

■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Second Sunday of Lent - February 21, 2016

Working wonders for those entering the priesthood...

"I am aware that what is given to me here is because of the generosity of many benefactors, including ShareLife, to whom I am very grateful. Last year, I graduated from Philosophy at St. Philip Neri Oratory with Summa Cum Laude, and this would not have been possible without the contribution of many benefactors. I am sure that whatever is given to me is for the sake of the mission that the Lord is preparing for me, and I thank ShareLife for their generous contribution to the work that God has prepared for me." Simon Ibrahim, Redemptorist Mater seminarian. At ShareLife-funded agencies such as Serra House, St. Augustine's and Redemptorist Mater Seminaries, individuals undergo extensive theological education and practical field training. Through ShareLife, you are helping to sustain vocations for the priesthood and inspire discernment for God's call. **Last year ShareLife helped support 80 seminarians in their formation studies.**

Sunday March 13, 2016 is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Come and See Retreat

Come and See Retreat "The heavens open up" Feb. 21, 2016, from 11:00-4:00 p.m. for adult women - seeking to understand the movement of God's voice in their lives. St. Bernard's Convent, 85 Finch Ave. W. North York
Contact: Sr. Gabriel at 416-630-3298.

■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel



Eucharistic Adoration in the Centre Chapel takes place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays and on Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In order for Adoration to take place, people are needed to adore the Lord while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Please consider signing-up to spend an hour or more with Jesus during the week. The sign-up book is available in the Centre Chapel for those who are able to sign-up. If forty people sign-up to take an hour a week, we will be able to continue this very important time for prayer before the Lord. Please consider making time for the Lord.

Workshop for New Ministries:

Any who have signed up at the Ministry Fair to be a Eucharistic Minister is invited to attend the workshop:

- Eucharistic Ministers - Saturday, February 27, at 2:30 PM in the Church

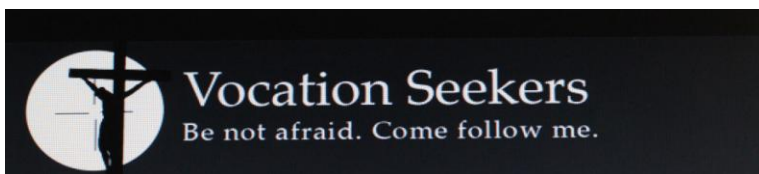
Stations of the Cross

A great Lenten spiritual devotion held on Friday evenings during Lent after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on the First and Last Friday of the month and at 7:00 p.m. every other Friday.



Come & See Weekend

Office of Vocations is hosting a COME & SEE WEEKEND at St. Augustine's Seminary from Friday Feb. 26 (7pm) to Sunday Feb. 28 (1.30 pm). Provides a time to pray, to learn what seminary formation is about and time to interact and socialize with the Seminarians & Priests of the Seminary. The weekend offers opportunities for Communal Prayer, Mass, Adoration & Confession. For more information call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org



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Parish Finances: Offering Feb.13-14, 2016

Envelopes: \$2738

Loose: \$795

PAG: \$348

Total: \$3881

Capital Campaign: \$1233

Thank you for your support!

2016 Offertory Envelopes

OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2016 are placed at the back of the church. Please make sure to pick up only the box with your name on it. Thank you!!

Pre-Authorized Giving - PAG

The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan, authorized and supported by the Archdiocese of Toronto, is a direct debit program allowing you to support our Parish through an automatic monthly withdrawal from your bank account. Now you can lend us your support in the same manner that you currently pay many of your current financial obligations without writing cheques or searching your wallet for cash every Sunday.

PAG brochures and sign-up forms are available at the back of the Church and in the parish office.

The form is also available on our website for download.

To enroll in this convenient program, simply fill out the form, attach a void cheque and drop it into the weekly collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. For additional information on PAG please contact the parish office. A tax receipt will be issued to you for the donations you contribute for that year.

Tax Receipts for 2015

Parish tax receipts for weekly donations, PAG, second collections, Capital campaign donations and donations to ShareLife made through the parish have been mailed out.

Tax receipts for the Family of Faith Campaign will be issued and mailed by the Archdiocese.

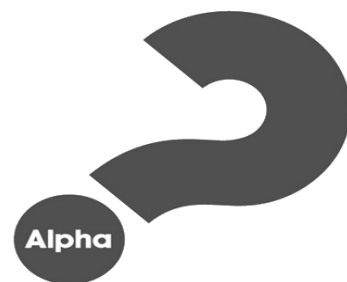
Receipts for Donate Now made by the Credit card will also be issued and mailed by the Archdiocese of Toronto.



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.



Try Alpha

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith

Who's it for?

Alpha is for anyone who's curious. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open environment. No question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you want.

How does it work?

Alpha is typically 7-12 sessions with a weekend or day away in the middle. Each session includes food, a short talk and discussion where you can share your thoughts and ask questions. There's no pressure, no follow up and no charge.

How much is it?

There's usually no charge to attend Alpha, though some places may ask for a contribution towards food.

Course Information

Join us - St. Peter's Young Adults Group, Fridays from Jan.22-April 29, 2016 at 7pm.

Topic for Friday, Feb.26: Why and how should I read the Bible?

Location - 830 Bathurst St

Contact - Alessya D'Anna

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