

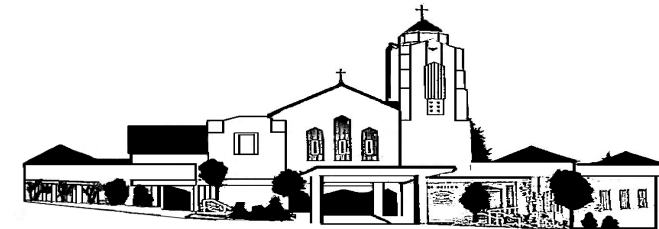
OCTOBER 2022

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 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 th Sunday Youth Evening (Gr. 8-12) 6pm	24 K of C 7:30 pm Bible Study 7 pm	25	26 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	27 YAH Executive 10:30 - 12 Noon Choir 7-9 pm	28 CPC 6-10pm	29
30 30 th Sunday Young Adults (18-35) 6 pm	31 Bible Study 7 pm					

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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28 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 9, 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! A total of 110 people, assisted by 20 volunteers, 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 helps or prevents you from being active in the Church's mission?

What helps (ranked by priority):

Involvement: Involvement in the parish and/or with a parish organization gives a sense of belonging and a feeling of being called to serve using one's gifts and talents. Parish organizations embody the mission of the church to evangelize, allow for personal renewal, and provide opportunities to help the poor.

Mass: Attending Mass, receiving the Sacraments and expressing our love of and gratitude to God, especially through uplifting music/song. Children's programs, such as Children's Liturgy of the Word, are seen as being instrumental in helping children to learn about God at their level.

Faith Background: Being brought up in the Catholic faith and having this faith foundation on which to draw. Use of social media, such as outreach to young adults as well as live streaming of Masses and other Catholic webinars in the Archdiocese have been very helpful.

Priests' Engagement: Parishioners appreciate priests who are welcoming and whose homilies connect us to the Gospel message in our contemporary world.

What prevents (ranked by priority):

Time Commitments: The busyness and responsibilities of everyday life and conflicting work and family commitments were seen as major hindrances to participating fully. This is especially challenging for families of young children.

Inclusiveness: The church's attitude, which can sometimes be seen as unwelcoming, towards LGBTQ people or others who aren't mainstream was seen as in contrast to Jesus' teachings.

Mass: Some respondents felt that Masses which were not engaging through music, etc. or homilies that were boring or untimely were obstacles to wholeheartedly being active.

Clergy: The clergy and the tradition of male authority/power as well as the lack of leadership roles for women in the church, such as being able to become deacons, was also high on the list.

Youth: Keeping youth involved and creating a climate which attracts youth, for example opportunities to participate more meaningfully in Mass, volunteer, etc.

Burnout: Those in volunteer positions are often the same people who are actively involved and called on to help on various committees or in leadership. This can result in burnout.

Lack of knowledge: Lack of confidence in the knowledge of our faith make it difficult to engage in conversations with other Christians or non-Catholics who have a greater knowledge of the Bible.

Age/health: Age, hearing and health issues make it difficult for those who are elderly or in poor health to participate fully in Mass, meetings, etc.

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.

Altar Servers' Pizza Party Oct. 15: Altar Servers' are invited to party in the hall after the 5 pm Mass on Sat, Oct. 15th. Thank you servers! **Please sign up at the entrance to the Church by this Sunday.**

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".

Baptism Preparation: Sat. Oct. 15 at 10 am in the hall. Please register: st.peters@telus.net.

Indigenous Relations Group: Join in this important work. Interested? Contact st.peters@telus.net.

Liturgy Fair Oct 15, 16: If you would like to volunteer as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Greeter, Usher/Collector, or Altar Server, please sign up in the foyer of the hall after Masses.

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.

St. Peter's CWL Bazaar: We are still looking for **JEWELLERY** donations (new or used) for our Nov. 26th Bazaar, and appreciate you dropping these off at the Parish office. Also, thank you for your donations of clean, empty GREEN 2-litre plastic, pop bottles, wire coat hangers, Christmas garlands, tinsels and small ornaments which we are using to make crafts to sell. Please place these items in the box at the back of the church by next **Sunday, Oct. 16**. Questions? Contact Patricia Hunt (778-896-0193) or Vangie Knowles (604-524-2228).

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/

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

Project Advance: We are grateful to those who have already contributed. Every gift is important. GOAL: \$ 37,000. **Shortfall: \$ 1,115.** Donations can be made online <http://projectadvance.ca> or put in the collection basket in an envelope marked "PROJECT ADVANCE".