

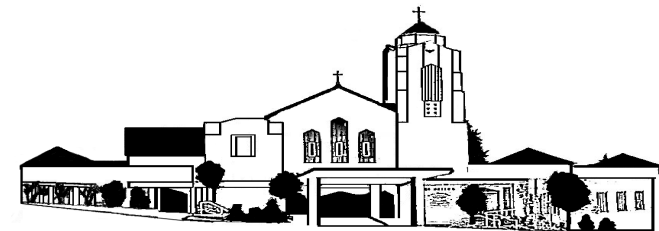
## MARCH 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 PREP 6:15-7:30pm  Lenten Series Holy Trinity 7 pm	2 YAH GM 1 pm  CRL 7 pm	3 RC Manor 10  Stations 12:30 Adoration 1-2  Family Stations 6:30 pm	4 Mass with Anointing of the Sick Noon
5  2 Sunday Lent  PANCAKE BREAKFAST 10/NOON	6  Bible Study 7pm	7  Queen's Park 10:15 am  RCIA 7pm	8  PREP 6:15-7:30pm  Lenten Series Trinity Sapperton 7 pm	9  YAH Bingo 1-3 pm	10  Stations 12:30  World Day of Prayer, 1, Hall  Family Stations 6:30 pm	11  Baptism Prep 10 am  Retreat (Hall) 2-4:30 pm
12  3 Sunday Lent  Coffee 10/Noon	13  Bible Study 7pm	14  CWL Ex. Meet. 7 pm  RCIA 7pm	15  Lenten Series St. Barnabas 7 pm	16  YAH Bingo 1-3 pm  SSVP 6:30 pm  CRL 7 pm	17  Stations 12:30	18  D&P 10am-1 pm
19  4 Sunday Lent  Coffee 10/Noon  Youth Evening 6-9 pm	20  Bible Study 7pm	21  Queen's Park 10:15 am  CWL GM 7 pm  RCIA 7pm	22  Knitting Club 1-2:30 pm  Lenten Series St. Peter's 7 pm	23  YAH Bingo 1-3 pm	24  Stations 12:30	25
26  5 Sunday Lent  Coffee 10/Noon	27  Bible Study 7pm  Knights 7:30pm	28  RCIA 7pm	29  PREP 6:15-7:30pm	30  YAH Ex. Meeting 10 am - 12:30 pm	31  Stations 12:30  Family Stations 6:30 pm	

# ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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## 3 SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 12, 2023



**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  
*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!

### Sharing Our Stories

In the coming months we will be showcasing stories from parishioners, sharing how they find community at St. Peter's. Our story this week is from Grace. Thank you for sharing!

**How long have you been at St. Peter's?** I have been a part of the community since 2005.

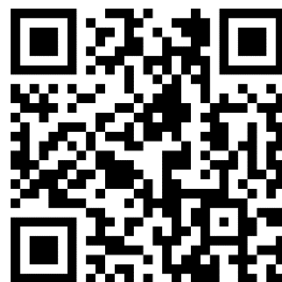
**How did you first become a part of our community?** I first became member of St. Peter's when I began accompanying my grandson to his PREP classes and other activities in the church.

**What different groups, ministries, or activities in the parish have you been involved with?** Some time ago, I helped start the Legion of Mary at St. Peter's. I also assisted with Masses at Queen's Park Care Home, being a lector at Mass as well as visiting the sick and homebound to bring them Holy Communion

**What do you think makes St. Peter's a special community?** St. Peter's has a friendly atmosphere where it feels like a true community. The parishioners are welcoming and there is a helpful team of staff and volunteers. There are many opportunities for people to use their gifts and skills for God's glory.

**Do you have any favourite memories from your time at the parish that you would like to share?** Being a lector and Eucharistic Minister are my favorite experiences in the Church. It is a special opportunity and great honour to serve God in this way.

**Online Giving:** Instead of using envelopes, many parishioners find it convenient to support our parish using pre-authorized, recurring giving via Credit Card or Bank Withdrawal. To setup weekly or monthly giving, please visit [stpetersnewwest.ca/giving](http://stpetersnewwest.ca/giving) or scan the QR code. If you are already giving online, this link also shows how to adjust your online giving (change gift amount, change parish if you have recently joined St. Peter's, change address, or change Credit Card). Every contribution makes a difference and is appreciated. Thank you!



**Please remember those who are sick and suffering:** Gail Bonner, Yvette Boivin, Maggie Cottons, Lorraine Currie, Merlie Garcia, Marie Hocking, Bob Johnson, Bill Lawrence, Maggie Misfeldt, Paquito Muralla, Margaret Ng, Mary Villegas de Ballesteros, Fidel Villanueva, Mimi Wunderlich.

### Lenten Activities

**Stations of the Cross** every Friday in Lent after the noon mass.

**Family Friendly Stations of the Cross** held in the Church on Friday Mar 31 at 6:30pm

**Penitential Services (all start 7 pm):** Mar 28 at St. Francis de Sales, Mar 29 at Holy Spirit, Mar 30 at OLM, Mar 31 at Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Apr 2 at St. Michael's, Apr 4 at St. Peter's.

**Lenten Series:** The New Westminster Ministerial Association is pleased to announce our 2023 Lenten Series on the theme of Reconciliation. Each session runs from 7-8:30 pm.

**March 15: Reconciliation with Indigenous People.** Hosted by St. Barnabas (1010 5th Ave). Guest speaker Steven Seegerts of the Urban Aboriginal Minister will lead us in reflections on how we continue and strengthen our commitments to reconciliation between Indigenous and Settler communities in Canada.

**March 22: Reconciliation between Christian Communities.** Hosted by St. Peter's (330 Royal Ave). Guest speakers Deacon Richard Chau of the Archdiocese of Vancouver and the Rev'd Eric Krushel of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Coquitlam will share their experience of recent Roman Catholic-Lutheran dialogue and possibilities for wider reconciliation.

**Triduum and Easter Schedule:** Join us to celebrate this most sacred season

Holy Thursday: April 6, 7 pm

Good Friday: April 7, 3 pm

Easter Vigil: April 8, 9 pm

Easter Sunday: April 9, 9 am, 11 am, 5 pm

**Congratulations** to Steve and Cheryl on the recent baptism of their son, Sebastian!

**In need of a walker or electric wheelchair?** Both are available at the Church for pick-up (by donation). For more details, please contact the parish office.

**St. Peter's librarians are pleased to highlight the following books from the parish library:**

*What is the Bible*, by Rob Bell: "Jesus lived in a 1<sup>st</sup> century Jewish world of politics, economics, and common stories and inside jokes. The more you know about that world, the more Jesus and his message will come to life."

*A Walk through the New Testament*: "We Catholics, do not have a strong tradition of reading Scripture...We have a tradition of educating children in the Faith...more than educating adults. We are familiar with the plots—as we heard them as children...but have not read a gospel as a whole or learned the context of it." This book fills those gaps.

*Matthew, Mark, Luke and You*: "There are really two problems with approaching the gospels which are the same problems encountered reading Shakespeare. They are not straightforward prose; they are written in symbolic language. And they are told in form of symbolic stories. Unless a reader knows the symbolism, it is like reading without your glasses. All you get is a fuzzy outline...and perhaps be dead wrong".