

Prince of Peace Parish

Established 1987

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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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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 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

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, October 23

5:00 pm Mass
(Sunday Vigil)

Sunday, Oct 24

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

Pro Populo

Monday, October 25

7:00 pm Mass

- ◆ Thanksgiving Vallesterio family
- ◆ Intentions of Nataline Noronha

Tuesday, October 26

8:30 am Mass

- † Merlyn Fernandes
- † Franklin D'Souza

Wednesday, October 27

8:30 am Mass

- † Anthony Pais

Thursday, October 28

8:30 am Mass

- † Bruce Lee

Friday, October 20

8:30 am Mass

- † Francis & Ezekiel Soares

Saturday, October 30

8:30 am Mass

- ◆ Intentions of Joan Tanner

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving
♥ For the infirm



Bartimaeus prayer reveals a deep passion. It is not just a request for God's help; rather, it is a cry for help. It's a plea and a form of begging. It's an opening up of one's soul to God, without concern of displaying one's own weaknesses or worry that others will witness it or what they'll think. This shows the depth of the blind man's prayer. In our daily prayer, we must be humble, beg for mercy, and do so with deep passion and longing. Praying this way will most certainly dispose us to the grace and mercy of God.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Our parish is currently establishing a Building Committee to advise 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, 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.

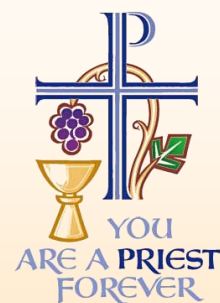
SOUND SYSTEM UPDATE

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 pleased to inform everyone that the remaining equipment will



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.



SANCTURARY LAMP

October 24-30

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



Register for Mass on Eventbrite



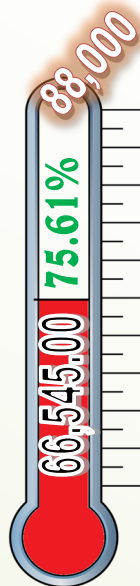
Will you help us reach our ShareLife campaign goal?
 “Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best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

Please give generously to this collection at anytime at
sharelife.org



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 offertory gifts. Enrollment forms available at the parish office.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

We ask that you **do not use envelopes from previous years** 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.

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.

PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE

The Office of Formation for Discipleship is 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 more info:



www.archtoeronto.org/conference

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL



The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for **September 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 **7:30pm**. We invite you to register at [Apply SMCS.com](http://ApplySMCS.com). St. Michael's College School offers a generous bursary programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students.

SHEPHERDS TRUST



The Mission of The Shepherds Trust is to raise awareness and funds so retired priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Through our support, the retired priests are given the dignity of adequate income, healthcare and other assistance in their golden years. On November **13/14** please give what you can. Thank you! Information at:

www.shepherdstrust.org

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

October 16-17

\$ 5027.75

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

Thank You
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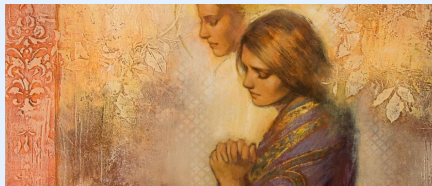
VOCATIONS



The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation call: 416-968-0997 email at:

vocations@archtoronto.org

PRIVATE PRAYER



Time for Private Prayer in our Church continues to increase. 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 prayer until 12noon. If a funeral or a wedding is booked, private prayer will be cancelled.

Sacramental Preparation Programs

FIRST COMMUNION



Parents who **missed the First Communion** Masses last July are asked 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 guests must register for the mass on Eventbrite on a first-come-first-serve basis. 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 your information at:

princeofpeace@archtoronto.org

CONFIRMATION



Friday, October 22nd at 7 pm we had our last Confirmation Mass of this year, 2021. Congratulations to all who celebrated their Confirmation. May the Spirit of God who came to you in this sacrament, continue to strengthen you throughout your Christian life.

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 part 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.

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.

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.

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.



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!

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



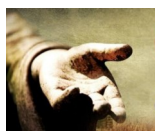
of the Blessed Sacrament after mass, a **Holy Hour**, Confessions during adoration and Benediction at 8:30pm.

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 to make sure you can reach us after the office is closed. Otherwise, please return the next day if the office is closed. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with this issue.



THE COME AND SEE - DAY RETREAT



Saturday, **November 20,-** St. Augustine’s Seminary. Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God’s call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ’s disciples as a Catholic priest. For more information or to register, please contact the Office of Vocations via email:

vocations@archtoronto.org.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

Fall 2021 News Letter available at:

<https://bit.ly/3joMyp6>

**WORLD MISSIONS SUNDAY
OCTOBER 23/24**

This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Our offerings are combined with those of other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. If you do not have offertory envelopes, there will be envelopes available at the entrance of the church this weekend. Thank you for your support of this important work.



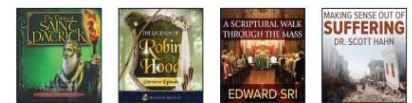
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Live Streaming is now available for our parishioners as the dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist continues. Alternatively, a full list of Livestream services can be accessed at www.archtoronto.org.



STEWARDSHIP RAISING OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

Today's Gospel with the blind man Bartimaeus shows us that we don't really need to have our "act together" before we begin to pray. St. Therese of Lisieux says, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." This simple look towards Heaven is what Bartimaeus fully embodied and is what we too are called to imitate as stewards in all circumstances.



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.

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

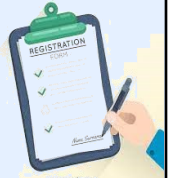
(POSITIONS OF TRUST):

- ◆ 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 an 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.



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 apologies¹, we², 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.

24 September 2021