

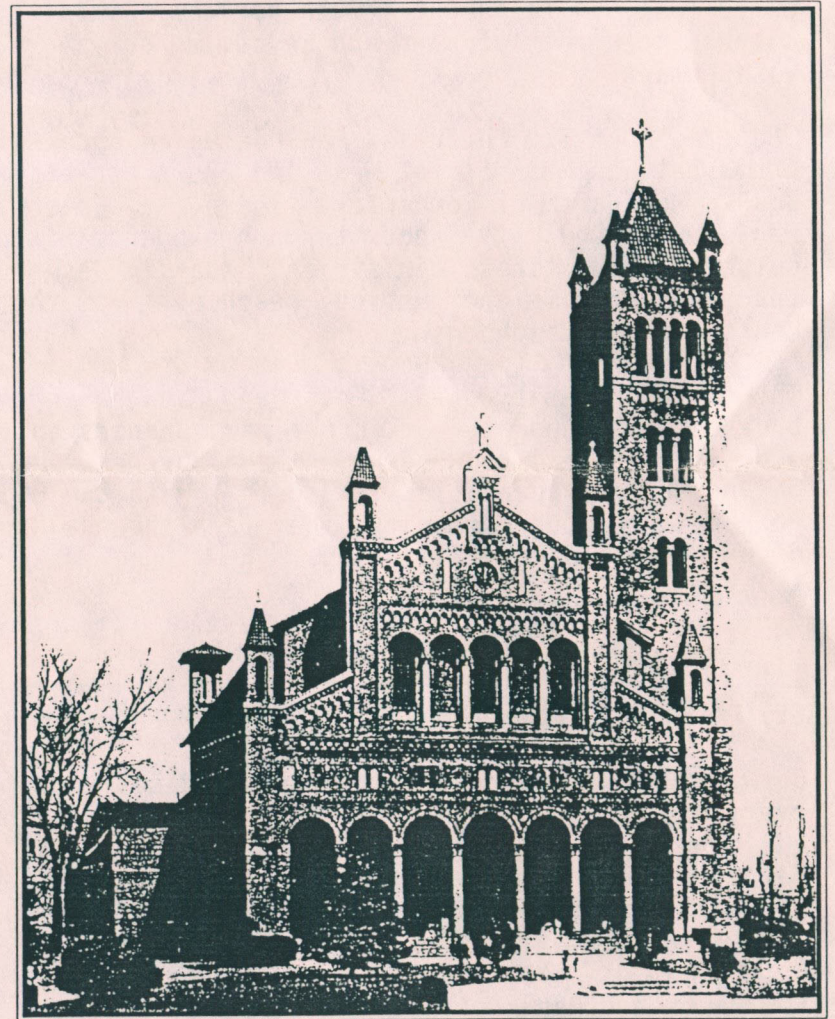
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# S SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CHURCH



*Living the Gospel  
at Bull's Head . . .*



## **Ss. PETER AND PAUL CHURCH**

Ss. Peter and Paul's Roman Catholic Church was founded in 1843. Today it is spiritual home to about 120 parishioners. On the east side of Ss. Peter and Paul church are three cornerstones. The first two are from earlier buildings that housed the parish. The third, dated 1911, is testament to the current community, a diverse community of warm and welcoming survivors and visionaries.

The campus of Ss. Peter and Paul occupies about 2½ acres between Main Street West and Brown Street in the Bull's Head area of Rochester. There, Ss. Peter and Paul serves the city's poor through nondenominational outreach work. These ministries, based in Jesus' teachings of love and justice, reach out from the church to its neighbors.

The faith community of Ss. Peter and Paul has been blessed with support from former parishioners and school graduates, volunteers, other churches, businesses and foundations. Together with the Bull's Head neighborhood community, they face the challenges of neighborhood revitalization.

### **THE OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

#### **St. Peter's Kitchen**

Between 200 and 300 guests are served a hot noon meal every day but Sunday in a cafeteria in the old school building. All are welcomed. The meal brings the people of the neighborhood together with each other and with hundreds of volunteers who help prepare and serve the food.

#### **Ss. Peter and Paul Housing**

Twelve 2 and 3 bedroom apartments fill the upper floors of the school building today. The resident families are supported in their desire for safe, affordable housing by Housing Opportunities, Inc., the Tenants Association, and Ss. Peter and Paul parishioners.

#### **PriceLess Clothing**

Donated clean clothing in very good condition is available to guests of St. Peter's Kitchen and others each Saturday morning. Volunteers, many from the neighborhood or from organized youth groups, sort the clothes and prepare them for distribution. PriceLess Clothing always has a need for clothing donations, especially for men, children and plus-sized women.

#### **Damien Care Center**

Medically trained volunteers provide educational, diagnostic and referral services to guests of St. Peter's Kitchen. During two hours on Saturday mornings, more than 12 people are seen. Since the Kitchen has already established an atmosphere of trust, medical consultations with gentle follow-up have naturally evolved as another way to serve.

#### **SWEM Emergency Food**

Southwest Ecumenical Ministries (SWEM) provides groceries for people in emergency situations. As many as 16 people receive this food at Ss. Peter and Paul each week.

#### **Ss. Peter and Paul Head Start/Day Care**

Quality care, educational and socialization activities as well as meals, are provided for 68 children in this program. It also provides services such as health care screenings and parental job training. Priority for admission is given to children who live in the immediate neighborhood and meet income guidelines.

#### **Ss. Peter and Paul Center**

Nonprofit organizations and neighborhood groups ask to use Ss. Peter and Paul for various programs but the outreach ministries described above take up all the available room. This new facility is now being constructed within the church building. When it is completed, it will provide quality workspace for these much needed organizations and groups.