

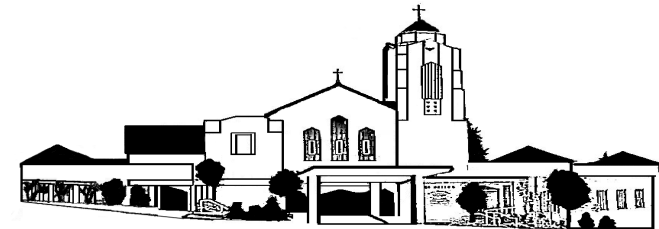
## DECEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 27 1 Sun Advent Young Adult Gathering 6 pm Coffee 10/Noon	28 K of C 7:30 pm Bible Study 7 pm	29 RCIA 7pm	30 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	December 1 CRL 7 pm Choir 7-9pm	2 Royal City Manor 10:00am Simbang Gabi Choir 6-9 pm	3 Lectors 10 am Eucharistic Ministers 11 am
4 2 Sun Advent PANCAKE BREAKFAST 10/NOON	5 Bible Study 7pm	6 Queen's Park 10:15 am RCIA 7pm	7 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	8 YAH Bingo 1-3 pm Choir 7-9pm	9 Simbang Gabi Choir 6-9 pm	10 Baptism Prep 10 am
11 3 Sun Advent Coffee Sunday 10/Noon	12 Knights Christmas Party 6-10 Bible Study 7pm	13 RCIA 7pm	14 PREP 6:15-7:30pm	15 YAH Bingo 1-3 pm CRL 7 pm Simbang Gabi 7pm Choir 7:45-9pm	16 St. Peter's Penitential Service 7 pm Simbang Gabi 8 pm	17 Simbang Gabi 5 pm
18 4 Sun Advent Coffee 10/Noon Simbang Gabi 5 pm Youth Evening (Gr. 8-12) 6 pm	19 Simbang Gabi 7 pm Bible Study 7 pm	20 Queen's Park 10:15 am RCIA 7pm Simbang Gabi 7 pm	21 Simbang Gabi 7 pm	22 Simbang Gabi 7 pm Choir 7:45-9pm	23 Simbang Gabi 7 pm	24 Christmas Eve Masses: 5, 7:30, and 10 pm
25 Christmas Day Masses: 9 and 11 am	26	27	28	29	30	31

# ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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## 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 27, 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!

**Advent:** Here are some ways to prepare with joy for Christmas

**Simbang Gabi:** Following a venerable Filipino tradition, on each of the nine days leading up to Christmas, Catholics in the Archdiocese of Vancouver gather either in the early morning hours, or, since the 1970's, in the evening, for Simbang Gabi. This Novena of Masses honours the Blessed Virgin Mary in anticipation of the celebration of Christmas. The first celebration of Simbang Gabi in the Archdiocese of Vancouver was at Corpus Christi Parish in 2001. Since then, the tradition has spread to numerous parishes, providing a meaningful way to deepen the preparation of the faithful, Filipino and non-Filipino alike, for the joys of Christmas.

**Simbang Gabi Masses will take place at St. Peter's** on Dec. 15 (7 pm), Dec 16 (8 pm), Dec 17 (5 pm), Dec 18 (5 pm), Dec 19 (7 pm), Dec 20 (7 pm), Dec 21 (7 pm), Dec 22 (7 pm), Dec 23 (7 pm).

**Advent Penitential Services:** Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a wonderful way to prepare for Christmas. An Advent Penitential Service will be held at **St. Peter's on Dec. 16 at 7 pm.** In our neighboring parishes, Penitential Services will be held on the following days:  
Dec 13 at Holy Spirit, Dec 18 at St. Michael's, Dec 20 at St. Francis de Sales, Dec 21 at Our Lady of Mercy, Dec 22 at Sts. Cyril and Methodius. All services start at 7 pm.

**Luke 15 Gift Cards for Christmas:** Once again, St. Peter's will be providing the 26 men at Luke 15 with gift cards from Walmart valued at \$ 40 each. We will gratefully accept any donations of Walmart gift cards or cash. You can put your donation in an envelope marked "Luke 15" in the Sunday collection or drop them off at the parish office. We will be collecting from Sunday Dec. 3-4 to Dec. 17-18. Thanks you for your continued support and generosity.

**DIY Advent Wreath Kits:** Everything except the greenery. Kit includes: flora-foam, candles, candle holders, ribbon, an Advent wreath reflection guide, and instructions. Kits are only \$10. Cost covers the supplies only - not a fundraiser. Pick up yours before or after all the weekend masses, or by calling the parish office.

### Christmas Mass Schedule

**Christmas Eve (Saturday, Dec 24):**

5:00 pm (Children's Mass, all welcome)  
7:30 pm (with carols at 7 pm)  
10:00 pm

**Christmas Day (Sunday, Dec 25):**

9:00 am  
11:00 am

**New Year's Masses:** Saturday Dec 31 at 5 pm, Sunday Jan 1 at 9 am, 11 am, and 5 pm

**Coffee after 9 and 11 am Masses:** Please join us in the hall for coffee, juice, and cookies after the 9 am and 11 am Mass of Sunday. Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped get this great community building activity running again!

**Young Adult Gathering Nov. 27, 6-7:30pm:** Young Adults (~18-35) are invited to an evening of fellowship in the hall. Join Fr. Nick for a discussion of the varieties of God's presence in the Bible.

**Youth Ministry Gathering Dec 18, 6-7:30pm:** Teens (grade 8-12) are invited to join us. In preparation for Christmas, we will be decorating cookies. Invite a friend!

**St. Peter's Parish Bazaar:** Thank you for your wonderful support on Saturday! Our Knitting and Sewing and other tables will be open after this Sunday's 9 and 11 a.m. Masses. Please stop by the hall to have a look. Maybe you'll find that perfect Christmas gift! Refreshments are also available.

**CWL Poinsettia Fundraiser Sale:** Thank you for your very generous support! **Pick up CORRECTION: December 10 and 11, after all Masses.**

**The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul:** Due to the cold and wet weather we are getting numerous requests for warm socks, warm gloves and sweaters for both men and women. Please leave your donation in the box at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

**Pancake Breakfast:** On **December 4 after the 9 and 11 am Masses** the Knights of Columbus will be preparing their delicious breakfast which includes pancakes, sausages, berries, orange juice, coffee and tea. Adults \$ 7. Children \$ 5 – pay by credit/debit card or cash.

**Knights of Columbus Annual Charity Appeal:** Win prizes totalling \$100,000! Tickets are only \$5. Buy online in groups of 1, 5 or 10 tickets. Early bird draws Nov. 28 and Dec. 19; main draw Jan. 28. Please go to <https://kofcdraw.net/c1283> and click on the poster to purchase tickets. **EARLY BIRD DRAW FOR 4 x \$1000 ON MONDAY, NOV. 28.** If you do not have a computer please call Rod Giddens 604-525-3030 to buy tickets.

**Liturgical ministries:** Thank you to all who signed up for liturgical ministries at our recent liturgy fair! New schedules will be released soon. For those who signed up to be **new Lectors**, there will be training on **Sat. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10am.** For **new Eucharistic Ministers**, there will be training on **Sat. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11 am.** Current Lectors and Eucharist Ministers are welcome to attend.

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

We remember our deceased parishioners who died after Nov. 1, 2021: *Werner Berger, Peter Boggan, Armida Beasley, Sylvia Dixon, Joanne Edwards, Lily Forget, Christine Gangnon, Exequiel Gomez, Edward Hughes, Nell Kok, John Marchiori, Carlos Obregon, Christy Onia, Mauro Rizzo, Patricia Mae Smith, Julius Toth, Joan Vander Zalm.*