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**Are you new here? Welcome!**  
We welcome new parishioners and visitors.  
We'd love to see you again!  
Please register at the Parish Office.

**LORD'S DAY MASS**  
**SATURDAY: 4PM**  
**SUNDAY: 9AM & 11AM**  
**WEEKDAY MASS**  
See Mass times inside  
**CONFESSIONS**  
Saturday 3:00PM until 3:45PM

**BAPTISM**  
Parents seeking baptism for their children should approach the Parish Office.

**MARRIAGE**  
Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage must meet Fr. Jerry at least one year prior to a desired date.

**HOLY ANOINTING OF THE SICK**  
Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?**  
Want to learn more about the Catholic Faith?  
Interested in receiving the Sacraments?  
Contact the Parish Office.

**Pastor: Fr. Jerry Tavares**  
**Administrative Assistant: Kristen Penfold**

**OFFICE HOURS**  
**Tuesday - Friday 9AM - 12Noon**  
Parish Office is located behind the Church

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*"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."*  
- Matthew 5:16

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## Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time ☩ February 5, 2023

### Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle!

If this is your first time at church, or your first time in a long time, we're so glad you're here! We exist to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ; make disciples of all nations. If we can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to call on us.

### TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 58:6-10  
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5  
 Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, February 8  
 6:00PM Intentions of Fr. Jerry Tavares


Thursday, February 9  
 12:10PM + Phyllis Ertel

Friday, February 10  
 12:10PM Intentions of Julie O'Brien & Anne Haines

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday, February 11  
 4:00PM + Marianne Rogerson

Sunday, February 12  
 9:00AM + Dec. members of Ryan & Karpiradiov Families  
 11:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

**LET US PRAY** 

**For the sick**  
 Henri Aubin, John Boyer, Mark Dabek

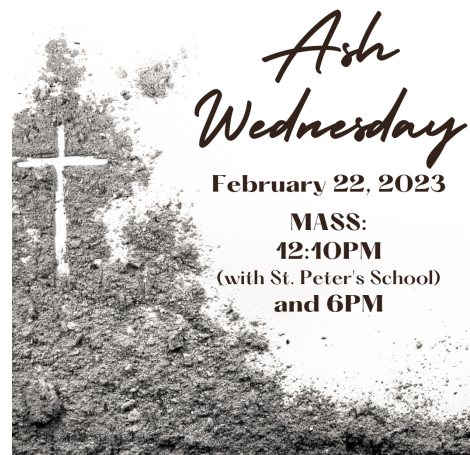
► New prayer requests are in **bold type**. To have a person added to our prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. The person's name will remain on the prayer list for **four weeks**.

**For the deceased**  
 Andre Magyar

*Ash Wednesday*

February 22, 2023

**MASS:**  
**12:10PM**  
 (with St. Peter's School)  
**and 6PM**



### OFFER THE GIFT OF A MASS

Did you know that you can have a Mass intention to honour a living or deceased relative or friend? It is a prayerful gift to be given and even more meaningful to receive. Mass intentions can be arranged at the Parish Office, simply call 705-746-5181 or email us office@spta.church and we'll give you more information.

### FATHER IS AVAILABLE

It's important to remind parishioners periodically of how we can help in times of serious illness or in the event of a loved one's passing. If a loved one is at the West Parry Sound Health Centre, Father can be summoned for you by hospital staff. Long-term care and retirement homes in the parish all know how to contact our parish office to request a visit, but families are encouraged to reach out to us directly by phone. If someone requires the Sacrament of the Holy Anointing of the Sick and is in danger of death please call the parish office.

### COFFEE WITH FATHER

Join us for Coffee with Father immediately following Friday's Mass. This is a great opportunity to build community and fellowship over a cup of coffee and good conversations. Last one before Easter.

### TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2022

Tax receipts will be available from Kristen at Welcome Desk starting the weekend of February 11/12th at all Masses. Please be sure to stop by and see her!

### THE PASTOR IS AWAY

Fr. Jerry will be taking a short holiday the week of February 15th-17th, and returning for weekend as normal.

### PALMS PLEASE

It's that time of year - Ash Wednesday will be upon us soon (February 22nd). We are collecting palms to be burned for use on Ash Wednesday. Please place your palms in the box marked "Returned Palms" in the Narthex.

### EVER THOUGHT OF ELECTRONIC GIVING?

This is the easiest, most convenient and effective way to always support the parish community as we look to form faithful disciples proclaiming the Good News. You can learn more by contacting the parish office at 705-746-5181 or office@spta.church. Your investment reaps a rich harvest!

### RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE COMMITMENT

With Valentine's day coming up, all married couples are invited to a special renewal of commitment and blessing at Mass next weekend.

### INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

The next special collection for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund will take place the weekend of February 18/19. Your support for this Fund goes toward Indigenous peoples' initiated projects for healing and reconciliation for communities and families; culture and language revitalization; education and community building; and dialogues for promoting indigenous spirituality and culture. You can donate online through spta.church/give (and click on Indigenous Reconciliation Fund) alternatively, envelopes are available as you leave Church today.

### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

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### HOT CHOCOLATE AFTER MASS

Join us after all Masses next weekend as we serve up hot chocolate and treats.

### A LEGACY GIFT

Giving a legacy to your church is an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God for all that you have been given and enjoyed during your life. It is also a means of ensuring that your past can become part of the future of your church's life, through mission and ministry to all God's people. Thank you.

### COUNTDOWN TO LENT

With the Christmas season (just barely) in the rear-view, it's already time to start turning our attention to Lent. This year, our preparations for Easter will begin with Ash Wednesday Masses (12:10PM & 6PM) on February 22. The best Lenten observances—penances and devotional additions—are rooted in prayer. Start reflecting now on how you'd like to make the season special.

### JUST FOR LENT

In our 6 week Lenten experience we will be looking at the power, grace and healing offered in forgiveness - and explore the depth and bounty of God's love. We will also Explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. Join us for 6 Wednesday's in Lent (after the Mass) in the Chapel. Everyone welcome! Come grow with us this Lent.

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Feb. 21 - Mardi Gras/ Shrove Tuesday

- **5PM:** Burning of the Palms
  - We gather outside and burn the palms that were distributed last year to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.
- **6PM:** Pancake Supper
  - We will celebrate with a traditional pancake dinner on Shrove Tuesday - we'll feast before we begin the fast.

#### Mar. 24 - 4th Friday of Lent

- **6PM:** Lenten Fish Fry
  - Join in for a Lenten meal of fish and chips.

#### EVERY FRIDAY:

Adoration following the 12:10PM Mass  
 Stations of the Cross at 5:30PM

### WORSHIP OFFERING

A summary of your financial stewardship for January 29, 2023

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