

■■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Christ is Risen ~ Alleluia! Happy Easter

May the victory of the Risen Christ and His conquering over death bring Peace and Happiness to you and those you hold most dear!



~~~ HAPPY EASTER ~~~

Father Michael and the Parish Staff



## Easter Monday - April 2, 2018

St. Peter's Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 2. Daily Mass on that day will be at 10:00 AM in the Centre Chapel. There will be no adoration on that day.

## EASTER SUNDAY April 1, 2018

*Living the Gospel by evangelizing our faith in the greater world*

Gia Lao Parish resides in the mountainous Diocese of Xuan Loc in Vietnam. Its parishioners, mostly poor, work on the hillside farms. The Pastoral Mission Fund, with the support of ShareLife, provided a one-time grant so the parish could acquire resources it could not otherwise provide. This includes bibles and hymnals, along with training for 60 catechists, who lead marriage preparation and catechism classes. With your support, Gia Lao Church is bringing faith to a community in the greater world.

*April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.*



## ■■ UPCOMING EVENTS

### Feast of the Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8 at 2:30- 4:00 PM in the Church

#### Programme

2:30pm - Angelus and Novena prayer  
3:00pm - Chaplet of the Divine Mercy  
(with the 3 o'clock prayer)  
3:45pm - Benediction  
4:00pm - Mass

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

*A light refreshment will follow at the Church  
Basement Auditorium*



### New Beginnings - Bereavement Ministry Support Group

A six (6) week bereavement ministry support group at St. Peter's (Ministry Centre) takes place every Thursday, from 2:30 - 4:30 pm and will continue until April 19. 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)



**March 31 - April 1, 2018**

### Easter Sunday Schedule

*Holy Saturday - March 31*

8:00 PM: Easter Vigil  
(No 5 PM Mass)

*Easter Sunday - April 1*

9:00 AM: Easter Sunday Mass  
11:15 AM: Easter Sunday Mass  
(No evening 6:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday)



### Bible Study of Resurrection Stories in the Gospels

A two evening program on the early church's understanding of the Resurrection utilising the Gospels and Fr. Tom Rosica's book "Stay with us" on Tuesday **April 3 and 10** at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Paul's room Ministry Centre. Facilitator: Sr. Gabriel Riddle, cps

### Mary, Mother of Christ - God and Redeemer, Mother of the Church - Members of Christ

Two (2) evening program on this newly established feast by Pope Francis will be held at the ministry centre on Tuesdays: **April 24 and May 1** at 7:00p.m.  
- Facilitator: Sr. Gabriel Riddle, cps

## Catholic Beliefs of the Afterlife

**Tuesday April 17, 2018**

Matthew Hendzel will be discussing the Church's teaching on death and the afterlife, and how we can understand the "Four Last Things" of Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell in Catholicism today. **Presenter Bio:** Matthew Hendzel is a Jesuit scholastic currently working on his Ph.D dissertation at Regis College, Toronto. His main area of interest has been on exploring the role and function of the doctrine of purgatory in both historical and contemporary Catholic thought. If you're interested in attending, please sign up by email: [youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca) or call the office at: 416-534-4219.

## Youth Glaze Craze Event - April 22

Join us for a pizza lunch and some crazy fun crafts. Kids get a fun afternoon making amazing pottery painting creations, with the assistance of our Glaze Craze party coordinator. This activity is suitable for kids of all ages! You are more than welcome to bring in your own food, but as we are a nut free facility, please be aware that any food suspected of containing nuts will not be permitted. **Details Below:**

Date: **Sunday, April 22, 2018**

Time: 12:30pm- 2pm

Location: 840 Bathurst Street, via side door under archway.

St. Peter's Church, located in the Church Auditorium Price: No Cost to attend. If interested please R.S.V.P at parish office by April 13, 2018 via Tel: 416-534-4219 or Email: [youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca)

## A Two Part Discussion on Theology - April 5 and 12

**Date: Thursday April 5, 2018**

Topic: What is Theology?

~Guiding idea: Theology is the mediation between the revelation/gospel and the cultural context to and for which it is preached

~Challenge of making a 2000 year old document understandable, relevant and alive for our age.

**Date: Thursday April 12, 2018**

Topic: Can Theology and Faith change?

~Guiding idea: God has revealed certain eternal truths. Theology and faith are historical processes, by which humans strive to understand these truths

~There is nothing like an eternal faith or theology because both change during history

~It is very relevant for our understanding of culture, other religions etc. to be aware of that

**Presenter Bio:** Bernhard Kohl was born in Cologne, Germany. He joined the Northern German province of the Dominican Order in 2000, is currently a member of the Dominican community in Toronto and teaches at St. Michael's College (UofT).

## St. Peter's Church Holy Land Pilgrimage November 21-29, 2018

The itinerary and the registration form is available at the Parish Office. Coordinator :

~ ~Sr. Gabriel Riddle, cps ~ ~

## Parish Finances

**Offering March 24-25, 2018**

Envelopes: \$3876

Loose: \$1412

PAG: \$501

Total: \$5789

Thank you for your support



## Try Alpha

### **What is Alpha?**

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

### **Course Information**

Join us - St. Peter's Young Adults Group, **Feb. 21 - May 9, 2018 at 7pm.**

**What is Theology? - Thursday, April 5, (regular Wednesday**

**Alpha will be scheduled for Thursday, April 5)**

Location - 830 Bathurst St

For further question email:

[youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca)

## Catholic Mom's Group

We are in need of volunteer(s) busy working or stay at home moms to initiate and lead a new parish ministry, approved by the archdiocese called **Catholic**

**Mom's Group** (love, laughter, and moments of grace) in order to revive the vocation of motherhood. Our goal is to refresh, inspire and help moms in their role as a mom. Training for this group is available. Please contact Sr. Gabriel and /or parish office if you are interested in this important endeavour. For more information visit: [www.catholicmomsgroup.com](http://www.catholicmomsgroup.com)

## Legion of Mary - Pilgrimage

The Legion of Mary is coordinating a Pilgrimage to Divine Mercy Shrine, Stockbridge, Massachusetts, on April 7, 8, 9, 2018. If interested please call Luz at 416-925-9825 for the price.