

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: 8:30am

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, January 29

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, January 30

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

11:30 am Mass

1:00 pm Mass

Monday, January 31

8:30 am Mass

† George Yorobe

Tuesday, February 1

8:30 am Mass

† Yuk Lin Wang

Wednesday, February 2

8:30 am Mass

† Eustace D'Souza

Thursday, February 3

8:30 am Mass

† Joe Braganza

◆ Stanley & Jeanette Chin

Friday, February 4

7:00 pm Mass

† Yum Chan

◆ Francis Fernandes

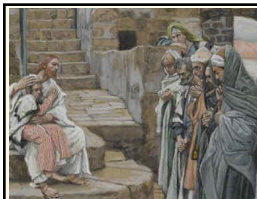
Saturday, February 5

† Laura Harmandayan

† Danny Gomes

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving
♥ For the infirm

Pro Populo



It may be that familiarity with another, such as the familiarity we have with family members, can tempt us to lack a certain confidence in their convictions and in their Christian witness. Though this is certainly not true of every relationship we have, it can be the case with some. Children, at times, will not put as much confidence in the words of a parent as they may another. Siblings may not be as open to advice from each other as they are from other people. The statement "no prophet is accepted in his own native place," should challenge us to make sure we do not fall into this tendency.

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Forty days after the birth of Jesus is also known as Candlemas day. The previous (1962) liturgical calendar refers to this feast as the "Purification of Mary." The blessing of candles, will be done on Wednesday, **February 2** at the **8:30am** Mass. Everyone is invited. For complete readings of the day visit: <https://bit.ly/32sFd2v>

SAINT BLAISE

On this day the Church gives a "Blessing of the Throats" in honor of St. Blaise. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. Thursday, **February 3** Mass will be celebrated at **8:30am** followed by a blessing of the throats.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS



† This coming Friday, **February 4** is First Friday. We invite everyone to join us for mass at **7pm**. After mass we will have the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:30pm. Confessions will be heard during the adoration between 7:30 and 8:30pm. There will be no morning mass on first Fridays.



CANTORS NEEDED

We invite parishioners who have singing talents (able to sing and read music) to consider being trained to lead the congregation in song. This role has been a longstanding tradition in the church and one that has been forgotten and devalued, especially when music has become more sophisticated and challenging for us to join in. This calls for leadership so that we can all sing with one voice as a symbol the Lord's call to not only be pitch-perfect but be one in every way, including our singing. This is a volunteer position and those interested are asked to contact the office via email. Auditioning and training will be provided.



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 or email (see email address on the cover page).



SANCTUARY LAMP

As you know, the sanctuary lamp burns near the tabernacle to remind us of Jesus' Presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. Here at Prince of Peace, each week parishioners may request special prayer intentions to be added to the light of the candle and brought to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Those prayer requests will be published in the bulletin and the weekly slides.

The stipend for each intention is \$5 and can be booked in the office and the names (only) will be published under the following types:

The Repose of the Soul of
For the Health of
In Thanksgiving by
For the intentions of

(these will be multiple intentions)

ShareLife

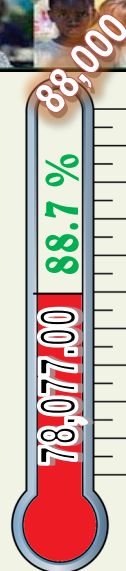


As you consider your blessings, please make an act of hope today by supporting those in need. We can reach our parish goal and get through this new stage of the pandemic if we do it together. Thank you.

To date we have collected **\$78,077. (88.7%)** of our parish goal of **\$88,000**. Will you help us reach our ShareLife campaign goal?

ShareLife donations are welcome anytime at sharelife.org

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY



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.

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertory Envelopes for **2022** are ready for pick up in the parish hall after mass. They are being distributed by volunteers so please do not help yourself as we need to make sure that they are picked by the person whose name is on the box. A few things to remember : **Use only 2022 envelopes for your donations.**



- ◆ Do not use your old envelopes from previous years, please destroy them.
- ◆ Fill in your name and address on each envelope for the first month when you start using your **2022** box of envelopes.
- ◆ The number on your box of envelopes is designated for **your** use only.
- ◆ Please do not give your envelopes to anyone else outside of your household.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL



The Prince of Peace Conference welcomes new members, 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 647-234-0265 if you are interested in joining.

You can make a difference!

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Pope Francis has launched the Synod on Synodality: a two-year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. To learn more about the Synod on Synodality and to share your thoughts, please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/synodality



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE



February 5-Lent Campaign Virtual Workshop-11am to 2:30pm (on Zoom) In order

that our faith in Jesus might be expressed in action, all are invited to Share Lent 2022, "People and Planet First". Registration at: <https://bit.ly/3nThYWE>

STEWARDSHIP

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST



In today's second reading, St. Paul says that even if we were to serve Christ and do many good works, if we didn't have love we would "be nothing." When we truly love those whom we serve, we do a great service for them because we point them to the Love of Christ. Let us strive to love others through our stewardship by first being filled with God's love through our practice of prayer.



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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 22-23, 2022

\$ 2,769.00

Our current weekly expenses Average is

\$ 8,191.00

Prayer and Sacraments

VOCATIONS



No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto:

416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE PANDEMIC

Almighty and merciful Father, who show your love to all your creation.

Humbly we come before you asking for a swift eradication of the coronavirus

Graciously hear the prayers we offer for all those affected by the virus currently ravaging various parts of the world.

Calm our fears and give strength to those who support and care for others. Grant healing to all suffering in mind, body and spirit, eternal life to the dead and consolation to the bereaved. Inspire those who are working to find an effective vaccine.

Counsel governments and health authorities to take appropriate steps for the good of all. Look lovingly upon us all, and in your mercy, forgive our failings. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

DO YOU NEED THE PRAYERS?

Requests for prayers for those who are currently ill or recently deceased can be submitted to the parish office to be published in the bulletin.

FIRST COMMUNION



We remind all parents who had their children celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in 2021, that the **certificates are ready for pick up at the parish office.** We ask that you take the time to pick them up as soon as possible. Office hours are on the bulletin cover page. Plans for the **2022** First Communion Program will be published in our bulletin, website, the slides in Church as well as during the announcements on Sundays. Updates will also be made available to our parish schools to be sent to the parents.

CONFIRMATION -2022

Updates for registration will be announced soon. Subscribe to the parish bulletin to receive information as it becomes available. Thank you for your patience.



PRIVATE PRAYER



Currently we are open for private prayer **Monday to Saturday from 9am to 12noon.** If there is a Funeral or a Wedding Scheduled, private prayer will be cancelled. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will return to pre-Covid practice included in our First Friday devotions.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Celebration of Marriage Mass on **February 13 at 2:30pm.** St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica for married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2022. Registration & livestream visit: www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live.



MARRIAGE PREP COURSES

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga, call or email for details of their **2022** course programs. For information call: 905-278-5229 or email at:

office@qoa.ca

CATHOLIC NURSES CANADA

Looking for support in your vocation as a Catholic health professional? Join in prayer on the **first Friday** of every month at **3pm** and fellowship on the **final Tuesday** of every month at **7pm.** For meeting link email:

nacncanda.boardcontact@gmail.com

AMEN



Amen is a free Catholic app from the Augustine Institute bringing you daily Mass readings, meditations, devotions, and Scripture to calm restless hearts and distracted minds. Click on the link below for your free app download.

<https://apple.co/2ZkgmV>

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."

WORSHIP SAFE REMINDERS

- **Distancing of 2 metres** (6 feet) by those not from the same household.
- Wear a **mask covering nose & mouth** at all times while inside the church.
- Singing is allowed by the **cantor only**.
- Registration to all weekend Masses is **mandatory**.
- Parishioners not feeling well or showing symptoms should not attend Mass at this time.
- Parishioners should not congregate in large groups before or after Mass, wherever possible.
- Anyone who attended Mass and subsequently tested positive within 5 days of the Mass, should contact the Parish immediately

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR PARISH BULLETIN

 Copy and paste the link below, to subscribe and receive the bulletin in your inbox every week and keep your family informed.

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

SUNDAY MISSALS

2022 Sunday Missals are available for purchase at the parish office Monday to Friday from **9am** to **5pm./\$5.00** per missal. Call the office or see one of the ushers after any of our Sunday masses.

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GUIDELINES FOR MASS INTENTIONS



One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead, and the greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass, since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. For that reason, all are encouraged to have Masses offered for loved ones who have died, or even for the living who have some need. This is an ancient Christian practice, and all are welcome to make mass intention requests. However, mass intentions are subject to the Norms of the Church and as such we are obligated to follow them. Therefore:

A Mass intention may be set for

- ◆ A deceased loved one
- ◆ A person who is ill or suffering
- ◆ In thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary or other special moment in a person's life.
- ◆ In thanksgiving for prayers answered.

An announced Mass intention cannot be set for:

- ◆ An *unknown* or *private* intention.
- ◆ A prayer intention that contradicts Catholic moral doctrine.
- ◆ An intention that includes a "list of names (each can be a different intention).
- ◆ An intention with wordy explanations that seem to be intended as information to the community

The intentions that include more than one name or complicated wording will be announced as "for the intentions of the donor".

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 volunteer 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.



BUILDING COMMITTEE



The Building Committee is an advisory committee that requires its members to have professional backgrounds such as architects, structural engineers, real estate agents, property managers, etc. Those of you who have a background in engineering or general building construction concepts are especially encouraged to apply. If you have interest in this opportunity to serve your parish community, please email your contact details to the office.



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