

■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Lent Begins on Wednesday, February 26 (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

First Friday Healing Mass at 7 PM - March 6

The First Friday Healing Mass will be on March 6 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.

Thank you to John Paul Piano!!!

For the past several years, John Paul Piano has worked as the parish's weekend sacristan. He will finish his work this weekend as he prepares for college. The parish thanks him for his faithful service and prays for his future happiness and success.

Thank You!

■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

Social Justice Program

The Social Justice Committee will be sponsoring a program of speakers on current social issues. This will be held in the church auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

March 18 - Homelessness and Loneliness by Sr. Francis Bisland cps, Founder of Dayspring ministry to mentally/physically disabled

March 25 - Racism/ Human Rights by Peter Dawson, York University Sociology Professor, Human Rights Advocate All welcome!

Eucharistic Adoration in the Church

Eucharistic Adoration in the Church takes place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Thursday and on Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please consider making time for the Lord

Workshop on Personal Vocation - March 11

On Wednesday March 11 at 7:00p.m., Sr. Gabriel will be presenting a prayer/workshop on how to discern one's personal vocation within one's way for life. This will be held in the church so time for quiet reflection/meditation is available. All welcome!!

PERSONAL VOCATION

Paint and Wine Night- Young Adults 19+ on Friday, March 6

Date: Friday March 6, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: 840 Bathurst St, Toronto ON

Room: Church Auditorium

Wine and Snacks will be served

Cost: \$20.00

RSVP by **Feb. 28** with the Parish Office: 416-534-4219 Email: youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca

Bereavement Ministry Group

A five (5) week bereavement ministry support group will be starting at St. Peter's rectory offices starting on Tuesday, **March 3 to April 7** 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) Group facilitator: Sr. Gabriel M. Riddle cps

Handyperson Needed!

The Parish is looking for a volunteer to assist another person with repairs of our pews. If you have basic handy skills and would like to volunteer, please call the office at 416-534-4219.



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Prayer and Life Workshop at St. Peter's Parish

Opening session: Tuesday January 21st, 7:00 to 9:00 PM for fifteen weeks.

Give yourself time to progressively delve deeper in your Encounters with the Lord! It is in deep prayer that you will find Him, the Source of joy, our inner Restorer. He eagerly awaits for you! Join us in this great journey! Instruction is free, materials have a recovery fee of \$15 for all the sessions (sessions are weekly). Contact Pablo at 416-346-7580 or ontario@tovpil.ca to RSVP. You may also contact the parish office.

St. Peter's Christian Meditation Group

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

2020 Offertory Envelopes



Kindly pick up your 2020 envelopes placed at the back of the Church.. Please make sure to pick up only the box with your name on it.

Parish Finances

Offering Feb. 15-16, 2020

Envelopes: \$2651
Loose: \$435
PAG: \$630
Total: \$3716
Insurance Collection: \$1443.90

THE JOURNEY FROM
ASH WEDNESDAY
— THROUGH HOLY WEEK

Youth Glaze Craze

Date: Sunday April 19, 2020

Time: 12:30 PM

Location: 840 Bathurst St,
Toronto ON

Room: Church Auditorium

Join us on Sunday April 19, 2020 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, feel free to invite family and friends! 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.

We'll provide all the supplies for a fun filled afternoon.

To Register: please call the parish office at 416-534-4219 or email: youngadult-youthmin@stpeterstoronto.ca

RSVP BY APRIL 3, 2020

Pancake Breakfast – THIS Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020

Join us for a Pancake Breakfast in the Parish Auditorium on this Sunday, February 23, 2020 following the 9:00 am and 11:15 am Masses. \$5 per plate.

Pancake
Breakfast



Try Alpha

What is Alpha?

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

Who's it for?

Alpha is for anyone who's curious. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open environment. No question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you want.

How does it work?

Alpha is typically 7-12 sessions with a weekend or day away in the middle. Each session includes food, a short talk and discussion where you can share your thoughts and ask questions. There's no pressure, no follow up and no charge.

How much is it?

There's usually no charge to attend Alpha, though some places may ask for a contribution towards food.

Course Information

DATE: February 6- April 16, 2020

TIME: 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM

LOCATION: St. Peter's Church Auditorium

New Sunday Missals / Monthly Missals

The 2019-2020 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year is \$6 and the monthly missal is \$4 both are now available at the Parish Office.

**Return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, with mourning
– Joel 2:12**

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PETER'S IN YOUR WILL

February 22-23, 2020