HIGHLIGHTED

Lectors Workshop – Sat. Oct. 31

We are pleased to announce that Beth, a former parishioner and friend from St. Gertrude's in Oshawa, will be joining us on **Saturday**, **October 31, from 1:00–3:00 p.m.** in the Church auditorium, to lead a workshop for all current and prospective lectors.

There will also be an optional hands-on training session at the ambo/pulpit inside the church, which will be especially helpful in putting the learning into practice.

Beth brings professional experience in management coaching and development, along with a deep understanding of the importance of the lectors' ministry. This workshop will help us proclaim the Word of God clearly and confidently while appreciating the honour, responsibility, and seriousness of this ministry.

A full turnout is expected, and I am asking each person to respond personally to confirm their attendance.

Receiving Holy Communion with Reverence

We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the Eucharist. Before receiving the Host, bow your head in reverence to Jesus, not to the priest or minister.

Whether receiving in the hand or on the tongue, **consume the Host immediately**. Never return to your seat with the Host in your hand or place it in your pockets, bags, hymn books, or pew pockets.

After receiving, return to your pew for personal prayer and thanksgiving.

Those taking Communion to the sick and homebound must speak to the priest celebrating Mass before Mass begins and provide the recipient's name if necessary.

Let our actions reflect our faith, reverence, and love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

First Confession, First Communion & Confirmation Prep for 2026 ~ 2027

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. Forms are available at the back of the Church

♦♦**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 7, 2026 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 11, 2026 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 teenage children interested in enrolling in this programme are invited to attend one of the two scheduled meetings – ***Saturday, November 14, 2026 at 2-3 pm or Wednesday, November 18, 2026 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

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul "Bundle Up" Collection Weekend Sat. Nov. 14th and Sun. 15th

Please let those gently used items you can do without benefit our neighbours in need.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a non-profit charity whose volunteer members collect clothing, shoes, linen and small household goods to donate, exchange for vouchers or sell to support our works of charity.

We collect clothing, shoes, linen and small household goods. Please tie your donation bags to prevent spoiling.

There will be a truck parked behind the church on Markham Street all weekend open Saturday and Sunday between 9am and 7pm. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

"And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to the riches in glory in Christ Jesus." – Philippines 4:19

AROUND SAINT PETER'S

Winter clothing for Winter Welcome Table

The parish is collecting ***CLEAN adult*** jackets, tops and pants 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!

Taizé Prayer Service of Thanksgiving – Oct. 29

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, the FCJ sisters and friends invite you to a gentle evening of Taizé prayer — quiet song, scripture, and silence — as we give thanks for God's blessings and reflect on the changing seasons of our lives. Join us in this time of gratitude and peace, to rest in God's presence and be renewed in hope, on **Thursday, October 29, from 7.30 - 8.30pm**.

Time Change – Sunday November 1

On Sunday, November 1, we will move our clocks back one hour to change to standard time. Please remember only the Sunday Masses next weekend will begin in accordance with standard time

Book Barrow – Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will be holding a Book Barrow just outside the entrance of the Church on Sat., Oct. 31, 2026, after the 5:00 PM Mass and on Sun, Nov. 1, 2026, after the 9:00 am and 11:15 am Masses. This is for the evangelizing of the Catholic Faith.

Municipal Elections 2026 – Cast Your Vote!

A municipal election will be held on Monday, October 26, 2026. All Catholics are strongly encouraged to exercise their democratic right to vote. To help learn more about the candidates for Catholic School Board Trustee, Cardinal Leo has given permission for these candidates (or their volunteers) to distribute literature to parishioners departing Mass on weekends from October 3/4 through October 24/25. We hope you'll take the time to get to know those seeking elected office for this important role.

To ensure your vote for Catholic School Board Trustee, at the polling booth, verify that you are registered as a separate school supporter. If your support status is incorrect ask for an Application to Amend Voters' List. This form may be completed and submitted at the polling station. Thank you for your interest and involvement in this fall's municipal election

Memorial Mass on Nov. 6, at 7 pm

The parish will celebrate the First Friday Memorial Mass on Friday, Nov. 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



All Saints Day - November 1

On Sunday, November 1, All Saints day, Mass will be celebrated the regular Masses will be at 9:00 am and 11:15 am

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 **Monday, November 2, All Souls day** the parish will have **3 Masses** for **All Souls at 8:00 am 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm.**

Scone Sunday, Nov. 8

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

Parish Finances

Offering October 17-18, 2026

Envelopes:	$2242.00
Loose:	$643.50
PAG:	$993.00
TOTAL	***$3878.50***

Eucharistic Adoration

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

