

## ■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

### **Public Celebration of Masses Cancelled in the Archdiocese of Toronto beginning Monday, April 19, 2021**

As a result of the COVID 19 restrictions ordered for the Province of Ontario, beginning on Monday, April 19, 2021, and lasting for at least May 20, 2021, there will be no public Masses celebrated in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Under these restrictions, churches may only admit 10 persons, including clergy, at a time. All publicly celebrated Masses during this time have been cancelled.

During the lockdown, the parish offices are also closed and all meetings in the parish have been cancelled.

Each morning, I will be celebrating Mass privately Monday to Friday at 7:00 a.m. and at 7:30 a.m. on Sundays for the intentions of the parishioners. This Mass will be [livestreamed](#) from our parish website.

If you have any need that you would like me to remember at Mass, you may call and leave a message at the parish office: 416-534-4219. I am still living and working at the parish. If you wish to speak with me, please call. Although the parish offices are closed, if I do not answer when you call, I will call you back as soon as possible.

The church will be open from Monday to Friday at 7:30 a.m. and I will be available in the church from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. Monday to Friday. On Saturdays, the church will be open from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and I will be available in the church at this time. This will also be the case on Sunday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **During these times, no more than 10 persons will be permitted in the church at a time. For this reason, so that others may also visit, please consider restricting your visits to 15 minutes.**

Each morning at 7:30 a.m., Cardinal Collins is livestreaming the celebration of Mass, the Rosary and the Angelus for the day. You can access these events live, or watch them at your own convenience, by visiting the Archdiocesan website at: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org).

There are many other spiritual resources that you can find on television or online. The Canadian Catholic network, Salt and Light, has Mass and many other devotions each day. Vision Television also has many Catholic and Christian broadcasts. Some may also wish to access the American Catholic television station EWTN—the Eternal Word Television Network. All of these provide excellent Catholic resources to feed us at this time when we are unable to visit our parish church and celebrate the Eucharist with our faith community.

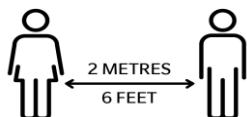
I will post my Sunday homily each week on the website.

**Please, also, if your situation allows it, remember the financial needs of your parish during this difficult and challenging time. Contributions can be mailed to the parish, left in the mailbox of the Sister of Life door, or made online through “[Donate Now](#)” at the website of the Archdiocese of Toronto—[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org). If you donate through the Archdiocesan website, please be sure to select your parish for the donation—St. Peter's Church – Toronto.**

During this time, let us pray for all those who have contracted the coronavirus and their loved ones, that they may have a speedy recovery and know God's presence in their suffering. Let us also keep in our prayers all those health care professionals who care for them.

Let us all keep before us the central reality of our faith in these uncertain times—Jesus is our Savior.

Please do not hesitate to be in touch with me if you wish. Be assured of my prayers for you and your families and I ask you to keep me in your prayers.



**MAINTAIN PHYSICAL DISTANCING AT ALL TIMES  
MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS ARE MANDATORY**



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### Change in Mailing address

If your mailing address has been changed kindly call the parish office or email us at [contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca) to update our records and mail your tax receipts to the correct mailing address

### Humanitarian Relief - India's COVID-19 Outbreak

*Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:*

Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website:

[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411

Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

**Name of Parish – India's COVID-19 Outbreak – Disaster Relief**

To learn more about Caritas' work in India, please watch this video:

<http://bit.ly/CaritasIndiaRelief>

Please continue to pray for the people of India and all those who are suffering from COVID-19 worldwide. Thank you for your continued assistance.

**“I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go”  
Joshua 1:9**

### World Communications Day May 16, 2021

**Living the Gospel locally and around the world**

“You – the clergy, religious and lay faithful of the Archdiocese – haven't forgotten the needs of your neighbours.

“Thank you to our pastors and parish staff who have continued to educate the faithful about the work of ShareLife agencies.”

– Cardinal Thomas Collins

**Thank you for supporting ShareLife!**

### We wait for God - God waits for us

A reflective evening RETREAT on:

**“PATIENCE DURING THESE TRYING TIMES OF COVID”**

will be offered on **Thursday, June 10** from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Please **register** at the parish office at [contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca) to receive the Zoom link attachment and related material. **Facilitator: Sr. Gabriel Riddle cps**



### 2021 Offertory Envelopes

Offering Envelopes for 2021 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 discard the 2020 envelopes.

**PLEASE USE THE 2021 ENVELOPES**

### 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. For reference link below

[http://www.stpeterstoronto.ca/sets/forms/E-Giving\\_Brochure.pdf](http://www.stpeterstoronto.ca/sets/forms/E-Giving_Brochure.pdf)