

■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

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.

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>

■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

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 - THIS Sunday, December 13

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

December 12 - 13, 2015

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.

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

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.

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Parish Finances Offering Nov. 28-29, 2015

Envelopes: \$2,603

Loose: \$1,381

PAG: \$310

Total: \$4,294

Maintenance collection :\$1,834

Thank you for your support

Lector and Eucharistic Minister Sign-up sheet

Lector and Eucharistic Minister signup 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.

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 For newly registered parishioners who wish to use the 2016 envelope box, the boxes are located at the back of the Church that are not labeled. Please print your full name, address and your phone # on the envelopes in order to obtain a tax receipt for your total donations and for our records. Thank you for your generous support.

Update your Records

Please call the parish office, 416-534-4219, if you have any changes to your mailing address, email or phone number.

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.

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

New Sunday Missals

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

Taking care of your Spiritual Family

The parish of St. Peter's has been a part of your faith development and is like a member of your family. When preparing your estate plans, we ask you to consider a bequest to the parish as a way of guaranteeing the health of your spiritual family long into the future. Through your estate, your membership in our extended community of faith will continue in perpetuity. May God who loved you in this life reward your generosity in eternal life. Thank you!

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.

Please Remember St. Peter's in your Will
