

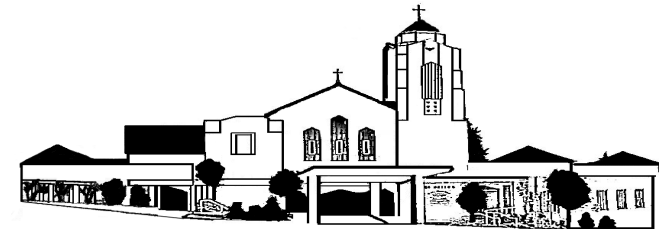
DECEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 CRL 7 pm Choir 7-9pm Blessed is She 7:30 pm	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 Blessed is She 7:30 pm	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 7 Blessed is She 7:30 pm Choir 7:45-9pm	16 St. Peter's Penitential Service 7 pm Simbang Gabi 8 pm	17 Eco-Friendly Gift Wrapping 3-5 on in Hall 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 Blessed is She 7:30 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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3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 11, 2022



PASTOR
PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Nick Meisl
Fr. Martin Moser, OMI

SUNDAY MASS
WEEKDAY MASS
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5 pm (also livestreamed)
Sunday: 9 am, 11 am, 5 pm
Tuesday – Friday: 12 Noon
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 – Preparing with joy for 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: 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 Walmart gift cards or cash till Dec. 17-18. Thanks you for your continued support and generosity.

Eco-friendly gift wrapping: Join us in the church hall **December 17th 3-5pm** to wrap your Christmas gifts using sustainable yet just as beautiful gift wrap. We will provide the materials including newspaper, twine, greenery or bring what you have at home. Let's get creative!

Advent Podcast: The World Turns. Tune into this Advent podcast, created by New West ministers as an ecumenical initiative in Biblical Theology for Advent 2022. Join pastors from the Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian and United churches as we journey through the beauty of the Advent season. To follow, search "Advent 2022: The World Turns" on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, etc.

Advent reflections:

"The season of Advent, restores the horizon of hope, a hope which does not disappoint for it is founded on God's word. A hope which does not disappoint, simply because the Lord never disappoints! He is faithful! He does not disappoint! Let us think about and feel this beauty" (Pope Francis)

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open the doors of hope." (Benedict XVI)

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve (Saturday, Dec 24):

5:00 pm (Children's Mass, also live-streamed)

7:30 pm (with carols at 7 pm)

10:00 pm

Christmas Day (Sunday, Dec 25):

9:00 am

11:00 am (also live-streamed)

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!

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. Sign up at Church entrance.

Focolare Retreat for Young Adults: The Focolare Movement is organizing a retreat for young adults (17-35) from Dec. 27 - Jan. 1. There will be reflections, vocation stories, prayer, games, sharing and testimonies, Mass, and a Q&A with Archbishop Miller at Alexandra retreat house in White Rock. Registration closes Dec 15. More details: beholdvancouver.org/events/focolare-retreat-for-young-adults

Poinsettia Pick up after all Masses today.

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 draw Dec. 19; main draw Jan. 28. Please go to <https://kofcdraw.net/c1283> and click on the poster to purchase tickets. If you do not have a computer please call Rod Giddens 604-525-3030 to buy tickets.

Let us pray for Fr. Gary Franken. Pope Francis has named the Archdiocese of Vancouver's Vicar General, Father Gary Franken, as the new Bishop of Saint Paul, Alberta. He will be ordained a Bishop on **Monday, December 12, at St. Paul Cathedral in St. Paul, Alberta.**

2023 Envelopes can be picked up from the church entrance.

If your name is not listed on an envelope and you would like envelopes for 2023, please contact the parish office – 604-522-4611x3; email: st.peters@telus.net. These envelopes will be used from January 1, 2023. Thank you very much for your generous support of our parish community!

Project Advance: If you would like to donate and receive a tax receipt for 2022, the deadline for cash donations to be received by the parish is Dec 15. The deadline for online donations is Dec 30. Donations can be made online <http://projectadvance.ca>. Thank you for your generosity!

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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, Maggie Misfeldt, Paquito Muralla, James Santos, Fidel Villanueva, Mimi Wunderlich.

New Year's Masses: Sat Dec 31 at 5 pm (also live-streamed), Sun Jan 1 at 9 am, 11 am, and 5 pm