

■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Holy Door and Vigil to End Year of Mercy - Saturday, November 19, 2016

St. Peter's Parish will host a vigil to end the Year of Mercy on Saturday, November 19th from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. This will be done with the *Sisters of Life*. In honour of this event, Cardinal Collins has designated the doors of our parish as "**Jubilee Doors of Mercy**" for this entire weekend of **November 19th and 20th**. Those who pass through our doors on this weekend are eligible to receive the Jubilee Indulgence.

- ❖ Those who wish to receive the Jubilee Indulgence, in addition to passing through the Door of mercy, must celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (up to eight days before or after the event), participate in a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, reflect on the mercy of God, make a profession of faith and offer a prayer for the Holy Father and his intentions.

90th Anniversary of the Dedication of St. Peter's Church

Did you know our church is turning 90 this December? All are invited to join in a liturgical celebration of the 90th anniversary of the dedication of St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, December 11 at 7:30 PM. A special Vigil with music, prayer, and the Office of Readings will be celebrated. A musical prelude will begin at 7:15 PM. Please join us in marking this important milestone!

A Week Long Busy Persons Advent Retreat

TIME-FRAME: OPENING SESSION IN THE CHURCH after any Mass, weekend of December 10 -11
CLOSING SESSION will be on Saturday, December 17, after 5:00 PM Mass

DESCRIPTION OF RETREAT: The retreatants will meet after Mass in the Church for an explanatory introduction where they will be given reflections booklets (**\$3:00 each**) for the week of prayer. They will be asked to commit themselves to an hour of prayer daily (can be divided up i.e. 1/2 hour in morning and 1/2 hour in evening or in 15 min. sections). It is strongly recommended that retreatants meet with a spiritual guide for 1/2 hour appointment at the Centre from Monday to Thursday (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM) and on Friday from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM or in the evenings of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30 - 9:00 PM

Closure will include debriefing / sharing, suggestions on how to continue one's spiritual journey and a social.

■ 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. Please consider making time for the Lord.



Rehearsal for Christmas Pageant - Sunday, Dec. 4, 11 & 18

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, December 4, 11 and 18 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).



Advent Cheer, Bazaar and Bake Sale! December 3-4, 2016

Join us for Advent Bazaar and Bake Sale on Saturday, December 3 from 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM and on Sunday, December 4 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Church Auditorium. Come celebrate this wonderful time of the year in fellowship and cheer.

Christmas Week - Signup sheet

The signup sheet for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers are now available in the Sacristy. The deadline for the sign-up will be until December 10-11. New schedule for the Christmas week will be available in the sacristy the weekend of December 17-18.

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"Book of Remembrance" for the Month of November

The "Book of Remembrance" has been placed in the church for the month of November. Parishioners may add names of deceased family members or friends for whom they wish the parish to offer prayers during this season of remembrance.

Winter Welcome Table

The dinners we serve to low income people on Monday evenings will continue through the winter. Help in preparation, serving and cleaning up is always needed. Additional volunteers should arrive at 6:30 PM and stay as long as you can. Come to the Church auditorium through the side door under the archway. For information call Marie Parise at 416-531-3846, or just show up any Monday evening this winter.

Update your Records

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

For newly registered parishioners who have recently picked up the envelope boxes, we request you to 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.

New Sunday Missals Now Available

The 2016-2017 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year which begins with the First Sunday of Advent on November 27, may be obtained at the Parish Centre. Cost is \$6.00

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2017 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.



Vocation Discernment Retreat

The Office of Vocations invites single Catholic men, 17 years and older to attend a Vocations Discernment Retreat from Dec 9 to 11, 2016 at Manresa Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering. (Starts on Friday at 7 pm). This is a good retreat for men who are at crossroads in discerning God's desired Vocation for them. The retreat offers Guided reflections, Holy Mass, Adoration, confession and the assistance of a vocations team. Suggested donation of \$150 to help cover costs. For more information, please contact (the parish priest) or call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org



Parish Finances

Offering November, 12-13, 2016

Envelopes: \$3371

Loose: \$1091

PAG: \$352

Total: \$4814

Shepherd's Trust: \$1567

Thank you for your support

2017 Mass Intentions

St. Peter's Parish is now accepting 2017 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 sent to priests outside the parish to be celebrated in the near future.

Due to the large number of requests for Masses, the parish has been given permission to celebrate Mass with multiple intentions every **Thursday at the 12:10 pm Mass**. As this is something which requires special permission from the bishop, the parish cannot accept multiple intentions on other days.

St Peter's Christian Meditation Group



"Behold, I make all things new."

Revelation 21:5

Join us for silent prayer every Saturday afternoon at 3:30 till 4:30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Discover how this ancient Christian spiritual practice can open our hearts & deepen our faith today. Everyone welcome – especially beginners!