



## Sacred Heart Parish Bulletin

**Mass: 9:00 am – Sunday  
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**June 29, 2025**

**Mass on Sunday  
July 6<sup>th</sup>, will be at  
2:00 pm, no 9:00  
am Mass**

### Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Today the Church universally celebrates the **Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles (d. 64-67)**. This is a holyday of obligation in some countries. For 2025, the Solemnity supersedes the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, following the "Table of Liturgical Days According to Their Order of Precedence" in the [General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar](#): Solemnities inscribed in the General Calendar, whether of the Lord, of the Blessed Virgin Mary or of Saints are higher (3) than Sundays of the Christmas season and Sundays in Ordinary Time (6).

Veneration of the two great Apostles, Saints Peter and Paul, has its roots in the very foundations of the Church. They are the solid rock on which the Church is built, the origin of her faith and will forever remain her protectors and her guides. To them Rome owes her true greatness, for it was under God's providential guidance that they were led to make the capital of the Empire, sanctified by their martyrdom, the center of the Christian world whence should radiate the preaching of the Gospel.

#### St. Peter

St. Peter suffered martyrdom under Nero, in A.D. 66 or 67. He was buried on the hill of the Vatican where recent excavations have revealed his tomb on the very site of the Basilica of St. Peter's. St. Paul was beheaded in the Via Ostia on the spot where now stands the basilica bearing his name. Down the centuries Christian people in their thousands have gone on pilgrimage to the tombs of these

Apostles. In the second and third centuries the Roman Church already stood pre-eminent by reason of her apostolicity, the infallible truth of her teaching and her two great figures, Sts. Peter and Paul.

A partial indulgence may be gained today by anyone who makes devout use of a religious article blessed by any priest but "if the article of devotion has been blessed by the Sovereign Pontiff or by any Bishop, the faithful, using it, can also gain a plenary indulgence, provided they also make a profession of faith (e.g. the Apostles Creed), as long as the usual conditions are satisfied.

Peter's original name was Simon. Christ Himself gave him the name Cephas or Peter when they first met and later confirmed it. This name change was meant to show both Peter's rank as leader of the apostles and the outstanding trait of his character — Peter (in Hebrew *Kephas*) the Rock. Peter was born in Bethsaida on the Sea of Galilee. Like his younger brother Andrew, he was a fisherman and dwelt at Capernaum. Peter's house often became the scene of miracles, since the Master would stay there whenever He was teaching in that locality. Together with his brothers John and Andrew, Peter belonged to the first of Jesus' disciples (John 1:40-50).

After the miraculous draught of fish on the Sea of Galilee, Peter received his definitive call and left wife, family, and occupation to take his place as leader of the Twelve. Thereafter we find him continually at Jesus' side, whether it be as spokesman of the apostolic college (John 6:68; Matt. 16:16), or as one specially favored (e.g., at the restoration to life of Jairus' daughter,

at the transfiguration, during the agony in the garden). His sanguine temperament often led him into hasty, unpremeditated words and actions; his denial of Jesus during the passion was a salutary lesson. It accentuated a weakness in his character and made him humble.

After the ascension, Peter always took the leading role, exercising the office of chief shepherd that Christ had entrusted to him. He delivered the first sermon on Pentecost and received the first Gentiles into the Church (Cornelius; Acts 10:1). Paul went to Jerusalem "to see Peter." After his miraculous deliverance from prison (Easter, 42 A.D.), Peter "went to a different place," most probably to Rome. Details now become scanty; we hear of his presence at the Council of Jerusalem (Acts 15:1), and of his journey to Antioch (Gal. 2:11).

It is certain that Peter labored in Rome as an apostle, that he was the city's first bishop, and that he died there as a martyr, bound to a cross (67 A.D.). According to tradition he also was the first bishop of Antioch. He is the author of two letters, the first Christian encyclicals. His burial place is Christendom's most famous shrine, an edifice around whose dome are inscribed the words: *Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram aedificabo ecclesiam meam.*

—Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

#### Collection June 22, 2025

Envelopes	\$210.00
Loose	\$22.00
Donation	\$100.00
	\$332.00

## Notices:

**1: Mass July 6<sup>th</sup>:** There will not be a 9:00 am mass on Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>, instead it will be at 2:00 pm for Our Lady of Guadalupe Outdoor Mass

**2: Johnstown Landing Outdoor Farmer's Market:** We are pleased to announce the fourth season of the Johnstown Landing Outdoor Farmer's Market. This year the Market will operate 10:00 am to 1 pm every SUNDAY from June 29 to September 7th. Interested vendors should call 902-631-0209. Note: vendors do not need to commit to attending every week. Johnstown Landing is located across from the Johnstown Parish Hall.

**3: Strawberry Festival:** The Outdoor Mass and Strawberry Festival are only 2 weeks away. Sacred Heart Ladies Group are asking for people to bake Biscuits, Bonnach and Oat cakes for the festival. We will also require help to set up and serve on the 6th. If you can help please let us know. We will be at the hall at 9:00 am on Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>, to hull the berries and set up. All are welcome to come and help.

**4: Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine help:** The steps and platform at the Shrine need work. Hopefully we can get someone to fix the steps and platform before the July 6<sup>th</sup> mass. If anyone knows of a person or people who could work on this please let me know ASAP.

**5: Cold Plate Supper:** The cold plate dinner will take place on Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00pm. This will be a takeout or eat in. For this event we would like you to preorder your meal so that we will have an idea of the numbers. The meal will consist of ham, salads, rolls and dessert.

**6: Final Spring Sessions – *Dying with Christ – Living with Hope***

Join us online for the final three sessions of *Dying with Christ – Living with Hope*—a powerful, hope-filled course exploring suffering, grief, dying, and our Christian call to care. Led by theologians and healthcare professionals, this series offers timeless insight into how dying with Christ is attainable for everyone. This is also an opportunity to be equipped to bring the program to your own church or community.

 Dates: June 26, July 3 & 10

 Time: 1:00 PM AT (2-hour sessions)

Register or learn more:

<https://cmdacanada.org/event/dying-with-christ-living-with-hope-spring-series/>

**7: Diocesan Pilgrim's Way and the Feast of St. Peter:** As part of the Jubilee Year Pilgrim's Way, Port Hood St. Peter's Parish is celebrating the Feast of St. Peter, the patron of the parish, on Sunday June 29, 2025, with Holy Mass, confession, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and veneration of the Holy Relic of St. Peter. After the 10.00am Holy Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the Church for adoration until 3.00pm followed by Benediction and Holy Mass. Confession during the Adoration. Also, faithful can venerate the Holy Relic of St. Peter throughout the day. A reception in the Hall to follow after the Mass in the afternoon.

**8: Schedule of Events** that will take place at the Johnstown Parish Hall this summer: More information will be provided as the event get closer

Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>, Our Lady of Guadalupe Outdoor Mass – 2:00 pm -Richmond County Men's choir will be singing. Please bring your own chair.

Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup> – Strawberry Festival – 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup> – Cold Plate Supper – 5:00 pm

Sunday August 10<sup>th</sup> – Cemetery Mass – 9:00 am

Sunday August 10<sup>th</sup> – Pancake Breakfast – 9:45 am

Friday August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Milling Frolic and Square Dance: Music for the dance will be provided by Keith, Kyle and Colin MacDonald