



PRINCE OF PEACE PARISH

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am; 10:00am;
11:30am & 1:00pm

WEEKEDAY MASSES

Mon., Tues., Fri. 9:15am

Tues., Wed., Thurs. 7:00pm

Saturday & Holidays 9:00am

First Friday 7:00pm

Followed by HOLY HOUR

DEVOTIONS

(Before each Mass)

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Infant Jesus of Prague (Tuesday)

Our Mother of Perpetual Help
(Wednesday)

Holy Spirit (Thursday)

Divine Mercy (Friday)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Or by request

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY:

9:00am - 12:00noon

1:00pm - 4:00pm

6:00pm - 9:00pm

SATURDAY: 10:00am - 6:30pm

SUNDAY: 9:00am - 2:30pm

BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office 1 month in advance of anticipated baptismal date.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. Preparation course is a prerequisite.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament of Anointing, please call the Parish Office.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND

HOUSEBOUND

The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available. Please notify the parish office.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Prince of Peace 416-393-5416

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PARISH MINISTRIES / GROUPS

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Altar Society

Bible Study

Baptismal Preparation

Children's Liturgy

Collection Counters

Finance Committee

Funeral Altar Servers

Gardening

Junior Legion of Mary

Intercessory Prayers

Knights of Columbus

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Pre-Marriage Preparation Course

Ministry of Lectors

Ministry of the Eucharist

Ministry of Hospitality

Men's Group

Parish Music Ministry

Pastoral Care for the Sick

Prayer Group

Rosary Apostolate

Sacramental Preparation

Senior's Group

Screening Committee

Youth Group

St. Vincent de Paul Society

(647-234-0265)

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416-934-0606

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Christ the King 905-471-0121



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Dec 16—22, 2019

Monday, December 16

9:15 am + 1st death ann. Dr. Gonzalo

Tuesday, December 17

9:15 am - Thanksgiving from Tyson

Wong

7:00 pm—Thanksgiving for blessings to my family

Wednesday, December 18

7:00 pm + Islyn Ramseerran; Albert Ramseerran; 7th death ann. G.S. Mariathan

Thursday, December 19

7:00 pm - Thanksgiving from Anthony Ehikwel for blessings received

Friday, December 20

9:15 am + Apolinar Buling

Saturday, December 21

9:00 am + Clara Sy

5:00 pm - Thanksgiving from Rashid family for blessings received

Sunday, December 22

8:30 am—63rd wedding ann. George & Dolly Poblete

10:00 am - Community of Prince of Peace

11:30 am - Thanksgiving from Licerio family

1:00 pm + Ester Reyes

Third Sunday of Advent Reflection.....

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete* is the Latin word meaning “rejoice.” This Sunday is so named because “Rejoice” is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today’s Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5: “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near.” Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.



This week’s Gospel Reading continues our Advent reflection on the person and message of John the Baptist. Last week we heard John speak about his relationship to the coming Messiah, Jesus. This week, we hear Jesus’ message to John the Baptist, now in prison, about the signs of the kingdom found in Jesus’ ministry and Jesus’ assessment of John’s role in the Kingdom of God.

The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of John’s arrest in chapter [14:3-12](#). In today’s Gospel, John sends word to Jesus from prison, asking if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that he has worked and invites John and the other hearers to make their own determination. In his next breath, however, Jesus praises John for his role in preparing the way for Jesus. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the Kingdom of God will be as great as John and even greater.

Jesus’ message to John about the signs of the kingdom being performed recalls the salvation described by the prophet Isaiah. This passage is a reminder that the beginning of salvation is already mysteriously present to us, but also yet to be fulfilled. Salvation is already in our midst as manifest in the miraculous deeds of Jesus and in the Church. But salvation is also to be fulfilled in the coming reign of God. Even as we observe our world today, we can find glimpses of God’s work among us. Even more, we help to prepare the way for God’s kingdom by our words and our deeds. This message is indeed a cause for rejoicing.



Sanctuary Lamps

Offerings

In Loving Memory of

- 1) Jose Fernandes from Sylvia, Neville, Roman & Ethan
- 2) Tony Fernandes from Sylvia, Neville, Roman & Ethan
- 3) Special Intentions for Richard from Webb family



ADVENT CONFESSIONS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19th,

2019

10:00 am—12:00 noon

And 7:30 to 9:00 pm

There will be 8 priests available for Confession



Offertory Collection

Last Sunday Collection: \$ 10,952.95

Thank you for your generosity



Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, December 24th, 2019

No Morning Mass

Carols 1/2 hour before all Masses

6:00 pm; 9:00 pm & 12 midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, December 25th, 2019

9:00 am / 10:30 am / 12:00 noon (No 1:00pm Mass)

Please Note: Incense will be used at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses

NEW YEAR SCHEDULE

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Tuesday, December 31st, 2019

9:15am— Mass

5:00 pm—Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Wednesday, January 1st, 2020

9:00 am / 10:30 am / 12:00 noon (No 1:00pm Mass)

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The Parish Office will be closed
December 25- 26, 2019



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



Parishioners are invited to sponsor this year's display of Christmas decors in our Sanctuary. You may dedicate your offering for your loved ones or in thanksgiving to God for the many blessings you have received. Envelopes are available in your pews, at the foyer or at the parish office. Dedications will be accepted until Friday December 20th, 2019. God Bless!

Parish Pastoral Planning continued.....

The Fourth Core Directives.....

(iv) Strong Pastoral Leadership in the Parish which Promotes Diverse & Collaborative Roles of Pastoral Service



The pastor serves as the spiritual shepherd of his people by guiding the flock in its journey, most notably in preparing and celebrating the Eucharist for his parishioners. To strengthen the parish family, he requires the support of qualified laity serving in diverse pastoral roles, i.e. lectors, servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Com-

munion, ushers, etc. The pastor models a collaborative style of leadership that provides a prudent, clear and pastoral vision for the parish. It is important that the pastor have an ability to listen, and to be approachable and open to explore new initiatives put forward by the parishioners, lay associations and movements, if they are in accord with the parish vision.

The pastor and parish team will strive to empower parishioners to carry out diverse and collaborative pastoral roles as deacons, lay ministers, youth workers, catechists, parish staff, and volunteers. Through regular consultation and discernment, the pastor identifies the gifts and talents of others and entrusts to them various initiatives within the parish.

For Information, please see the website at
www.archtoronto.org

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of Prince of Peace Parish, through your regular parish offerings (this does not include special collections). The Plan is administered through the Office of Development of the Archdiocese of Toronto and tax receipts will be issued for all offertory gifts. If you would like to enroll, brochure and enrollment forms are available at the parish office.

REMEMBERING THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Have you considered remembering our parish in your will? The church is where we experience many important moments in our lives. A bequest is a beautiful way to express your faith and gratitude for a lifetime of blessings—a lasting legacy of love that will help the Church continue with its many ministries. When making your will, please consider a bequest to (Name of Parish). For more information, please call the parish office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411, ext. 519

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