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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.

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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.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Pastor: Fr. Jerry O'Tavares
Administrative Assistant: Kristen Penfold

OFFICE HOURS
Wednesday: 12 Noon - 5PM
Thursday & Friday: 10AM - 2PM
Parish Office is located behind the Church
The Welcome Desk is open before and after Mass on the weekend

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Our vision is to offer every person in our community a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ.

Fifth Sunday of Lent ✝ March 17, 2024

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: Jeremiah 31:31-34

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel: John 12:20-33



HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 23/24

All Masses begin with a solemn procession with palms. **Gather in the K of C Hall.**
Saturday 4PM // Sunday 9AM & 11AM

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK - MARCH 25

2PM Chrism Mass at the Cathedral (Peterborough)

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK - MARCH 27

6PM Confession Service

∴ THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM ∴

HOLY THURSDAY - MARCH 28

Holy Thursday commemorates the institution of two sacraments: Holy Orders and Eucharist. The Mass of the Lord's Supper takes us back to the upper room where Jesus washed the feet of the disciples, ordained them as priests and commissioned them to celebrate the Eucharist for others: "do This in memory of Me."

6PM Parish Supper
8PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
9PM Adoration at the altar of repose (until midnight).

GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29

**** Universal day of Fasting and Abstinence ****

We celebrate the day when Jesus paid the ultimate price for our salvation by dying on the Cross. Mass is not celebrated on this day, but liturgies of Good Friday bring us to the veneration of the Cross on which Jesus died.

3PM Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7PM Solemn Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY - MARCH 30

Holy Saturday is a day of anticipation for the celebrations of Easter. In preparations for Easter celebrations food prepared for Easter Sunday is blessed on this day. At the Easter Vigil Mass we celebrate our Passover with Christ from darkness to light, from death to new life!

12Noon Blessing of Easter Food
8PM Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31

This day is the focal point of the entire year, as we recall Christ's victorious resurrection from the dead and His victory over Satan.

9AM Mass of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ
11AM Mass of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ

INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH THIS EASTER

The most effective way to welcome someone this Easter is with a personal invitation done face-to-face. As you gather with friends, family, or neighbours over coffee, a meal, at the playground, at the gym, at the office, or at school, be prayerful and attentive for opportunities to simply invite someone to join you this Easter. 82% of people who don't attend church say they would visit a church if they were personally invited. Sometimes all it takes is a smile and a personal invitation for someone to have a life-changing encounter with Jesus - and **YOU** can make that possible!

SERVE THIS EASTER!

We look forward to making Holy Week and Easter fresh, encouraging and joyful. There are many areas that require your hands and feet... Join us as we prepare and welcome our visitors and parishioners during our Holy Week Experiences and Easter Sunday Celebrations. **Sign up today by visiting: spta.church/serve.**

BLESS ME FATHER

We read in sacred scripture: "Where sin abounds, grace abounds even more." Sacramental Confession is one of the best ways to prepare for Easter. Bring your personal sins and weaknesses and lay them at the feet of Jesus. Several priests will be assisting on Wednesday, March 27th at 6PM. Come and experience the Father's Mercy.

CHURCH CLEANUP AND DECORATING

On Thursday, March 21st at 10AM we will have our pre-Easter Church Cleanup. Many hands make light work. Let's get our Sanctuary ready to celebrate the High Holy Days!

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MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, March 20
12:10PM + Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, March 21
at SPTA School 9AM Jessica Fleetham

Friday, March 22
12:10PM + Phyllis Ertel
Adoration/Confession/Benediction

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday, March 23
4:00PM Intentions of Fr. Jerry Tavares

Sunday, March 24
9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
11:00AM Intentions of Lisa Arbour



PASCHAL CANDLE

Want to contribute to the purchase of the new Candle for 2024?

Stop by the Welcome Desk. Those who contribute \$50 or more will receive a portion of last year's candle to take home.

For a full Holy Week & Easter Schedule visit: spta.church/easter

VEILED GLORY

When you arrived at Mass this weekend you noticed a definite difference. All crosses and sacred images are veiled in purple.

This marks the beginning of Passiontide. Crosses remain hidden until Good Friday. Images of Christ and the saints will be revealed once again on Easter Sunday when we celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus from the dead.



HOLY THURSDAY DINNER

Our 'Last Supper' before the Paschal Triduum begins
A Ham & Chicken Dinner with dessert & refreshments
Thursday, March 28 at 6PM
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EASTER DECOR

Envelopes can be found at the church doors for donations to help make the sanctuary beautiful for Easter. They can be made in memory of loved ones who's names will be published during the Easter season. Please write your name as well as names of loved ones you would like remembered.