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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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*"Beloved: In your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord."*  
- 1 Peter 3:15

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# Sixth Sunday of Easter + May 14, 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 8:5-8, 14-17  
 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18  
 Gospel: John 14:15-21



"She is clothed with strength and dignity,  
 and laughs at the days to come."  
 - Proverbs 31:25

*Happy Mother's Day to all our amazing moms!*

## Prepare for Pentecost!

Pentecost, the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit is coming up on Sunday, May 28th. You can prepare for the great celebration of Pentecost by participating in the Novena, which begins on Friday, May 19th. Simply set aside some quiet time and participate from the comfort of your home each day. We've included the Novena as an insert this weekend. Come Holy Spirit!

## BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

St. Peter the Apostle Parish is proud to partner with Hope Pregnancy Support Centre of Parry Sound! Your donation makes it possible for many women, men, and families within our community to receive care and support throughout pregnancy and beyond.

Take a baby bottle home with you and fill it with coins, cash or a cheque and be sure to return it to the Parish by Father's Day. You can also donate through EFT, or online. For more info visit: [www.parrysoundhope.com](http://www.parrysoundhope.com). This is a practical way to live out being pro-life. Fill a bottle... change a life!

## STATIONS OF THE LIGHT

On Friday, May 26th at 6PM join us for the Stations of the Light, where we are invited to follow in the footsteps of the Risen Christ and his friends from the Resurrection to Pentecost.

## WE'RE HIRING!

The Parish is hiring a part-time custodian/maintenance person. Interested? Apply with Fr. Jerry at the Parish Office.

## RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Next Sunday, May 21st, we will be receiving 2 people into full communion with the Catholic Church at the 11AM Mass (we will be hosting a reception afterwards - everyone is welcome).

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We welcome new servers (grade 5 and up) to our training session on Saturday, May 20th after the 4PM Mass.

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On Sunday, May 28th in between our morning Masses - breakfast will be served. We invite you to come for a delicious breakfast from 9:45 -11AM.

## ALUMNI WALK FOR DEMENTIA

St. Dominic's School is hosting a fundraising walk in honour of retired teacher Mr. Art Forester on Saturday, June 3rd. For more information, contact [cdoyle@smcdsb.on.ca](mailto:cdoyle@smcdsb.on.ca)

## ROOF REPAIR UPDATE

On Wednesday of Holy Week we experienced some strong winds and heavy rain that caused several shingles to fly off the Church and water to enter the building. The insurance company is taking care of the repairs which (I hope) will begin soon. I suspect the interruption to Liturgical worship in the Sanctuary will be minimal.

## GIVE THANKS TO OUR ADVERTISERS

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## WORSHIP OFFERING

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 17  
 6:00PM + Bill Douglas

Thursday, May 18  
 12:10PM + Marie H el ene B elanger

Friday, May 19  
 12:10PM + Martin Glasmacher

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, May 20  
 4:00PM + Betty Clancy

Sunday, May 21  
 9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)  
 11:00AM Intentions of Josh, Louise, and Kenneth

## LET US PRAY



### For the sick

Lynda Kingsland, Fr. Clair Hickson, Ryan Karwaski, Fr. Gerard McMahon, Paul Spicer, Jessie Stewart, Eleanor St. Germaine, 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**.

## OFFER A MASS



Want to offer the celebration of Mass for a loved one? Contact the Parish Office or use the envelopes located in the Church.

# Ave Maria, Gratia Plena, Dominus Tecum



The month of May is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. We honour her as the Mother of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and as the first of his Disciples. We also acknowledge Mary as the Mother of the Church and our mother too!

## 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.