



the Church
of St Peter and
St Simon-the-Apostle

FRIDGE NOTES: Parish Announcements **Sunday - November 16, 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.

Advent Bible Study: *Behold the Messiah*

This four-week Advent Bible study explores the scriptural and theological foundations of Part One of Handel's *Messiah*. Participants will listen to key musical movements, read the related biblical passages, and reflect on how the themes of prophecy, incarnation, redemption, and kingship shape our Advent and Christmas faith.

Tuesdays, 6:00–8:30 p.m, Light Potluck in the Hall, Discussion to follow in the Sitting Room.

All literature and materials will be provided—just bring an open heart and ears to listen. All are welcome as we prepare together to *Behold the Messiah*.

Week 1: Hope — The Promise of Salvation, Tuesday, November 18th

BEHOLD THE MESSIAH

Advent Bible Study

This four-week Advent Bible study explores the scriptural and theological foundations of the first part of Handel's *Messiah*. Participants will **listen** to key musical movements, **read** the related biblical passages, and **reflect** on how the themes of prophecy, incarnation, redemption, and kingship shape our Advent and Christmas faith.

WHEN:
Tuesday November 18th & 25th
December 2nd & 9th
6pm – 8:30pm
WHERE: SSSP Parish Hall & Sitting Room

*NOTE: This is an open event for all who are interested, we will be having a light potluck dinner every Tuesday between 6–7pm in the hall before discussion. Come with hungry bellies and your favourite dish! Contact gracerockett@gmail.com for questions.

Hymn Notes: *Stand Up and Bless the Lord (CP # 350)*

James Montgomery (1771-1854), the son of a Moravian minister, was born in Ayrshire. He began writing for the Sheffield newspaper in 1794 and took over as editor when the previous editor fled the country. Montgomery was a man of strong convictions, maintaining man's right to freedom of thought. He was jailed in York Castle for publishing a poem celebrating the fall of the Bastille. He espoused many humanitarian causes, denouncing the slave trade and advocating for chimney sweeps. After 1814, he took an active interest in Methodism and a chapel in Sheffield bears his name. He wrote more than 400 hymns, including 50 he contributed to an 1816 hymn book edited by Thomas Cotterill, rector of St. Paul's, Sheffield. Today's hymn was written in 1824 for the anniversary service of the Sheffield Red Hill Wesleyan Sunday School.

ST. THOMAS, attributed to Aaron Williams (1731-76), was published in his *New Universal Psalmodist* (1770). There the tune as set to Psalm 48. Born in London, Williams was an engraver and a music teacher. He was also clerk of London Wall Scots Church. He edited many collections of church music.

Submitted by Diane Way

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 10th*. Please contact Sheila Thomas for further information, 416-921-2593.

SPSS SERVICES AND EVENTS

Saturday, November 29 - 10 am to 2 pm

SPSS CHRISTMAS "MISTLETOE MARKET"

Sunday, November 30 – Advent I

SERVICES AT 9 AND 10.30 AM.

4 PM SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR ADVENT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 – WHEN CHRISTMAS IS A DIFFICULT TIME

6 PM BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE & DINNER

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21 – ADVENT IV

4 PM A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

Mistletoe Market

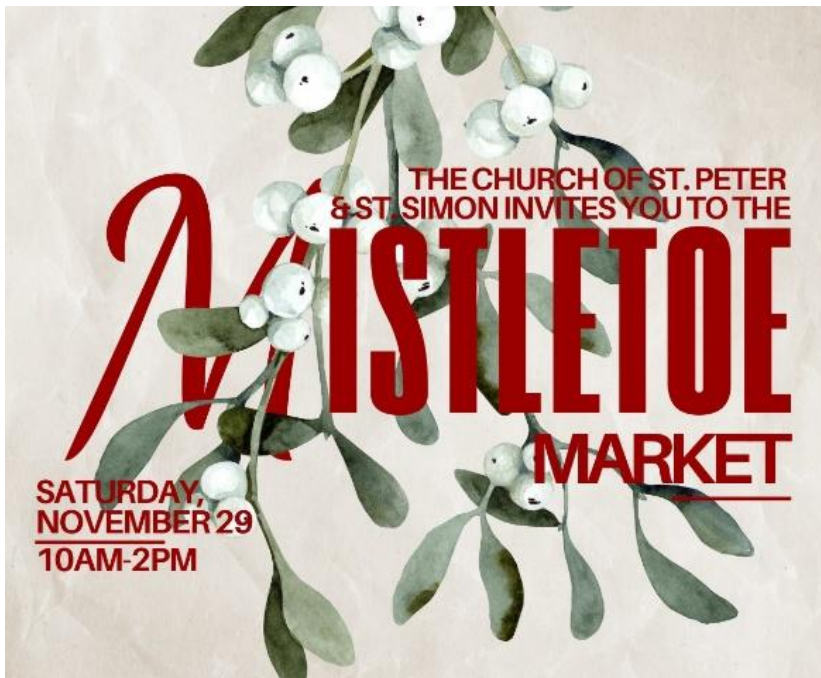
Saturday, November 29, 10 am to 2 pm.

INVITE FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS!

MISTLETOE MARKET

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 10 AM - 2 PM

WE HAVE EXCITING PRODUCTS FOR SALE FROM OUR VENDORS - JAMS AND PRESERVES, WINES, TEXTILES, POTTERY, STAINED GLASS, STAMP TABLE, VINTAGE ITEMS AND MORE! COME BY AND GET INTO THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON AND BE SERENADED BY LIVE MUSIC AND INDULGE IN DELICIOUS TREATS. BRING CASH. SEE YOU THERE!



SPSS Website | For all your parish news and events, please visit our website:

<https://stpeterstsimon.ca/>

SCAN and DONATE

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CLERGY, WARDENS & STAFF

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Church Office Hours	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

SERVICES

Sundays

9.00am	Weekly Holy Eucharist (BCP) - In the Chapel of Holy Spirit)
10.30 am	1 st and 3 rd Sundays Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite
2 nd Sunday	Choral Matins (unless announced)
4 th Sunday	Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
5 th Sunday & Evensong	As Announced

Wednesdays

11.00 am	Weekly Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
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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