HIGHLIGHTED

St. Bruno/St. Raymond Catholic School - JK Registration 2025-2026

Registration for Junior Kindergarten (September 2025) at St. Bruno/St. Raymond Catholic School will begin on Wednesday, January 22th, 2025, at 10:00 am.

Parents/guardians are asked to apply on-line using the "Student On-line Admission and Registration" platform known as S.O.A.R. and found at the following link: http://soar.tcdsb.org.

As part of the registration process, a meeting will be scheduled on the electronic application or in person at the school. During the meeting, the following <u>original</u> documentation is required for your child during registration: *Baptismal Certificate, Birth Certificate and/or Passport, Immunization Record, Proof of Residence within school catchment boundary, Immigration papers if not born in Canada, and Application for Direction of <i>School support. Registration will NOT be deemed complete until all necessary documentation is on file with the school.* We will work with you to accommodate in person meetings to complete the registration process. For further information, please contact our school office at (*416-393-5237*). For general inquires or further information you may contact 416-222-8282 extension 5320 or visit the TCDSB website at:

https://www.tcdsb.org/page/kindergarten-registration

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service, Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, 4 p.m.

Venue: North City Church (Toronto District Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.) 377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, L4L 2V7 **Theme:** "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

Diving Deeper into Our Faith - Jan. 22

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. Jan. 22. The topic will be on "Principle of Human Dignity

Follow-up on the Parish Survey

Thank you to all who took the time to fill out the parish survey! Every survey was read and discussed by the entire parish council.



The most common suggestions that were received had to do with costly improvements to the parish building. It was agreed unanimously that these improvements should be made as soon as we receive the money to do so. The suggested improvements were the construction of an elevator to link basement and church, renovation and expansion of the washrooms, replacement of the heating system, a new sound system and the addition of bells in the bell tower. The costs of these improvements in our old church building would be well over two million dollars.

For those who do not know, our parish is already attempting to pay off a debt of over three million dollars. We do have some very generous donors. Thank you to those who do support the parish so generously. There are also a significant number of people who donate \$5.00 a week. Today it is difficult to do anything with \$5.00. As we barely pay our bills from week to week, there have been cutbacks in office hours and other services as a result of rising costs.

The suggestions made in this survey would require a major financial campaign that the council did not feel would be appropriate in these difficult times. These expectations do make very real the financial constraints on our community. If you are one of the many people who are donating \$5.00 a week, perhaps consider what you can buy in today's world for that amount. Even a movie is close to \$20.00. Inflation has touched every area of our lives. We suspect that those who are still giving \$5.00 a week are doing so because that is what they have always done. However, in order that we might attempt to do some of the things that parishioners expected to be done for them, please consider providing your parish with the financial means to do so.

Thank you again to all who filled out a survey. In the coming weeks, the parish council will report back and continue to respond to the suggestions and concerns.

-AROUND SAINT PETER'S

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!

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Ivan Camilleri – Feb. 9, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.



As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at

www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

Taizé Prayer at the Opening of Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope

Come join the FCJ sisters and friends for an evening of quiet Taizé prayer as we enter into the Jubilee Year 2025, with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope". See you on

Tuesday, January 28, from 7.30 - 8.30pm in the main church.
Please note that our monthly
Taizé prayers are now on the last

Taizé prayers are now on the last Tuesdays of the month. All are welcome!

Free Catholic Estate Planning Webinar

Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

How to avoid problems: in your Will, in 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/WebFeb01



3. send an email to:

Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 1" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Parish Finances

Offering Jan. 11-12, 2024

Envelopes: \$1666.15 Loose: \$466.45 PAG: \$993.00 *Total* \$3125.60

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

-Romans 15:13

2025 Offertory My Offering Envelopes

Offertory Envelopes for 2025 are available at the back of the church along with the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan Form (PAG). Please make sure to pick up only the box with your name on it. Thank you!

PLEASE USE 2025 ENVELOPES AND DISCARD THE 2024 ENVELOPES

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2025 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

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

The Source - Sisters of Life



The Sisters of Life will be hosting "The Source" in the Church on **Thursday, January 23** at 7:00 PM. You are invited to come for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration (7:00 PM - 8:00 PM) followed by Christian fellowship in the Church Auditorium. Confession will also be available during Adoration.