

# St. Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic Church

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Office Hours: : Monday 9 am to 12 pm; Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 12 pm & 1 pm to 4 pm

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**Pastor - Father Francis Chidi Ezenezi**

Parish Secretary - Dawn Marie Duffy

Permanent Deacons

Deacon M. Ketter

Deacon A. Lamothe

Diocesan Order of Women

Mrs. D. Ketter

Mrs. B. Lamothe

Mrs. P. Porter

**Baptism**

A program of preparation is required. Parents are asked to contact the Parish Office prior to the birth of their child. Adults wishing baptism are asked to contact the Parish Office.

**Marriage**

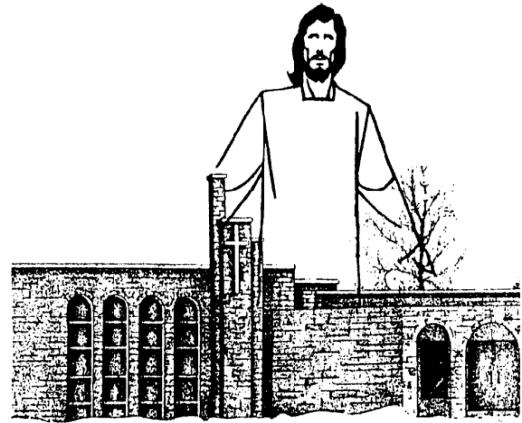
Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. A preparation course is required.

**Visitation of the Sick**

If any member of your family is sick at home or in the hospital, please call and let us know. If you are confined to home, and would like to receive Communion on Sunday, please call the Office before 3:00 pm on Thursday.

**Prayers for the Sick**

If you or any member of your family is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish office to place that person on our prayer list.



**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

**Weekday Mass Schedule**

For Weekday Mass Schedule please see inside bulletin.

**Reconciliation**

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:30pm; or by appointment.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

First Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

**Children's Liturgy**

Each Sunday at the 9:00 am Mass from September to June. All children (beginning from Jr. Kindergarten) are welcome.

**Welcome to St. Peter's**

We warmly welcome new parishioners to our parish. You are asked to register by completing a registration form. Forms are available in the Entrance or from the Parish Office.



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# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 5, 2023

Your light must shine before others.

## MASS INTENTIONS:

<b>Tues, Feb. 7</b>	<b>7pm</b>	Intentions of Dean & Kara Basque and Blessings on their Wedding Day by Lorraine Downey & Greg Godin
<b>Wed, Feb. 8</b>	<b>9am</b>	Intentions of Bart Hutson by a Parishioner
<b>Thurs, Feb. 9</b>	<b>9am</b>	Rocco Pettella+ by Peter & Arlene Maunsell
<b>Fri, Feb. 10</b>	<b>9am</b>	Birthday Blessings for Gren Ringuette by Nancy Tremblay
<b>Sat, Feb. 11</b>	<b>4pm</b>	Frances Schiavo+ by Judy & Gerry Bitonti
<b>Sun, Feb. 12</b>	<b>9am</b>	Sharon Gardiner+ by Nestor & Theresa Crawford
	<b>11am</b>	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis

**PRAYER LINE:** *In sorrow and suffering, go straight to God with confidence, and you will be strengthened, enlightened and instructed.* If you or any member of your family, or anyone you know, is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish Office to place that person on our prayer list.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:**

### SCRIPTURE READINGS Feb 6 – Feb 12, 2023

Monday	Genesis 1:1-19; Mark 6:53-56 <i>St. Paul Miki &amp; Companions</i>
Tuesday	Genesis 1:20-2:4a; Mark 7:1-13
Wednesday	Genesis 2:4b-9,15-17; Mark 7:14-23
Thursday	Genesis 2:18-25; Mark 7:24-30
Friday	Genesis 3:1-8; Mark 7:31-37 <i>St. Scholastica</i>
Saturday	Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10 <i>(Our Lady of Lourdes)</i> World Day of the Sick
Sunday	Sirach 15:15-20 1Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37 <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>

Sunday January 22, 2023 \$2 768.45  
Building Fund balance to date \$140 944.78  
**Building Fund Goal: \$200 000**

*Thank you for your generous contributions!*



**2023 Envelopes** are ready to be picked up. Please call the Church office for more

information: 705- 472-1817

*Sunday Missals are for sale at the Church Office. They are \$5 each.*

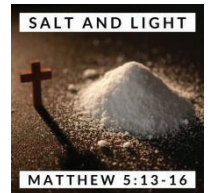


**Reminder: Lent begins February 22<sup>nd</sup>!**

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16



These words emphasize that we are recognizable as true disciples of the One who is the Light of the World, not in words, but by our works.

"The light of our faith, in giving of oneself, does not fade but strengthens. However it can weaken if we do not nourish it with love and with charitable works. In this way the image of light complements that of salt. Salt is an ingredient which, while it gives flavour, keeps food from turning and spoiling... Thus, a Christians' mission in society is that of giving "flavour" to life with the faith and the love that Christ has given us, and at the same time, keeping away the contaminating seeds of selfishness, envy, slander, and so on. These seeds degrade the fabric of our communities, which should instead shine as places of welcome, solidarity and reconciliation. Each one of us is called to be light and salt, in the environment of our daily life!"

Feb.5,2017

*"May our Mother help us to let ourselves always be purified and enlightened by the Lord, so as to become, in our turn, "salt of the earth" and "light of the world."*



## World Day of the Sick February 11, 2023

Jesus' ministry to the sick is a central part of the life of the Church. Today (also known as a Memorial to Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the Church's ministry of healing. Instituted 30 years ago by St. John Paul II, the theme for this year is: **"Take care of him"** (Lk 10:35) *just as the Samaritan calls the innkeeper.* Jesus addresses the same call to each of us. He exhorts us to "go and do likewise" (Lk 10:37).

*"The parable shows us how a community can be rebuilt by men and women who identify with the vulnerability of others, who reject the creation of a society of exclusion, and act instead as neighbours, lifting up and rehabilitating the fallen for the sake of the common good"* (No. 67). **Indeed, "we were created for a fulfilment that can only be found in love. We cannot be indifferent to suffering."** (No. 68).

Sick people, in fact, are at the centre of God's people, and the Church advances together with them as a sign of a humanity in which everyone is precious and no one should be discarded or left behind. Let us learn from Him, then, how to be a community that truly walks together!

### What can I do on February 11<sup>th</sup>: the World Day of the Sick?

- \*1. **Read Pope Francis' encyclical:**  
<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/20230110-giornata-malato.html>
- \*2. **Watch and share the video: "An experience of accompanying a loved one through palliative care":**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRrAy1L1Ao0>
- \*3. **Visit a loved one or stranger who is shut in, lonely or sick**
- \*4. **Offer gratitude to a healthcare professional or volunteer**



### THIS WEEK

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| Wednesday Feb 8 | <b>9:30AM</b> – Rosary Cenacle<br><b>1:30PM</b> – CWL (General)<br><b>7:00PM</b> – Liturgy Meeting |
| Thursday Feb 2  | <b>1:00PM</b> – Choir Practice (11AM)<br><b>6:30PM</b> – Choir Practice (9AM)                      |

### CWL NEWS: CONFIDENCE

*The Catholic Women's League relies on the teachings of the Catholic church to guide it.* As a member you can be confident that what you do will further God's kingdom here on earth. Be confident - come walk with us! Please join us on **Wednesday February 8, 2023 at 1:30pm** as we have our general meeting. Blessings from your CWL Executive



## Pope Francis – February Prayer Intention

### For Parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.



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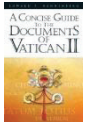
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### Preparing for 2025 Jubilee: "Pilgrims of Hope"

A Jubilee Year is a special year of grace, in which the church offers the faithful the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence. Traditionally, the year begins just before Christmas and ends on the Epiphany of the following year. The pope inaugurates the Holy Year with the rite of opening the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica. After that, the Holy Doors of the other papal basilicas are opened and remain open until the end of the jubilee year. **As part of preparations for the Jubilee 2025, Pope Francis has encouraged the faithful to reread the four Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council.**



### The Good Samaritan Corner

#### Healthy Community Ambassador Program –

Helping the homeless in the cold can save a life. Hypothermia is a genuine concern for those on the streets. Please contact: 249-493-6180.



### 2023 NORTHERN ONTARIO CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE: Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, St. Joseph-Scollard Hall.

Join youth from across Northern Ontario for a day of faith, music, sharing, talks and powerful witness. Catholic Speaker: Ken Yasinski. Registration fee is only \$20 and includes all meals! The **Conference runs from 10am – 8pm. All youth aged 13-19** are invited to register @ [www.holynametalphonsus.com/levelup](http://www.holynametalphonsus.com/levelup).

### ALPHA EXPERIENCE – Monday, FEBRUARY 6, 2023

**@ 6PM** Who will you invite? Join us Monday evenings at Holy Name of Jesus Church. A free meal begins each session. More information & to register: [www.alphanorthbay.com](http://www.alphanorthbay.com)

**Ashes for Ash Wednesday – March 2, 2022- If you have any old blessed Palm branches please bring them to the Church. They will be burned for our Ash Wednesday Celebration.**







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