

**Fall Fair Thank You**

We offer many thanks to all who worked so hard for a successful Fall Fair this year. There were many people who donated, worked and contributed to this success. Just as important to the success of the Fair is the involvement of so many parish people and groups. Much gratitude is extended to all involved.

**First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation Preparation for 2017-2018**

Parents of children who are in grade two or older are invited to have their children prepare to celebrate the Sacraments of First Confession and First Communion at the parish:

\*\*There will be a parent meeting for all parents interested in enrolling their children in this programme on either Saturday, November 18 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm in the Centre or Tuesday, November 21 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the Centre.

\*\* Sacramental preparation is to take place in the parish that the parents are attending on Sunday with their children, not at the school the children attend. If you would like more information about this, please call Father Michael at 416-534-4219, ext. 211.

**Update on Our Iraqi Newcomer Family - October 2017**

Thank you to everyone who has been praying for, asking about and holding onto items for Hiyam and her sons Fadi and Mark. They are still living in our neighbourhood, and will be able to stay for low rent until Mark has finished his first year of high school. They are very busy with English classes, medical treatment, high school and volunteering. Our family will not need household items until they move into their own apartment in the late spring, so please hold onto any items that you promised to donate.

As privately sponsored refugees, they do not receive welfare payments. Their small monthly budget comes from the Archdiocese, so any donations of gift cards for winter clothes, groceries, etc. would be very helpful.

Please continue to pray for our family, and if you have any questions or leads on employment opportunities for people with little English, please contact the parish office.

**The Catholic Teaching on Euthanasia**

The parish of St. Peter's invites you to attend a discussion evening on "The Catholic Teaching on Euthanasia: Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments with Persons and Families Considering or Opting for Death by Assisted Suicide or Euthanasia." This will be facilitated by Dr. Moira McQueen, LL.B., M. Div., Ph. D., Director of the Canadian Catholic Institute for Bioethics and Fr. Michael McGourty, Pastor of St. Peter's Parish. The event will take place Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Information Centre at 830 Bathurst Street, across from the Bathurst Subway Station.

**Seeking Accounting Skills for Finance Committee**

The parish Finance Committee is seeking a parishioner who is an accountant to serve on the parish Finance Committee. The Committee meets several times during the year to review parish finances and insure that the parish is following proper financial procedures. If you are an accountant, or know a parishioner who is, and would be willing to serve in this capacity, please call Fr. Michael for more information – 416-534-4219, ext. 211.

**Pipe Organ talk & Demo**

What characteristics of the pipe organ make it especially suitable for supporting the primary musical instruments of the liturgy: our voices? Why did the Second Vatican Council teach that the organ "is to be held in high esteem"?

Join our organist Mr. Lee in the church for a 1-hour talk and demonstration on our 90-year-old Casavant organ at EITHER (a) 7:45pm on Nov 1 (All Saints), after the evening mass OR (b) 6pm on Nov 2 (All Souls), before the evening mass.

**Winter Welcome Table Orientation Meeting**

Winter welcome table is returning....the program to feed the homeless and marginalized of the inner city..primarily in the annex area....will start again on November 6. All interested volunteers are asked to attend an Orientation meeting on Wednesday, October 25, at 7:00 PM in the auditorium of St. Peter's church (door under archway entry). All enquiries should be sent to Marie Parise at 416-531-3846

## All Saints Day - November 1

On November 1, All Saints day, the parish will have 2 Masses:  
**8:00 AM** Mass in the Centre Chapel  
**7:00 PM** Mass in the Church

## All Souls Day - November 2 & praying for Our Beloved dead in November

In the month of November it is our tradition to pray for our beloved. The parish will have a "Book of Remembrance" for the faithful departed and the names of all those family members written in it will be remembered at all masses throughout 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. On November 2, All Souls day the parish will have 2 Masses:  
**12.10 PM** Mass in the Centre Chapel  
**7:00 PM** Mass in the Church

## Legion of Mary

The legion of Mary is sponsoring a Marian pilgrimage to our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Lewiston, New York and our Lady of Victory Basilica, Lakawana, New York, on November 18, 2017. Cost \$45.00. If interested please call Luz at 416-925-9825

## Parish Finances

*Offering Oct. 14-15, 2017*

Envelopes: \$2617  
Loose: \$838  
PAG: \$402  
Total: \$3857  
Building Fund:\$1515.45  
Thank you for your support!!

## St. Peter's Parish Altar Servers Recognized

This weekend on Saturday, October 21, 2017 one altar server from our parish received the "Bishop's Altar Server's Award for Service" from the Most Reverend Robert Kasun, Auxiliary Bishop – Archdiocese of Toronto during the 32nd Annual Bishop's Altar Servers Awards Ceremony sponsored by Serra Clubs of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

We offer our sincere thanks and congratulations to:

### Rebekah Mendes

This special recognition is given annually for the altar servers in light of their dedication, sense of responsibility and display of leadership in the performance of their duties. Our parish extends our congratulations to Rebekah and her family.

## Welcome Father Joseph Alozie, C.C.E.

Please welcome Father Joseph Alozie, C.C.E. to St. Peter's Parish. Father Alozie is a professor of systematic theology at St. Augustine's Seminary. He will be here from October 23 till October 31 to celebrate the parish Masses, while Father Michael is away visiting his parents.

## Humanitarian Relief – Mexico, Caribbean

*Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:*

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish – 2017 Hurricane, Earthquake – Disaster Relief

## 2018 Mass Intentions

St. Peter's Parish is now accepting 2018 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. 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.

## New Beginnings - Bereavement Ministry Support Group

A six (6) week bereavement ministry support group will be starting at St. Peter's (ministry centre) starting on Tuesday, October 31 to December 5, from 1:00 -3:00p.m. If you or someone you know is dealing with the loss of a loved one and would like to join this group, please register at the parish office (416-534-4219) Group facilitator: Sr. Gabriel M. Riddle cps

## Eucharistic Adoration 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.