PARISH NOTICES "Fridge Notes" Week of October 15, 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.

Sunday School takes place during the 10:30 am service. Children are most welcome in Church. The Children's Corner in the north aisle with colouring books and other activities is available. **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 or see the directory on the back page.

Stewardship We are grateful for your financial support. During the 10:30 am 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



A Word from the Rector

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : may they prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces.

This prayer of psalm 122 verses 6-7, is offered to a merciful and generous God in a broken and sinful world. Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God. Even though we humans mar that image, God shows us over and over again, in scripture and in the life of Jesus Christ, that the restoration of the divine image in us is his work of grace - so too is peace and justice for all people.

The shocking events in Israel and Palestine this week have many of us asking "will there ever be peace in Jerusalem"? It is easy to despair; but we are reminded in the Book of Revelation there will be a new heaven and a new earth. As people of hope we look to and seek the day when God's peace and justice will reign, and his kingdom come on earth as in heaven.

Some clergy from our diocese are currently in Jerusalem, including Canon Philip Hobson and the Rev'd Jeanette Lewis, former priest of St Peter's. Arrangements are being made for their safe return to Canada. Needless to say, plans that I started to make for another pilgrimage to the Holy Land are suspended.

In the meantime, we are called to walk humbly, graciously and courageously, as witness of the divine mercy and peace. We pray for all who are so terribly affected by this dreadful war, especially for the innocent victims on all sides; for wisdom, for guidance, for the end of hatred and division, for a peaceful resolution, and for the day when all things will be gathered together and made new.

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace.

Let the design of your great love shine upon the wastes of our wraths and sorrows,
and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes and peace in our
hearts. through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Geoffrey +

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Alarm Testing will happen today, *Sunday, October 15th*, after service.

Evening Prayer – BCP *Tuesdays at 5:30pm,* Zoom & In person Hybrid.

Contact Rev. Abraham at <u>curate@stpeterstsimon.ca</u> if you would like to join.

We will be reading & studying the 1st and 2nd Letters of Peter & the Letter of Jude after Evening Prayers.

Next Advisory Board meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 18 at 7pm by Zoom.

Baptism - Veronica Petra Madeleine Silver will be baptized on October 22nd at our 10:30 am service by Fr. Michael Burgess.

Paul Mitchell is in need of 1 cup mason jars. If you have any empty ones could you please bring them in for Paul. Thank You!

Connections Committee: Please continue to drop off donations for the Daily Food Bank.

LOOKING AHEAD....

Mistletoe Market Hold the date! The annual Mistletoe Market and Merry Tea will be held in the parish hall at SPSS on Saturday, November 25, from 10 am to 2 pm. Shop for unique Christmas gifts, antique treasures, and a bake sale. Indulge in afternoon tea while being serenaded by live musicians. Please contact Mary Anderson mufflemary@yahoo.ca, or Stephanie Woodside swoodside27@gmail.com for further info

COMING SERVICES and EVENTS at SPSS

Sunday, October 22 – Twentieth First after Pentecost

9.15 am Holy Eucharist

10.30 am Choral Eucharist with the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Sunday, November 5 – All Saints' Sunday

9.15 am Holy Eucharist 10.30 am Festal Eucharist

Bishop Kevin Robertson will be the Celebrant and Preacher at 10.30 am.

There will be a special reception after the service.

4.00 pm Commemoration of All Souls

Special choir presentation of the *Requiem*, by Gabriel Fauré.

SPECIAL EVENTS in November & December

Saturday, November 25 - Christmas Market 10 am to 2 pm

Gifts, Crafts, Tea Room, Books and Baked Goods with Carol singing.

Saturday, December 2 - An Advent Quiet Day 10 am - 3 pm at the Church

Join us for a quiet day of prayer and reflection as we enter the Advent season. Led by the Reverend Canon Michael Burgess.

Friday, December 22 – Presentation of *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens

7.00 pm Presentation in the Church, with carols and a reception to follow.

Saturday, December 23 – Blue Christmas: A Service When Christmas is a Difficult Time Service at 5.00 pm with a reception to follow.

Advent Christian Education Series: O Come, O Come Emmanuel

A Study and Discussion of the Readings for the 4 Sundays of Advent

6 pm – Light Supper 7 pm - Study Session 8.30 pm - Compline

Tuesday, November 28th – at St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle Tuesday, December 5th – at St Jude, Wexford Tuesday, December 12th – at St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle Tuesday, December 19th – at St Jude Wexford



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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.