

■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2015

Christmas Eve - Thursday, December 24, 2015

5:00 p.m. Family Mass
8:00 p.m. Mass
12:00 a.m. Midnight mass (preceded by Christmas Carols at 11:00 p.m.)

Christmas Day - Friday, December 25, 2015

9:00 a.m. Mass
11:15 a.m. Mass

New Year's Eve - Thursday, December 31, 2015

5:00 p.m. Mass

New Year's Day - Friday, January 1, 2016

9:00 a.m. Mass 11:15 a.m. Mass

Coffee Hour - Sunday, December 13

We invite you to join us for a regular coffee hour on Sunday, December 13, after the 9 am and 11:15 am Masses in the Church auditorium. All are welcome!

Advent Cheer, Bazaar and Bake Sale! November 28-29, 2015 THIS WEEKEND

Join us for Advent Cheer, Bazaar and Bake Sale THIS Saturday, November 28 from 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM and on THIS Sunday, November 29 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Church Auditorium. Come celebrate this wonderful time of the year in fellowship and cheer.

Advent Retreat: An Examen of God's Coming Presence in Your Life

Saturday, December 5, 2015 — 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

St. Peter's Parish Centre, 830 Bathurst St, Toronto

Faith Connections, Jesuits Volunteers Canada, and St. Peter's Young Adult Ministry invite young adults (18-39 years) for an afternoon retreat. We will reflect with other young adults about God's presence, while at the same time being mindful of our personal spiritual journey. Andrea Scapinello, Coordinator of Jesuit Volunteers Canada, will teach us discernment tools. Cost \$15. Snacks provided. Register by November 30 — call Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt at 416-467-2645 or visit www.faithconnections.ca — a ministry of Fontbonne Ministries, Sisters of St. Joseph, Toronto.

Enrollment Sunday - First Communion

Congratulations to all of the candidates for First Communion who enrolled this Sunday. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of First Communion.

Rehearsal for Christmas Pageant—Sunday, November 29th after 11:15 am Mass

Calling all young aspiring actors and actresses (ages 4 to 12)! If you would like to be part of the parish's Christmas Pageant, please attend a rehearsal after the 11:15 am Mass on Sunday, November 29th in the Church. This year the Christmas Pageant will take place immediately before the parish's 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Family Mass (December 24th).

The Parish's "We Remember Poster."

It is not uncommon for many people to sit next to someone at church for many years and not know their name. When parishioners pass away, many do not recognize their name when they are prayed for or their funeral Mass is announced. The parish community would like to put a photo of those who die on our "We Remember Poster" so that all parishioners might recognize them and pray for them. For that reason, we invite the families of parishioners to bring to the office photos of any parishioners who have died since July 2015 so that we may place their photos on our "We Remember Poster" in the front entrance and others may pray for them.

Jubilee Year of Mercy in the Archdiocese of Toronto

The following parishes have been designated to have Holy Doors for the Jubilee:

- St. Paul's Basilica 83 Power Street, Toronto
- St. Patrick's Parish 131 McCaul Street, Toronto
- Merciful Redeemer Parish 2775 Erin Centre Blvd., Mississauga
- St. Anthony of Padua Parish 940 North Park Drive, Bramalea
- St. Patrick's Parish 11873 The Gore Road, Brampton
- St. Theresa's Parish 2559 Kingston Road, Scarborough
- The Martyrs' Shrine 16163 Highway 12 West, Midland

This information can also be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/media-centre/news-archive/chancery-news/jubilee-mercy-archtoronto>

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Interested in the Catholic faith ?

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

Tuesday evenings 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.

Parish Finances

Offering Nov 21- Nov 22 2015

Envelopes:	\$3,060
Loose:	\$886
PAG:	\$305
Total:	\$4,251

Parish Campaign Collection: \$1,609
Thank you for your generous support!

2016 Offertory Envelopes

OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2016 are available at the back of the church. The boxed sets are organized alphabetically. Please make sure to pick up only the box with your name on it. PLEASE DO NOT USE THE 2016 ENVELOPES UNTIL THE NEW YEAR BEGINS.

Christmas Ornaments

Christmas ornaments are available at the back of the church to help the people of the winter welcome table. Instructions for the ornaments are on the reverse side ...donations are accepted until Dec 21 when we have our Christmas dinner. Any questions or for further information please contact Marie at 416-531-3846. Thank you for your ongoing support of our program.

2016 Mass Intentions

St. Peter's Parish is now accepting 2016 Mass Intentions for parish weekday Masses (Monday-Friday) and weekend Masses. Offering: For announced date \$20 per Mass and for Unannounced date \$10 per Mass. An unannounced Mass intention may be sent to priests outside the parish to be celebrated in the near future.

New Sunday Missals Now Available

The 2015-2016 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year which begins with the First Sunday of Advent on November 29, may be obtained at the Centre. Cost is \$5.00.

Advent Confessions

Advent confessions will be held in the Church on the following days: Friday, December 18, from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM and Saturday, December 19, from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

Please plan on joining your fellow parishioners in this time of spiritual healing as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ.

Lector and Eucharistic Minister Sign-up sheet

Lector and Eucharistic Minister sign-up sheets for the Christmas season are in the sacristy. Our next schedule will be available the weekend of December 26-27. Please contact the parish office or visit us online at lem.stpeterstoronto.ca if you will be away any weekend in January and February.

Are you thinking of purchasing a live Christmas tree?

Starting November 27th through December 24, the same company as in years past will be selling Christmas trees on the Markham Street lot of our church. Please consider getting your tree (or trees) from them. You would be helping St. Peter's operating budget by purchasing your live trees from our Markham Street lot. There will be many beautiful trees available and your purchase of a Christmas tree helps to financially support the Winter Welcome table's outreach efforts. The lot will be open every day from 10 AM to 8 PM.

Accommodation needed for Parish's Refugee Family

The Parish's Refugee family will be arriving soon, hopefully in the month of January or February. In order to accommodate this family the parish is looking for an apartment which is either two or three bedrooms that would be located in the parish and will be affordable. If you are aware of such accommodation please call the Parish Office at 416-534-4219.

Newman Centre & St. Peter's Young Adults Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Newman Young Adult Ministry and St. Peter's Young Adult Group invite you to join us on Saturday, December 12th for a Mexican fiesta to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe! There will be food, drinks, games and a whole lot of fun experiencing Mexican culture! Tickets are only \$5!! You can purchase these from either the Newman Centre or St. Peter's Parish.

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Please remember St. Peter's in your will.