

# Prince of Peace Parish

**Established 1987** 

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# Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm / Weekends Closed

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:00 am,

11:30 am & 1:00 pm

# Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:00 pm Tue-Sat: 8:30am

1st Friday: 7:00 pm (see below)

### Confessions

**Saturday:** 9:00 am - 9:45 am

4:00 pm-4:45 pm

(First Fridays Confessions-see below)

#### **PASTOR**

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### **WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office where you can also learn the various ways how you can share your *time*, *talent and treasure*.

#### **VOLUNTEER SCREENING**

Contact the office if you have any questions or if you wish to be a volunteer.

#### **BAPTISM**

Contact the parish office 3 months before the desired date of Baptism.

# FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PREP

These programs begin in September and conclude after Easter. To register call the parish officer

#### R.C.I.A

The Christian Initiation of Adults is for those wishing to learn more about how to become Catholic. Please contact the parish office for further information.

#### MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office at least one year in advance of the desired date.

#### Anointing of the Sick

For home visits, call the parish office. From the hospital, ask for a priest directly at the nursing station.

#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Following the 7pm mass there is exposition, adoration (confessions during adoration) and Benediction at 8:30pm.
(Please note that on First Fridays there is no morning mass.)

#### VISITING MINISTRY

Currently no visits for Holy Communion are available.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Postponed until further notice.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bento D'Cruz—Grand Knight GK9144@ontariokofc.ca

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

To volunteer, make a donation or if you require assistance call 647-234-0265.

#### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Meets on the 4th Thursday of the Month. Appointed by the pastor. Jimmy Chang—Vice-chair

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Prince of Peace	416-393-5416
Our Lady of Grace	416-393-5372
St. Marguerite Bourgeoys	416-393-5381
St. Rene Goupil	416-393-5406
The Divine Infant	416-393-5414
Fr. Michael McGivney	905-472-4961
Francis Libermann HS	416-393-5524

# **Mass Intentions**

# Saturday, September 4

5:00 pm Mass (Sunday Vigil)

#### Sunday, Sep 5

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

11:30 am Mass

1:00 pm Mass

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# Monday, September 6

7:00 pm Mass

† Erlinda Santiago

# Tuesday, September 7

8:30 am Mass

† Paul Soares

## Wednesday, September 8

8:30 am Mass

- † Kanikay Mary
- † Emmanuel Antony
- † Flavia&Armand Delile
- **†** Mercy&Papu
- † Ronny Concepcion

# Thursday, September 9

8:30 am Mass

- **†** Iov George
- † Vanessa Pereira

# Friday, September 10

8:30 am Mass

† Quintina&Getulio Cunanan

# Saturday, September 11

8:30 am Mass

- ♦ Thanksgiving Chan Family
- † Elias Diniz

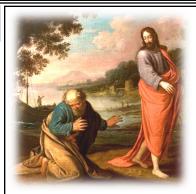
**†**Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

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# SANCTUARY LAMP SEPTEMBER 5-11

The lamp burns this week for the end of the Pandemic





Peter is in real trouble as he tries to talk some sense into Jesus. He has great difficulty with the cross Jesus is to accept. With Peter, we are given the opportunity to reflect upon our own struggle with the Cross of Christ. His sufferings continue to be made present in our world through the love and sacrifices of His sons and daughters. When Christians suffer on account of their faith, we must see this from the eyes of God, not the eyes of mere humans. We must

see the divine blessings that accompany such sufferings and we must accept them in the context of the great mystery of God's plan.

#### MASS OF INSTALLATION

On Saturday, **September 18th at the 5:00 pm Mass**, of our parish by our regional Bishop **Vincent Nguyen** This mass will be by invitation only because it requires the assistance of key members of our parish. We encourage everyone to join us via *Livestreaming* which can be accessed on our website both live and to playback later. This installation marks the beginning of a new chapter



in our parish under Fr. Efren's leadership and our willingness to work in collaboration with him. We ask that we keep both our parish community and our new pastor in our prayers as we continue to navigate this time of pandemic. We are grateful for your understanding.

#### LABOR DAY WEEKEND



We wish you all a safe long weekend. Our office will be closed and we will reopen on

Tuesday. Please note that mass will be at 7:00 pm this holiday Monday and every Monday after that.

# HAPPY LABOUR DAY

#### OFFICE MAILBOX WARNING

During this time of pandemic, many of us depended on the office mailbox as the only secure way to drop off documents, donations and other information



that you needed to get to the office. However, we have had an increasing number of incidents where the mailbox has been vandalized and contents stolen. As a result we had to remove it until we can provide a more secure mailbox. In the mean-

time we ask everyone to take advantage of the new office hours to drop off your donations and any other documentation in person. We are open from 9am to 5pm. Please return the next day if the office is closed. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with this issue.

#### MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Our parish is now reviewing the Mass schedule to have options for those who cannot attend mass in the morning. For this



reason we are moving the 8:30am mass to 7:00 pm on Mondays. Also, on First Fridays, the 8:30 am Mass will also be moved to 7:00 pm which will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after mass, a Holy Hour (7:30pm-8:30pm), Confessions during adoration and Benediction at 8:30pm.

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# **SL** ShareLife

"Thanks to generous donors, ShareLife agencies helped 150,000 people locally last year. They include 1,900 young pregnant and parenting women and their babies. These women take parenting skills, diapers and healthy food, and get one-on-one support as they complete their high school education.

We encourage you to support this work by making a gift to ShareLife via the parish website (if applicable) or to sharelife.org.

**October 3rd** is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR: \$88,000.00
AS OF AUGUST 31ST WE HAVE COLLECTED 60,390(68.6%)
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

# HAVING DIFFICULTY HEARING IN CHURCH?



If you do, you are not alone. We all have difficulty hearing because of a number of challenging factors

with our Sound System that currently are being addressed. We wish to inform everyone that after serious investigation, consultation and archdiocesan approvals, we have secured the services of Grassby Inc., who will be installing our new system starting next week. We appreciate any feedback you may have as we make these changes and hope that we will not have to work as hard to hear the spoken word of God.

#### **BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Our parish is currently organizing a Building Committee to



assist the Finance Council with Property matters. This is an advisory committee, and it requires that its members have professional backgrounds such as architects,

structural engineers, real estate agents, property managers, etc. Just like your home, maintaining and improving our building and facilities is an ongoing process. I am looking for a few parishioners who would like to sit on our new Building Committee. Those of you who have a background in engineering or general building construction concepts are especially encouraged to apply. However, a general interest in the welfare of our church property is ok too. The committee will be meeting on an as needed basis - a minimum of 4 times a year to a maximum of 12 times a year, depending on what work we may have ongoing. If you have interest in this opportunity to serve your parish community, please email your contact details to the office.

#### SCHOOL PARKINLG LOT

Please park in the Church parking lot during school hours. Thank you your cooperation.



# PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM

This is an Archdiocesan Giving Plan 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 Archdiocese and tax receipts will be issued for all offer-Enrollment gifts. forms available at the parish office.

#### FRIENDLY REMINDER

We ask that you do not use envelopes from previous years as those num-



bers might have been reassigned to someone else and your donations will be directed to them who are now using these envelopes. Also, If you were not able to pick up your 2021 envelopes due to previous lockdowns, we invite you to consider contacting the office so that we can assign you a new number. You can either pick them up or request to have them ready for pick up after Sunday mass. Your support during this time of pandemic is greatly valued, especially as we return to more normal operations.



#### VOCATIONS

Receiving Eucharist is a real sign of unity in our Church. nourishes us with

the "Bread from Heaven" if we have ordained priests to celebrate the Liturgy. If you feel the inclination to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call: Fr. Matt McCarthy:

416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto.org

#### PRIVATE PRAYER

Time for Private Prayer in the Church constantly is increasing. We are now in a position to review this again to allow for different times so that everyone gets equal opportunity to come church to pray. Currently we are open for prayer as Monday to Saturday from 9:00am to 12noon. If there is morning mass, there is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately after and it continues with private prayer until 12noon. If a funeral or a wedding is booked, private prayer will be cancelled.

#### Parish Ministry Conference



The Office of Formation for Discipleship is losting hosting their

4th Annual Parish Ministry Conference, With Burning Hearts, from October 26 to **30,2021.** The conference will be a virtual, interactive place, Save the date and visit for info: more www.archtoeronto.org/conference

## **Sacramental Preparation Programs**

## FIRST COMMUNION



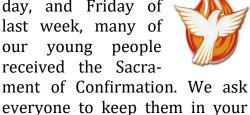
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We congratulate the children who received the Eucharist for the First Time last month.

Our prayers will be with them. Families who are still planning to have their children celebrate First Communion are invited to call the parish office to be included in our plans when we offer options in the fall. Please call the office at 416-291-9422 as soon as possible.

#### CONFIRMATION

On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of last week, many of our young people received the Sacra-



prayers as they finally, after nearly 2 years of waiting, celebrated this Sacrament. A special thanks goes to Claudia Marzo, who was our Sacraments Coordinator, along with her team of catechists and Deacon Thomas. Claudia decided to resign from her position as Sacraments Coordinator and will continue to serve as part of the team preparing our young children for the Sacraments. Thank you Claudia for your commitment and for your hard work. All those who were not able to sign up for these masses, please call the parish office so that we can include you in the next Confirmation Mass we are currently planning.

#### **BAPTISM**



Families seeking to have infants baptized are asked to call the office 3 months before

the desired date of baptism. A meeting with the pastor will be scheduled once the written request has been made.

# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INTICIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

We are currently planning an RCIA program in our parish. This is intended for Adults who wish to be-



come Roman Catholic. If you or someone you know wishes to explore our faith, please call the parish office and leave your name and contact information and we will inform you when this program will be ready to begin. Please keep in mind that this program is meant for a group as it requires a great deal of organization. We will have one if 5 or more people sign up for it. Please contact the parish office to add your name to our list.

# MARRIAGE PREP COURSES

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, call or email for details on their 2021 course programs. Contact: 905-278-5229 or email us at office@goa.ca



**Live Streaming** is now available for our parishioners as the dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist continues. Alternatively, a full list of Livestream services can be accessed at: **NG** www.archtoronto.org.

#### **CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY**

Grade 12 students: If you are going to university or college in the fall, campus ministry is waiting for you! Connect with the Catholic community on your campus by visiting:

www.chaplaincyconnect.ca

#### **ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN**

Campaign Life Our parish will be participating in the Annual Pro-Life chain on Sunday October 3, 2021 at the intersection of Steeles and McCowan from 2:00pm 3:00pm. This rally (Life chain) is a silent protest against abortion, and will be held in more than 200 locations across Canada. Placards will be handed out to you at the south east corner of McCowan and Steeles Avenue. Parking is available at the Milliken community center. All you have to do is stand with a placard so that passing motorists see it. All parishioners are urged to participate and pray while maintaining social distance.

# PLANNING TO BECOME A TEACHER IN THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS?

Please plan to have a conversation with your pastor early in the process (not the week before you are submitting your application) and you will avoid disappointment and stress at the time when applications are to be submitted. The following are required by all those requesting a pastoral reference:

♦ You participate at Sunday/

- Saturday mass in our parish for a minimum of one year prior to the request.
- ◆ You are involved in some way at our parish.
- ◆ Make your request 3 months prior to the submission of your application.
- ♦ You are the one making the request personally. No request will be accepted by a relative or a parent or any third party.
- ◆ The pastor has to be able to recommend you and that can only happen if he knows you at the basic level of regular mass attendance. Personal knowledge of the candidate's faith practice is what the pastor needs to recommend.

#### **WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

Requests for prayers can be submitted to the parish office to be published in the bulletin for a period of 4 weeks. These prayers are for those who are currently ill or have recently passed away. For the sick, it is up to the one requesting it to let us know if the condition of the person changes.



### SUBSCRIBE TO OUR PARISH BULLETIN

Copy and paste the link below, provide your name and email address, scroll down the list and select "**Parish Bulletins**" at the very bottom.

https://princeofpeacesc.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/sign-up/

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

As we continue to improve our return to mass, we are implementing new practices that require the assistance of volunteers. We are currently looking for the following roles:

#### **RESPONSES LEADER:**

We are still welcoming parishioners who can both lead in the re-



sponses and manage the PowerPoint slides during the mass. This new role emerged as due to the need to livestream masses. Training will be provided. Those interested are asked to contact the parish office.

#### **TOGETHER WE PRAY**



"For the children who died in residential schools throughout Canada and for all those who con-

tinue on a journey through the darkness, that there may be healing founded on truth and that the Spirit will inspire our ongoing commitment to reconciliation. God, through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, continue to offer us correction so that your grace might change and transform us in our weakness and repentance. Give us humility to listen when others reveal how we have failed and courage to love others as ourselves, mindful of your love for the weakest and most vulnerable among us. Amen."

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.



Strengthening Our Caring Community was mandated by the Cardinal over 20 years ago as part of the larger Archdiocesan Safe Environment policy, implemented for the safety and care of our community and all who participate and engage in our parishes and programs. All volunteers are required to comply with this program which is implemented and managed by the Archdiocese Volunteer Screening Department and administered each through Parish's Volunteer Screening Coordinator and Screening Committee.

Ministry positions are assigned a "High" or "General" risk level based on responsibility, government laws and regulations, participant vulnerability, and volunteer exposure to which the volunteer screening process directly supports. Outlined below is an overview of the mandatory screening steps that all applicants must successfully complete and commit to, before they can be accepted into (or continue in) ministry and become an active Archdiocese/Parish volunteer.

## MANDATORY SCREENING STEPS GENERAL RISK:

- Application Form
- Ministry Position Review
- Orientation & Training (includes Code of Conduct, AODA, OHRC, Parish, and Ministry training)
- Volunteer Acknowledgement and Agreement Form
- Ongoing Supervision and Evaluation

#### HIGH RISK

(Positions of Trust):

- Application Form
- Interview
- Reference Check
- Criminal Records & Judicial Matters Check (adults 18+ complete through our third-party service provider)
- Orientation & Training (includes Code of Conduct, AODA, OHRC, Parish, and Ministry training)
- Volunteer Acknowledgement and Agreement Form
- Ongoing Supervision and Evaluation

Volunteers usually **commit for one year**, during which time there is a probationary period to review mutual "best fit", along with **ongoing training** to support them in their role, **performance evaluations**, and feedback to review and ensure "best fit" continually. Please contact, Jimmy Chang, our local Parish Volunteer Screening Coordinator/Screening Committee for further details.

# STEWARDSHIP A LIVING FAITH

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith

but do not have works?" In our second reading from the Letter of James we are challenged to have a living faith, a faith that is backed up by action. However, we should first realize that the most generous and loving thing we can do for someone is pray for them. However, after entrusting everything to God, we can then play our part and concretely try to help through proper use of our time and talents.



### **CANADIAN MISSIONS**

With your care and generosity today, you help bring the Gospel message to remote and impoverished missions across Canada. A collection will be taken on **September 25-26.** Thank you.

# IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL PRINCE OF PEACE VOLUNTEERS

Under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (2005), the Archdiocese of Toronto, is required to train all existing and new volunteers, on the accessibility law requirements (including AODA and the Ontario Human Rights Code), that apply to their duties and our organization, to serve customers of all abilities. They also keep and maintain a record of when training is provided, including dates and the number of individuals trained, by having the volunteers complete the SurveyMonkey at the end of their online training. **Please, as soon as you can**, refer to the Communication for Parish Volunteers re: Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) page in this bulletin and complete your training. Thank you.