

■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

A LENTEN RETREAT

Joyful surrender to Christ crucified

This Lent Father Zachary Romanowsky will give a Lenten Mission on the evening of **April 4, 5 and 6 at 7:00 PM** in the Church. The theme of this retreat will be called: "Through Love and For Love: Gospel greatness in the splendour of the ordinary". The retreat will call us to live our vocations in the ordinary and simple events of our lives. **Thursday, April 6, Penitential Rite** will take place at 7:00 PM in the Church with individual confession to different priests. Father Zachary is a priest of Madonna House and lives at their community in Combermere, Ontario.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (ShareLife Sunday) April 2, 2017

Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife.....

"The ShareLife campaign provides for the needs of our social service agencies, helps to evangelize the Gospel to brothers and sisters in Christ across the world, and supports the education of our clergy. It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they're invisible but, always they make a tangible difference in the lives of the people we are helping. **Please prayerfully consider how you can be supportive today on ShareLife Sunday.**" —*Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto. Today is ShareLife Sunday, April 2, 2017. Please give generously!!!*

■ ■ 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

Lenten Reconciliation Service

Saturday, April 1, from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. There will be several priests hearing Confessions.

Thursday, April 6, Penitential Rite at 7:00 PM in the Church with individual confession to different priests

Good Friday, April 14, after 3:00 PM service commemorating the Passion of our Lord. Private reconciliation every Saturday from 3:45 - 4:30 PM
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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.

Paschal Triduum Schedule



Holy Thursday - April 13

7:00 PM: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Eucharistic Adoration in the Centre Chapel until 12 midnight.

Good Friday - April 14

12:00 Noon: Stations of the Cross
3:00 PM: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday - April 15

8:30 PM: Easter Vigil
(No 5 PM Mass)

Easter Sunday - April 16

9:00 AM: Easter Sunday Mass
11:15 AM: Easter Sunday Mass
(No evening 6:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday)
There will be no Eucharistic Adoration throughout the entire Triduum

Tuesday, April 11 - Chrism Mass

Kindly note that on Tuesday, April 11, Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 AM in the Centre Chapel rather than the normal time as Fr. Michael will be attending the Chrism Mass at 11:00 AM held at St. Michael's Cathedral on that day.

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Feast of the Divine Mercy - Sunday, April 23 at 1:30- 4:00 PM in the Church



Programme

1:30 - 2:15 pm - Angelus & Novena Prayers to the Divine Mercy

2:15 - 2:45 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet

2:45 - 3:00 pm - Benediction

3:30 - 4:00 pm - Eucharistic Celebration by:

Fr. Michael McGourty – Pastor of St. Peter's Church

A light refreshment will follow at the Church Basement Auditorium

Donation for Easter 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 Easter" marked with your name, address and envelope numbers. Thank you for your generosity.

Bundle up collection - April 22-23, 2017

The St. Vincent De Paul Society truck will be here for "Bundle Sunday" during the weekend of April 22-23, after all the Masses to collect textiles, footwear, clothing, etc. both used and new. The truck will be on the Markham Street side of the Church.

Invitation from His Eminence Cardinal Collins

All parishioners are invited to join Cardinal Collins on Sunday, April 2 at 7 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica for Lectio Divina. Lectio Divina is the spiritual tradition of attentively and prayerfully reading the Word of God. On April 2, Cardinal Collins will lead us through the story of The Rich Man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). Vespers will be sung at 7 p.m., led by the Cathedral Vespers Choir followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. For more information, visit <https://www.archtoronto.org/lectio>.



The children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for **Totus Tuus camp** (Latin for Totally Yours) this summer from **July 23-28, 2017**. Totus Tuus is an Archdiocesan program whereby seminarians and college students travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of our Lord through catechetical instruction, Mass, confession, songs and games! The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, run Monday - Friday from 9am- 2:30pm. The intermediate/ High School Program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday-Thursday from 7-9pm. To register or for more information, please contact, **St. Peter's Youth Minister at email: youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca or office: 416-534-4219**. More information about the program is also available at www.totustuustoronto.ca

Parish Finances

Offering March 25-26, 2017

Envelopes: \$2873

Loose: \$1059

PAG: \$402

Total: \$4334

Thank you for your support

Easter Mysteries - Reflections on Risen Christ in the Gospels

On the Wednesdays April 19 and 26 from 7:00-9:00 p.m., in the St. Paul's room at the Centre, a reflective input and sharing, on the Resurrection stories will be presented with the aim of deepening one's prayer life and understanding of these precious, timely texts in our faith tradition. Facilitator: Sr. Gabriel Mary cps. All welcome!

"And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith"

(1 Corinthians 15:44)

Ministry of Welcome and Greeting

In order that the Parish community of St. Peter's might always be a warm and welcoming place for those who visit, the parish needs more people to participate in the ministry of greeting and welcoming. Those who exercise this ministry greet people before Mass, assist with the collection and help people to find the way around the parish community. If you would be interested in this ministry, please call the parish office to sign up (416-534-4219). There will be a workshop for new greeters/ushers on Saturday, April 29th at 2:00 PM in the Church.

