

ST. PETER'S PARISH // JANUARY 28 2024

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PETER'S PAPER

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TEL: 403-286-5110

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Parishioners,

In March the Government of Canada is planning to pass legislation that would allow Canadians to apply for Medical Assistance in Dying for mental illness alone. There are postcards in the Narthex you are asked to take and send to Ottawa opposing the expansion of MAiD. Next to the cards, there is a sheet with the names of Calgary MPs. Locate your MP's name and write it on the "To" line. Above this place your name and then put the card into a mailbox. There are limited numbers of cards so please take one per family.

On February 7th at 7:45 we will have the Annual Town Hall Meeting in the Parish Hall. This will provide an opportunity for parishioners to review the past year, see a financial report for 2023, and ask questions. Please join us if you are available for Mass at 7 with the meeting to follow.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Jonathan



St. Peter's
Roman Catholic Church

SCHEDULE

Rosary

Tuesday - Saturday 8:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Saturday 8:30 am

Tues and Wed 7:00 pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am; 9:30 am;

11:30 am; 5:00 pm

Adoration

Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 9:40 am

Reconciliation

Tues and Wed 6:00 pm

Friday 9:30 am

Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday 3:00 pm

or by appointment

HE COMMANDS
EVEN THE UNCLEAN
SPIRITS, AND THEY
OBEY HIM

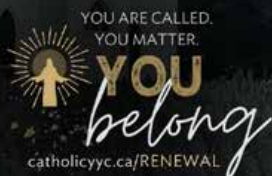
MARK 1:27



O THAT TODAY YOU
WOULD LISTEN TO THE
VOICE OF THE LORD.
DO NOT HARDEN
YOUR HEARTS!



PSALM 95



SUNDAY REFLECTION

The gospel tells of a typical day of Jesus. He first teaches in the synagogue and then performs the miracle of exorcism. Jesus is presented to us as a prophet described by Moses, who teaches with the authority of God and whose words are obeyed even by unclean spirits. There is no power on earth greater than the power of God at work in Jesus.

- . Does the image of Jesus as one who casts out unclean spirits still speak to our age?
- . How do “unclean spirits” show themselves in our world today?
- . How are we to respond to them?

(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)

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www.st-peters.ca

Diocesan website:

www.catholiccyc.ca

Find us on 

OFFICE HOURS

Monday

Office and Church Closed

Tuesday - Thursday

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Friday

9:00 am - 12:00 noon

CLERGY

Pastor:

Fr. Jonathan Gibson

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Stephen Robinson

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John Arbeau

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This Week @ St. Peter's Parish

J A N U A R Y 2 9 - F E B R U A R Y 3

Tuesday	Blue Knights	Conference C	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Celebrating the Word	Boardroom	1:30 PM
Wednesday	K of C - Executive Meeting	Conference C	7:30 PM
Wednesday	Early Light Choir Practice	Music Room	7:30 PM
Thursday	Confirmation - Session 1	Church	6:00 PM
Thursday	RCIA	Hall	6:30 PM
Thursday	Laudate Choir Rehearsal	Music Room	7:00 PM
Friday	Mother's Support Group	Conference C	9:30 AM
Saturday	Baptism Preparation	Conference C	10:00 AM



Mass Intentions

DATE	TIME	PRAYING FOR	INTENTION
Tuesday, January 30, 2024	8:30 AM	Miriam Pena	(RS)
Tuesday, January 30, 2024	7:00 PM	Madeline Delay	(RS)
Wednesday, January 31, 2024	8:30 AM	Esther Primera	(RS)
Wednesday, January 31, 2024	7:00 PM	Nora & John Griffin	(RS)
Thursday, February 1, 2024	8:30 AM	Selby & Robin Porter	(SI)
Friday, February 2, 2024	8:30 AM	Mike Rottmann	(RS)
Saturday, February 3, 2024	8:30 AM	Olha Holka & Oksana Malinwoska	(SI)
Saturday, February 3, 2024	5:00 PM	Parish	
Sunday, February 4, 2024	8:00 AM	Tom Hales	(RS)
Sunday, February 4, 2024	9:30 AM	Barbara Jarvis	(RS)
Sunday, February 4, 2024	11:30 AM	George & Rose Steinkey	(RS)
Sunday, February 4, 2024	5:00 PM	Matty Andrade	(RS)



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

2024 Update

SSVP at St. Peter's is keeping pace with increased demand for food hampers. That demand, combined with rising grocery costs, impacts what this volunteer-run organization can do to meet the needs of the people we serve.

Donations welcome

Your gifts of non-perishable food items, cash & grocery cards sustain SSVP in the months that follow Christmas. January to April are SSVP's busiest months.

Cash donations of +\$25/year qualify for a charitable tax receipt.

E-transfer funds to treasurerssvp@outlook.com OR set up an auto-deposit. Forms are available from the SSVP donation box located in the Narthex

*Carry each other's burdens and so
you will fulfill the law of Christ.*

—GALATIANS 6:2



BOXED DONATION ENVELOPES

2024 Boxed Donation Envelopes are now available.

If you would like a box, please contact the office at 403-286-5110 or office@st-peters.ca.

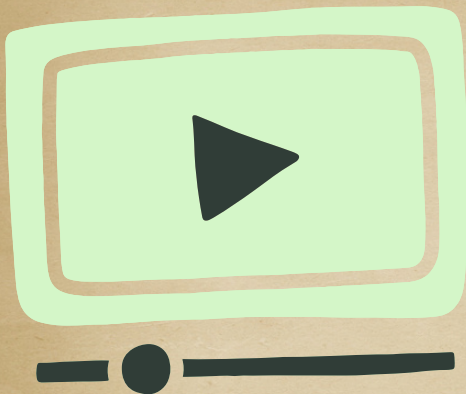
If you have already ordered yours, they can be picked up at the back of the Narthex.



COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Join us for Coffee and Conversation in the Parish Hall after the 9:30 am Mass.

We are looking for volunteers for other Mass times. If you are able to help, please contact Annie at commdirector@st-peters.ca.



VIDEO LIBRARY

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR A HOMILY OR A MISSION TALK AGAIN? WOULD YOU LIKE TO INVITE SOMEONE ELSE TO LISTEN TO A HOMILY?

Click [here](#) to access our video library, which includes weekday homilies, weekend homilies and special event/mission talks.



St. Peter's
Roman Catholic Church

ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

IN PERSON OR ONLINE

**MASS AT 7:00 PM
WITH MEETING TO FOLLOW
IN THE PARISH HALL**

CLICK [HERE](#) TO SIGN UP

SACRAMENT SPLASH

Winter Edition

WORD ON FIRE ENGAGE

An exciting new opportunity for you to deepen your faith. Word on Fire (WOF) Engage is a part of the Flocknote platform we use for Sacraments. Access the complete WOF library at <https://stpetersca.flocknote.com/>



SCHOOL AGE BAPTISM

For children ages 6 to 11. At this age (the age of reason), children can decide for themselves if they want to be Baptized into the Catholic Church. We offer the program in the Fall & Spring. Our Fall Session is complete. We may offer the program in the Winter if there is enough interest.



CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is for students in grades 6 to 9. Sessions are on Thursdays at 6:00pm. **Registration is still open! Go to <https://st-peters.ca/sacraments/>**

Session One: January 25

Session Two: February 22

BAPTISM

PREPARATION

Parents hoping to have their child Baptized at St. Peter's, please join our Baptism group to register:

stpetersca.flocknote.com/Baptism

Upcoming Prep Sessions:

January 13, February 3, March 2

Upcoming Parish Baptisms:

December 26

January 21, February 11, March 10



VOLUNTEER WITH SACRAMENTS!



Please email sacraments@st-peters.ca if you could help with:

- Welcoming & Hospitality.
- AV support during our sessions.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & COMMUNION

Monthly sessions on Thursdays at 6:00pm.

First Reconciliation Celebrations:
Thursday, January 18 at 6:00pm or
Friday, January 19 at 6:00pm.



SACRAMENTS FOR TEENS

Prepares students ages 15 to 17 to be fully welcomed into the Catholic Church, receiving Baptism, Confirmation, & Eucharist. This is also for older Baptized Catholic Teens who have not prepared for First Reconciliation/Communion, or Confirmation and want to journey with Teens their age. **At this time, we will not offer the program. If there is interest, we may begin in January 2024.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy program is during the Sunday, 9:30am Mass! Children ages 4-7 (or before their First Communion) are welcome to participate. Children need to be signed up beforehand to participate.



BLUE KNIGHTS Boys' Club

Crusaders for Virtue

The Blue Knights Catholic Club is a boys' club aimed at teaching the truths of the Catholic faith to boys through Scripture, saints' biographies, games, crafts and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Based on the popular Little Flowers Girls' Club, this program developed by retired Marine, theologian and Catholic author, Dan McGuire maps out nine virtues for boys ages 5 to 10 in the first year, and then follows up with four years covering nine catechetical lessons each.

If you think you might be interested in this program for your son(s), please fill out the following form to receive more information:

<https://forms.gle/EztdqY8ntEWziFkHA>

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.



GROUP SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Spiritual Direction (Group) and Spiritual Conversations (2024)

Please join us as we are creating a monthly (Sunday evenings 7-9) gathering for group Spiritual Direction in Conference Room C. This is a space for safe, holy and inspired conversations regarding our relationship with God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We explore spiritual wellbeing and help us listen how God is speaking to us in our prayers.

The dates for the first half of 2024 are February 4th, March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th, June 2nd.

If you are interested in joining us and have any questions, please email Kathy Ervin kathy.ervin@st-peters.ca or call 403-605-3650. Everyone is welcome to come and see how these conversations enhance our relationship with God.

MINISTRY TO MEN BREAKFAST

We would like to invite the men of the parish to join us for breakfast at 7:00 am on the 1st and 3rd Saturday mornings of each month in the Hall, beginning February 3.

Mass is offered starting at 8:30 am

CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS WITH ARTISTIC GIFTS

St. Peter's Knights of
Columbus
Council 8146



Over the past year, our council has been working to replace the Nativity Scene figurines; the originals are over 65 years old! To date we have cut new figures and have had 2 painted (see pictures below) by a couple of young High School students from St Francis. If you can help us out (or know of someone that may be interested) to finish the rest or take on 1 or 2, please contact Angelo Scarpino at ascarpino@telus.net



Young
Adult
Group



What is Happiness?

Join us for a talk from Fr. Derek Remus on "What is Happiness?" Fr. Derek will show how true happiness can only be found in God and therefore only in Jesus Christ, who is God made man. The laws of God and His Church are often regarded by the world as repressive, but in reality, they are signposts directing us toward real joy. Join us at the St. Peter's Young Adult Group, for ages 18-36, on **Friday, Feb. 2, at 7:00 pm** in Room C. For more information, or to get on our email list to hear about all our great meetings, go to our website www.spyag.ca or email youngadultgroup@st-peters.ca.

CELEBRATING THE WORD

This gathering offers an opportunity to reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings for a deeper understanding.

You are welcome to join us!

**Wednesdays
from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm**

Contact Mary Briggs at
marybriggs@shaw.ca for more
information.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Those who have received their First Eucharist are invited to consider joining the Altar Server ministry to serve at weekend and holy day Masses, funerals, weddings and other liturgies.

This is truly a family commitment as parents play a key role in a Server's participation in this ministry. Behind every successful Altar Server are parents who willingly support their child in this ministry of service, and for you our entire community would be greatly appreciative.

More than just an "assistant" to the priest/deacon, the Server exercises a ministry of service to the community and to Jesus Christ. Your participation in this family ministry would truly enable the community to live our mission in the world.

If you are interested in serving in the Altar Server ministry, please plan to attend training at St. Peter's parish on January 27 from 11 am to 12 pm and email eric.collins@st-peters.ca to indicate your plan to attend.

Holy Water is available in the Church with your own container. OR Bottles of Holy Water are available in the Parish Office for a suggested donation of \$4 for the container.



**KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS**



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

Upcoming events:

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast
(Dinner) - **Feb 13th after 6pm mass**

**10TH ANNIVERSARY MNO on
September 27, 2024!**

**Visit our web site for new purchase
options,**

**<https://stpetersmensnightout.com>
or scan QR code below.**



THINKING OF BECOMING A KNIGHT?
Contact David Mildenberger at
cdmilden@shaw.ca, or Angelo Scarpino
at ascarpino@telus.net

2024 CWL MEMBERSHIP WEEKEND

If you haven't purchased your CWL membership yet online, you can meet CWL Volunteers in the Narthex after all Masses this weekend and join the CWL.

Memberships are \$45.00. Memberships may also be purchased on the CWL website, see www.st-peterscwl.ca for more information.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCIAL LITERACY:

Establishing a framework for building your financial house




FINANCIAL LITERACY TIP OF THE WEEK:

Defer Taxes

RRSP are a fantastic tax deferral strategy when used properly. Do you have an ongoing strategy for your investments?

Now is the Time to Act!

February 29, 2024 is the deadline for contributing to an RRSP for the 2023 tax year.

 Have questions? We can help! Call Heather or Jairo at 403-703-1785



Catholic Women's League



CATHOLIC AND LIVING IT!

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry provides blessed shawls to all who are sick, grieving or experiencing difficult times. Contact Ann at anndowli@telus.net.

We have a Prayer Chain and pray for all those in need of prayer. If you know of someone who would like to be added to this list contact Catherine at cmj75@shaw.ca.

We provide Funeral Lunches at a reasonable cost. Contact the parish office.

Volunteers for Cake Raffle: We still need volunteers to help out with the cake raffle. Sign up for February 10-11.

CWL 2024 Membership: If you haven't purchased your CWL membership yet online, you can meet CWL Volunteers in the Narthex after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday and join the 2024 CWL. Memberships are \$45.00.



IT'S PILGRIMAGE TIME!

Join us in October 2024 for St. Peter's Italian pilgrimage. Click [here](#) for more information.

Contact Dixie at dixie.hawkins@st-peters.ca if you are interested and for the next information session.



TAP TO GIVE

TAP YOUR DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD TO
MAKE A
\$10 - \$25 - \$50
DONATION

The TipTapPay device is located near the main entrance.

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 with any questions.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Book Sale

Check out our discounted books for sale by the west back entrance. Prices are as marked!

Payment is by cash or cheque. Or during office hours debit and credit options are available.



MOTHERS' FELLOWSHIP

Mother's Fellowship is an opportunity to connect with and support each other in our vocation as mothers. We reflect on the upcoming Sunday Gospel together, socialize, and pray.

Join us on the second Wednesday of every month.

NOTE: Our next meeting is MONDAY, February 12 at 7:30 pm in Conference C. Please contact Janelle.andrusiak@st-peters.ca for more information.

St Peter's Parish



Audio Visual Ministry

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Audio Visual Ministry is looking for interested individuals who have some prior general computer knowledge.

Even if you are not trained on any AV equipment do not worry! We will provide thorough training for all new volunteers!

If you are interested in helping out in this ministry please email the AV Coordinator, Chris Abel, at chris.abel@st-peters.ca or our AV Team Lead, Zach Blair, at zach.blair@st-peters.ca.



ST PETER'S CWL LENTEN SEAFOOD SALE

Taking place now at:

St. Peter's Lent Fundraiser 2024 - Fund Forward, website.

Sales close on February 10th.

Pick-up orders Tuesday, February 20, 4 -5 pm, in the St. Peter's parking lot. Questions?

Contact Rose Kastelic:
rose.kastelic@gmail.com.

Please Join us for a Women's Retreat at Mt. St Francis, Cochrane Feb. 9th -11th, 2024

The theme for the weekend is "All is made New"

A silent retreat is:

A time away from one's busy world, to push "pause" and reflect, not simply react.

A time to re-evaluate priorities.

A time of quiet, solitude and space to hear that still small voice inside.

A time to listen and to grow. What is our "best self" telling us?

For more information and to register contact:

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deedee411@live.ca

RETREAT CENTRES UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Mount St. Francis, Cochrane - Nestled in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains where all are welcome in the name of Christ, Mount St. Francis offers silent retreats and spiritual direction led by The Franciscan Friars of Canada. See the Upcoming schedule at:
<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. New programs and events are starting up. Click [here](#) to register or call 403-328-3422 for more details.



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!**

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is a Montessori based program for children ages 3 ½ to 6 years old and is being offered at St. Peter's on Wednesdays mornings from 9:30 am – 11:30 am. Children learn scripture and liturgy in a specially designed space called the Atrium. For more information or to register your child, please email Paula at CGSCalgary@gmail.com.



TRANSITIONS

In this 18-week God-centered program, participants find strength in healing after separation or divorce, fostering growth through mutual understanding and connection.

WHEN

TUESDAYS
7 to 9 PM

Beginning
February 13, 2024

WHERE

**CATHOLIC
PASTORAL CENTRE**

120 17 Ave SW
Calgary, AB

FOR MORE INFORMATION

CATHOLICYYC.CA/TRANSITIONS

REGISTRATION

To attend, register online at

**catholicyyyc.ca/
transitions**



ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE
of Calgary

The THEOLOGY OF THE BODY *Conference*



SR. HELENA
BURNS



MIKE
MANGIONE



CHRISTOPHER
WEST



FR. CRISTINO
BOUVETTE

FEBRUARY 9, 2024

6:00 PM-10:00 PM

DOORS OPEN @ 5:30PM



Calgary, Alberta

**Holy Spirit Parish
10827 24 St SW**

\$35CAN (\$27USD)

TOBCALGARY.EVENTBRITE.COM



Pre-Lenten religious art / Icon tour

February 3rd, 2024 and February 10th, 2024

Prepare for Lent in a unique way.
Tour the world of religious art right here in Calgary.

We will visit Eastern churches from Greece, Romania,
Ethiopia, Egypt and Ukraine.

3 Churches on Feb 3rd and 3 churches on Feb 10.
Each tour will run from 8:45am to 12 noon.

There are no fees involved.

For further information please email to kc4life@telus.net or call / text 403-850-5859.

Experience and travel the world of religious art right here in Calgary. The word icon comes from the Greek word *eikon*. So that is where we will start, in Greece. From here we will "travel" to Ukraine, Romania, the Middle East and Africa to see, experience and learn about the different styles of icons by visiting numerous Eastern Orthodox and Eastern Catholic churches here in Calgary. You will be able to feast your eyes on the traditional as well as the contemporary. A great way to lead into your Lenten journey.

The tour will take place over 2 weekends. Those being Saturdays the 3rd and 10th of February 2024. Each weekend we will visit three churches. The first will commence at 8:45am the second at 10am and finally the third at 11:15am. Join in where you can as each person is responsible to provide their own transportation between parishes. At each location the parish will provide a tour and a Q&A session. There is no cost involved.

On Feb 3rd the first tour will begin at St Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 1 Tamarac Cres SW, Calgary. On Feb 10th we will begin the tour at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church, 704-6th St NE, Calgary. People of all ages are welcome.

Discover...

Bishop Carroll High School

bishopcarroll.cssd.ab.ca



CALGARY CATHOLIC
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Living and Learning in our Catholic Faith, so that students, centred in Christ, realize their full potential.

Join us to learn more about personalized self-directed learning and how it may be a great fit for your child!

Open House

Thursday, January 18, from 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Join us for an evening of self-directed exploration of our school.

- *Welcome presentation at 6:30 p.m. in the gym*
- *Meet the Bishop Carroll staff*
- *Explore our self-directed, personalized learning model*
- *Attend program presentations for:*
 - *Advanced placement*
 - *French Language Arts*
 - *Hockey Canada Skills*
 - *Strings*
- *Visit our subject-area departments*

**Scan the QR code
to register for the
Open House**



Guided Tours

Tours offered February 5-9 at 9:30 a.m. or 1 p.m.

You are invited to attend one of our small-group tours of Bishop Carroll High School. Each student may bring one parent or guardian with them for the tour of our Personalized program during the school day.

The one hour tour will consist of an:

- *Introductory session with our Admin Team*
- *A school tour led by our enthusiastic Student Ambassadors*
- *Q&A opportunity with an administrator*

Use the link below or the QR code to register for your preferred date and time.

<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/bishopcarrollguidedtours/home>

