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5th Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024

ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife

Share the love with our beloved seniors through ShareLife. Last year, ShareLife supporters like you offered quality care and companionship to over 2,300 vulnerable seniors. "The largest thank you to all ShareLife donors for your continued generosity! With your support, our centre is able to provide assistance to seniors in need through our community programs." – Jaymie Daunt, LA Centre for Active Seniors. The third ShareLife Sunday of the year is June 2. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel!

Living Easter Hope: An Evening of Taizé Prayer – May 1



The FCJ sisters and friends are organizing another evening of Taizé prayer at St. Peter's Parish. Come join us on **Wednesday, May 1, from 7.30 - 8.30pm** as we continue to celebrate the hope that Easter brings to our lives and world. All are welcome!

Solemn Vows for Sister Kristine Fernandes, CSJ, on May 5 at 11:15 am Mass

The parish will host a Mass for the Solemn vows of Sister Kristine Fernandes, csj, at the 11:15 am Mass on Sunday, May 5, 2024. Please come and pray for her and vocations to the religious life.

Pope's Pastoral Works Collection – May 5

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously.

Memorial Mass on First Friday May 3 at 7 pm

The parish will celebrate the monthly memorial Mass on First Friday, May 3, 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.

Cupcake Sunday – May 19

Join us on Sunday May 19, following the 11:15 am Mass for a dessert themed Coffee Hour. Come for coffee, a featured dessert, friendly conversations and family activities.

Someone to Talk to in a Difficult Time

These uncertain Covid times have shone a light on the pressing need for mental health support services. St. Peter's Parish and Dr. Egit have teamed up in addressing that need. When is it time for mental health support? The question is puzzling. Are we; depressed enough, anxious, enough, stressed enough, worthy enough? Those are imponderable quandaries on which to base a decision .The simpler questions are, "Have I been unhappy" and ,"Is my daily life a struggle?"

If the answer is yes, then mental health supports are appropriate. The service is free. There are a limited number of hours dedicated to this program. Dr. Egit will be available for appointments Wednesdays between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Each appointment will be 45 minutes in length.

The sessions will be conducted on line or by telephone. To arrange to speak with him, you are asked to call and book an appointment with the parish office (416-534-4219).

Dr. Egit is a psychotherapist and a psychoanalyst experienced in working with individuals and couples. He holds an MA and a Ph.D. from The University of Toronto and had completed his psychoanalytic training and certification from the Toronto Institute of Contemporary Psychoanalysis. He is registered with the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario

-AROUND SAINT PETER'S

St. Vincent De Paul Bundle Up Weekend -May 11th and May 12th

Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting new and gently used items for local charities, special works and its clothing stores, Saturday May 11th and Sunday May 12th open between 8am – 6pm. A van will be parked on Markham Street behind the church. We will accept – all clothing, footwear, bedding, drapery/towels both new and used; also children's toys - new only. We will not be accepting baby items (e.g., car seats, strollers, etc.), construction materials, dishes, furniture, nor books/video/audio/DVDs. A great opportunity for spring cleaning and to help the needy.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place Monday to Friday after the 8:00 AM Mass until 9:30 AM. (No adoration on Statutory holiday)

Donate Online

Don't carry cash or even own cheques? Want to collect miles or points



on your credit card? Donating online is a great option! Tax receipts are issued immediately for single donations and at the end of the year for recurring monthly giftly. Scan the QR code or select the "Donate" button at www.stpetersto.archtoronto.org Please ensure that "St Peter's Parish, Toronto" is selected from the parish drop down menu. Thank you for supporting our parish!

"The blessing of the Lord makes rich, and he adds no sorrow with it." Proverbs 10-22

St. Peter's Seniors Group of Wisdom – May 23

At this meeting, there will be a presentation on the computer technology support services. "Connected Canadians" is a notfor-profit group dedicated to removing digital barriers by providing free technology training and support to older Canadians (50 and over) across the country. The St. Peter's Wisdom Group would like to invite all interested parishioners to come and learn about the range of tutorials, workshop skills and customized one-on-one mentorship offered by Connected Canadians, and how to access these services. The presentation will take place on May 23 at 9:30 in our Parish Auditorium and will be delivered by a Connected Canadians mentor virtually through a live Zoom link. The meeting will be broadcast on the auditorium projector screen so we will be able to see him on-screen and pose any questions we may have. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to learn about this valuable resource!

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St. Peter's Seniors Group of Wisdom – May 9

Please join the St. Peter's Group of Wisdom for a lovely morning of classical strings music on May 9, 2024 at 9:30-11:00am in the **Parish Auditorium.** Wonderfully talented and creative musicians, Sebastian Ostertag and Eric Kim-Fujita will present a kaleidoscopic exploration of the season of "summer", with music for violin and cello. Featuring works by Antonio Vivaldi, Astor Piazzola, and Hans Richter, the duo will showcase the many virtuosic and expressive influences that this season has had on composers throughout the ages. Sebastian and Eric are members of Toronto's Interro String Quartet and perform regularly throughout the GTA and beyond. Sebastian is also Director at Sistema Toronto, a remarkable not-for-profit organization providing ensemblebased music education to children in underserved communities.

New Parishioners

Welcome to St. Peter's Church. Please take a moment to fill out a registration form in order that we can serve you better. Forms are available at the back of the Church or in the Parish Office. We have the option of Pre-Authorized Giving (direct debit from your bank) or if you wish a box of offertory envelopes for 2023, it is located at the back of the Church. You may pick your envelopes from the labelled "New Parishioners" tray. Kindly ensure to write your full name and address on the envelope when giving your donations.