

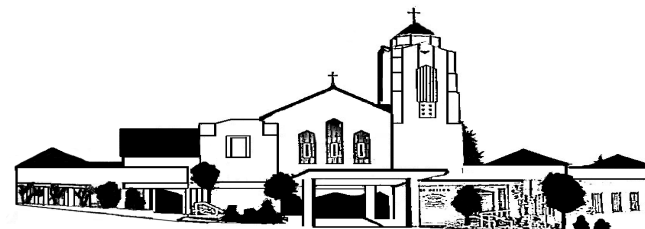
**OCTOBER 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 27 Sunday PANCAKE BREAKFAST 10/NOON	3 Bible Study 7pm	4 Queen's Park 10:15 am  CWL Bazaar Comm. 6pm  RCIA 7pm	5 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	6 YAH General Meeting 1-3 pm  CRL 7 pm  Choir 7-9pm	7 Royal City Manor 10:00am  CPC 6-10pm	8
9 28 Sunday	10 THANKSGIV ING DAY	11 CWL Executive Meeting 7 pm  RCIA 7pm	12 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	13 YAH Bingo 1-3 pm  Parish Council 7pm  Choir 7-9 pm	14	15 Baptism Prep 10- 11am  Altar Server Party 6pm
16 29 Sunday Liturgy Fair	17 Bible Study 7 pm	18 Queen's Park 10:15 am  CWL General 7 pm  RCIA 7pm	19 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	20 YAH Bingo 1-3 pm  SSVP 6:30 pm CRL 7pm  Choir 7-9pm Ind. Comm. 7pm	21 CPC 6-10pm	22
23 30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Evening (Gr. 8-12) 6pm	24 K of C 7:30 pm  Bible Study 7 pm	25 RCIA 7:00 pm	26 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	27 YAH Executive 10:30 - 12 Noon  Choir 7-9 pm	28 CPC 6-10pm	29
30 30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Young Adults (18-35) 6 pm	31 Bible Study 7 pm					

# ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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## 29 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 16, 2022



**PASTOR**

Fr. Nick Meisl

**PRIEST IN RESIDENCE**

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

*For marriages, please contact the Parish at least six months in advance.*

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

St. Vincent de Paul Society (Help line: 604 520 0663)

Catholic Women's League

Knights of Columbus

Couples for Christ

Young at Heart Seniors' Group

Indigenous Relations

Legion of Mary

Community of the Risen Lord

Outreach

Young Adults Ministry

Development and Peace

Choir

Youth Ministry

## WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S!

In April we completed the parish phase of the Synod process. Parishioners responded generously. Thank you! Many shared their perspectives on a number of questions. In the coming bulletins, we will be publishing sections of our parish synthesis that was submitted to the Archdiocese. Let us discern together how the Holy Spirit is calling us to grow.

### What areas of the Church's mission are we missing or neglecting?

In this list, ranked by priority, St. Peter's parishioners identified the following areas as being missed or neglected in the Church's mission:

**Welcoming Environment:** The church is not always seen as being inclusive or welcoming to all. We need a friendlier approach to new comers, and reach out and welcome lapsed Catholics and/or those who have lost touch with the church.

**Outreach:** We need to engage more of the church community in outreach activities to help those in need in our society. We often focus on ourselves and our own needs, rather than sharing our resources with the poor. We also need to look at our treatment of Indigenous peoples, as well as our attitudes towards marginalized people in society.

**Faith Formation:** Revisit programs, workshops and faith formation opportunities that will cater to all walks of life—young people, young families, seniors, etc. Ensure there are appropriate events for children e.g. Children's Liturgy. Look at offering catechism for high school students (Gr. 8-12) as PREP ends after Gr. 7. Have Bible Study groups in the parish.

**Role of Women:** Important that women should play a larger, more visible and meaningful role in the church, and be welcomed as leaders in the church. Entertain the question of women being ordained as deacons.

**Youth:** We are not reaching out enough to younger age groups or youth and need a more visible involvement of youth in the church, plus youth initiatives to keep teenagers involved. Offer programs to help our young people develop or strengthen their relationship with God and live out their mission after Confirmation.

**Family:** With family commitments and responsibilities, sometimes there is little connection to the church within families. As society and the structure of families is changing, look at how we treat families with same sex parents.

**Global Issues:** The church can be a much stronger voice in the climate crisis and teach us to be better stewards of the environment.

**Seniors:** Sometimes we neglect seniors and don't offer enough opportunities for them. Continue live streaming Masses for our seniors or shuts ins. As the population is aging, Church could look at providing more care homes for Catholic seniors and retired priests.

**Ecumenism:** More interfaith dialogue.

**Parish Community:** More parish activities would help in building community.

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

**Liturgical ministries:** consider volunteering as Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Greeter, Usher, Collector, Liturgy of the Word for Children, Projectionist, or Live Streamer. Training will be offered. This is a great way to build up your parish community! Sign up in the foyer of the hall after Masses.

**Youth Evening Oct. 23:** Youth in grades 8-12 are invited to an evening of food and fun in the hall after the 5 pm Mass on Sun, Oct 23. **Please sign up at the entrance to the Church.**

**Young Adult Gathering Oct. 30:** Young Adults (~18-35) are invited to an evening of fellowship in the hall after the 5 pm Mass on Sun. Join Fr. Nick as we discuss the topic "Violence in the Bible".

**Knights of Columbus Annual Charity Appeal:** Win prizes totalling \$100,000! Funds raised go to local charities including St. Vincent de Paul Society, bursaries for St. Peter's students, Ukrainian Youth Group, STM Dry Grad and education of Seminarians. Tickets are only \$5. Buy online in groups of 1, 5 or 10 tickets. Early bird draws Oct. 31, Nov. 28 and Dec. 19; main draw Jan. 28. Please go to <https://kofcdraw.net/c1283> and click on the poster to purchase tickets.

**Email/text fraud warning:** the Archdiocese has received multiple reports of phishing scams. Imposters, posing as priests, have been emailing or texting people asking for personal donations, gift cards, and other forms of financial assistance. Never respond to such messages. If you have any doubt, please contact the sender by other means (e.g. call Parish office) to verify any requests.

**All Souls Day Prayer Service:** Please join us for a prayer service and blessing led by Father Nick Meisl, for the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed on Sunday, October 30 at 2:00 p.m. The prayer service will be held at St. Peters Cemetery, 100 Richmond St., New West. All are welcome.

**Talitha Koum Society** will be holding their 18th Walk for Freedom on Oct. 22. Please consider supporting this important fundraiser: [talithakoumsociety.org/events/walk-for-freedom-2022/](http://talithakoumsociety.org/events/walk-for-freedom-2022/)

In order to more accurately account for online giving, collection numbers will be reported in the bulletin less frequently. St. Peter's receives online giving reports from the Archdiocese monthly. If you would like updates more frequently, please contact the parish office: [st.peters@telus.net](mailto:st.peters@telus.net)

**Project Advance:** We are grateful to those who have already contributed. Every gift is important. GOAL: \$ 37,000. **Shortfall: \$ 815** . Donations can be made online <http://projectadvance.ca> or put in the collection basket in an envelope marked "PROJECT ADVANCE". All money raised above our goal will go directly to St. Peter's Parish.