

■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

We are finally moving!!!

This week the parish learned that we could finally move from the Centre to the new offices in the rectory. For this reason the office will be closed this entire week from December 10 to 17. In the event of an emergency, please call the office and leave a message.

Parish Advent Retreat - Dec.10, 11 and 12 at 7:30 pm in the Church

Fr. Frank Desiderio, CSP will be here to preach the Parish's Advent retreat on the theme of "The Three Great Loves". He will preach at the Sunday Masses on December 8 and 9 and give the retreat using a multi media format, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of that week at 7:30 pm in the Church. His visit is sponsored by the parish's Paulists Associates. A free will offering is invited at the retreat. Please come and attend.

Parish Christmas Decorating on Dec. 15 - Volunteers Needed!

The parish is looking for volunteers to help decorate this year's Christmas Tree on **Saturday, December 15th at St. Peter's Church following the 5pm Mass**. All volunteers who wish to help, are asked to meet at the back of the church near the confessional. Coffee and festive treats will be served. See you there!

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE 2018-2019

Christmas Eve Monday, December 24, 2018

5:00 p.m. - Family Mass

8:00 p.m. - Mass

(Preceded by Christmas Carols at 7:30 p.m.)

12:00 a.m. - Midnight Mass

(Preceded by Christmas Carols at 11:00 p.m.)

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25, 2018

9:00 a.m. - Mass

11:15 a.m. - Mass

New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31, 2018

5:00 p.m. - Mass

New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1, 2019

9:00 a.m. - Mass

11:15 a.m. - Mass



■ UPCOMING EVENTS

Advent Confessions - December 22

Advent confessions will be held in the Church on **Saturday, December 22**, from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Please plan on joining your fellow parishioners in this time of spiritual healing as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ.

St. Peter's Christmas MOVIE Event - Dec. 14 - 7 PM

St. Peter's Courtyard Movies will be hosting their first Christmas movie screening. Join us for a **Free** Christmas Movie Screening of: **Arthurs Christmas**
Free Christmas Movie Screening, \$1 Snacks
Dec 14th, 2018 at 7pm (the screening will take place in the Parish basement auditorium)
Across from Bathurst Station- 416-534-4219 –
www.courtyardmovies.ca

Rehearsal for Christmas Pageant – Sunday, Dec. 2, 9, 16 & 23

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 2, 9, 16 and 23 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).

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Advent Prophets - Dec.6 & 13

During this holy Advent season, two sessions will be given on the Advent Prophets highlighted in the Cycle C Sunday readings. Thursday, December 6 And 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

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

2019 Mass Intentions

St. Peter's Parish is now accepting 2019 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. 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.**

2019 Offertory Envelopes

Offering Envelopes for 2019 are available at the back of the church along with the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan Form (PAG). Instructions are on the form. The boxed sets are organized alphabetically. Please make sure to pick up only the box with your name on it.

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE 2019 ENVELOPES UNTIL THE NEW YEAR BEGINS.

Christmas week Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Schedule for the Christmas week will be available in the sacristy the weekend of December 15-16

New Beginnings - Separated and Divorced Group

Separated, Divorced? If you are struggling.....you don't have to do this alone. New Beginnings, is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss, through separation and divorce. Together....we explore our grief, experience healing and renew our faith. This group will run on Saturdays beginning **December 1 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm** at the Parish Centre. For more information and to register, please contact the Parish office at 416-534-4219



Thank You!!

Thank you Fr. Michael and parishioners for your prayerful support and encouragement for our grace filled pilgrimage to the Holy Land - Sr. Gabriel

Christmas Ornaments

Christmas Ornaments are available at the back of the Church to help the people of the Winter Welcome Table. Instructions for the ornaments are on the reverse side...donations are accepted until **December 16**. Any questions or for further information please contact Marie at 416-531-3846. Thank you for your ongoing support for our program.



CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Are you thinking of purchasing a live Christmas tree?

The live Christmas trees is on sale beginning this weekend of Dec.1-2 until December 24, the same company as in years past will be selling Christmas trees on the Markham Street lot of our church. Please consider getting your tree (or trees) from them. You would be helping St. Peter's operating budget by purchasing your live trees from our Markham Street lot. There are many beautiful trees available and your purchase of a Christmas tree helps to financially support the Winter Welcome table's outreach efforts. The lot will be open every day from 10 AM to 8 PM.

New Sunday Missals Now Available

The 2018-2019 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year which begins with the First Sunday of Advent on December 2, may be obtained at the Parish Centre. Cost is **\$6.00**

Parish Finances

Offering December 1-2, 2018

Envelopes: \$3429
Loose: \$801
PAG: \$583
Total: \$4813
Maintenance collection:\$2028.05
Thank you for your support!



We offer many thanks to all who worked so hard for the success of the *Advent Cheer, Bake sale and Bazaar*. Much gratitude is extended to all involved.