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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
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Welcome

St. Peter the Apostle Parish is a **Catholic** Christian Community of **Disciples of the Lord Jesus**. We believe that everyone is called to be on a spiritual journey and what matters is not where a person is on that journey, but actually being on the journey. Therefore we seek to **welcome** all people, regardless of the stage of their spiritual life, their struggles and failures. We simply ask that you walk with us and **be open** to what **God** is calling you to. We believe that God calls each member of our parish to **worship**, to **grow**, to **serve**, to **connect** and to **give**.

TODAYS READINGS: ① Amos 6:1, 4-7 ② 1 Timothy 6:11-16 ③ Luke 16:19-31

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, October 1

NO MASS

Thursday, October 2

6:00PM Intentions of Kevin & Chantal Boudreau

Friday, October 3

11:00AM Adoration and Confessions

12:10PM Intentions of Glenn Gregoire

Saturday, October 4

9:00AM + Major Lawrence James Elliot

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 4

4:00PM Intentions of Nancy Loch

Sunday, October 5

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

11:00AM + Cathy Pearsell



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To request a Mass, visit the Welcome Desk, contact the Parish Office, or use the envelopes in the Church.

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REGISTER NOW FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Preparation for **First Communion (Grade 2+)** and **Confirmation (Grade 7+)** begins in early October. If you haven't registered your child yet, please do so as soon as possible so they don't miss this important step in their faith journey. Visit spta.church/sacraments or scan the QR code today.

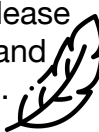


BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN

Baptism is the beautiful beginning of our journey of faith. It is the first Sacrament of Initiation that opens the way to the Eucharist and Confirmation. If your child has not yet been baptized, or was baptized in another Christian tradition and you would like to have them received into the Catholic Church, we would love to walk with you. Contact the parish office or visit the Welcome Desk to learn more.

HOUR OF PRAYER FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION - OCTOBER 3RD

September 30 is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a time for reflection, remembrance, and prayer as we seek healing in our relationship with Indigenous peoples. Our parish will observe this day on Friday, October 3 with an Hour of Prayer at 11AM, followed by Mass at 12:10PM. Please join us in praying for truth, reconciliation, and hope with our Indigenous brothers and sisters.



PARISH REGISTRATION

If you live in the area and worship regularly with us, we invite you to register as a member of St. Peter the Apostle. It's simple - just stop by the Welcome Desk. Young adults (18+) are encouraged to register under their own name, even if still living at home.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP - SERVE IN MINISTRY

Every parish family grows stronger when each of us shares our gifts. One of the best ways to deepen your faith and feel connected is to serve. Whether you're new to parish life or have been here for years, maybe now is the time to take that next step.

We are especially in need of:

- Greeters
- Host Ministers/Ushers
- Lectors
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Altar Servers
- Offertory Counters
- Sacristy Support/Lord's Laundry

Where is God calling me to serve?

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Interested in becoming Catholic? Know someone who is? The program begins this fall! We welcome all adults who....

✠ Have never been baptized

✠ Have been baptized in another Christian denomination

✠ Have been baptized Catholic and now wish to receive Eucharist and Confirmation.

For more information stop by the Welcome Desk after any weekend Mass or call the Parish Office.

BLESSING OF PETS

Saturday, October 4th is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Because of his love for animals and creation, it is a tradition to offer the blessing of animals on this day. If you'd like, bring your pets to church with you at 6PM and Father will bless them.

ETERNAL REST

Death is an end, but not ***the*** end. Eternal Rest presents the Church's teaching about death and God's response with wisdom, truth, gentleness, and compassion, helping Catholics prepare in the light of Jesus Christ, the Author of life. Begins November 6 at 5:30PM. Everyone welcome!

GUEST CELEBRANT THIS WEEKEND

Fr. Jerry is away this weekend and we are happy to welcome a very familiar face to St. Peter the Apostle Parish, Fr. Joe Moran.

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

Applications open for Round 4 from September 22-October 31, 2025. The IRF supports Indigenous-led and managed projects in Healing for communities and families; Culture and language revitalization; Knowledge-sharing, heritage, traditions, and community building; and Dialogues promoting Indigenous spirituality and culture. Eligibility: First Nations and Métis residing within the Diocese. Learn more at <http://peterboroughdiocese.org/irf>.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We will be collecting nonperishable food items. We will be collecting nonperishable food items. Please bring your donations with you when you come to Mass. All items will be shared with Harvest Share and the Salvation Army to support those in need. Let's come together in gratitude and give to our community as we celebrate the many blessings we have received. Thank you for your generosity and support!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

A friendly reminder that the Parish Office hours are **Wednesday 12Noon-5PM, Thursday and Friday 10AM-2PM** - you can also stop by the Welcome Desk while you're already at Mass to deal with 'office/business things'. **The office is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.**

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This is the easiest, most convenient and effective way to always support your parish as we look to form faithful disciples proclaiming the Good News. You can enrol on our website or through the Parish Office. Your investment reaps a rich harvest!

A MENTION IN YOUR WILL

You can give St. Peter the Apostle a boost from Heaven! Consider making a gift to the parish in your Last Will and Testament. Your final offering will help provide for the spiritual needs of future generations of Catholics. It becomes an enduring testament to your love for Christ and the Church. Thank you for thinking of us.

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