# **Prince of Peace Parish**

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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 Tuesday – Saturday: 8:30am First Friday: 7:00 pm (see below) Confessions Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:45 am 4:00 pm-4:45 pm (First Friday Confessions-see below)

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**CARETAKERS** 

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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 AND 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**

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416-393-5416
416-393-5372
416-393-5381
416-393-5406
416-393-5414
905-472-4961
416-393-5524

## **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **Mass Intentions**

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#### Saturday, October 9

5:00 pm Mass (Sunday Vigil)

#### Sunday, Oct 10

8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 11:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Mass

## Monday, October 11

7:00 pm Mass **†** Fr. Francis D'Souza

### **Tuesday, October 12**

8:30 am Mass

 Thanksgiving 50th wedding Charles & Hazel

#### Wednesday, October 13

8:30 am Mass

- Thanksgiving 90th birthday Assunta Cristofaro
- 🕆 Maria Leung

#### † Catherine & Dorothy

#### Thursday, October 14

8:30 am Mass † Elias Diniz Friday, October 15 8:30 am Mass † Lucila & Virgilio Danganan Saturday, October 16 8:30 am Mass

### **†** Merlyn Fernandes **†** Alex & Grace D'Souza

## SANCTURARY LAMP October 10-16

The Lamp burns this week for all who are suffering from Covid and those taking care of them





Jesus tells the young man that in order to gain eternal life he must keep the Commandments, to which the young man responds that he has observed them from his youth. But then Jesus says something that this young man never expected Him to say. He says, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the

poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." This must have shocked him, so he walked away. He walked away sad because he failed to realize that Jesus' invitation to him to give everything away was actually an act of love. He did not understand that he would find happiness in this radical commitment to follow Christ.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY

This Monday the office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day. We wish everyone a safe and blessed Thanksgiving Day and we pray that everyone will find a seat at a table where gratitude is present and bread is broken and shared.



#### **BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Our parish is currently establishing a Building Committee

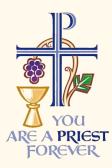


Council with Property matters. This is an advisory committee, and it requires that its members have professional backgrounds such as architects, structural engineers, real

estate agents, property managers, etc. Just like your home, maintaining and improving our building and facilities is an ongoing process, we are 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.

## PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF MARTIN S. LUGO TAPIA

It is with much pride and joy that we announce Deacon Martin's Presbyteral Ordination by his Eminence Cardinal Collins which will be held on **Friday**, **November 5th**, **2021 at 7pm at St. Michael's Cathedral**. We have been blessed by his quiet and unassuming presence for quite some time and now we are so blessed to be a part of his life as he walks into his first steps of Priestly Ministry. He has been so active in getting involved as much as possible in his role as deacon. Keeping Martin in our Archdiocese



is a blessing which we all recognize, especially in this time when vocations to the priesthood are so few and far between. Let us keep him in our prayers and offer our support to him. We remind everyone that Canon Law requires the faithful to report any impediments to Holy Orders to the Cardinal or our pastor.

#### October 10, 2021

## **SL** ShareLife

Will you help us reach our ShareLife campaign goal? "Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability."

Cardinal Thomas Collins

## OUR GOAL THIS YEAR: \$88,000.00 SO FAR WE HAVE COLLECTED 66,545.00 (75.61%) THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

**October 3rd** is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during this special collection or anytime at *sharelife.org* 

#### Sound System Update



As we have shared with everyone, we have begun the installation of our new

sound system. So far we have replaced two microphones that are currently used by both priests and they have already made a difference but once all microphones are installed we will see more improvements. We also have installed all the wiring in the church for the new speakers that will significantly change the sound in our church. We are very please to inform everyone that the remaining equipment will be installed in early November. We will need to suspend the masses for three full days to allow for this work to be completed, so please be advised that on November 3, 4 and 5, the church will be off limits to allow for this work to be completed. We hope that this interruption will be well worth it. Therefore, masses for these three days will be celebrated privately by our priests. We appreciate your understanding.

#### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (Prince of Peace Conference) welcomes new members - and especially young adults - as we continue our commitment to Christ's invitation to grow closer to Him. to love one another and to spread the message of His love wherever we go. When YOU join our Society, Jesus is always the STAR and He leads us to those who need help – the poor, the lonely, the suffering. Please call our St Vincent de Paul cellphone at (647) 234-0265 and leave a message that YOU are interested in volunteering. All are welcome!

#### PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE



The Office of Formation for Discipleship is hosting their 4th Annual Parish Ministry nce. With Burning

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



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 torv gifts. forms available at the parish office.

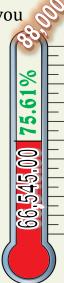
#### FRIENDLY REMINDER

We ask that you **do not use** envelopes from previous **vears** as those numbers might have been reassigned. If you were not able to pick up your 2021 envelopes we invite you to consider contacting the office so that we can assign you a new number when we receive our 2022 supply of envelopes. Your support during this time of pandemic is greatly valued, especially as we return to more normal operations.

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Did you know that our 2021 Weekly Expenses Average is \$ 8,191.00?





## VOCATIONS



Receiving Eucharist is a real sign of unity in our Church. God 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 is still increasing. We are now in a position to review this again to allow

for different times so that everyone gets equal opportunity to come to church to pray. Currently we are open for prayer Monday to Saturday from 9:00am to 12noon. If there is morning mass, there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private praver until 12noon. If a funeral or a wedding is booked, private prayer will be cancelled.

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#### **Sacramental Preparation Programs**

## FIRST COMMUNION



ParentswhomissedtheFirstCommunionMass-eslastJulyareasked to contact the

parish in order to book a date for their child to receive First Holy Communion. We have assigned the 1:00 pm mass on Sundays for the month of October. Eight (8) families at the most will be accepted at each mass and only one or two parents will be able to sit with their child. Other gusts must register for the mass on Eventbrite on a first-comefirst-serve bases . Instructions will be provided once parents book their mass. The Children will receive communion in the same way we are currently receiving it on Sundays. Please call the parish office at 416-291-9422 as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can email us with the information at:

princeofpeacesc@archtoronto.org

#### CONFIRMATION

This coming Friday we are having our rehearsal for the last Confirmation Mass this year. We expect



all remaining candidates to make themselves available for the rehearsal on **October 15th at 7pm** and for Confirmation on **October 22, 2021 at 7pm**. We remind parents that due to our recent change of our email address, emails often end up in peoples spam. Please be sure to check it periodically or take the tame to send us an test email so that our systems recognize the email address as safe.

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)



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

wish to become 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 need a minimum of 5 participants to take parr in this program due to the work and the people that are needed to run one. Please call the parish office to let us know if you or someone you know, are interested in this program.

#### 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: www.archtoronto.org.

#### **CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY**



Grade 12 students: If you are going to university or college in the fall, campus min-

istry is waiting for you! Connect with the Catholic community on your campus by visiting:

### www.chaplaincyconnect.ca

#### ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL



The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for **Septem-**

**ber 2022.** St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic School for young men from grade 7 to Grade 12. Virtual Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Tuesday, October 26 and Thursday, October, 28 beginning at 7:30 p.m. We invite you to register at ApplySMCS.com. St. Michael's College School offers a generous bursary programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students.

#### 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.

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

#### **OFFICE MAILBOX WARNING**

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 meantime we ask everyone to take advantage of the new office hours to drop off your donations. We have installed a Speaker phone at the parish office door so to make sure you can reach us after the office is close. Otherwise, please return the next day if the office is closed. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with this issue.

#### MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Please note that on Mondays we have moved **the 8:30am mass to 7:00 pm**. Also, on First Fridays, the **8:30 am Mass** will be moved to



**7:00 pm** and will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after mass, a **Holy Hour,** Confessions during adoration and Benediction at 8:30pm.

#### 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/

BLESSING OF PETS

(St. Francis Feast)

Gathering after mass last 4th of October was a wonderful opportunity to bring our pets



to be blessed. Now, I am sure your pets are very holy and even join in saying grace before meals. We hope that next year we will be able to get more parishioners to join so that their pets also grow in holiness. This tradition does not have to take place only on the feast of St. Francis of Assisi.



We can have our pets blessed any time of the year.

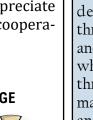
#### **TOGETHER WE PRAY**

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



who continue 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.



## 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.



## Planning ahead for Christmas

## **ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO MESSAGE**

(The information below was sent to all parishes by the Archdiocese of Toronto to be observed when planning masses for Christmas and New Year's)

Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Saturday in the coming Christmas Season. In order to give relief to the parish clergy, the following norms are in effect throughout the Archdiocese to regulate the Christmas schedule of Masses:

## **CHRISTMAS**

- No Mass should be scheduled on Saturday, December 25th after 2:00 p.m. The Saturday evening Masses, which anticipate Sunday, are to be suppressed.
- Parish priests, particularly those that serve various language groups and will have difficulty serving their groups because of no Mass being celebrated after 2:00 p.m. on December 25th, should consult their regional bishop as soon as possible about any foreseen difficulties.
- No confessions are to be scheduled on December 25th or January 1st.

## NEW YEAR'S DAY

- The obligatory Feast of Our Lady, Mother of God, may be anticipated on Friday, December 31st beginning no earlier than 4:00 p.m.
- You are, once again, to suppress all Masses on Saturday afternoon and evening January 1st that would anticipate Sunday, January 2, 2022.
- No Mass may begin on New Year's Day after 12 noon.

These norms, which have been employed in the past, proved to be of assistance to the clergy. I encourage you to publish them well in advance and on a number of occasions. I trust that their use will benefit your liturgical celebrations.

## **IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR 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.



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 through each 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.

#### Volunteers News

#### 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.

## **UNREGISTERED VOLUNTEERS**

We remind all volunteers that being a Registered Parishioner is a



requirement to be a volunteer in any parish. Our records show that a great number of volunteers are not registered parishioners. Filling out volunteers forms does not imply registration. If you currently do not have and assigned envelope number, there is a very good chance that you are not registered in the parish. Please call the parish office to find out how you can correct this. Part of the administration of Volunteer Screening involves having your information in our system. Please help us run this program effectively for the protection of all in our parish.

Your talent is Gods gift to you What you do with it is your gift back to God



As a tangible expression of their commitment to walk with the Indigenous People of this land along the pathway of hope, The Bishops of Canada are making a nation-wide collective financial commitment to support healing and reconciliation initiatives for residential school survivors, their families, and their communities. With a target of \$30 million over up to five years, this will include

initiatives in every region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners.



## Statement of Apology by the Catholic Bishops of Canada to the Indigenous Peoples of This Land

We, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, take this opportunity to affirm to you, the Indigenous Peoples of this land, that we acknowledge the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. We acknowledge the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. We also sorrowfully acknowledge the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies<sup>1</sup>, we<sup>2</sup>, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, express our profound remorse and apologize unequivocally.

We are fully committed to the process of healing and reconciliation. Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, and as a further tangible expression of this ongoing commitment, we are pledging to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, we invite the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us in each of our dioceses across the country to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. We commit ourselves to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

Having heard the requests to engage Pope Francis in this reconciliation process, a delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in Rome in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous participants, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. We pledge to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We commit ourselves to continue accompanying you, the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. Standing in respect of your resiliency, strength and wisdom, we look forward to listening to and learning from you as we walk in solidarity.