

# ST. PETER'S CHURCH

*In the Care of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate since 1860*

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**JANUARY 10, 2021  
BAPTISM OF THE LORD**



**Father Jack Herklotz, OMI**

**Confessions by appointment, 604-522-4611x 2.**

**Saturday, 5 pm Mass is live-streamed. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvWDCCr3ATXbn23t83E6gfA>**

If a parishioner would like to give a donation, they can do so by clicking the link below

<https://support.rcav.org/donate-sunday-offering/?BBFund=505&BBHideOtherFunds=1>

Also, parishioners can mail a cheque to St. Peter's Parish, by adding the envelope amounts and mailing only one Sunday envelope with the cheque. Envelopes can be dropped off at the parish office, M-F; 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.

If a person would like to spend some quiet prayer time in church, they can do so, **Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.**

**2021 ENVELOPE BOXES:**

**Parishioners who would like to pick up their envelope boxes for 2021 can do so from the parish office, Monday-Friday: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.**

**Please keep in your prayers: 1) Micheline Davis who died on Monday, December 28, 2020.**

**2) Maria Theresa Bacot who died on Friday, January 1. Funeral Mass: Thursday, January 14, 2:00 pm.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain: Robert Adams, Alvin Agsalud, Leon Alzate, JM Baquiran, Paddy Behan, Yvette Boivin, Gail Bonner, Debbie Borger, Desiree Changfoot, Lucia Christensen, John Clark, Maggie Cottons, Lily Cregan, Anthony Donovan, Sue-Anne Dunkin, Alfred Eheses, Ruby Lagmay Ghasemi, Eileen Heath, Marie Hocking, Gloria Jacquiard, Leonida Lampong, Jiangping Luo, Renato Malabanan, Tess Marier, Bonnie McKinley, Maggie Misfeldt, Roland Proulx, Matteo Ricci, Ron Ross, Rosa Santos, Mimi Wunderlich.

## **THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS**

all parishioners for their generous donations throughout the 2020 year.

It is because of your support that we are able to continue to help those in need in our community.

***Thank you to the drivers who delivered the gift bags to all the families.***

Last year we were able to assist 84 families with gift cards to both Save On Foods and Walmart.. We included in the gift bag ***Christmas cards*** prepared by the ***PREP team***, a beautiful printed ***Christmas card, some candy, chocolates and cookies.***

We were able to include ***many face masks*** which were very generously ***donated by some parishioners.***

Special thanks to our ***volunteers*** who help each month with ***preparing and serving sandwiches, hot chocolate, coffee and sweets to the people living on the street as well as the marginalized who are so grateful for the support we provide on a weekly basis.***

***Patt Irvine, President, St. Peter's Conference.***

## **EMAIL FRAUD WARNING:**

The Archdiocese has received multiple reports from parishioners and priests who have fallen victim to a recent Internet email phishing scam. Imposters, posing as priests and using email addresses that are similar to those of our priests, have been emailing people asking for personal donations, gift cards, and other forms of financial assistance.

Never respond to emails requesting Google Play cards, iTunes cards, or any other form of personal financial assistance, even if it appears to be from a priest, deacon, religious, parish staff or bishop. If you have any doubt, please contact the sender by other means to verify any requests.

## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:**

This year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from **January 18 to 25**. The 2021 theme – Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit (John 15:5-9) – calls us to pray and to work for reconciliation and unity in the church, with our human family, and with all of creation. Drawing on the Gospel image of vine and branches, it invites us to nourish unity with God and with one another through contemplative silence, prayer, and common action. Grafted into Christ the vine as many diverse branches, may we bear rich fruit and create new ways of living, with respect for and communion with all of creation. Sign-up for daily prayers at [rcav.org/unity](http://rcav.org/unity)

## **INTO THE DEEP: READING "FRATELLI TUTTI": POPE FRANCIS' VISION OF FRATERNITY AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP:**

Pope Francis' latest encyclical Fratelli Tutti diagnoses the shortcomings of society that have been laid bare by the COVID-19 pandemic. Inspired by the Gospel and the example of St. Francis of Assisi, Francis invites all to embrace fraternity and social friendship in order to build a more just world. Fr. Nick Meisl and Nick Olkovich will introduce and contextualize the encyclical, highlight important themes and invite participants to reflect on its implications for their Christian living. Join us for this free event on **Friday, January 29 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm on Zoom**. Register now at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

## **MASS WEDDING FOR CIVILLY MARRIED COUPLES:**

Have your church wedding this summer! If you got married civilly and would now like to have your marriage recognized by the Church there will be a great opportunity to do so again this year on Saturday, February 6 at 1:30 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Surrey. Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB will be celebrating a wedding Mass for a large number of civilly married couples (participants must be both baptized and married only once). You will need a copy of your marriage registration, a recent copy of your baptism certificates and completing some forms. To register or for more information, contact the parish office at 604-581-4141 or Deacon Greg Barcelon at 604-771-2975 or email [fipinoministry@rcav.org](mailto:fipinoministry@rcav.org).

## **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:**

*"And a voice came from the heavens, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'" - Mark 1:11*

Through our baptism, we too, are daughters and sons of God. We are disciples of Jesus. As true disciples we are called to actively participate in our Catholic faith, not just be mere bystanders. This means working in collaboration with the Holy Spirit and discerning how we are being asked to use our gifts. Using our gifts for the benefit of others and not just for our own interests and comfort.