

■ HIGHLIGHTED

Ascension of the Lord May 12, 2024

ShareLife and World Communications Day



On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Deaf and hard of hearing community. "If you ever wonder what impact you are making – you are sending Deaf kids to an accessible American Sign Language (ASL) camp in the summer; you are connecting Deaf kids with Deaf mentors; you are inspiring Deaf kids to achieve their dreams; you are teaching family members ASL so they can communicate with their Deaf children. When you give, it goes a long way." – Kelly Mackenzie, Silent Voice. Thus far we have raised [insert total raised] toward our goal of [insert goal amount]. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Mark your calendars for the highly anticipated St. Peter's Parish Summer Fair 2024!



With delicious BBQ and desserts, a wide selection of books, a flea market full of hidden treasures, and exciting games and crafts, this event promises to be a fun-filled experience for the whole family. Join us on **Saturday, June 22 from 1 pm- 7pm and Sunday, June 23 from 10 am - 1 pm** at our church auditorium located across from the Bathurst subway station. Don't miss out on this wonderful community gathering!

Looking to get involved in the St. Peter's Parish Summer Fair 2024, June 22-23?

We'd love your help! Whether you're interested in volunteering or showcasing your baking skills, we welcome your participation. To learn more, please call the parish office and let us know how you'd like to contribute. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of our vibrant community event!

Confirmation Celebration on Saturday, May 18 at 5:00 PM Mass

We ask you to please pray for these young members of our parish community and their families. Fr. Michael will be administering the sacrament of Confirmation to our children.

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

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■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Talk by Dr. Egit on "Mothers and Children", May 23 at 7:30 pm

All are welcome to join Dr. Egit who will present a talk on "Mothers and children" on **Thursday, May 23 at 7:30 pm at St. Catherine's room.**

Do mothers have an impact on who we are as adults? How profound is that impact?

Can that impact, ever be changed if we want it to change? Can we move beyond our upbringing?

Dr. Egit is a practicing psychotherapist/psychoanalyst. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Toronto and completed his analytic training at the Toronto Institute of Contemporary Psychoanalysis. (he will be happy to entertain questions and initiate a discussion as part of the presentation)."

St. Vincent De Paul Bundle Up THIS 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, **this 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.

St. Peter's Seniors Group of Wisdom – May 23 – 9:30 am

At this meeting, there will be a presentation on the computer technology support services. "Connected Canadians" is a not-for-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!



Singing as the Body of Christ: Congregational Song Workshop – May 21 in Church – 7 pm

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God." (Colossians 3:16) **On Tuesday, May 21 at 7 pm in Church**, join Christina Labriola and parish music director Roy Lee for a practical music workshop held in the church. We will reflect on the importance of congregational song in the life of the Church, and then put this into practice by learning to sing selected chants and hymns together.

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 2024, 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.

Parish Finances

Offering May 4-5, 2024

Envelopes:	\$3089.50
Loose:	\$995.85
PAG:	\$1023.00
Total	\$5108.35