



the **Church**
of **St Peter** and
St Simon-the-Apostle

Parish Notices

“Fridge Notes”

February 19, 2023

Transfiguration Sunday/Quinquagesima, being the 50th Day Before Easter

Welcome to St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle.

We are glad you are with us and look forward to meeting you.

You are invited to join us for Coffee Hour after the 10.30 am service.

Sunday School Sundays from 10:30 - 11:30 in the Lower Level.

Are you new to SPSS? Please ask a sides-person for a welcome card and place it on the offering plate.

Learn more about SPSS! Visit us online at www.stpeterstsimon.ca

St Peter & St Simon-the-Apostle - www.facebook.com/stpeterstsimons

The clergy are available for spiritual guidance and/or pastoral care. Please contact the Church office if you would like to speak with a priest.

Stewardship We are grateful for your financial support. During the 10:30 service an offering is taken up. If you would like to sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), please contact the office. We encourage you to support our ministry through PAG. Thank you.

Scan and Donate

To make a donation to the Church, open up the camera on any smartphone and point it at the QR code and a web page will open to take you directly to Canada Helps' donation page for the Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle. You will receive an auto-generated tax receipt emailed directly from CanadaHelps.org



SERVICES

Sundays

9.15 am

Weekly Holy Eucharist (in the Chapel of Holy Spirit)

10.30 am

1st and 3rd Sundays Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite

2nd Sunday

Choral Matins

4th Sunday

Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite

Evensong

As Announced

Wednesdays

11.00 am

Weekly Sung Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite

A Word from the Rector

The last three Sundays before the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, are known traditionally as Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima, meaning seventy, sixty, and fifty days before Easter. The intention of these days is to turn our liturgical and spiritual attention from the contemplation of the Incarnation which officially ended at the Feast of the Presentation, to Lent and to the cross. In the Exhortation on Ash Wednesday, we are invited to observe a “holy Lent by self-examination, repentance, prayer, fasting, and self-denial, and by reading and meditating upon God’s holy word” (BCP p. 613/BAS p. 282). This kind of spiritual discipline requires thought and preparation and so this time provides a kind of preparation season ahead of Lent, given to help us walk the Lenten path well. It is important for each of us to consider how we will observe Lent, remembering that we give things up and take things on to draw closer to God.

I commend to you the many resources available in the *Book of Common Prayer* and the *Book of Alternative Services*, notably in the BCP the Penitential Service on Page 611, the Family Prayers on pages 728-735, and in the BAS pp 685-695. In the Collect for Sexagesima we are reminded “that all our doings without charity are nothing worth”, and we pray “that God will pour into hearts that most excellent gift of Charity. The goal of the Christian life is to grow into the perfect Charity (love) of God. Lent is here once again to help us in this holy task.
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**We Are Having a Pancake Supper! Please join us on Shrove Tuesday
February 21, 2023** 5 – 7 pm in the Parish Hall. Free-will offering gratefully accepted.

Annual Vestry Meeting 2022

The Vestry Meeting this year will be in person only. The meeting will be held in the Parish Hall, starting at *12.15 pm on Sunday, February 26th*. Vestry reports are now available.

WORLD DAY of PRAYER

This year Our Lady of Lourdes, 520 Sherbourne St, is hosting the World Day of Prayer service on *Saturday March 4th at 10:30 am*, for our area churches. The service is written by the women of Taiwan based on the text from Ephesians 1: 15-19, ***I Have Heard About Your Faith***. Everyone is invited to attend the service and the light lunch following, as we celebrate with prayer and song, this beautiful southeast Asian country of over 1,000 islands near the Tropic of Cancer. Offerings are directed to human rights issues especially for women and children, and to education grants in Canada and other countries worldwide. If you cannot attend the service, envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please join us! This is the first time in 3 years we have been able to celebrate together. The service and more information about Taiwan can be found on this website - wicc@wicc.org

SPSS Connections (Formerly Outreach Committee) Group Announcement

Food Bank Donation: Our parish will be collecting non-perishable food for the St. Bartholomew's Food Ministry, as well as the Daily Bread Food Bank (via drop off at our local fire hall). St. Bartholomew's Food Ministry helps supplement the nutritional needs of low-income singles and families in the Regent Park area with basic nourishment. The Daily Bread Food Bank supplies food to nearly 200 food programs across Toronto. Food donations can be placed into the box located at the double glass doors at the top of the steps leading into the sanctuary. Members of the Connections group will take food donations to the firehall on the first Wednesday of the month alternating with the St. Bartholomew's Food Ministry every other month. *Please ensure to have all food donations at the church by Sunday, February 26th.* Thank you!

Parish Newsletter *Jubilate!*

The Easter *Jubilate!* is in the works! Please send news, important announcements, spiritual messages, pictures, etc. to peggyneedham@sympatico.ca. The deadline is *March 5*, but don't wait until the last minute! Share soon...or at least start planning for what you will share.

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, February 22 – Ash Wednesday

11 am Sung Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes.
7.00 pm. Choral Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes.

Sunday, February 26 – First Sunday in Lent

9.15 am Holy Eucharist
10.30 am Choral Eucharist with Litany in Procession.
The Vestry Meeting this year will be in person in the Parish Hall, starting at 12.15 pm.

Sunday, March 5 – Second Sunday in Lent

Services at 9.15 am and 10.30 am.
4.00 pm Ordination to the Priesthood of Jillian Ruch at St Bride's, Clarkson.

Sunday, April 2, 2023 – Palm Sunday

9.15 am Holy Eucharist
10.30 am Liturgy of the Palms, Reading of the Passion & Choral Eucharist
 Celebrant and Preacher: The Right Reverend Peter Fenty
 Retired Suffragan Bishop, York-Credit Valley.
12.00 noon *Parish Lunch to follow the 10.30 service.*

Sunday, April 16, 2023 – Handel's Messiah Parts 2 & 3

4 pm SPSS Choir Concert, (\$30 tickets can be reserved at the church office)



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