

# Parish Notices “Fridge Notes”

## Fourth Sunday in Lent: March 19, 2023



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.

*We acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the New Credit, the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat, on whose land, and by whose water we gather to talk, listen, learn, worship, share and heal together in the name of our Creator, the Holy One of Blessing.*  
*“The earth is the Lord’s, and all that therein is, the world and all who dwell therein.” Psalm 24.1.*

**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](http://www.stpeterstsimon.ca)

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**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

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| 9.15 am                | Weekly Holy Eucharist (in the Chapel of Holy Spirit)                                |
| 10.30 am               | 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday | Choral Matins   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday | Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite  |
| Evensong               | As Announced  |

#### Wednesdays

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| 11.00 am | Weekly Sung Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite |
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## A Word From the Rector

The Fourth Sunday in Lent is sometimes known as *Refreshment Sunday*, a title probably suggested by the original Gospel for this day, Jesus Feeding the Multitudes, St John 6.1. Some people will also know this day as *Mothering Sunday*, the origin of which is uncertain, but possibly coming from the traditional epistle reading, Galatians 4.26 which reads “Jerusalem which is above is free; which is the Mother of us all”. If you refer to page 147 of the Prayer Book you will see those readings appointed for this day.

Most parishes now use the Revised Common Lectionary which means we don't have the direct scriptural references to refreshment or mothering. Nevertheless, the readings today speak to the theme in their own way by focussing on the image of light. David the Shepherd boy is anointed King of Israel and thus becomes the one to lead his people from darkness to light. Paul addresses the Ephesians as children of light. In the Gospel a blind man is healed by Jesus and regains his sight. At this mid-point in our Lenten journey the Church invites us to open our eyes more widely to the light of Christ. We pick up the cross knowing it is a journey that leads to Good Friday and ultimately to Easter resurrection.

Looking ahead, I am planning to hold a scripture Study on St John's Gospel. A central theme in John is light in the darkness. This will take place on a weekday morning or afternoon which I will confirm shortly.

Take some time this week to dwell on the many ways that Christ's light shines. Be refreshed by his grace and know that, as a loving mother holds and cares for her child, so too we are held and cared for by the one who breaks the darkness. Have a wonderful week...and enjoy the light!  
Geoffrey+

## PARISH NOTICES

**Easter Flowers:** If you would like to make a donation to Easter flowers please use the envelopes found at the back of the Church. Include the particular memorial and/or thanksgiving you would like acknowledged. Deadline for a memorial and/or thanksgiving is *March 29, 2023*. Please contact Sheila Thomas (416-921-2593) for further information.

**The Connections Group:** The children of the Sunday School are inviting the congregation to join them in collecting for the food bank during Lent. According to The Daily Bread Food Bank, the most needed items are: Canned Fish (tuna, salmon, sardines), Canned Fruit, Canned Tomatoes (whole, diced, crushed), Canned Vegetables, Oatmeal, and Nut Butters (peanut, almond).

**Connections in Action!** Beginning in April from 10am to noon, the Clubhouse Men's Shelter will be meeting in the Church Hall for coffee and fellowship. We expect up to 15 people.. The Connections Group (formerly Outreach) is asking for gently used board games and playing cards, puzzles and magazines for use at this time. Please bring them on Sunday. We also need 2

volunteers to help supervise. Please contact the church office if you can assist on Tuesdays. Thank you for supporting this neighbourhood connection.

**Ticket for April 16<sup>th</sup> MESSIAH CONCERT are on Sale:** You may reserve ticket(s) at the church office and pay at the door (cash or cheque please). Also, tickets can be purchased in person via cash or cheque on Sunday mornings in the Narthex after the service. You can purchase tickets on-line using a credit card via eventbrite.ca, the link is:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/handels-messiah-parts-ii-iii-tickets-554436282847>

Please contact Robin Davis if you have any questions, 905-409-6121.

## LOOKING AHEAD

**Advisory Board** - Next Meeting: April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Venue TBA.

### HOLY WEEK

#### **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.***

#### **Tuesday, April 4, 2023 – Tuesday in Holy Week**

7.00 pm Holy Eucharist and Stations of the Cross

#### **Wednesday, April 5, 2023 – Wednesday in Holy Week**

11.00 am Sung Eucharist

7.00 pm Way of the Cross

#### **Thursday, April 6, 2023 – Maundy Thursday**

7.00 pm Sung Eucharist & Foot Washing – BAS

#### **Friday, April 7, 2023 – Good Friday**

**8.00 am** Ecumenical Good Friday Walk – Starting at Our Lady of Lourdes (Sherbourne St.)

11.00 am Solemn Liturgy of the Passion – BCP & BAS

#### **Saturday, April 8, 2023 – Holy Saturday/Easter Eve**

8.00 pm The Great Vigil of Easter – BAS – at St Bartholomew's, Regent Park

#### **Sunday, April 9, 2023 – Easter Day**

9.15 am Holy Eucharist

10.30 am Festal Eucharist - BCP



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### CLERGY, WARDENS & STAFF

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### OTHER MINISTRIES

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| Church Office Hours         | Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday<br>from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.                                    |