serving approximately 350 people in an atmosphere of community, warmth, safety, dignity, and respect.

Online donation: click here E-transfer: donate@st-peters.ca Take part in the spirit of generosity and giving

LET'S FEED THE HUNGRY

IN CALGARY

One Sunday at a time





Inviting All Men



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

Friday, September 26th

Purchase Tickets Today!











PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT - AUGUST 2025

OPERATIONS				
Receipts		Aug-25		YTD
Collections: Envelopes, Electronic, Loose		\$	68,265	\$ 549,400
Other Receipts			3,387	45,759
Tot	al Receipts _	\$	71,652	\$ 595,160
Disbursements				
Salaries & Benefits		\$	23,969	\$ 242,112
Maintenance & Repair			16,318	\$ 156,546
Rectory			1,713	\$ 7,885
Administration			7,430	\$ 55,387
Assessment			10,592	\$ 84,736
Programs			8,666	\$ 47,463
Donations			-	\$ 1,189
Tota	al Expenses_	\$	68,688	\$ 595,319
NET RECEIPTS		\$	2,964	-\$ 159

TOGETHER in ACTION 2025

Together in Action is more than just a campaign; it's an expression of our faith and love in action. In this spirit, Together in Action invites you to make a significant impact in the lives of those we serve.

HOW TO MAKE A DONATION:

- Use the envelopes found in the Narthex,
- Donate online here,
- E-transfer to tia@st-peters.ca.

\$ 74,862 Remaining \$57,406 Reached \$17,456



BUILDING FUND UPDATE (SEPT 12)

Total raised: \$693,083 Matching amounnt: \$693,083 TOTAL IMPACT: \$1,386.166

Thank you for your generosity!

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





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 23 - 28

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

- September 23 (Tuesday), 8:30 AM Roxanne Davidson (RS)
- September 24 (Wednesday), 8:30 AM Boban Mathew (RS)
- September 25 (Thursday), 8:30 AM Dan Winnick (RS)
- September 26 (Friday), 8:30 AM Bill Jeffery (RS)
- September 27 (Saturday), 8:30 AM Michael Hendrix and Family (SI)
- September 27 (Saturday), 5:00 PM Johann and Maria Osterling (RS)
- September 28 (Sunday), 8:00 AM Emma Fitzgerald (RS)
- September 28 (Sunday), 9:30 AM Kalyse Kerr & Michael Beggs (RS)
- September 28 (Sunday), 11:30 AM Parishioners of St. Peter's (SI)
- September 28 (Sunday), 5:00 PM Affonso & D'Souza Family (SI)

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:
 <u>st-peters.ca/interested-in-becoming-catholic</u>
- 📩 Contact us at 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: <u>Click here to register</u>.

If you wish to volunteer to help with this ministry, please contact pvsc@st-peters.ca

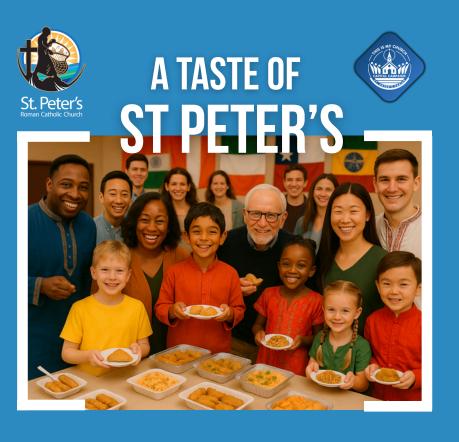
9:30 AM Sunday Mass Coffee and Conversation is Back!



Thank you for volunteering your time for this ministry!

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up.

Click here



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











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

A Retreat begins: 7:00 pm

Presentation by Father Peter

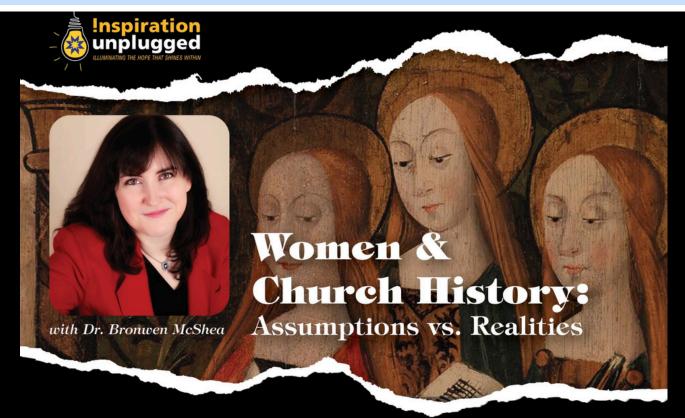
(Topic to be announced prior to the event)

COST

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

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- 1. By e-transfer to: treasurer.cwl.stpeterscwl@gmail.com (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





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.

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 <u>ssvp@st-peters.ca</u> 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

SAVE THE DATE!

CWL Harvest Dinner

Sunday, Nov 9, St. Peter's Hall, 6:30 PM.

Full homemade turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Proceeds support the Building Fund. Sign up in the Narthex now to help prepare the dinner and to donate food. Tickets go on sale in October.

CWL MINISTRY MASS:

Below is the link for the sign up for our October 19th – 9:30am CWL Ministry Mass. https://volunteersignup.org/QHBDD





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Don Bosco Council 8146
SERVICE TO ONE.
SERVICE TO ALL.

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, or Angelo Scarpino
at 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



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 Register by Oct 15

YOU ARE CALLED



Register at catholicyyc.ca/pastoralcare





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 on 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 or Marie Sieben sieben.7@shaw.ca. We gratefully accept cash donations and donations of unused yarn!

ST PETER'S, CALGARY HEROIGMEN

St. Peter's Men's Breakfast is held the 1st and 3rd 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.

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 <u>scan</u>
<u>the QR code on the sign and complete</u>
<u>the required information to register</u>
<u>your credit card</u>. Tax receipts will be
issued annually.

Please email <u>accounting@st-peters.ca</u> 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



A Catholic club for girls ages 5 and up that teaches virtues through scripture, saints' biographies and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Girls participate with their mother's or female caregiver (18+)

The fees are \$50 per girl.

This includes their program book, sash, and badges.

Our program runs from September 23rd through April.

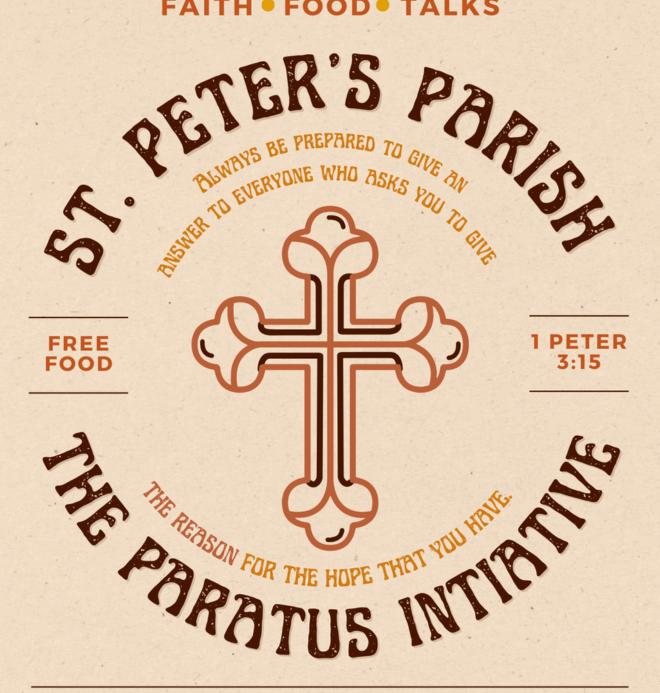
Meeting every other Tuesday 6-7:30 PM



Like a scouting program, girls earn badges for the virtues they have practiced, life skills they have learned.



FAITH • FOOD • TALKS



FOR AGES 20-35

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: PARATUS@ST-PETERS.CA

GROW IN YOUR FAITH-GET TO KNOW & TAKE PART IN YOUR COMMUNITY

SCAN FOR **MORE INFO:**



WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!



What are the promises and perils of AI, and how can the Church provide guidance in this new era?

Join Bishop McGrattan and four renowned Al experts for a symposium, two days of talks and reflection on how Al is reshaping faith, family, and society.



ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY, MCGIVNEY HALL (14500 BANNISTER RD SE, CALGARY)

For more information, detailed schedule, and registration, visit <u>catholicyyc.ca/aisymposium</u>





BABYSITTING AVAILABL

What to Expect:

Catechism class for every member of your family, including adults!

Support and lasting friendships from a community of faithful Catholics

REGISTER HERE OR QR BELOW



Place: St. Mary's University

Classroom Building

Saturdays Time:

10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Dates: 2025 2026

Oct 11 & 25Jan 17 & 31

New 8488228

March 14 & 28

April 11 & 25



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