

## HIGHLIGHTED

### Lent Begins on Wednesday, Feb. 18 (Ash Wednesday)



The 40 days of Lent are a special time of spiritual renewal in the Church. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5. The parish will have two Masses on Ash Wednesday with the distribution of Ashes. These will be at 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM in the Church. During Lent the Stations of the Cross will be prayed Friday evenings in the Church after 7:00 PM Mass.

### Blessing of candles – Monday, February 2, 2026

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord takes place on Monday, February 2, 2026. By tradition, the Church blesses candles on this date. Those who wish to have candles blessed, may bring them before the 8:00 am Mass and place them on the table near the votive candles. The candles can be blessed at the beginning of Mass.

### Blessing of throats – Tuesday, February 3, 2026

On Tuesday, February 3, is the feast of St. Blaise. The blessing of throats will take place following the 8:00 am Mass.

### Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau – Feb. 8, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.



Married couples are invited to attend the **Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau on Sunday, February 8, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.** at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a **25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ anniversary in 2026**. Seating is limited and available by advance registration. All other seating is first-come, first-served. Those unable to attend in person are invited to join via livestream. Registration and additional information: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage)

Poster: [bit.ly/2026MarriageSundayPoster](http://bit.ly/2026MarriageSundayPoster)

### Memorial Mass on February 6, at 7 pm

The parish will celebrate the First Friday Memorial Mass on Friday, February 6 at 7 pm. To enroll a family member for whom there is an anniversary of death, please call the parish office ahead of time during office hours

### 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!

### Pancake Sunday- February 8

Join us on Sunday, February 8, following the 11:15 am Mass for a dessert themed Coffee Hour. Come for coffee, a featured dessert, friendly conversations and family activities.

### Widow's Peer Support Group

The next meeting for Widow's Peer Support Group will be held on **Friday, February 20**, in the office rectory from **10:00 AM – 11:30 AM**. Those interested are welcome to join this group.

### 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)

### 2026 Offertory Envelopes

Offertory Envelopes for 2026 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 ONLY 2026 ENVELOPES AND DISCARD 2025 ENVELOPES**

# ■ AROUND SAINT PETER'S

## Taizé Prayer with FCJ Sisters and Friends

Come and rest with God on **Thursday, February 19 at 7:30 pm** in the Church with a time of music, scripture and quiet reflection. All are welcome.

## 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.

## Parish Finances

**Offering Jan. 24-25, 2026**

Envelopes: \$1616.00

Loose: \$211.35

PAG: \$993.00

**TOTAL \$2820.35**

## From the Office of Catholic Youth Ministry

East-West-York-Durham-

Central-North

Young adult ministry serving in 6 regions of our Archdiocese

Email:

[spiritusministry@gmail.com](mailto:spiritusministry@gmail.com)

Instagram: @spiritusministry

## Free Catholic Estate Planning Webinar

**Saturday, February 7, 2026, 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 registration link:  
<https://qrco.de/WedFeb7>
3. send an email to:  
[Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar February 7" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message



## WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

**“He gives power to the weak and strengthens the powerless.”**

**– Isaiah 40:29**

## Saint Life Board

Have you seen our new

The Saint Life board at

the front entrance? Each

month we will be high

lighting a different saint to learn from them and reflect on our own journey of discipleship. So far we have highlighted St. Carlos Acutis, and St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

This month we feature St. Pedro Calungsod and reflect on how his witness of faith, service,

and courage invites us to follow Christ more deeply. You can access previous Saint highlights by scanning the QR code or by visiting <http://bit.ly/4qaL4OQ>

## Prayer for Priests

O, Jesus Eternal priest, keep your priests within the shelter of your heart where none may harm them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily hold your sacred body. Keep holy their lips moistened with your precious blood. Keep holy and unearthly their hearts sealed with sublime mark of your glorious priesthood.

Let your love surround and shield them from the contagion of this world. Their labors for the Glory of God may be blessed with abundant fruits and may the one whom they serve be the source of joy to them here on earth and in heaven their eternal crown. Let them be eager to be with you, to proclaim your good news and to fight against the evil one. Lord, give your church holy priests, religious and lay leaders. Jesus Redeemer of this world keep pure your priests and those whom they serve. Holy Mary Queen of priests, pray for your priests.

