

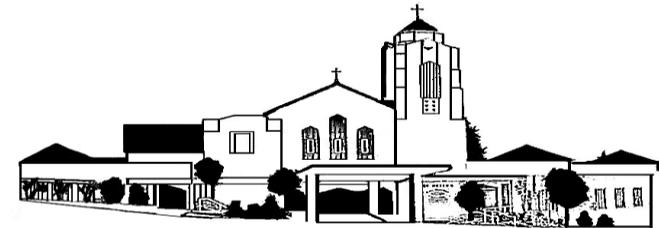
SEPTEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 YAH Luncheon 1 - 3 pm	2 Royal City Manor 10:00 am	3
4 23 rd Sunday in OT	5 LABOUR DAY	6 Queen's Park Care Center 10:15 am	7 CWL Centennial Meeting 7 pm	8 YAH Bingo 1-3 pm Parish Council 7 pm	9	10
11 24 th Sunday in OT +Miller at 11 am PANCAKE BREAKFAST 10/Noon	12	13 CWL Executive Meeting 7 pm	14 PREP REGISTRATION 6 - 7:30 pm (HALL)	15 YAH Bingo 1-3 pm St. Vincent de Paul 6:30 pm CRL 7 pm Choir 7-9 pm	16	17 Baptism Preparation 10 - 11 am (Hall) St. Vincent de Paul 12:30 - 4:00 (Hall)
18 25 th Sunday in OT	19 Bible Study 7 pm	20 Queen's Park Care Center 10:15 am CWL General Meeting 7 pm	21 PREP 6:15 - 7:30 pm	22 YAH Bingo 1 -3 pm Finance Council 7 pm	23	24
25 26 th Sunday in OT	26 K of C 7:30 pm (Hall) Bible Study 7 pm	27	28 PREP 6:15 - 7:30 pm	29 YAH Executive 10:30 - 12 Noon CRL 7 pm Choir 7-9 pm	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



PASTOR
PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Nick Meisl
Fr. Martin Moser, OMI

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday: 5 pm (also livestreamed)
Sunday: 9 am, 11 am, 5 pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday – Friday: 12 Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 – 4:45 pm
Tuesday – Friday: 11:40 – 11:50 am

BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact Fr. Nick: (604) 522 4611, ext. 2 | emergencies: (604) 544 5894

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Women's League
St. Peter's Young at Heart Senior Group
Development and Peace
Outreach
Community of the Risen Lord

Knights of Columbus
St. Vincent de Paul: (604) 520 0663
Choir
Legion of Mary
Couples for Christ

In advance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Sept. 30), we will be publishing excerpts from Pope Francis' speeches given during his July 2022 visit to Canada.

Excerpts from Pope Francis' Address at Sacred Heart Church, July 25

The word "reconciliation" is in fact practically synonymous with the word "Church". It comes from the word "council", and it means "meet again in council". The Church is the house where we "conciliate" anew, where we meet to start over and to grow together. It is the place where we stop thinking as individuals and acknowledge that we are brothers and sisters of one another. Where we look one another in the eye, accept the other's history and culture, and allow the mystique of togetherness, so pleasing to the Holy Spirit, to foster the healing of wounded memories. This is the way: not to decide for others, not to pigeonhole everyone within our preconceived categories, but to place ourselves before the crucified Lord and before our brothers and sisters, in order to learn how to walk together. That is what the Church is, and should always be – the place where reality is always superior to ideas. That is what the Church is, and always should be – not a set of ideas and precepts to drill into people; the Church is a welcoming home for everyone! That is what the Church is, and ever should be: a building with doors always open. We heard from our brother and sister that this parish is just that: a building with doors always open, where all of us, as living temples of the Spirit, encounter one another, serve one another and are reconciled with one another..

One final image can help us in this. Here, in this church, above the altar and tabernacle, we see the four poles of a typical indigenous tent, a teepee. This teepee has deep biblical symbolism. When Israel journeyed in the desert, God dwelt in a tent that was set up every time that the people stopped and camped: it was *the Tent of Meeting*. The teepee reminds us that God accompanies us on our journey and loves to meet us together, in assembly, in council. And when he became man, the Gospel tells us, he literally "pitched his tent among us" (cf. *Jn 1:14*). God is a God of closeness, and in Jesus he teaches us the language of compassion and tender love. That is what we should call to mind every time that we enter a church, where Jesus is present in the tabernacle, a word that itself originally meant "tent". Therefore, God has placed his tent in our midst; he accompanies us through our deserts. He does not dwell in heavenly mansions, but in our Church, which he wants to be *a house of reconciliation*.

Archbishop's Campaign for Healing and Reconciliation: **Today** there will be a special collection in the Archdiocese which will invest in indigenous-led projects that contribute to healing, education and reconciliation. This follows the Pope's sincere apology made during his visit to Canada in July. For more info, visit support.rcav.org/healing-reconciliation-collection. Envelopes are at the church entrance. **Cheques to be made out to St. Peter's Church.**

Project Advance: Donations can be made online at <http://projectadvance.ca> or can be put in the collection basket in an envelope marked "PROJECT ADVANCE". GOAL \$ 33,000 + PROJECT ADVANCE EXPENSES BY THE ARCHDIOCESE \$4,000 = 37,000.00. **Shortfall: \$ 5,995.00.**

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S!

Prayers: Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain: Gail Bonner, Lorraine Currie, Christine Gangnon, Merlie Garcia, Marie Hocking, Bob Johnson, Maggie Misfeldt, Paquito Muralla, Fidel Villanueva, Mimi Wunderlich.

Bible Study with Fr. Martin will begin on **Monday, September 19 at 7:00 pm.**

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Classes begin **Wednesday Sept 21st** at 6:15pm until 7:30 pm and will run weekly for the entire school year. PREP is for all children in grades 1 to 7. We aim to compliment the religious education being taught at home. Register online: stpeterscatholicparish.com/education/prep. **Alternatively, in-person registration will be on Sept 14th from 6-7:30 pm at the church hall.** **Older children requiring sacramental catch-up contact email/phone #'s below. **Interested in sharing your faith with children?** We need you! Contact: stpetesprep@gmail.com; (604) 719-2726 (Christie) or (604) 904-7659 (Jennifer).

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): RCIA is a process for those who are interested in exploring the Catholic faith, with the possibility of journeying into full communion with the Catholic church. We are planning to (re)start RCIA sessions in the coming weeks. If you are interested in RCIA, please contact st.peters@telus.net.

Calling all Singers: The 11am choir is restarting practices on **Thursday, Sept. 15th, 2022 at 7pm** and WE WANT YOU! We are looking to bolster our numbers after two years of COVID and all that is required is a love of singing and commitment to practices on Thursdays and church attendance on Sundays! For more details, please contact Sloane drennan.sloane@gmail.com.

Christian Life Program: Saturday's September 17 to November 5 at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Basement, 7455 Tenth Avenue, Burnaby. For more information contact Dado and Sheila Endriga – (604) 306 4618 / dado.endriga@gmail.com.

Upper Room Conference: October 21-22, registration is open now: upperroom.rcav.org

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Weekly		Weekly Building	
Budget	Collected	Fund Goal	Collected
\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,822.45	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,970.15