

## ■ ■ 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 16, 2022) and the group will continue to meet until the end of the Pentecost season (June 2022).

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.

Starting Tuesday evening, September 14, 2021 from 7:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The R.C.I.A. program here at St. Peter's invites all non-Catholics who are interested in learning about our Catholic faith. The program will meet weekly on Tuesday evening at 7:15 p.m. The participants in the R.C.I.A. program are called Catechumens, or Candidates. A Catechumen is one who has never been baptized and is considering becoming a Catholic. A Candidate is someone who has been previously baptized in a Christian denomination other than Catholic. Please pray for the success of this year's R.C.I.A. program. Please call to register with Fr. Michael at **416-534-4219** ext. 211

### First Confession, First Communion & Confirmation Prep for 2021 ~ 2022

It's that time of year to begin registrations for this year's Sacramental Preparation Programme. We are accepting registrations for ALL children, in both Public and Catholic schools, wishing to prepare for the celebration of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation next spring.

♦♦**First Communion:** Children in grade two or older are invited to celebrate the Sacraments of First Confession and First Communion. Parents interested in enrolling their children in this programme are invited to attend one of the two scheduled meetings – **Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 7-8 pm.** The meeting will take place in the main Church.

♦♦**Confirmation:** Children in grade seven or older are invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Parents **AND** their children interested in enrolling in this programme are invited to attend one of the two scheduled meetings – **Saturday, November 13, 2021 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7-8 pm.** The meeting will take place in the main Church.

♦♦All Sacramental Preparation Classes must be attended by both Catholic and Public school children. Please inquire at the Parish Office, contact Fr. Michael at 416-534-4219, ext. 211 or visit us online at [www.religioused.stpeterstoronto.ca](http://www.religioused.stpeterstoronto.ca), for further details and information about this year's programme.



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



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### Shepherd's Trust collection – Nov. 14

There will be a second collection next weekend for The Shepherds' Trust. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to ensure elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

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### 2022 Mass Intentions

Parish is now accepting 2022 Mass Intentions for all weekday Masses at 8 AM (Monday-Friday) and weekend Masses Saturday 5 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM. Offering: For announced date \$20 per Mass and for Unannounced date \$10 per Mass.

The parish has been given permission to celebrate Mass with multiple intentions every **Thursday at the 8:00 am Mass.**

To avoid crowds in the office during the pandemic you are asked to call and make an appointment for your visit (416-534-4219)

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### Winter clothing for Winter Welcome Table

The parish is collecting clean winter coats, sweaters and winter clothing for distribution among those who attend the Winter Welcome Table for a warm meal. Toiletries and unused socks are also in great demand. Please donate in the boxes at the doors of the Church.

### Thank You Very Much for Your Generosity to SHARELIFE!

Thank you to all who supported **ShareLife** this year. The parish has exceeded its goal of \$42,000.00 thanks to your generosity. To date, we have raised slightly over \$42,000.00. Those who still wish to donate to **ShareLife** may do so by donating at the church, mailing your donation to the parish office (659 Markham Street, Toronto, Ontario M6G 2M1) or through the archdiocesan website's "Donate Now" portal at: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org).

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### Remembrance Day - November 11

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, we remember in thanksgiving those who made and who continue to make the supreme sacrifice for us in time of war. We pray that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain. Today we dedicate ourselves to the cause of justice, freedom and peace, and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world. May we keep all those who are overseas in our prayers, that they may return home safely

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### The Apostles' Creed

The next session is on Thursday, November 11, at 7:15 pm in the Church Auditorium.

Topic: "He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty, from there He will come to judge the living and the dead".

Seating: First come, First serve  
Limit to 24 persons only.

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### NOVEMBER MONTH OF ALL SOULS

### 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.

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### Come & See - Day Retreat - Nov. 20

The Office of Vocations will host a Come & See – Day Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Saturday, November 20 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This day retreat offers men a way to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. We encourage you to promote this retreat in your parish and during your livestream Masses. Thank you in advance for your generosity as we work together to build a culture of vocations. REGISTER: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

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