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Pastor - Father Francis Chidi Ezenezi

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Permanent Deacons Diocesan Order of Women

Deacon M. Ketter Mrs. D. Ketter Deacon A. Lamothe 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

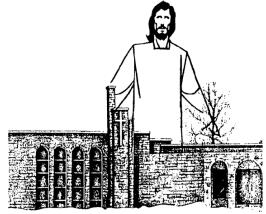
Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. A preparation course is required.

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 3:30 pm 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.





Third Sunday of Lent - March 3, 2024

"Have zeal for the dwelling place of the Lord."

MASS INTENTIONS:

Mon, Mar. 4 9am	Intentions of Marcelle Beaulieu by Diane Carmichae
Tues, Mar. 5 9am	Jean Lukasik+ by Suzanne & family
Wed, Mar. 6 9am	Omer Lafontaine+ by his wife & daughters
Thurs, Mar. 7 9am	Intentions of Marjorie & Prayers for Healing
	and in memory of Adele Laferriere+ by Nancy
Fri, Mar. 8 9am	June Carbonneau+ by Roger & Yvonne Guillemette
Sat, Mar. 9 4pm	Enrica Violin+ by Victor Hopper & Kathleen Walsh
Sun, Mar. 10 9am	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis
11am	Paul Bourdon+ by Helen & family

Sunday IN LENT

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: Angelo Nunner, Jane Loken PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:

SCRIPTURE READINGS Mar 4 – Mar 10, 2024	
Monday	2Kings 5:1-15a; Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday	Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9;
	Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11;14-23
Friday	Hosea 14:1-9; Mark 12:28b-34
Saturday	Hosea 5:15b – 6:6++; Luke 18:9-14
	Daylight Savings Time Begins
Sunday	2Chronicles 36:14-17a, 19-23++
	Ephesians 2:4-10
	John 3:14-21
	Fourth Sunday of Lent

 Sunday February 25, 2024
 \$2 288.65

 Needy Collection, Feb.25,2024
 \$1 624.30

 Building Fund balance to date
 \$164 640.03

 Building Fund Goal:
 \$200 000

Thank you for your generous contributions!



2024 Envelopes are ready to be picked up. Please call the Church office for more information: 705-

472-1817

There are a few Sunday Missals for sale at the Church Office. They are \$5 each.



St Peter the Apostle CWL Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, March 3 after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses
Menu: pancakes, sausages, juice, tea, coffee
Prices: \$8/adult, \$5/child 10 and under, \$20/family
Everyone welcome. Please join us.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

"Making a whip of cords, He drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle." John 2:15 Why did Jesus do something this

forceful and provocative? "He



did it because the Father sent Him to cleanse the temple: not only the Temple of stone, but above all the temple of our heart. Jesus could not tolerate His Father's house becoming a marketplace; neither does He want our hearts to be places of turmoil, disorder and confusion. Our heart must be cleansed, put in order and purified. In order to cleanse our hearts, we need to dirty our hands, to feel accountable and not to simply look on as our brothers and sisters are suffering. How do we purify our hearts? By our own efforts, we cannot; we need Jesus. He has the power to conquer our evils, to heal our diseases, to rebuild the temple of our heart.

"Do I allow Jesus to make my heart a little cleaner?" Jesus cleanses with tenderness, mercy, love. Let us, each of us, let us allow the Lord to enter with His mercy to cleanse our hearts. With us, Jesus' whip is His mercy. Let us open to Him the gates so that He will make us a little purer. Every Eucharist that we celebrate with faith makes us grow as a living temple of the Lord, thanks to the communion with His crucified and risen Body. Let us allow Him to enter into our lives, into our families, into our hearts." Mar.5,2015

May Mary most holy, accompany us and sustain us on this Lenten journey, so that we might be able to rediscover the beauty of the encounter with Christ, the only One who frees us and saves us.

The month of March is dedicated to: St. Joseph

St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.





- 1. Fast from HURTING WORDS → and SAY KIND WORDS
- 2. Fast from SADNESS → and BE FILLED **WITH GRATITUDE**
- 3. Fast from ANGER → and BE FILLED

WITH PATIENCE

- 4. Fast from PESSIMISM → and BE FILLED WITH HOPE
- 5. Fast from WORRIES → and HAVE TRUST IN GOD
- 6. Fast from COMPLAINTS → and CONTEMPLATE SIMPLICITY
- 7. Fast from PRESSURES → and BE PRAYERFUL
- 8. Fast from BITTERNESS → & FILL YOUR HEARTS WITH JOY
- 9. Fast from SELFISHNESS → and BE COMPASSIONATE
- 10. Fast from GRUDGES → and BE RECONCILED
- 11. Fast from WORDS → and BE SILENT AND LISTEN

The Way of the Cross

All are welcome to join us Fridays in Lent at @ 6:30pm.



We look forward to praying with you!!!

THIS WEEK

9:00AM - First Communion #3 Sunday March 3

9:00AM & 11AM - Pancake Breakfast

Wed. March 6 9:30AM-5:00PM - Eucharistic Adoration

> 9:30AM - Rosary Cenacle 6:00PM - Social Life Committee **6:30PM** – Knights 1007 (General)

1:00PM - Choir Practice (11AM) Thursday March 7

6:30PM – Choir Practice (9AM)

Friday March 8 6:30PM – Stations of the Cross

7:00PM – The Chosen (First Season)

7:00AM - TMIY (Men's Group) - "That Saturday March 9

Man is You"

3:00PM - CONFESSIONS

9:00AM - NO First Communion Lesson Sunday March 3



<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> - Spend an hour with Jesus! Please join us for

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am – 5pm Wednesday, March 6th beginning at 9:30am. Everyone is invited. Please sign

the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the Church and select your hour time slot as we do not want to leave Jesus alone. The Church will remain open all day if all time slots are filled. Unscheduled drop-ins are welcome.

Pope Francis - March Prayer Intention

For the New Martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.





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support St. Peter's Church Please call the Church office: 705-472-1817

Watch: The Chosen (Season 1)

All are welcome to join us Fridays in Lent @ 7:00pm after the Stations of the Cross.

Each Friday the parish will host an evening video of approximately 60 minutes for 6 weeks during Lent after the Stations of the Cross. The Chosen is the first-ever multiseason TV show about the life of



Jesus. We look forward to spending the evening with you!



The Courage to Create Hope

These words inspired a 5 year theme and were spoken by Pope Francis at the 4th World Meeting of Popular Movements, "...you have the ability and the courage to create hope where there appears to be only waste and exclusion." The

courage to Create Hope is rooted in actions big and small. What will you to this Lent to Create Hope? Join our campaign at devp.org/lent.





Friday March 8th

We thank all women and celebrate their social, economic, cultural and political contributions!

Pope Francis remind us to look to Mary, in order to become artisans of unity," Most recently Pope Francis commented that, "if women could enjoy full equality of opportunity, they could contribute

substantially to the necessary change towards a world of peace, inclusion, solidarity and integral sustainability."



Join us for a **St. Patrick's Day** Potluck Dinner & Party – St. Peter's Parish Hall on March 16th@ 5pm! (After the 4pm Mass) Enjoy an evening of Irish

fun including games, food and fellowship. Hope to see you there! Bring your favourite food and join in the fun! All are welcome – even those without a food item!



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