

## ■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

### Parish Lenten Retreat on the "Parable of the Prodigal Son"~ April 1, 2 & 3 at 7 PM

The Jesuit community of Howland Avenue will be offering the parish Lenten retreat on the "Parable of the Prodigal Son". Fr. Joseph Schner, sj, the community's superior, will preach on the weekend of March 30 and 31 and members of the Scholastic Community will present the retreat talks on Monday, April 1, Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Church. Please make time to attend our Parish's Lenten Retreat.



### 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 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

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - March 10, 2019

*Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife agencies*

"As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!" — *Cardinal Thomas Collins*

*March 31 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.*

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## ■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

### Stations of the Cross



A great Lenten spiritual devotion held on Friday evenings during Lent after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on the First and Last Friday of the month and at 7:00 p.m. every other Friday.

### First Friday Healing Mass at 7 PM ~ April 5

The First Friday Healing Mass will be on April 5 at 7 PM in the Church. Those in need of spiritual, physical, psychological or emotional healing are invited to present their petitions for healing at the time of the prayers of the faithful. These petitions can be written down and placed in a special petition box at the altar. When this Mass is celebrated on a normal ferial day, the votive Mass of the Sacred Heart will be celebrated.

**March 9-10, 2019**

### New Beginnings - Bereavement Support Group

*New Beginnings*

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



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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### Ministry for the Sick and Shut-in Meeting on Sat., March 23

On March 23 there will be a meeting for the **ministry for the sick and shut-in volunteers** at the rectory at 1:00 p.m.. A training will be given for new volunteers at that time. Thank you for your willingness to help in this important ministry.

### The Source - Sisters of Life

The Sisters of Life will be hosting "The Source" in the Church on **Thursday, March 28** at 7:00 PM. You are invited to come for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration (7:00 PM - 8:00 PM) followed by Christian fellowship (Social at 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM) in the Church Auditorium. Confession will also be available during Adoration

### 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**

Kindly ensure to write your full name and address on the envelope when giving your donations.

### Parish Finances

#### Offering March 2-3, 2019

Envelopes: \$3415  
Loose: \$613  
PAG: \$631  
Total: \$4659  
Maintenance collection: \$1454.75  
Thank you for your support

### Social Justice Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 12 at 7 PM

After two cancellations due to snow, the Social Justice Committee is rescheduled for Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the St. Paul's Room in the Centre. All members are asked to attend.



### 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..

### 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

### 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

### The Come and See Weekend

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

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, refectation and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Please register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997; or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### 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.

Lent is a time of grace, a time to convert and live out our baptism fully.

◆ Pope Francis ◆