

## ■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

### Invite a Friend to Become Catholic!!!!

As Christians, we are invited to share the Good News with others. Today this can be done by inviting someone to consider joining the R.C.I.A. in the parish where they would like to attend Sunday Mass. The "R.C.I.A." is the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults. Through the celebration of these rites in their local parish community, individuals become members of the Catholic Church through their local parish community. These rites are accompanied by a catechetical process which educates those who are becoming Catholic in the teachings of Christ and the traditions of the Church that He established to continue His mission and spread the Good News.

\*Here at St. Peter's those who wish to become Catholic are invited to begin attending Mass in our parish community each Sunday. As they do this, they are accompanied by the R.C.I.A. team and meet on Tuesday evenings to learn about our faith, deepen in a prayer relationship with Jesus, and discover how they can find their place in our Christian community through Sunday worship, service of neighbour and prayer. The R.C.I.A. at St. Peter's will begin in September. The group will meet throughout the length of the school year. The Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) will be celebrated at Easter (April 11, 2020) and the group will continue to meet until the end of the Pentecost season (June 2020).

\*For those already Baptized in another Christian denomination a shorter path towards joining the Catholic Church may be possible, depending on their previous faith formation.

\*If you know anyone who might be interested in becoming Catholic, please invite them to consider joining the R.C.I.A. at the parish where they wish to attend Sunday Mass. If they wish to do so here at St. Peter's, please have them give Fr. Michael a call for more information (416-534-4291, ext. 211).

## ■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

### Formation and Training Day for Lectors —Saturday, September 7, 2019—9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

All Lectors are asked to attend a formation day that the parish will be hosting for this important ministry. It will take place on Saturday, September 7, 2019 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the church auditorium. Anyone who is interested in becoming a lector should contact Fr. Michael (416-534-4219) and plan on attending this workshop. Please confirm your attendance at least one week in advance by calling the parish office so that we may prepare enough handouts. Please bring your own lunch and refreshments

### Games Night for Mature Adults (50+) on Thursday, Sept.12

#### MATURING ADULTS

The Mature Adults Group will be hosting a games night on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. If you wish to attend, please bring your favorite game – cards or board. The event will take place in the parish hall.

### Wisdom from the Church's Holy Men and Women - Sept. 18

Anticipating the up-coming canonization of new saints this October, we are presenting a program on six (6) holy men and women who hopefully will be one day canonized. A variety of guest speakers will discuss the lives and spirituality of these great examples of holiness on Wednesday evenings in the Church hall at 7:00 p.m. The first talk – John Henry Newman presented by Monsignor A. Sheehy on **Wednesday, September 18**. All are welcome!

### New Beginnings - Bereavement Ministry Support Group - Sept. 10 to Oct. 15

A six (6) week bereavement ministry support group will be starting in the St. Peter's rectory offices starting on Tuesday, September 10 to October 15 from 1:30 -3:30p.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) Facilitator: Sr. Gabriel Riddle, cps

#### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

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### Weekday Masses to be held in Church beginning Sept. 2

Beginning on **Monday, September 2, 2019** the weekday Masses will be celebrated in the Church. This is due to the Centre closing for renovations. It will be re-purposed to house the office of Catholic youth, the Archives and the Office of Refugees for the Archdiocese of Toronto. We are very grateful to the Archdiocese for allowing the parish free use of the Centre during these past three years since they have purchased it. Mass times will continue to as scheduled for the rest of the year. Adoration will also continue in the Church.

### New Book Club at St. Peter's

**BaBI Book Club (Bathurst and Bloor)**; Join us at St. Peter's Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for coffee and conversation. We will choose and discuss interesting books about religion, politics and current issues, and share our thoughts with new friends. Location: conference room, rectory.

~First book: An Inconvenient Indian by Thomas King

A darkly humorous, insightful, award winning account of Native and non-Native relationships since first contact. American-Canadian Thomas King skillfully uses history, pop culture and his own experiences to articulate how we might find some mutual understanding and tell a new story. Many copies available in the Toronto library system.

### Courtyard Movies

**FREE Screenings - \$1 Snacks**  
Back to the Future (original/ first version) – **August 31 @ 8:30 pm**

### Labour Day Holiday, Monday, September 2

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2, for the Labour Day Holiday. Daily Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 AM in the Church. There will be no adoration on that day.

### St. Peter's Christian Meditation Group

St. Peter's offers a friendly and supportive atmosphere for meditation (silent prayer) following the tradition of John Main, OSB; the group is open to all regardless of religious affiliation, ethnicity or gender. Beginners welcome!

The group meets weekly on Saturdays @3:30pm in the Parish Rectory Office. Ring the bell and the receptionist will let you in and direct you to the meditation room. For more information contact Sondra at [Christian.Meditation.Group@gmail.com](mailto:Christian.Meditation.Group@gmail.com)

*Be still and know that I am God. – Psalm 46:10*

### Sick and Shut-in Ministry Meeting

There will be Sick and Shut-in Meeting on Saturday September 14 at 2.30 pm. for all those who visit the sick/shut-ins in the rectory and for any new volunteers. Training will be given to newcomers.

*Your love, Lord,  
reaches to the heavens,  
your faithfulness  
to the skies.*

- Psalm 36:5

### St. Peters Parish Fall Fair 2019 Event Committee

We are having a meeting for anyone who would like to volunteer to help with this event. Past volunteers and new volunteers are encouraged to attend this meeting. The meeting will provide information about the tasks that will need to be completed and provide opportunity for the community to ask any questions and/or suggestions they may have regarding this year's event and also vote on the appropriate date for this year's fair.

**The meeting will be held on Thursday September 5, 2019 at 7pm in the St. Peter's Parish auditorium.** If you are unable to attend and would like to volunteer feel free to contact the church office via email or phone to be added to the list.

We look forward to seeing as many people as possible to make this event a success.

### FALL FAIR DONATIONS

We will be accepting this year's Fall Fair donations starting **Tuesday October 1, 2019**, please deliver your donations to the parish office.

### Parish Finances

#### *Offering August 17-18, 2019*

Envelopes: \$1693  
Loose: \$779  
PAG: \$630  
Total: \$3102

#### *Offering August 24-25, 2019*

Envelopes: \$1951  
Loose: \$645  
PAG: \$630  
Total: \$3226  
Building Fund: \$977.45

