

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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**JANUARY 31, 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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2020 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS (Parish includes Archdiocesan online donations, St. Vincent de Paul and Project Advance) can be picked up from the Parish Office, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm, otherwise, tax receipts will be mailed out on Thursday, February 25.

Parish receipts are issued to donors who have contributed \$ 20 or over for the year.

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.

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.

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

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

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.**

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

The men at Luke 15 would like to thank the Social Justice Committee and the parishioners of St. Peter's Parish for the Christmas cards they each received at Christmas (which included gift cards). During these challenging times, it is so appreciated to feel included in your hearts and prayers. Thank you so much.

Kenya Mission Partnership:

Fr. Ken Forster, OMI, has produced a video, with the assistance of others, that celebrates our 24 years of partnership with the poor in Kenya. All of you have been part of this success story through your involvement with MAMI over these many years. We hope you will enjoy viewing this YouTube file, easily accessed by clicking on the link below. The video is eleven minutes in length but stay with us to the end to recognize a major collaborative water project that took seven years to build and now serves 2500 small tea farms. Please be ambassadors and send it on to other family members or friends who might be interested. Please keep our Oblate Missions in Kenya, Peru and elsewhere in your prayers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrAYffbN90I>

Fr. Martin's talk on Pope Francis' Encyclical: The Joy of the Gospel.

The link is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DBYRG3Wz4-Q>

An Invitation to join the St. Peter's Catholic Women's League (CWL) - Membership Drive - February 6/7:

St. Peter's CWL began in 1923 and has the distinction of being the oldest league in Metro Vancouver. During the past 97 years, the CWL has been instrumental in community building and supporting the spiritual life of our members, as well as serving St. Peter's Parish in a variety of ways. We are part of the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations representing Catholic women and the church around the globe. Each year, the National CWL presents resolutions to various levels of the government on issues that impact families and communities at home and abroad. Our Council assists families with funeral luncheons and host a Moms' Circle for our busy moms to meet informally for spiritual and social interaction. We host spiritual retreats in our parish and invite informative speakers to enhance our knowledge of important issues and world beliefs and religions. We hold an annual fundraising bazaar. CWL's outreach services also support many initiatives in developing countries. Even though the worldwide pandemic had stopped the fundraising bazaar in November 2020, our St. Peter's CWL continued to get involved in different programs and projects including:

St. Peter's Parish:

Donations to St. Peter's Parish for special projects and/or events | Gifts for Holy Communion and Confirmation children | CWL Scholarship Bursaries (two given annually of \$500 each) | Flowers for the Church.

Outreach and Charities:

ANCOP Canada | Archdiocesan Seminarian—Christmas gift | Aunt Leah's Place | BC Hospice & Palliative Care Association | Burnaby Pro Life Society | Canadian Legion—Poppy Fund & Remembrance Day Cross | Catholic Charities— "The Door is Open" | Century House Peer Counseling | CHABC Membership | Chalice – A Catholic Sponsorship Program | Covenant House, Vancouver | Domestic Abuse Services—OLGC | ESK-OMI Missions | Holy Trinity Cathedral Meals Program | KENYA-OMI Missions | L'Arche Foundation of Greater Vancouver | Luke 15 House, Surrey | Missionaries of Charity | PERU-OMI Missions | Poor Clare's—St. Clare's Monastery | Pregnancy Concerns Program | Sancta Maria House/AGAPE, Vancouver | Save a Family Plan (sponsor a family in India) | Society for the Propagation of the Faith | St. Barnabas Church Meal Program | St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Peter's Parish

Due to COVID restrictions we will not be able to have an in-person membership drive this year. Nevertheless - Your membership adds power to the CWL's voice and helps us make a positive difference in our world! For questions or membership application, contact Cathy Miehm (604-523-5625 or cathy.miehm@shaw.ca).

SUBMIT YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK:

Each year on February 11, the Catholic Church marks the World Day of the Sick. We invite you to submit the names of family and friends who are experiencing illness so that Archbishop Miller and our parish priests may offer Mass for them.

Visit beholdvancouver.org/events/world-day-of-the-sick to submit a prayer request and join Archbishop Miller for Mass on **Friday, Feb. 12 at 12:10 pm from Holy Rosary Cathedral.** Join the live stream at holyroarycathedral.org/live-stream

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." - 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things?

God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future. Then pray for things instead of worrying about them.