

## ■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

### First Confession, First Communion & Confirmation Prep for 2022 ~ 2023

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 19, 2022 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 23, 2022 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 12, 2022 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 16, 2022 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.religiousest.peterstoronto.ca](http://www.religiousest.peterstoronto.ca), for further details and information about this year's programme.

## ■ ■ UPCOMING EVENTS

### Please Get Involved

Please consider attending workshop in the Church:  
**Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality - Saturday, October 15,** from 1:30 – 3:00 pm  
Please call the parish office at 416-534-4219 to register

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### Cinnamon Roll Sunday, Oct. 9

Join us every second Sunday of the month, following the 11:15 am Mass for a dessert themed Coffee Hour. Come for coffee, a featured dessert, friendly conversations and family activities.

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### Fall Fair – Oct. 15 & 16

Sat. Oct. 15 – 12 noon – 7:00 PM

Sun. Oct. 16 – 10 AM – 3:00 PM

Please deliver your donations to the parish office starting from **Sept. 15** until **Oct. 11** during office hours. Thank you!

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### Help us, help refugees!

On the weekend of **Oct. 15/16** Deacon Rudy Ovcjak from the Office of the Refugees will address us on the immediate plight of refugees and how we as a parish can help them in housing, employment and adjustment to Canadian life. Please contact the office of refugees at: [Orateducator@archtoronto.org](mailto:Orateducator@archtoronto.org)

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### Life Chain - Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022 -2 pm-3 pm

Throughout Toronto, men and women will be praying and silently witnessing for Life Chain Sunday, on Oct. 2 from 2 - 3 pm at busy intersections. This year, we will host a Life Chain gathering in front of our Church from 2 - 3 pm. People are invited to gather for silent prayer and a witness for life. The church will also be open for adoration and prayer from 2 - 3 pm. Please come and witness to the sanctity of all life.

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### Bereavement Support Group – Sept. 29

A five (5) week bereavement support group will be starting at St. Peter's Parish starting on **Thursday, September 29 to October 27, 2022** from **1:30 - 3:30 pm** in the rectory/auditorium. 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) or email: [contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca](mailto:contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca) Facilitator: Sr. Gabriel Mary Riddle, cps

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### Encountering Jesus, the Living Word of God

This group meets on **Saturdays, from 3:30 – 4:30 pm** at St. Peter's Parish, in the St. Catherine's room. All are welcome!

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## WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS

September 24-25, 2022

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### Listening to Indigenous Voices

*Thursdays, September 15, October 13, November 10, December 8 – 7 to 9 p.m.*

Through a selection of four sessions from *'Listening to Indigenous Voices'* interested participants will meet once a month to reflect upon past wrongs that have been inflicted upon Indigenous communities, and how we can move towards right relationships with Indigenous peoples as a society and as a church community based upon a renewed respect and celebration. Please register in advance with St. Peter's parish office at 416-534-4219 as registration is limited to 40 people. Please note our parish hall is not wheelchair accessible. For more information on the guide itself visit: LTIV.ca


**COST:** \$45 (includes guide); \$25 (if you already have the guide) The registration fee will be waived for those who cannot afford to pay it

### Social Justice Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting for the Social Justice Committee on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Church auditorium. If you wish to join, please come. We will also discuss how the parish might assist displaced persons from Ukraine.

### Special Collection for Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation on Oct. 1 & 2

There will be a special collection next weekend to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation on October 1 & 2. Thank you for your support!

Truth, Healing  
& Reconciliation 

### Fall Fair Centre pieces - Donations Needed!

The parish is looking for volunteers to donate \$20.00 to our Fall Fair (scheduled for Sat Oct 15 and Sun Oct 16) table centrepieces. We would like to purchase floral arrangements as the centrepieces for the tables and to decorate the stage.

Each person who donates for the flowers will be able to take home as many as they donated for.

If you wish to contribute please leave your name, contact information and \$20 contribution with Diana at the parish office.

We will be ordering the flowers on **Sept 26**, so please have the money and your information in to the parish office by then.

Also, we will be marking the flowers noting who our generous sponsors are, i.e. *"Donated by: Donors Name"*, further, the flowers will be available for the donors to take home with them once the fair is over.

### Blessing of Pets - Feast of St. Francis of Assisi - Oct. 4

In honour of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4, the parish will celebrate the blessing of pets on **Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 7:00 pm** outside the main doors of the Church. All pets and owners are welcome. For the safety of all people and animals, all pets must be leashed, caged or held in owners' control.

### Parish Finances Offering Sept. 17-18, 2022

Envelopes:	\$2330.00
Loose:	\$565.95
PAG:	\$1023.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3918.95</b>

### 2022 Ontario Catholic School Trustee Elections

A two evening series of information and discernment for voters in Toronto Catholic School District Ward 9 will be held in the Church auditorium (the auditorium is not wheelchair accessible):

**Wednesday, Sept. 28 – 7-9 pm**

\*The catholic duty to vote

\*How to choose your vote: praying & applying Church doctrine

**Thursday, Sept. 29 – 7-9 pm**

\*Meet the candidates: hear & meet the candidates as they answer important questions concerning service as a school trustee  
All are welcome!

### Memorial Mass on First Friday October. 7

The parish will have the monthly memorial Mass on First Friday, Oct. 7 to commemorate the anniversaries of the deceased friends and family members of parishioners. Names may be enrolled for each monthly Mass by calling the parish office ahead of time. Those who enroll a name (or names) will be asked to leave their name and phone number. Those who request a memorial Mass must attend to light a candle for their deceased loved one. A donation of \$20.00 per person is the suggested donation for this special Mass.

To enroll a family member for whom there is an anniversary of death, please call the parish office during office hours- 416-534-4219. As arrangements must be made ahead of time for a candle to be lit for each person being remembered, it will not be possible to add names during the Mass.