

PARISH NOTICES “Fridge Notes”

First Sunday of Advent

Week of December 3, 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
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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



Next Sunday’s readings: Advent 2, Sunday December 10 (NRSVA)

Issah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Education Series Tuesday December 5th, 6pm

At St Jude's Wexford, 10 Howarth Avenue Scarborough (Victoria Park and Lawrence). Please speak to Fr. Geoff of Deacon Abraham if you would like a ride to St Jude's.

Christmas Flowers If you would like to make a donation towards flowers for Christmas, 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 *12:00 pm Wednesday, December 20th*. Please contact Sheila Thomas for further information, 416-921-2593.

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.

St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Regent Park, 509 Dundas St E is having the Rorate Caeli mass on *Saturday December 9th, 7:30 am*. Illuminated by candlelight, and accompanied by Gregorian chant and medieval polyphony, this mass offers us an hour of devotion, contemplation and beauty, we prepare for the Light that is our Saviour. To learn more visit, stbartstoronto.ca

SPECIAL Services and Events in December

Sunday, December 17 – A Festival of Lessons and Carols for Advent & Christmas

4.00 pm in the church, and reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

**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.

Tickets: \$20 Adults, \$15 Seniors and Children

Tickets are available on Sundays and through the office.

Proceeds in aid of the Children's Homework Club.



Saturday, December 23 – Blue Christmas: A Service When Christmas is a Difficult Time

5.00 pm service in the church, and with a reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

Sunday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

10:30 am Choral Eucharist & Children's Musical Pageant

10 pm Christmas Eve – Festal Eucharist

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day

10:30 am Sung Eucharist with Carols



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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.*

*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.