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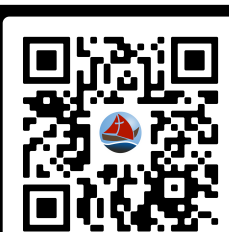


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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ✝ January 26th, 2025

Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle!

May you encounter Jesus Christ in His church and in His sacraments through your participation in our Parish community. Visit our Welcome Desk before or after our weekend Masses for any information on our parish, it's ministries and it's community. **We sincerely welcome you and are so glad you're here!**

TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: Neh. 8:2-6, 8-10
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21



OFFER THE GIFT OF THE MASS

To arrange for a Mass to be offered, stop by the Welcome Desk on the weekend, contact the Parish Office or fill out one of the Envelopes located in the Church.

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Sunday of the Word of God

In 2019, Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God as an annual celebration on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today is a great time to remember that we encounter Jesus Christ when we read the Scriptures. Reading the Bible is not merely an intellectual encounter, but it is spiritually nourishing as well.

He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.
-Luke 24:45.

Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.
-Hebrews 4:12

Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.
-St. Jerome

Whenever we spend time with the Scriptures, may we allow the Word of God to bear rich spiritual fruit in our lives. May the reading of God's word translate into our daily actions.

CANDLEMAS - PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

On the weekend of February 2nd, come celebrate Candlemas! This special occasion commemorates the day that the baby Jesus was presented at the Temple in Jerusalem. At all weekend Masses we'll be blessing the candles that will be used throughout the liturgical year (and you will be welcome to take one home).

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

With the beginning of a new year, many commit themselves in a special way to new acts of volunteerism. Considering joining one of our teams of liturgical ministers. Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are an integral part of our communal worship, making now a perfect time to come on board. Contact the parish office, or stop by the Welcome Desk to begin serving in ministry.

TEACHER REFERENCE LETTERS

Many young people come looking for a Pastoral Reference Letter when they apply for teaching jobs with Catholic Boards. Fr. Jerry will only provide letters to those who are registered in the parish and active in parish life. Think ahead. Get involved.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

Christians endure illness and physical suffering in this life as all people do. However, our faith reminds us that suffering will not have the last say. Not only that, but Jesus' own suffering becomes an invitation for those who are sick or suffering to turn to Him as the true remedy of all torments. So, we ask for the intercession of the saints to help us turn to Our Divine Physician and entrust all those suffering and sick into his care. One way Catholics have traditionally done this is through the blessing of throats on the feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr which will be available after all Masses on the weekend of February 8/9th.

OLD OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Parishioners are kindly asked to dispose of any offertory envelopes issued in previous years. Due to regular renumbering (to limit waste), outdated envelopes may not bear the appropriate information needed by counters to record your offering and issue an accurate tax receipt. If you don't have a 2025 box yet, stop by the welcome desk and we can have one assigned to you. Tax receipts will be made available for pickup as soon as they're ready.

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

Are you thinking and planning of joining a Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome during this Jubilee Year of Hope? Come and join us. In this pilgrimage we will be visiting the Cities of Rome, Siena, Assisi, Florence and much more. Come and pray in footsteps of the Saints—like St. Francis and St. Clair of Assisi, St. Padre Pio, St. Catherine of Siena, St. Peter, etc. For more information contact Fr. Roy Villas at 705-645-2294.

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Wednesday, January 29 & Thursday, January 30
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Friday, January 31st
12:10PM Special Intentions Nathan Tranter;
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+ Paul Galea

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD CANDLEMAS

Saturday, February 1
4:00PM Intentions of Karl & Elaine Richter

Sunday, February 2
9:00AM + Sara Cosentini
11:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)



JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

On Christmas Eve at St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Francis symbolically opened the holy door that marks the Jubilee year, which happens every 25 years. This Jubilee is the Year of Hope, and will run until the Feast of the Epiphany on January 6, 2026. While only Rome has formal holy doors, the Diocese of Peterborough is offering Jubilee pilgrimage sites where indulgences may be obtained as part of this very special time for the Church.

The Pilgrimage Churches in the Diocese of Peterborough are:

The Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains (Peterborough), St. Patrick's (Kearney), St. Mary's (Lindsay), and St. Michael the Archangel (Cobourg).

A Jubilee Year is a time for forgiveness and renewal in our relationship with God. Jubilee years were initially marked in Scripture by the remittance of debt and property, and the healing of relationships. The Holy Father desires that this Jubilee Year will be a "moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the 'door' (cf. Jn 10:7-9)" (Spes Non Confundit, 1).

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!