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ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome

Christ is Risen! May the joy and hope of the Resurrection fill your heart today and always. We're so glad you're here to celebrate with us!

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 4PM **SUNDAY**

9AM & 11AM

For Weekday Mass Times see inside.

SACRAMENTS

Confessions

Saturday 3PM - 3:45PM

For more information about booking baptisms, weddings, marriage preparation, or other inquiries, please contact us.

OFFICE HOURS

Wed: 12 Noon - 5PM Thurs. & Fri.: 10AM - 2PM

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> **Pastor: Fr. Jerry Tavares Administrative Assistant: Kristen Penfold**

LOVE GOD | LOVE OTHERS | MAKE DISCIPLES

6th Sunday of Easter & May 25th, 2025

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: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 **2nd Reading:** Rev. 21:10-14, 22-23 **Gospel:** John 14:23-29

Wednesday, May 28 9:00AM Intentions of Fr. Jerry Tavares

Thursday, May 29 & Friday, May 30 NO MASS - ORDINATION IN PETERBOROUGH

Lord Jesus,

we thank you for calling Peter Bissonnette to the priesthood. Bless him with a heart like Yours—faithful, humble, and full of love. May his ministry bring many souls closer to You. Amen.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Saturday, May 31

4:00PM + Peter Agnello Jr.

Sunday, June 1

9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

11:00AM + Beverly West



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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WELCOME NEW/RETURNING PARISHIONERS

Over the past few weeks we've seen many new and returning parishioners! We're so happy to welcome you to St. Peter the Apostle.

- If you're new, please register at the Welcome Desk after Mass or the Parish Office, we'd like to officially welcome you.
- If you're returning, feel free to check in at the Welcome Desk after Mass or the Parish Office to ensure we have all your current information.
- If you're a 'summer only' parishioner, we're happy to involve you in the life of the parish. We have ministry opportunities both here at the Parish and at Killbear Provincial Park (Lectors, Communion Ministers, Altar Servers...). Just check in at the Welcome Desk after Mass or contact the Parish Office and we will plug you in.

PRAY THE FAMILY ROSARY

During the month of May, we encourage individuals and especially families to pray the Rosary. Carve out a space in your busy life and schedule to sit quietly with the Mary, the Mother of God. Meditate with her on the Mysteries of Salvation, the mystery of her Son Jesus Christ. Parents with young, restless children may prefer to pray one decade (Our Father – 10 Hail Mary's – Glory be) each day.



STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN UPDATE

We're excited to share that construction on the new front stairs of the church is set to begin in a few weeks. Once work begins, the front entrance will be temporarily closed for safety reasons. During this time, please use the side entrances. We'll do our best to minimize the disruption, and we thank you for your patience and support as we take this important step forward—literally!

PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARIES

During the month of May throughout the Diocese of Peterborough, many priests celebrate their Ordination Anniversaries. On May 28th, Fr. Jerry will celebrate 15 years of Priestly Service. Happy Anniversary Father!

UPCOMING ORDINATION

With great joy, the Diocese of Peterborough announces the upcoming ordination of **Deacon Peter Bissonnette** to the Sacred Priesthood on **Friday, May 30**, at the Cathedral Church of St. Peter-in-Chains, in Peterborough.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

In the month of May, we pray for men and women in formation for religious life, as well as for seminarians preparing for the priesthood. Let us keep praying for them as they seek to follow God's will.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Do you like working with kids? Have a desire to help form the next generation of Catholics? We're looking for help with Sacramental Prep for this upcoming year (First Communion - grade 2 & up, and Confirmation - grades 7&8). Contact the Office.

GARDENING ANGELS

The gardens of our church are a great outward sign of how we grow in faith as a community. But, they always need attention. Have a green thumb? Want to learn more about gardening? Looking for more opportunities to get outside? Sign up at the Welcome Desk or Contact the Parish Office 705-746-5181 to learn more.

STATIONS OF THE LIGHT

On Saturday, June 7th 7PM, 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.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

We extend our sincere thanks to Greg Gardin and Lyn Tranter for their dedicated service on our Parish Finance Committee. Their time, wisdom, and commitment have been a true blessing in helping steward the temporal goods of our parish.

We also warmly welcome our new committee members, Sandra Porretta and Brett Lavier. The Finance Committee plays a vital role in supporting the pastor in managing the parish's financial and material resources with care and transparency.

Thank you to all who generously share their gifts in service to our parish community.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

If you are thinking about becoming Catholic (or know someone who is) we have a great team who would love to walk with you on this journey. Contact the Parish Office at 705-746-5181 to get things started.

MARRIAGE TIP

Spring cleaning is about revitalizing our hibernating homes. It's also a great time to refresh your marriage. Make the decision as a couple to spend some time together on a mini-date taking a walk or sharing a coffee; give your spouse some "guilt-free" time off from household duties; learn something new about your spouse (no matter how long you've been married!); tell your spouse why they are still special to you. Remember what it was like to be newly in love? This spring, feel that way all over again.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRED HEART

Join Bishop Miehm and parishioners from our northern parishes at Sacred Heart Parish, Trout Creek, on Friday, June 27, 2025 (Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus).

Adoration & Confessions: 11AM–3PM

Mass: 3:30PM, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

Come celebrate the 350th anniversary of the Sacred Heart messages. Interested in attending? Please RSVP to our Parish Office to prepare for the reception.

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