

■ HIGHLIGHTED

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 (March 30, 2024) and the group will continue to meet until the end of the Pentecost season (June 2024).

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.

If you know anyone who might be interested in becoming Catholic, please invite them to consider joining the R.C.I.A. at the parish where they wish to attend Sunday Mass. If they wish to do so here at St. Peter's, please have them give Fr. Michael a call for more information (416-534-4291, ext. 211).

We pray for our Deceased

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** Cemetery locations and Celebrants for this year's Annual Mass are as follows:

Cemetery	Celebrant
Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga	Most Rev. Frank Leo, Archbishop of Toronto
Christ the King Cemetery, Markham	Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill	Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau
Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto	Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB
Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge	Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri
Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby	Rev. Fr. Dominic Barber
St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie	Rev. Fr. Laurence J. Leger
ALL ARE WELCOME!!	

In the event of rain, Masses will be held in:

- ◆ Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum at Assumption Cemetery
- ◆ Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery
- ◆ St. Anthony's Mausoleum at Queen of Heaven Cemetery
- ◆ Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum at Resurrection Cemetery
- ◆ Christ the King Cemetery will celebrate Mass in the Reception Centre at the cemetery office
- ◆ Mount Hope Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave. Toronto
- ◆ St. Mary's Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Mary's Parish, 65 Amelia Street in Barrie.

ANNUAL MASS
FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Memorial Mass on First Friday – August 4 at 7 PM

Please call the parish office ahead of time to enroll a family member (s) for whom there is an anniversary of death.

■ ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Profound THANKS to Sister Gabriel for her many years of FAITHFUL Service— Prayers for a BLESSED Retirement!

Sister Gabriel Mary Riddle, CPS, recently informed the pastoral council of her intention to retire for reasons of health and age effective August 1, 2023. For the past eight years, Sister Gabriel has been an essential member of the parish team, serving as the parish's pastoral associate. Her ministry has involved bereavement ministry, spiritual direction, faith formation, retreats; work with the Social Justice Committee, and coordinating essential aspects of the parish's Winter Welcome Table outreach that provides a meal for many in our community. The parish community is profoundly grateful to Sister Gabriel for all that she has been and done for our community. We pray that as she begins this new stage of her journey, the Lord will continue to bless her and keep her in his care. The parish will host a social in the parish auditorium to celebrate Sister Gabriel following the **11:15 AM Sunday Mass on August 13, 2023**. May God bless Sister Gabriel with a happy and healthy retirement for many years to come!



**FREE Screenings @ 9:00 pm;
\$1 Snacks**

Title of Movies/ Play Dates:

1. Super Mario Bros. – **August 12**

Visit courtyardmovies.ca for
more info

Cheese Cake Sunday, August 13

Join us on Sunday, August 13, following the 11:15 am Mass for a dessert themed Coffee Hour. Come for coffee, a featured dessert, friendly conversations and family activities.

Please Get Involved

The parish invites parishioners to consider getting involved in different ministries. The parish needs Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and shut in and Altar Servers.

Please consider attending workshops in the **Church:**

**Eucharistic Ministry for the
Sick and Shut-in – Saturday,**

September 23 from 2 pm – 3 pm

Lectors Ministry – Saturday,

September 30, from 2 pm – 3 pm

Ushers and Ministers of

Hospitality - Saturday, October

7, from 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Altar Servers Ministry -

Saturday, October 14 from 9 am
– 11 am

**Eucharistic Ministry- Saturday,
October 21**, from 2 pm – 3 pm

Please call the parish office at 416-
534-4219 to register

Parish BBQ Social

Date: August 27, 2023

Time: 12 PM – 2 PM

Venue: Parish Front Lawn



Second Collection for Mission Co-op – Aug. 5-6

Each year every parish in the Archdiocese invites a missionary preacher to speak about the needs of their local Church. This year our speaker will be from the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Face of Jesus. There will be a second collection for Mission Co-op on the weekend of Aug. 5-6. They will be speaking at all of the Masses on that weekend. Please give generously to our brothers and sisters in need. Thank you!

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23, 2023

**Support our seniors through
ShareLife**

Society of Sharing is one of the agencies you support through your generous donations to ShareLife. They serve our isolated, housebound, and lonely seniors in Toronto.

Society of Sharing does not charge for services and it provides our seniors with assistance through your donations to ShareLife.

For our seniors, please give generously at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate

Parish Finances

Offering July 8-9, 2023

Envelopes:	\$2425.00
Loose:	\$521.75
PAG:	\$1023.00
TOTAL	\$3969.75

Offering July 15-16, 2023

Envelopes:	\$1995.00
Loose:	\$621.95
PAG:	\$1023.00
TOTAL	\$3639.95