

## ■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

### 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.

### Come & See Weekend, November 3 to 5, 2017 at St. Augustine's Seminary

Come & See Weekend for men 17 years and older, will take place at the St. Augustine's Seminary from Friday, November 3 at 7 p.m. to Sunday, November 5, until 1:30 p.m. This weekend offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. We encourage you to promote this in your parishes, connect with men who would make good candidates and contact us with their names. Thank you in advance for your generosity as we work together to build a culture of vocations. Registration can be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). For more information, please call us at 416-968-0997 or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### 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.

## ■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

### 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

### 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 Roy 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.

**October 28-29, 2017**

### 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.

### Time Change – November 5

On Sunday, November 5, we will move our clocks back one hour to change to standard time. Please remember only the Sunday Masses next weekend will begin in accordance with standard time.



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### 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

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### 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

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### 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.

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### 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

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### Annual All Souls' Day Mass

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral  
Services - Archdiocese of Toronto  
wishes to invite all families to  
participate in the All Souls' Day  
Mass on Saturday, **November 4,  
2017 at 2 p.m.** All masses will be  
held indoors at the following  
locations:

◆ Assumption Cemetery,  
Mississauga, Liturgy in English

◆ Christ the King Cemetery,  
Markham, Liturgy in English

◆ Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill,  
Liturgy in Italian and English

◆ Queen of Heaven Cemetery,  
Woodbridge, Liturgy in Italian and  
English

◆ Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby,  
Liturgy in English

All are welcome. If you have any  
further questions, please call Amy  
Profenna at 416-733-8544

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### Winter Welcome Table

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 Mondays beginning  
November 6

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### Sick and Shut-in Ministry Meeting

There will be a meeting for  
Ministers of the Sick and shut-in  
on **Saturday, November 11 at  
12:30 pm** in the Parish Centre.  
Please attend.

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### Parish Finances

*Offering October 22-23, 2017*

Envelopes: \$3564

Loose: \$789

PAG: \$402

Total: \$4755

World Mission collection: \$1163.70

Thank you for your support

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### 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.

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### Saints Alive - Witnesses to Life Discernment

  
SAINTS

A Retreat Day for Women is  
being offered at St. Bernard's  
convent, 685 Finch Ave. west,  
North York on Sunday,  
**November 12, 2017** from: 10:30  
a.m.-5:00 p.m. (Eucharist  
included)

Contact: Sr. Gabriel riddle cps at  
St. Peter's parish (416-534-4219)  
or home (416-630-3298)

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