HIGHLIGHTED

Tip Tap Pay for Offertory

The Archdiocese of Toronto has partnered with Tip Tap Pay so that you can help support your parish with a simple tap. Simply tap the 'tiptap' device to give to your parish. That's it!

You can receive an **end-of-year tax receipt for your 'tiptap' gifts**. Right after your first tap, scan this QR Code with your smart phone and register your payment card. Once registered, you will receive an end-of-year tax receipt for your 'tiptap' gifts. All 'tiptap' gifts prior to registering are not eligible for a tax receipt.

Thank you for your kind heart and for supporting our church!

Jubilee Year Masses in the Central Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto

All Parishioners are invited to celebrate the Opening Jubilee Year Masses in the Central Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto. They include:

- St. Paul's Basilica (83 Power Street) Wed. Feb. 12, celebrated by Bishop Kasun
- St. Mary's Church (588 Adelaide Street) Thurs, Feb 20, celebrated by Bishop Kasun
- St. Edward the Confessor Church (75 Churchill Ave) Tues. Feb 25, celebrated by Cardinal Francis Leo

All Masses begin at 7:00 pm. Confession time from 5:30pm to 6:45pm. No need to register. Just come!

Diving Deeper into Our Faith - Feb. 12

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. Feb. 12. The topic will be on "Solidarity"

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.

More Follow-up on the Parish Survey

There were a few people in the parish survey who asked for more instruction regarding some of the postures and gestures during Mass. Here are some of the important things that we do in the church.

Genuflecting: One of the common practices when entering a Catholic Church, where the Blessed Sacrament is present, is to genuflect to acknowledge the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is kept in the tabernacle. It is always located near the red candle that burns to announce the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Catholic practice is to genuflect towards the Blessed Sacrament, when entering the church or passing in front of the tabernacle. This is done by touching the right knee to the ground in the direction of the Tabernacle. For those who cannot genuflect, a solemn bow can be used to acknowledge Christ's presence in the tabernacle.

Bowing: Another practice is to bow to the altar, which represents the Cross of Christ. Again, when a person enters the Church, or passes by the altar, it is appropriate to make a solemn bow to reverence the altar.

More information of this nature will follow in the coming weeks.

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!

Bereavement Support Group

St. Peter's Bereavement Support Group will be meeting on the 2nd Friday of the month. The next meeting will take place on Friday, February 14, from 10 am to 11:30 am in the rectory. Refreshments provided. This spiritual reflection and support ministry is open to all whose lives have been touched by the loss of a loved one. Please register at the parish office (416-534-4219) or email: contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca

Facilitator: Mary Benincasa

Valentine's Surprise THIS Sunday, Feb. 9

Join us on Sunday, Feb.9, following the 11:15 am Mass for a dessert themed Coffee Hour. Come for coffee, a featured dessert, friendly conversations and family activities



St. Peter's Pancake Sunday – March 2

Date: Sunday, March 2 Time: Following the 11:15 am

Mass

Location: Parish Auditorium

Ticket Price: \$5.00

Eucharistic Adoration

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

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 2025, 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. All parishioners are requested to inform the Parish office whenever there is a change in address or phone number. Thank you!

Parish Finances

Offering Feb. 1-2, 2025

Envelopes: \$2101.10 Loose: \$412.10 PAG: \$993.00 *Total* \$3506.20

New Sunday Missals 2024-2025

Sunday Missals are available at the Parish office. Cost is \$7

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

The Source - Sisters of Life



The Sisters of Life will be hosting "The Source" in the Church on **Thursday, February 20** 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.

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

♦ Spiritus Ministry

East-West-York-Durham-Central-North

Young adult ministry serving in 6 regions of our Archdiocese

Email:

spiritusministry@gmail.com

Instagram: @spiritusministry