

## ■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

### **St. Peter's Catholic Church Annual Fall Fair - October 3 & 4**

Where: 840 Bathurst Street, Auditorium

When: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2015

Time: 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

When: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2015

Time: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Hidden treasures, baked goods, Food, Crafts, Books, CDs, Movies, Treats.

Help Needed: We need people to donate goods to be sold. All items will be accepted at the Centre, in the room downstairs during office hours, beginning Wednesday, September 16. More details will be announced later. CONTACT: Frank Ficker at 416-720-8663.

Funds raised will be used for: Signage repair, Church front doors, Winter Welcome Table, Accessibility to St. Peter's Church.

### **Fall Fair Volunteers Needed!**

Please note the change of date. This year's Fall Fair will take place the weekend of October 3 & 4. We are currently looking for volunteers to fill various roles before, during and after the fair. If you're interested in volunteering for this year's Fall Fair, feel free to email [contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca) or phone (416-534-4219 or 416-720-8663) to learn more about how you can help. We will work with you to find a volunteer position that fits your interests and your schedule.

### **New St. Peter's/Centre Office Hours**

Monday: 10am - 4 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10 am - 4 pm, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Friday: 10am - 2 pm

Saturday: 10 am - 6 pm

\*Please note that the Centre will remain closed on Sundays from now on.

### **Coffee Hour - Sunday, September 20**

Starting Sunday, September 20th, we will be having a regular coffee hour after the 9 am and 11:15 am Masses. These will take place every 6 weeks throughout this year. Following are the dates for this year's Coffee Hour: Sunday, November 1 and Sunday, December 13. Please join us for refreshments and good company.

### **Religious Education Registration**

It's that time of year to begin registrations for this year's Religious Education Program. We are accepting registrations for ALL children, in both Public and Catholic schools, wishing to prepare for the celebration of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation next Spring. Please note that the Archdiocese of Toronto has lowered the elementary school grade for Confirmation candidates from Grade 8 to Grade 7. Therefore, we will be accepting both grades this year. All Sacramental Preparation Classes must be attended by both Catholic and Public school children. Please inquire at the Parish Office or visit us online at [www.religioused.stpeterstoronto.ca](http://www.religioused.stpeterstoronto.ca), for further details and information about this year's program.

### **Calling All St. Peter's Seniors!**

There will be a meeting for any parishioners of St. Peter's Parish who are interested in starting a Senior's Group. It will take place at 1:00 pm on Thursday, September 24 in the Parish Centre (830 Bathurst) in the St. Paul's Room. If you are interested please come and share your ideas.

### **36th Annual Cardinal's Dinner - November 5**

Date: Thursday, November 5, 2015 Time: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Venue: Metro Toronto Convention Centre

The Cardinal's dinner is a fund raising event which raises hundreds of thousands of dollars to support Catholic Charities. The parish would like to send a group to this event. Tickets are \$185 per person. If you would like to buy a ticket or two for our parish table, please call the parish office at: 416-534-4219 to book as soon as possible latest by end of September.

## Interested in the Catholic faith ?

Would like to join the Catholic Church ? Then register for this year's R.C.I.A. program !

Starting Tuesday evening, September 22, from 7:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. in the Parish Centre, The R.C.I.A. program here at St. Peter's invites all Non-Catholics who are interested in learning about our Catholic faith. The program will meet weekly on Tuesday evening at 7:15 p.m. The participants in the R.C.I.A. program are called Catechumens or Candidates. A Catechumen is one who has never been baptized and is considering becoming a Catholic. A Candidate is someone who has been previously baptized in a Christian denomination other than Catholic.

Father Jim Casper and Mr. Peter Williamson will be the co-ordinators this year. We also need active Catholics who would like to be part of the hospitality team to volunteer. Please pray for the success of this year's R.C.I.A. program. For more information or volunteer call the parish office at 416-534-4219.

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## Humanitarian Relief - Syrian Refugees- Project Hope

In response to this global humanitarian crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has announced the launch of "Project Hope", a special emergency appeal to respond to the tragic situation. Those wishing to support the campaign financially can do so by making cheques payable to: St. Peter's Church -Project Hope-Refugee Sponsorship.

## Parish Finances

Offering Sept 5 - Sept 6, 2015

Envelopes:	\$2,054
Loose:	\$856
PAG:	\$290
Total:	\$3,200

Maintenance Collection: \$1,796

Thank you for your generous support!

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## PLEASE GET INVOLVED

Over the next few weeks the parish will be looking for parishioners to get involved in different ministries. The parish needs Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality, Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Counters and Visitors to the sick and shut-in. Workshops will be announced for these ministries in coming weeks. The most urgent need is for Ushers, Ministers of Hospitality and Altar Servers.

Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality:

Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality arrive at Mass 15 minutes early and greet parishioners as they arrive. They help with the collection and distribute bulletins as people leave. The workshop for new Ushers and Greeters will take place on Saturday, September 19th in the Church at 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM. Please sign-up.

Altar Servers: Altar Servers are also needed. Any young person who has made his or her First Communion can be an Altar Server. There will be training sessions for new altar servers on Saturday, September 19 and 26 at 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM in the Church. Parents should attend with their young person.

Please also consider attending workshops for: Lectors : Saturday, September 26 at 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM in the Church.

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, October 10 at 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM in the Church.

## A Mother's Prayer Group

We are starting a chapter of A Mothers Prayer group, here at St. Peter's Church. We will meet Fridays starting Friday September 18 at 10:30 am - 11:30 am in the Center. We are women who gather to pray for our wayward children! Offspring who are in difficult situations such as have addictions (drugs, alcohol); violence; pornography; bullying at school or work; runaways; alienation from their families; have given up on their faith; and or are abusive of family or friends. All are welcome: grandmothers, mothers, aunts, religious or anyone who wishes to pray for our young people in trouble. There is a great peace knowing that a mother's burden is handed over to the Lord, and that she has other women supporting her in prayer." "Where two or more come together in my name, there am I with them." For further details on the format, please email: [SueDeGrandis@roger.com](mailto:SueDeGrandis@roger.com). Please put "Mothers Prayers" in the subject line. Text/ mobile 416 319 3434.

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## Prayer and Life Workshop at the Centre

Although the first session of prayer and Life Workshop began on last Thursday, you may still join by attending this Thursday September 10th or even September 17th. These are series of sessions that help you learn and deepen in the art of prayer. This learning has a very practical character, like a workshop: by praying we learn to pray. Sessions include prayer methods such as prayerful reading, visual prayer, and contemplative prayer. The workshop helps us advance in the direction of integral reconciliation, and presents the Gospel in a way so that we may profoundly embrace the peace and joy that we are meant to live. The workshop sessions are weekly and last about 2 hours each. Instruction is free and materials have a total cost of \$15. Contact the parish office at 416-534-4219. For more information please contact Pablo at 416-346-7580.

**Please remember St. Peter's in your will.**

**September 12 - 13 2015**