

# PARISH NOTICES “Fridge Notes”

## Week of October 22, 2023

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

Two weeks ago, I wrote about the financial challenges facing the afterschool Homework Club. I am pleased to report that since then a number of parishioners have responded generously and we are now able to meet our financial obligations, ensuring the continuation of that important ministry. Thank you so much to those of you who answered the call for help - this is making a huge difference in the lives of the children we serve and our local community.

During the pandemic the Bishop offered each cleric a “mini-sabbatical”. Due to activities in our parish, I have been unable to take that time until now. To that end, I am away from October 19-28<sup>th</sup>, having retreat time at the monastic community of St Benoit du Lac in Magog, Quebec. For pastoral concerns please contact Deacon Abraham or Fr Michael.

Next Sunday is the Feast of St Simon and St Jude, and on November 5<sup>th</sup> we will welcome Bishop Kevin Robertson for All Saints Sunday. A special reception will follow the service. Please mark your calendars and join us for those special events.

Geoffrey+

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Food Insecurity & Food Bank Needs

In 2022 over 2 million people in Canada accessed food banks. 33.1% were children, 45.4% were singles, 8.9% seniors, 49% were on social assistance and 1 in 7 were employed. In 2023 the numbers are even higher in Ontario. **Help SPSS build their food bank offerings!** Check your local grocery flyers. Even one item you might buy on sale and drop in our food box is important. The need falls into these non-perishable categories: **Grains**- cereals, granola bars, rice, pasta, flour. **Proteins**- canned fish and meat, beans, lentils, peanut butter. **Children’s fruit snacks**. **Diet food**- for gluten, dairy and nut free needs. **Household products**- toilet paper, cleaning products, toothpaste, deodorant, tampons, etc. **Canned** fruit and vegetables, especially tomatoes and soups. Help us up our food bank delivery from once a month to once a week. Thank you.

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

Contact Rev. Abraham at [curate@stpeterstsimon.ca](mailto:curate@stpeterstsimon.ca) if you would like to join.

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

**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!

## 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 [muffiemary@yahoo.ca](mailto:muffiemary@yahoo.ca), or Stephanie Woodside [swoodside27@gmail.com](mailto: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 28<sup>th</sup> – at St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle

Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> – at St Jude, Wexford

Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> – at St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle

Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> – 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.*