



St. Peter and St. Simon the Apostle

Announcements

November 13, 2016

Welcome to St Peter & St Simon: If you are a newcomer, visiting for the first time or a parishioner we are glad you are with us and look forward to meeting you after the liturgy.

Coffee hour takes place after the 10:30 am service - please join us; and if you would like more information about our parish life please speak with our priest or one of the greeters. You can also fill out the information form in the pew and give it to a sides-person, or put it on the offering plate.

We appreciate your givings and remind you that in order to receive a tax receipt your envelope number or name & address should accompany all donations. Also, please do not leave your valuables unattended.

Pastoral Care is available for the home-bound parishioners, those in hospital and for other spiritual needs. Please contact the office if you or someone you know who would like a visit from one of our Lay Pastoral Visitors or Father Geoffrey.

In your prayers this week, please remember . . .

Anglican Cycle: The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain

Diocesan Cycle: Flemingdon Park Ministry (FaithWorks)

Colin, Archbishop. Patrick, Area Bishop.

Outreach and Advocacy Cycle: Trinity, Barrie, its support for the David Busby Street Centre drop-in and its advocacy and education on poverty and housing issues; and for Trinity, Bradford, and its programs of education and outreach for seniors, and involvement in the local food bank and community supper.

Parish Prayer Cycle: Amy Warner, Maurice White, Vashti White, Vincent & Celine Wong

A Note from Father Geoffrey

It is hard to believe that Advent is almost here and another new liturgical year will begin. This year I will be leading an Advent Scripture Study on two evenings, Tuesday, December 6 and 13 at 7.30 pm. We will focus on the Incarnation, reading and discussing the Birth Narratives in St Luke and St Matthew's Gospels. Each session will conclude with Compline. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to speak with me. Looking ahead I have invited the Reverend Dr. John Hurd, Retired Scripture Scholar from Trinity College, to lead us in a three week Saturday morning Epiphany study, *The Apostle to the Gentiles: Paul and his Work*. More information about specifics dates will be forthcoming.

Last Sunday was a great day in our parish. We had a solemn service of Choral Matins in the morning when we remembered the war dead from St Peter's and St Simon's. In the afternoon we had a glorious Festal Evensong and parish dinner. Many thanks to Laurie Sanderson and her team for all their hard work to organise the evening – it was a great success. GNS

A Note from the Treasurer

Now that we are settling into our joint home, we are working on merging the administration, the banking and the tax filings. One thing we cannot merge just yet is tax receipts and charitable organizations. We have reached to the Canada Revenue Agency to advise them, and they have advised that they will approve a merged tax number as soon as they can for the Parish of St Peter and St Simon the Apostle. That is unlikely before the new year.

For this reason, we ask that all parishioners now make their regular donations only to the 'Parish of St Simon'. Envelopes for this purpose will be available from the envelope secretary in the narthex.

That means parishioners from St Peter will get two charitable receipts in January, one from St Peter (for ten months) and one from St Simon's (for two months). Then on January 1, 2017, for tax reasons, we will change for tax purposes to the Parish of St Peter and St Simon the Apostle, with a single CRA charitable organization number at that time. You can therefore expect to receive tax receipts in the name of the legacy parishes for 2016, and from the combined parish for 2017. Please do reach out to the wardens, or to me, with any questions.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Today: 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Services at 8:30 & 10:30 am

Wednesday, November 16 Margaret, Queen of Scotland, Helper of the poor
11:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Anointing for Healing (in the Chapel)

Sunday, November 20 – Last after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ

8:30 am Holy Eucharist celebrated from

The *Book of Common Prayer* (in the chapel)

10:30 am Holy Eucharist (Traditional)

Last Tuesday of the Month: Taizé Prayer Service at 6 pm

COMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Advisory Board: Wednesday, November 16th, 7pm

Faith in Film: Saturday, November 19th, 6pm

Advent 1: Sunday, November 27th, 10:30am

Choral Eucharist with Litany in procession

Advent Lessons & Carols: 4pm

Refugee Sponsorship

We are delighted that our newcomer has arrived. Please think about whether you have any furniture and/or household items that might be of use to a new arrival. If you have any questions, speak to any member of the Refugee Committee.

Announcement Submission Deadline

Wednesdays Noon Please email office@stsimons.ca

Our Facebook Page

Saint Simon's now has a very active and interesting Facebook page, maintained by Brooke Sales-Lee. It's a great way to keep up with activities and ideas between one Sunday and the next.

Day by Day booklets are available at the back of the church. Please feel free to pick one up every 3 months. There is no charge for these items.

Altar Flowers

Please speak with Barbara Towe (905) 294-7588 or see her in the parish hall to confirm flower dedications through to June 2017. There are many dates still available and your participation is very much appreciated. Each week parishioners are invited to place memorial/thanksgiving flowers on the altar. Many Thanks, Barbara.

Wednesday November 16th – Truth and Reconciliation

A two-year lecture series hosted by Saint James Cathedral the next lecture is led by Dr. Brenda Wastasecoot. "Telling the Story of the Nikis: Memory Mapping and the Autoethnographic Journey of a Cree Adult Educator" The memory map of Nikis is a tool for storytelling and connecting with her audience to bring light to the impacts of the residential school policies for families who waited for their children to come home. At the heart of this story is the loss of a mother's embrace and the long walk back to finding self-love and recovery.

Thursday November 24th – Deconsecrating

As you will have noticed most of our plaques & items from 188 Carlton St have been moved and placed here at St Peter & St Simon-the-Apostle Parish Church. Dixon Hall will be taking over the entire building and rectory as of January 1st 2017. To facilitate this Bishop Yu will be deconsecrating the worship space on November 24th at 3pm. This is a very short service of prayers, and if you wish to attend you are welcome.



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conductor
SHERRY SQUIRES
piano

A
Ceremony
OF
Carols

CHORAL WORKS BY
BENJAMIN BRITTEN
STEVE DOBROGOSZ
& a Selection of Carols

with guest harpist
LIANE JAMES

Saturday Nov 26, 7:30 pm
St. Simon-the-Apostle Church
525 Bloor St. East (Sherbourne station)