

HIGHLIGHTED

First Confession, First Communion & Confirmation Prep for 2024 ~ 2025

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 9, 2024 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 13, 2024 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 16, 2024 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 20, 2024 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.religioused.stpeterstoronto.ca, for further details and information about this year's programme

Thanksgiving Food-Drive for the Good Shepherd Mission - Oct. 12 & 13 THIS WEEKEND

The Good Shepherd Mission in Toronto looks after many of the city's homeless and helps them find a warm meal all year round. Each year they rely on the generosity of Torontonians who are able to donate food to make their mission possible. This year the parish will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving Food Drive to support the Good Shepherd Mission. Please consider donating canned tuna, canned meat, canned fruit or vegetables, canned soups and stews, peanut butter, jam, cereal teabags, instant coffee, cookies, rice, and crackers. Please no fresh fruits or vegetables or frozen food. Some parishes decorate their sanctuaries with flowers on the Thanksgiving weekend. Let us decorate ours with food to be offered to those in need. Please bring your non-perishable food donations to any of our Sunday Masses on this Thanksgiving weekend Oct.12 & 13.

Diving Deeper into Our Faith – Oct. 16

St. Peter's Church offers an adult faith formation program, animated by Sonal Castelino, M. Div, (Director of Mission and Ministry at the University of St. Michael's College), on Wednesday evenings from **7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Church auditorium.** The next series will be on **Wed. Oct. 16.** The topic will be on **"Passion, Death and Resurrection – cost of discipleship"**

Ministry Workshop

The parish invites parishioners to consider attending workshop in the Church to those interested:

Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality - Saturday, October 19, from 2:00 pm– 3:30 pm . Please call the parish office at 416-534-4219 to register

Volunteer Facilitators Needed for Children's Liturgy

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to help lead our Children's Liturgy during the 11:15 am Mass on Sundays. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with our young parishioners and share the joy of faith with them.

Commitment: Once a month rotation

Role: Facilitator for Children's Liturgy

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact our parish office at: 416-534-4219 or email: contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca

Thank you for considering this rewarding opportunity to serve our community!

Thanksgiving Monday – Oct. 14

The parish office will be closed due to thanksgiving holiday on Monday, October 14. Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM in the Church and there will be no adoration on that day. **Happy Thanksgiving** from the Parish Staff!

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All Saints Day - November 1

On Friday, November 1, All Saints day, Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 AM and also for the First Friday, Memorial Mass at 7:00 PM

All Souls Day - November 2 & praying for Our Beloved dead in November

In the month of November it is our tradition to pray for our beloved. The parish will have a "Book of Remembrance" for the faithful departed and the names of all those family members written in it will be remembered at all masses throughout November. Parishioners may add names of deceased family members or friends for whom they wish the parish to offer prayers during this season of remembrance. On November 2, All Souls day the parish will have Masse for **All Souls at 12 noon**. The parish has invited the families of those who have had a death this year to the 12 noon Mass.

Please note that the Mass on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 5:00 PM is a Sunday Mass.

World Mission Sunday – Oct 19-20

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.

FREE Catholic Estate Planning Webinar Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

How to avoid problems: in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection

How to create your own legacy
About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. Scan this QR code:
2. Follow this QR link:
qrco.de/Web Oct19
3. Send an email to:
Development@ArchToronto.org
and write "webinar October 19"
in the title line +your name(s) in the body of the message.



Parish Finances

Offering Oct. 5-6, 2024

Envelopes: \$2053.45
Loose: \$620.90
PAG: \$1023.00
Total: \$3697.35

Pie Sunday, Nov. 10

Join us on Sunday, Nov. 10 following the 11:15 am Mass for a dessert themed Coffee Hour. Come for coffee, a featured dessert, friendly conversations and family activities



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. Please wash any used clothing before donating. Thank you for your understanding in this regard!

From the Office of Catholic Youth



♦ **Jubilee of Youth**

Join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time!

Young Adults (19-39)

July 23 – Aug. 5, 2025

Rome, Italy

Email: youth@archtoronto.org

♦ **Renew**

Annual Young Adult (19-39)

Nov. 23 – Nov. 24, 2024

Canada Event Centre

300 Water St, Whitby

www.renewtoronto.org

♦ **Spiritus Ministry**

East-West-York-Durham-Central-North

Young adult ministry serving in 6 regions of our Archdiocese

Email:

spiritusministry@gmail.com

Instagram: @spiritusministry

“Give thanks to the Lord who is good, whose mercy endures forever.” – Psalm 106:1