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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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"I am the way, and the truth, and the life."
- John 14:6

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Fifth Sunday of Easter + May 7, 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 6:1-7
 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9
 Gospel: 14:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 10
 6:00PM Intentions of Ken & Beth Lowry

Thursday, May 11
 at Lakeland 10AM for the Residents
 at Belvedere 11AM for the Residents

Friday, May 12
 12:10PM + Lena Villeneuve

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, May 13
 4:00PM + Lilian Reck

Sunday, May 14
 9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
 11:00AM Intentions of Valerie Pani

LET US PRAY

For the sick

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

"Brothers, sisters, do not forget: God forgets everything. Yes, He forgets all our sins."
 —Pope Francis

COFFEE SUNDAY

After Mass
 next weekend!

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus



MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

It's the last 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.

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. This is a practical way to live out being pro-life. Fill a bottle... change a life!

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.

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

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. Everyone welcome!

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, May 9th and will re-open on the 10th, while Kristen mourns the loss of the Bruins.

MARRIAGE TIP

"United We Stand" is the title of a 1970's song by the Brotherhood of Man. The song may be old, but the lyrics contain words that every married couple would do well to look at and memorize. The song is really a reminder that couples should always support each other, have each other's backs and stand by each other in times of trial. We often forget to keep this context at the heart of our marriages and can antagonize each other instead of support; move apart rather than together. So, remember the words from the song and repeat them to each other often: "For united we stand, divided we fall, And if our backs should ever be against the wall, We'll be together, together, you and I."

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Peter the Apostle Knights of Columbus is seeking new members to join us in service to the parish and the greater community. We are a brotherhood of Catholic Men ages 18+ who focus on faith, family, charity and friendship. Please join us for dinner at an upcoming council meeting. For more info, contact Joe Ryman at 705-342-1558.

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

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.

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



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.