

## ■ HIGHLIGHTED

### Advent Reflections on Dec. 5, 6 & 7 at 7:00 PM in the Church facilitated by Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB

#### ◆ *December 5, 2022*

“The world has welcomed a Savior”

Biblical Reflections on the Infancy Narrative of Luke’s Gospel

#### ◆ *December 6, 2022*

“The birth of Jesus and the fulfillment of prophecy”

Biblical Reflections on the Infancy Narrative of Matthew’s Gospel

#### ◆ *December 7, 2022*

The Pregnant Season:

A biblical spirituality for Advent through the lenses of the Holy Family.

*All are welcome! We look forward to seeing you there.*



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### Advent Cheer, Bazaar and Bake Sale! December 3-4, 2022

Join us for Advent Bazaar and Bake Sale on Saturday, December 3 from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM and on Sunday, December 4 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Church Auditorium. Come celebrate this wonderful time of the year in fellowship and cheer.

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### Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule 2022-2023

#### *Christmas Eve Saturday, December 24, 2022*

5:00 p.m. - Family Mass  
8:00 p.m. - Mass  
12:00 Midnight - Mass

#### *Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25, 2022*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
11:15 a.m. - Mass

#### *New Year's Eve, Saturday, December 31, 2022*

5:00 p.m. - Mass

#### *New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1, 2023*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
11:15 a.m. - Mass



First Sunday of Advent

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### Advent Confessions - Dec 17, 2022

Advent confessions will take place in the Church on *Saturday, December 17*, from *10:00 am to 4:00 pm*. Please take part in this spiritual healing as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ.

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### Christmas Gifts for the Winter Welcome Table

We would like to have unwrapped gifts for distribution at our December 19th Winter Welcome Table Christmas Party. Items such as socks, scarves, hats, gloves, male and female personal hygiene products would be required. Your generosity will be appreciated. Please place gifts in the boxes at the doors of the church any day *before Friday, Dec. 16*.

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### Gingerbread Sunday on Dec. 11

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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### Donation for Christmas Flowers

Every year the parish relies on the generosity of parishioners to decorate the church with flowers. If you would like to make a donation to purchase flowers, please make your donation by using the envelope "Flowers for Christmas" marked with your name, address and envelope numbers. Thank you for your generosity

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### Listening to Indigenous Voices

*December 8, January 12 at 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.

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### 2023 Mass Intentions

St. Peter's Parish is now accepting 2023 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

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

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### Parish Finances

*Offering Nov. 19-20, 2022*

Envelopes:	\$1812.65
Loose:	\$655.00
PAG:	\$1023.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3490.65</b>

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### 2023 Offertory Envelopes

Offering Envelopes for 2023 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 DO NOT USE THE 2023 ENVELOPES UNTIL THE NEW YEAR BEGINS***

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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.

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### Memorial Mass on First Friday Dec. 2

The parish will celebrate the monthly memorial Mass on First Friday, Dec. 2 to commemorate the anniversaries of the deceased friends and family members of parishioners. To enroll a family member for whom there is an anniversary of death, please call the parish office ahead of time during office hours at 416-534-4219

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### Helping Our Neighbours at Christmas!!

Every Christmas, our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Society assists between 25 to 30 families. This outreach requires about \$7,000.00. Due to the pandemic, the St. Vincent de Paul Society is about \$4,000.00 short of the money they require for this outreach. If you are able to assist our neighbours at Christmas, there are envelopes in the bulletin this weekend for this purpose. These envelopes may be placed in any collation. Cheques should be made out to "St. Vincent de Paul- St. Peter's." Thank you for helping our neighbours at Christmas.

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### Exploring our encounter with Christ through the Sacraments

*Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm in the Church Auditorium*

Our faith is often described as a marriage between God and humanity. St. Paul writes that marriage was actually designed by God himself to be a visible and tangible sign of his own love for humankind. So if our relationship with God is like a marriage, and marriage is about a lifelong covenant in which a man and a woman live to give themselves entirely to each other, how do we give ourselves completely to God? All are welcome!

Facilitator: Gabriel Nakonechny

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***"Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, that he may come and rain righteousness on you."***

*~Hosea: 10-12~*

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