

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

Pastor - Father Francis Chidi Ezenezi

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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

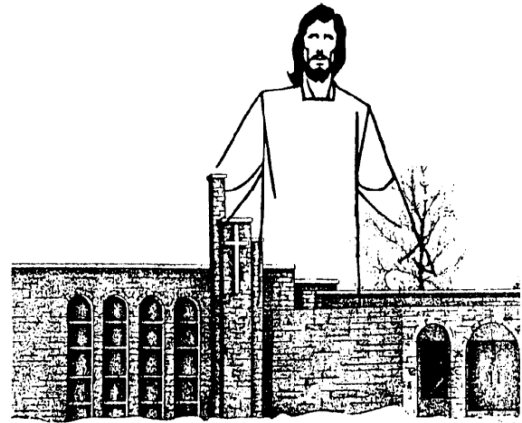
Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. A preparation course is required.

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.



PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS



First Sunday of Lent – February 26, 2023

Through Christ we are made righteous and have eternal life.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Mon, Feb. 27	9am	Intentions of Fred Bukowski by Celine Mayer
Tues, Feb. 28	9am	Intentions of Lynne Downey & Prayers for Healing by Lorraine Downey & Greg Godin
Wed, Mar. 1	9am	Marisa Amendola+ by Lena Pavone
Thurs, Mar. 2	9am	Evelyn Chapesky+ by Nancy Tremblay
Fri, Mar. 3	9am	Al Gallant+ by Lorraine & family
Sat, Mar. 4	4pm	Intentions of Eleanore Lunney by Adele Laferriere
Sun, Mar. 5	9am	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis
	11am	Anniversary Blessings of Owen & Leah Sunico and Prayers for Nursing Exam Results by the Sunico family



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: Marguerite Mason

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:

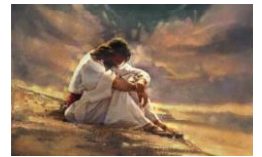
SCRIPTURE READINGS Feb 27 – March 5, 2023

Monday	Leviticus 19:1-2,11-18; Matt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32
Thursday	Esther 14:1,3-5,12-14; Matthew 7:7-12
Friday	Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26 World Day of Prayer
Saturday	Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matt 5:43-48
Sunday	Genesis 12:1-4 Romans 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17:1-9 Second Sunday of Lent

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

First Sunday of Lent

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Matthew 4:10



Jesus does not speak a word of His own: He responds only with the Word of God. Thus the Son, filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, comes out of the desert victorious. "During the 40 days of Lent, as Christians we are invited to follow in Jesus' footsteps and face the spiritual battle with the Evil One with the strength of the Word of God. Not with our words: they are worthless. For this reason, it is important to be familiar with the Bible: read it often, meditate on it, assimilate it.

Indeed, if we had God's Word always in our heart, no temptation could separate us from God, and no obstacle could divert us from the path of good; we would know how to defeat the daily temptations of the evil that is within us and outside us; we would be more capable of living a life renewed according to the Spirit, welcoming and loving our brothers and sisters, especially the weakest and neediest, and also our enemies." March 5, 2017

"May the Virgin Mary, perfect icon of obedience to God and of unconditional trust in His will, sustain us on the Lenten journey, that we may set ourselves to listen docilely to the Word of God in order to achieve a true conversion of heart."

Sunday February 12, 2023 \$2 147.00
Building Fund balance to date \$141 509.78
Building Fund Goal: \$200 000

Thank you for your generous contributions!

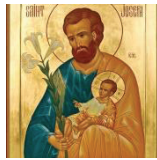


2023 Envelopes are ready to be picked up. Please call the Church office for more information: 705- 472-1817

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

A Reminder for those who pray the Liturgy of the Hours: Volume II of the Liturgy of the Hours is used from Ash Wednesday until Pentecost.

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 @ **7pm.**

We look forward to praying with you!!!

THIS WEEK

- Sunday Feb 26** 9:00AM - First Communion #1
9:00AM - Coffee Sunday
11:00AM - Coffee Sunday
- Wednesday Mar 1** 9:30AM-5:00PM - Eucharistic Adoration
9:30AM - Rosary Cenacle
1:30PM - CWL Executive (Kitchen)
6:30PM - Knights 1007 (General)
- Thursday Mar 2** 1:00PM - Choir Practice (11AM)
6:30PM - Choir Practice (9AM)
- Friday Mar 3** 7:00PM - Stations of the Cross
- Saturday Mar 4** 3:00PM - CONFESSIONS

CWL NEWS: CONNECTION

My Catholic Women's League council is parish-based yet connected to Canada's largest women's organization. How connected are you? You will meet women from your region, diocese, province and country by becoming involved in your parish Catholic Women's League council! Your place is among us!

Join us on **Wednesday, March 8th at 1:30pm** for our next general gathering/meeting. We will be discussing the upcoming Diocesan Convention. If you have any questions, please contact our President Christine at 705-303-3808. Looking forward to seeing you there!!



Pope Francis – March Prayer Intention



For Victims of Abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their suffering.

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Eucharistic Adoration - Spend an hour with Jesus! Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration **9:30am - 5pm** Wednesday, **March 1st** 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.**

Coffee Sunday! Sunday Feb. 26th!

Reminder to bring your goodies at the beginning of Mass! We will see you this weekend!



World Day of Prayer 2023 – Friday March 3rd

Please see the bulletin insert.

Stand for the Land



Development and Peace has chosen **Create Hope** as their guiding theme for the next five years. This year, Development and Peace calls us to support our sisters and brothers in the Global South – by protecting their lands and waters, the environment and human life. **Don't forget: March 26, 2023** is Solidarity Sunday! Donate online at dev.org/give to help support over 86 projects in 40 countries around the world. Please see the same website devp.org/lent/resources for a mini magazine, other resources and to donate to the Emergency Aid Campaign in support of the victims of the Turkey & Syria Earthquake (devp.org/act).

Is your child starting Kindergarten in September 2023? Join the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board for one of our Kindergarten Information Sessions in March. You will have the opportunity to explore what our schools have to offer! Please visit www.npsc.ca for more info.

Euchre Tournament Fundraiser: \$20/person
Saturday March 4th & Saturday April 1st 10am- 2pm
JOIN US for a fun day of cards in support of the restoration of St. Joseph's Church. A light luncheon is provided and there are prizes to be won! **Where?: 250 Clark Street, Powassan**



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