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## **AROUND SAINT PETER'S**

### **Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Tuesday, December 8**

There will be 7 PM Mass in the Church in honour of the feast of the Immaculate Conception as we begin the "Year of Mercy" on Tuesday, December 8. The Year of Mercy will conclude on Sunday, November 20, 2016, the Feast of Christ the King. Mass will also be celebrated on Tuesday, December 8, at 12:10 PM in the Chapel.

### **Advent Confessions:**

Advent confessions will be held in the Church on the following days:

Friday, December 18, from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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.

### **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.

### **Monthly Memorial Mass**

Due to the various celebrations during the Christmas Season, we will not have a Memorial Mass in December. The Memorial Mass on January 29th, 2016 at 7:00 PM. in the church will include the names of all deceased loved ones whose anniversaries fall both in December and January.

### **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

### **New vision for Seniors presented by Sr. Mary Rose**

The seniors group will meet on Thursday, December 10 at 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at the Parish Centre. Refreshments will be served.

### **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!

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## **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

### **Parish Finances:**

#### **Offering Nov. 28-29, 2015**

*Envelopes:* \$2,776

*Loose:* \$1,235

*PAG:* \$305

*Total:* \$4,316

Insurance collection :\$1,632

Thank you for your support

### **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](http://lem.stpeterstoronto.ca) if you will be away any weekend in January and February.

### **Are you thinking of purchasing a live Christmas tree?**

Until 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.

### **Donation for Christmas Flowers**

Every year the parish relies on the generosity of parishioners to decorate the church with flowers. If you would like to make a donation to purchase flowers, please make your donation by using the envelope "Flowers for Christmas" marked with your name, address and envelope number. Thank you for your generosity.

### **2016 Mass Intentions**

St. Peter's Parish is 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.

### **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.

### **A four week program on the PSALMS**

(Prayers touching the key elements of our lives - joy, praise, belief, power, comfort, healing) will be offered on Thursdays, starting January 14 at 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Parish Centre. Sr. Gabriel Mary Riddle, cps, will facilitate. Everyone is welcome. Pope Francis has stated recently that "we should meditate on the psalms

### **THANK YOU!!!**

Thank you all who organized and attended the Advent Cheer. It was a great success! In all \$2034 was raised.