

■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Lent Begins on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 (Ash Wednesday)



The 40 days of Lent are a special time of spiritual renewal in the Church. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. The parish will have three Masses on Ash Wednesday with the distribution of Ashes. These will be at 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM and 7:00 PM in the Church. During Lent the Stations of the Cross will be prayed Friday evenings in the Church. On the First and Last Fridays the stations will follow the 7:00 PM Mass. On other Friday they will be prayed at 7:00 PM.

On Ash Wednesday, confessions will be heard in the Church after 7 PM Mass until 9 PM

Theology and the Arts - Presented by Dr. Christina Labriola, Th.D.

Description: A Catholic theological look at three great works of art: Giotto's St. Francis Cycle (March 7); Mozart's Great Mass in C Minor (March 14); and Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings (March 21). Consider and experience how theological and spiritual themes may be given a voice through beauty in the world of the arts.

◆ Thurs. March 7 – Art: Giotto's St. Francis Cycle – Church Auditorium – 7 pm

◆ Thurs. March 14 – Music: Mozart's Great Mass in C Minor - Church Auditorium – 7 pm

◆ Thurs. March 21 – Literature: Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings - Church Auditorium – 7 pm

Outreach to Seniors

The parish has five senior homes within its boundaries. Those who live in these residences are brought communion on a regular basis. The parish is looking for more volunteers to bring the Eucharist to these residences. A police background check is necessary for all who visit the vulnerable. If interested please contact Sr. Gabriel at 416-534-4219

■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Forward – Sunday, March 10

Next weekend, March 10, is the beginning of Daylight Savings Time. We ask you to please remember to set your clocks, watches, and other time keeping devices ahead one hour next Saturday evening before retiring for the evening so that you will arrive on time for Sunday Mass.

The Come and See Weekend

March 15-17, 2019 at St. Augustine's Seminary

Come & See

Inviting single catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deepen prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, refecton and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997; or email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

New Beginnings – Bereavement Support Group



At the suggestion of the parish survey we are offering the Bereavement program in the evenings instead of day time. If you or anyone you know has suffered the loss of a loved one and/or are grieving their loss, please register at the parish at 416-534-4219 for the Wednesdays, March 20 –April 24 sessions . 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Centre. Group Facilitators: Sr. Gabriel Riddle, cps and Matthew Hendzel, sj

St. Patrick's Day Coffee Hour – Sunday, March 17

COFFEE HOUR

Please join us in celebrating St. Patrick Day - Coffee Hour on **Sunday, March 17 after 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM Masses** in the Church Auditorium. See you there!

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Request for the Winter Welcome Table

The members of the Winter Welcome Table are asking you kindly to help provide any extra plates and soup bowls you may have (do not have to be matching) for our Monday night dinner. If you have any extra at home please feel free to give us some. Thank you for your generosity. Please drop off at the Parish Office.

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 USE THE 2019 ENVELOPES**

For new registered parishioners and those who wish to use the envelopes, you may pick your envelopes from the labelled "New Parishioners" tray at the back of the Church. Kindly ensure to write your full name and address on the envelope when giving your donations.

Parish Finances

Offering February 23-24, 2019

Envelopes: \$2350
Loose: \$635
PAG: \$591
Total: \$3576
Building collection: \$1271.15
Thank you for your support



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.



Family of Faith

Thank you for your commitment to our parish's Family of Faith campaign. To help ensure our parish benefits from your help on a timely basis, please make sure your payment information is up-to-date. Donations/payments can be sent directly to the Donations Processing Centre. The address is: Donations Processing Centre Family of Faith Campaign 1155 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4T 1W2 You should contact the Centre when your address changes, your payment method/information changes (eg. a new card or a new card expiry date). The email address is campaign@archtoronto.org and 416.934.3400 x555.

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG)

The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan, authorized and supported by the Archdiocese of Toronto, is a direct debit program allowing you to support our Parish through an automatic monthly withdrawal from your bank account. Now you can lend us your support in the same manner that you currently pay many of your current financial obligations without writing cheques or searching your wallet for cash every Sunday. PAG brochures and sign-up forms are available at the back of the Church and in the parish office. The form is also available on our website for download.

To enroll in this convenient program, simply fill out the form, attach a void cheque and drop it into the weekly collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. For additional information on PAG please contact the parish office. A tax receipt will be issued to you for the donations you contribute for that year.

New Office Location

We have finally moved the parish offices to the renovated rectory. Access to the parish offices can now be gained through the door under the archway. Entrance is possible only during office hours: Monday to Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and Friday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. The office will be closed for lunch from 12 noon to 1 pm

New Sunday Missals / Weekly Missals

The 2018-2019 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year is \$6 and the weekly missal is \$4 both are now available at the Parish Office.