### ■ 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-8:00 PM

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

<u>Help Needed:</u> 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 <a href="mailto:contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca">contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca</a> 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.

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

THIS 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.

### Second Collection Next Weekend - September 26 & 27

Our second collection next weekend of September 26-27 will be for the "Needs of the Canadian Church. Thank you for your generosity.

### Blessing of Pets - Feast of St. Francis of Assisi- Sunday, October 4, 2015

The parish will celebrate the blessing of pets on Sunday, October 4, 2015 at 2:30 pm outside the main doors of the Church. All pets and owners are welcome. Due to large number of animals, all pets must be leashed, caged or held in owners control.

#### 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.

<u>Altar Servers:</u> 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 26 at 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM in the Church. Parents should attend with their young person.

<u>Lectors:</u> Those who would like to become Lectors are asked to attend a workshop on Saturday, September 26th at 10:00 am - 11:30 am in the Church. Lectors must be able to read in a clear and understandable way. All those who are already serving as Lectors must also attend this workshop.

<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Those who would like to become Eucharistic Ministers are asked to attend a workshop on Saturday, October 10th at 9:30 am - 11:30 am in the Church. To be a Eucharistic Minister one must be free to receive the Eucharist, attending Mass regularly and be in communion with the Church.

All those who are already serving as Eucharistic Ministers must also attend this workshop.

### **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.

## 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.

## 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.

# Humanitarian Relief - Syrian RefugeesProject Hope

In response to the global refugee crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has launched "Project Hope," a special emergency appeal. This 100-day campaign aims to raise \$3 million in order to settle 100 refugee families in the Archdiocese of Toronto as soon as possible. The effort will also require 100 volunteer committees to assist with settlement services. To make a donation to support the appeal, visit: www.archtoronto.org or call (416) 934-3411. You can also donate through our parish with a cheque made payable to NAME OF PARISH - PROJECT HOPE -REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP. We continue to pray for all those suffering, mindful of our call to welcome the stranger in our midst. Those interested in assisting with volunteer committees should contact the Parish Office at 416-534-4219.

# 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, for further details and information about this year's program.

#### **Parish Finances**

Offering Sept 12 - Sept 13, 2015

Envelopes: \$1,918.50 Loose: \$895.50 PAG: \$290 Total: \$3,104 Campaign Collection: \$1,554

Thank you for your generous support!

### A Mother's Prayer Group

We have started a chapter of A Mothers Prayer group here at St. Peter's that began on Friday, September 18 at 10:30 am, in the Parish Center and will continue every Friday. We are women who pray for our wayward children! Offspring who are in difficult situations such as have addictions, behavioral issues etc. Please contact Sue SueDeGrandis@rogers.com or text/ mobile 416 319 3434.

# Catholic Family Services of Toronto Walk-in Services

Our professional counselling staff is trained to offer Walk-In services to clients who have an urgent need to speak with a counsellor. The singlesession consultation is aimed at helping clients identify and hone-in on plans that will provide them with help for their presenting concern. Clients who are interested in accessing services can: (1) choose to call one of our branches at 416-921-1163 (Central) or 416-222-0048 (North) and book a singlesession appointment, OR (2) drop-in at our North Office on Thursdays between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For additional information on the range of services we offer, please visit our website at: <a href="http://">http://</a> www.cfstoronto.com/.

### **Rosary Making**

The Legion of Mary will be holding a "Rosary Making Workshop" on Saturday, October 10 at 1 PM - 4 PM at the Centre auditorium. Materials will be provided. Everyone is invited. Come with your friends.