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

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"I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and my own know me."
- John 10:14

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Fourth Sunday of Easter + April 30, 2023

Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle!

If you are new to our parish or just visiting today, we warmly welcome you to our parish community. We are blessed to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If we can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to call on us.

TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25
Gospel: John 10:1-10



GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

The 4th Sunday of Easter highlights the Good Shepherd who gives his life for his sheep. This is a day where we pray for our Priests and for vocations to the priesthood. Who will shepherd God's people? Pray that good leaders, filled with joy and the Holy Spirit, will serve the Lord and His Church.

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

This weekend we will start selling tickets for your chance to win a lovely Mother's Day basket, to be raffled off on Mother's Day Weekend, May 13th. All proceeds for this raffle will go towards the repairs of the front stairs to the Church. **Tickets are just \$5 each.** Visit the Welcome Desk after each Mass to get your tickets.

HOLY WATER AT THE DOOR

At the doors of every Catholic Church you will find a Holy Water Font. We dip our fingers into the water and make the Sign of the Cross whenever we enter or leave the church. This simple gesture reminds us that Baptism is the gateway to life in Christ and membership in the Church.

REMEMBER THE BOW

We are asked to show our respect for the Eucharist by making a simple bow of the head before receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. All glory and honour to Him!

HOSPITAL VISITATION

The Sacrament of Anointing the Sick is the healing touch of Jesus. We encourage parishioners to ask for this blessing before entering the hospital for surgery or other medical procedures. In case of emergency, a Catholic priest is always on call. Place a request at the Nursing Station and they will contact a priest for you.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Catholic Education Week 2023 begins this Sunday. St. Peter's School and publicly funded Catholic schools throughout the province will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to join us for a Community Mass to celebrate Education here at the Church on Wednesday, May 3 at 6PM followed by a Parish BBQ. Everyone is welcome!

INFANT BAPTISM

It is always a joyful experience for us to welcome a new Christian into the Church and into our parish community. Through baptism, your child will be adopted into God's family, receive the grace of salvation won for us by Jesus Christ's death and resurrection, and have life in the Holy Spirit. If you're interested in having your child baptized, please contact the Parish Office, and we'll help you get started.

THINKING OF GETTING MARRIED?

Those wishing to be married must contact their parish priest at least twelve months in advanced. Please meet with Father before setting the date and sending out invitations.

PRESENCE RETREAT

Our Just for Lent program concluded and there is an upcoming retreat gathering on Thursday, May 11th at 5:30PM in the Church. Light refreshments will be provided. Want to attend? Call the office.

COFFEE WITH FATHER

Returns May 5th after the Daily Mass.

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, email us office@spta.church, or stop by the Welcome Desk and we'll give you more information.

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Offertory Envelopes	1,213.00
Offertory Loose	206.50
Electronic Giving	1,467.33
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MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 3
 6:00PM Intentions of Wayne McKerrow

Thursday, May 4
 12:10PM Friends & Benefactors of SPTA

Friday, May 5
 11:00AM Adoration and Confession
 12:10PM + Andy Matthews

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, May 6
 4:00PM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

Sunday, May 7
 9:00AM + Catherine Heber
 11:00AM Intentions of Mike Habar

LET US PRAY



For the sick

Lynda Kingsland, Fr. Clair Hickson, **Ryan Karwaski**, Fr. Gerard McMahon, Fr. Ron Meyer, Wayne McKerrow, **Paul Spicer**, **Scott Whittaker**

► 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**.



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Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.



May is the month traditionally dedicated to Mary, Mother of God. We honour her for her primary role in God's work of salvation. Consider praying the rosary as a family during this month or add a few extra Hail Marys to your regular prayers.

PARISH ROSARY CHALLENGE: Pray one rosary a day, for the month of May!

This challenge is open to individuals and families too. Keep track, and when you visit the Church, you can indicate the number of rosaries prayed using our 'rosary tracker' near the Statue of Mary in the Sanctuary.

Last year we prayed 521 rosaries!

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY:

① **During the month of May**, parishioners who wish are invited to remain after the weekend Masses to pray the Rosary.

② **All year round**, parishioners are welcome to join in the public recitation of the Rosary after Mass on Wednesday evenings.