

Celebrating Today with San Lorenzo Ruiz

FRIDGE NOTES: Parish Announcements Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 25th, 2025

Welcome to St Peter and St Simon's, especially if you are visiting us. Please join us for refreshments in the Parish hall following the 10.30 am service.

Doors Open @ **SPSS** | The Toronto Doors Open will be taking place here at the church today from 12 am to 5 pm.



A Word from the Rector

This weekend our parish is participating in Doors Open. This is a wonderful opportunity to welcome visitors to our beautiful and historic Church – thank you to Larry Krotz and the team of volunteers who are making this initiative possible. We decided to take this opportunity to join in worship with the parish of San Lorenzo Ruiz who usually have their service here each Sunday afternoon. We are delighted to celebrate the Eucharist together today.

As the old saying goes, "there's nothing certain but change". Change and transition are part of life, and the Church is no exception to that. Since February Daniel Webb has served as Interim Director of Music. Daniel stepped into this ministry at a difficult, uncertain time. He has cared for the choir and congregation through his musical leadership and kind, strong presence. To quote a message from one parishioner, "We saw and heard the beauty that could be provided when the music chosen for the singers was something so beautiful and meaningful". We are both sad that this is his last Sunday as Interim Music Director, and deeply grateful for all that Daniel has given. We wish him and his family well, especially as Daniel continues his teaching career at Royal St George's College.

Today is also Father Abraham's last Sunday as our Assistant Curate. We have been so blessed with Abraham's presence and ministry for two years now, sharing his journey to priestly ordination and being part of his formation. Abraham has served with faithfulness and wisdom, touching many of us with his friendship, and his love for and knowledge of Church history, worship and prayer. Abraham has been appointed Priest-in-Charge at the parish of Fenelon Falls and Coboconk. While this is a big change for him, we are confident that his ministry there will flourish as it did here. Thank you, Abraham - may God bless you richly as you continue to serve his Church.

Please join us for a special lunch in the parish hall as we celebrate with San Lorenzo and honour Daniel and Abraham.

Please note that the Vestry Meeting Part Two will be held on Sunday, June 8th at 12,00 noon. This is to deal primarily with the financials for 2024 and the Budget for 2025.

I am pleased to provide you with two updates; First, the Music Selection Committee: Members including me are Ian Corlett, Daphne Doake, Spencer Higgins, Jane Rajanthe, Stephanie Woodside and the Rev'd Canon Greg Carpenter (Chair). Our advertisement is posted, and applications are coming in. We look forward to interviews and auditions later in June with the hope of an appointment in early fall.

Second; the Discovery Day follow up. Deb Whalen, our diocesan facilitator has collated the discussion notes. Our parish steering team is in the process of organizing them into categories to identify short, medium and long-term goals. This will be shared with the parish at the Vestry Meeting Part Two in June. Stewardship is a priority. To that end we need to rebuild our Stewardship Committee with a specific focus on financial stewardship of the parish. Please speak with me or one of the Wardens if you would like to help.

On Sunday, June 15th we will hold our Annual Summer BBQ. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet on the board in the lobby. Please plan to join us.

While change is inevitable, there is one certainty in it – "Emmanuel", God with us. Through all the changing scenes of life, our Lord walks with us and upholds us. May his Spirit guide and strengthen us all in the days and weeks ahead.

Geoffrey+

Announcements

Special Vestry | There will be a special vestry meeting regarding the 2024 financials and 2025 budget on *Sunday June 8th* after the service.

Parish BBQ | Mark you calendar and join us for the annual Summer Parish BBQ on *June* 15^{th} , after the service.

Annual "Bible BBQ" with St Jude's Wexford | Tuesday June 10th at St Jude's Rectory, Tuesday June 17th at Fr. Geoff's residence – St John's Rectory.

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SERVICES

Sundays

9.00am Weekly Holy Eucharist (BCP) - In the Chapel of Holy Spirit)
10.30 am 1st and 3rd Sundays Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite

2nd Sunday Choral Matins (unless announced)

4th Sunday Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite

5th Sunday & Evensong As Announced

Wednesdays

11.00 am Weekly Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite

We acknowledge that in gathering to worship Almighty God, we are in the traditional territory of many First

Nations peoples including the Mississaugas of the New Credit, the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat.

"The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is, the world and all who dwell therein." Psalm 24.1