

# St. Peter's Catholic Parish

Established 1847



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## Ministries, Groups and Committees

Pastor: Fr. Timothy Harrison  
Associate Pastor: Fr. Oliver Wekesa  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Bob Fencott  
Pastoral Assistant: Mrs. Lori Lynch

### Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 9 am, 11 am and 5 pm

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sun. 9:00 – 9:30am (except July & August)

### Weekday Masses

Please see schedule inside of this bulletin.

### Holy Hour and Benediction

Friday: 3:30 pm



### Baptism

(by appointment and after preparation)  
Godparents should be practicing Catholics

### First Communion & Confirmation

Please contact the Parish Centre

### Confession

Thirty minutes before Sunday & daily Masses and by appointment.

### Marriage

Call the Parish Centre at least 6 months before proposed date of marriage.

### Communion & Anointing of the Sick

If you or a loved one are ill or confined, please call the Parish Centre.

### Parish Schools

St. Mary Elementary 613-392-3538  
St. Peter Elementary 613-392-6577  
St. Paul Secondary 613-394-4843

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- Altar Servers
- Altar Society
- Catholic Women's League
- Choirs
- Columbian Squires
- Finance Committee
- Followers of Jesus Prayer Group
- Healing Hearts Widows Support Group
- Knights of Columbus
- Knights on Bikes
- Ladies of Columbus
- Legion of Mary
- Mother of Perpetual Help Rosary
- Mount Calvary Cemetery Committee
- Pastoral Council
- Pastoral Outreach
- Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (Convert Class)
- Screening in Faith Committee
- Spirituality and Evangelization Committee
- St. Peter's Book Club
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Youth Ministry

*Eucharistic Chapel of Mary, Mother of The Divine Mercy.* The entry code is needed. For information or to sign up for an hour call the Parish Centre 613-392-3767.

## St. Peter's Parish Mission Statement

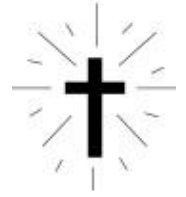
We are a Spirit-filled, caring and compassionate community of pilgrims under the patronage of St. Peter. United in Christ Jesus, we come together in the historic Church of St. Peter-in-Chains, Trenton of the Catholic Archdiocese of Kingston to celebrate our faith in Word and Sacrament. Drawing life from the Eucharist, we serve in charity and promote justice so all may share in the reconciliation, peace and hope of Christ. In this way, we strive to live the Good News of the Lord.

Please remember St. Peter-in-Chains Parish in your will. A gift to the Parish will help carry on the Lord's work you so generously supported during your life time.



# Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2021



Mass Schedule March 14 - March 19				Activities
<b>4th Sunday of Lent March 14</b>				
Saturday	<b>March 13</b>	5:00 pm	Joe Landry	
Sunday	<b>March 14</b>	9:00 am	Patrick Callaghan	
		11:00 am	Norman Malloy	
		5:00 pm	For the People	
<b>4th Week of Lent March 15 - March 19</b>				
Monday	<b>March 15</b>		NO MASS	
Tuesday	<b>March 16</b>	9:00 am	Lou Schmidt	First Communion Parent Meeting ~ at the Church 7pm
		9:30 am	Exposition	Knights of Columbus 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting & Rosary ~ at the Parish Centre 7pm
Wednesday	<b>March 17</b>	9:00 am	Mildred Jackson	St. Patrick's Day
Thursday	<b>March 18</b>	9:00 am	Pat McHenry	Confirmation Parent Meeting ~ at the Church 7pm
Friday	<b>March 19</b>	4:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ Patron St. of Canada ~Pray for Us.
		4:30 pm	Marvin Millard	
<b>5th Sunday of Lent</b>				Share Lent Collection
Saturday	<b>March 20</b>	5:00 pm	Verna & Robert Sullivan	Enrolment Ceremony ~ both Sacraments ~ all Masses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Confession ~ all Masses</li> <li>• Sash making ~ Following all Masses ~ at Parish Centre</li> </ul>
Sunday	<b>March 21</b>	9:00 am	Adam Thompson	
		11:00 am	Leona Perry 8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary & 80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday	
		5:00 pm	For the People	

### Thank you for your generous offerings

✠ Regular Offering                      Feb. 28    \$ 4943.  
 ✠ PAD    Feb. 28    \$ 2786.



**Registration & Parent Meeting for Sacraments, St. Peter's Church**

**Tues., March 16, 7pm - First Communion Meeting**

**Thur, March 18, 7pm - Confirmation Meeting**

**Please note:** These meetings are a requirement a parent or representative must attend the appropriate meeting(s). For more Info. check our website, email sacraments-stpeters@cogeco.ca or call the Parish office 613-392-3767

**Tues., March 16, 7pm Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting & Rosary~ at the Parish Centre**

### *ST. PATRICK'S DAY MARCH 17*

*"May the strength of God guide me this day, and may his power preserve me. May the wisdom of God instruct me; the eye of God watch over me; the ear of God hear me; the word of God give sweetness to my speech; the hand of God defend me; and may I follow the way of God"*

~ **Soap:** "Soap gives hope!" our old slogan ... how true, even more now. Please keep our SOAP basket over-flowing, - bars and bars of SOAP!  
Thank-you



### Upcoming Dates for Sacrament Enrolments

**Sat. & Sun., March 20 & 21 ~All Masses.**~ Due to the short timeline enrolment will be done for both Sacraments the same weekend First Communion candidates will have their First Confession following Mass. Confirmation candidates and parents will go to the lower level of the Parish Center following Mass to complete their sashes



*Please pray for our Candidates*

**Sun., Apr. 25, 1pm** ~ First Communion

**Sun., May 16, 2pm** ~ Confirmation

### Ontario Conscience Right Campaign

*Copies of a letter from Archbishop Mulhall recognizing medically assisted suicides are available at the church entrances. In it he highlights:*

*Healthcare professionals need our prayers and support. The federal government is about to expand assisted suicide across Canada. People with disabilities and those with chronic conditions will qualify, even if they are not dying. Many healthcare professionals with moral convictions are being pushed out of their profession by provincial health regulations.*

*Archbishop Mulhall invites you to visit [www.canadiansforconscience.ca/ontario/](http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/ontario/) where you can send an email directly to the Ontario government and learn more about this critically important issue. If you would like to view a video with testimonies from healthcare providers, please enter the following address on to your computer:*

*[www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtTEtrKWUk8&feature=youtu.be](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtTEtrKWUk8&feature=youtu.be)*

*No one should ever be forced to participate by immoral means, for example by making an effective referral, in ending the lives of patients. This truly is an issue of life or death.*

*Let us continue to pray for those who are sick, vulnerable and alone.*

Lectors (L) and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (C)					
Date		Sat. 5 pm	Sun. 9 am	Sun. 11 am	Sun. 5 pm
March 13-14	L	J. Powers	C. Marchand	S. Carette	J. Kiomall
	L		S. Wilson		
	C	T. Painter	J. Lacey	A. Kester	D. Kiomall
March 20-21	L	A. Benello	I. Wilson	B. McCarty	M. Southwell
	L		I. Wilson		
	C	J. Benello	M. Young	A. Kester	



*The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the gospel.*

*~ Pope Francis~*

*Share Lent Collection coming up  
Sat. & Sun., March 20 & 21*

CCCB Note on Ethical Vaccine Concerns – The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops have issued a statement on ethical concerns related to currently approved Covid-19 Vaccines. A copy of the statement can be obtained from the table at the church entrance where the weekly homilies are situated, from the CCCB website or from our parish website [www.stpeters-trenton.org](http://www.stpeters-trenton.org)

### 4th week of Lent Mediation

This Sunday has a joy-filled tone. We enter into the second part of Lent with a spirit of eagerness. Our celebration of the mercy and life given to us in Jesus is near. Let us give glory to God, whose kindness knows no limit.

Let us pray ... Loving Father of mine, I feel the pace quicken, the time draw near. I am filled with joy as I move toward Easter and the promised reconciliation with you. Teach me to follow the example of your Son, to be worthy of being called one his people: a Christian. Help me to live each day as he did turning hatred to love and conflict to peace. I await the new life with eagerness, faith and a deep gratitude.



## **CCCBC Note on Ethical Concerns Related to Currently Approved COVID-19 Vaccines**

**Clarification  
11 March 2021**

On 9 March 2021, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCBC) published a short “Note on Ethical Concerns Related to Currently Approved COVID-19 Vaccines.” This Note was published in response to questions from Catholics who were concerned about the moral permissibility of receiving currently-approved COVID-19 vaccines. The Note did not refer to, nor intend to question the medical efficacy of any vaccine. In response to questions received since the publication of the Note, the CCCBC wishes to clarify any misunderstandings that may have arisen.

1. Catholics are invited to be vaccinated, both in keeping with the dictates of their conscience and in contributing to the common good by promoting the health and safety of others.
2. The CCCBC Note of 9 March 2021 simply restates the position outlined by the Holy See in its [Note of December 21, 2020](#) regarding the use of vaccines.
3. All COVID-19 vaccines that are medically approved by the relevant health authorities may be licitly received by Catholics.
4. Since there is currently no choice of vaccine being offered, Catholics in good conscience, may receive the vaccine that is available and offered to them.

On this National Day of Observance for COVID-19, we remember in thought and prayer those whom we have lost and those who have experienced most acutely the impact of the pandemic. We likewise offer our profound appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for the many people working and volunteering in occupations and services that provide care for others, which often comes with great personal sacrifice.

Any further inquiries should be directed to the CCCBC Communications Service at: [communications@cccbc.ca](mailto:communications@cccbc.ca)



## CCCBC Note on Ethical Concerns Related to Currently Approved COVID-19 Vaccines

The decision to receive any COVID-19 vaccine is one of individual conscience in consultation with one's physician or healthcare provider. Choosing to be vaccinated, particularly amid the current pandemic, can be an act of charity which recognizes the need to care for others.

The CCCBC echoes the call of the Holy See,<sup>1</sup> by reiterating its appeal to governments to “ensure that COVID-19 vaccines that become available do not create an ethical dilemma for Canadians,”<sup>2</sup> thus encouraging greater vaccine uptake among the general population and strengthening the common good of our Canadian society.

The recent approvals by Health Canada of the AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson vaccines against COVID-19<sup>3</sup> have given rise to questions among Catholics about the moral permissibility of receiving vaccines whose development, production, and/or testing has involved the use of abortion-derived cell lines. These questions are important for they concern the sacredness of human life and its inherent dignity.

The Moderna and Pfizer vaccines already approved in Canada do not use abortion-derived cell lines in their development and production of the vaccine, however in some of their final testing processes, they have used unethically-derived cell lines. These two vaccines currently available in Canada can be morally acceptable for Catholics to receive since the connection to abortion is extremely remote.

In contrast to these vaccines, the AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson vaccines utilized abortion-derived cell lines in their development, production, and confirmatory testing.<sup>4</sup> The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith makes the distinction between the

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<sup>1</sup> Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, [\*Note on the morality of using some anti-Covid-19 vaccines\*](#) (21 December 2020), n. 4 “Both pharmaceutical companies and governmental health agencies are therefore encouraged to produce, approve, distribute and offer ethically acceptable vaccines that do not create problems of conscience for either health care providers or the people to be vaccinated.”

<sup>2</sup> [Letter signed by the CCCBC President to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau regarding ethical COVID-19 vaccines \(21 May 2020\).](#)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/news/2021/02/health-canada-authorizes-astrazeneca-and-verity-pharmaceuticals-inc-serum-institute-of-india-covid-19-vaccines.html> / <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/news/2021/03/health-canada-authorizes-janssen-covid-19-vaccine.html>

<sup>4</sup> <https://lozierinstitute.org/update-covid-19-vaccine-candidates-and-abortion-derived-cell-lines/>

The same would be true of any other adenovirus vector vaccines which may be approved by Health Canada in the future.

differing moral obligations for those who develop such vaccines and those who receive them. They have reassured Catholics that “when ethically irreproachable Covid-19 vaccines are not available . . . *it is morally acceptable to receive Covid-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process.*”<sup>5</sup>

Therefore, when provided with a choice between receiving different vaccines, the vaccine with the least connection to abortion-derived cell lines should always be preferred and chosen when possible. This means that given the currently approved vaccine options in Canada, *if/when presented with the choice*, one should choose to receive either the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine over the AstraZeneca or Johnson & Johnson vaccine. When no choice of vaccine is available, the AstraZeneca or Johnson & Johnson vaccine (or any other COVID-19 vaccine that may be approved) “can be used in good conscience with the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with abortion.”<sup>6</sup>

Consequently, if it is possible in a given area or local region to choose a vaccine, Pfizer and Moderna would be recommended at this stage. However, when a choice is not provided or it is quite difficult to have recourse to these said vaccines, given the health urgency at hand and other considerations, nothing morally prevents anyone from receiving in good conscience the AstraZeneca or Johnson & Johnson vaccines or others that may eventually be approved which will have been developed, tested and produced in a similar fashion.

9 March 2021

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<sup>5</sup> Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, [\*Note on the morality of using some anti-Covid-19 vaccines\*](#) (21 December 2020), n. 2.

<sup>6</sup> Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, [\*Note on the morality of using some anti-Covid-19 vaccines\*](#) (21 December 2020), n. 3.