

# 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: 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)

#### **PASTOR**

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#### **DEACONS**

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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

In normal times, these programs run from September to June. 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 3rd Tuesday the Month. Appointed by the pastor. limmy Chang—Vice-chair

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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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, February 19

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, February 20

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

11:30 am Mass

1:00 pm Mass

## Monday, February 21

8:30 am Mass

- + Hon Sum Lai
- † Ronnie Concepcion

# Tuesday, February 22

8:30 am Mass

- † Sylvia Kalpakian
- † Sr. Maria Goretti

# Wednesday, February 23

8:30 am Mass

♦ Brenda D'Souza

# Thursday, February 24

8:30 am Mass

**♦** Romain

#### Friday, February 25

8:30am Mass

† Elviro Andoy

# Saturday, February 26

- + Ardwin D'Souza
- † Rohan Fonseka

**T**Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

**♥** For the infirm

# 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 fol-

lowing types:

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(these will be multiple intentions)



Pro Populo

Forgiveness is hard to do most of the time. It must be offered in the light of our tendencies to both judge and condemn another. Clearly, forgiveness cures the tendency to condemn because it acknowledges a fault and forgives it anyway without requiring the imposition of a "punishment," so to speak, upon the offender. Forgiveness does not mean that the offense was OK or nonexistent. It is never healthy to pretend

that some hurt or sin never happened, but it's always healthy to forgive the sin that is present. "Condemn not, that you may not be condemned."

#### **FAMILY DAY**

Monday, February **21** is Family Day. Morning Mass will be at 8:30am. The



parish office will be closed. Please make use of our emergency extension in the event of the unexpected (i.e. funerals, anointing someone in danger of death, persona crisis).

#### **NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS**

We have established a permanent email address to communicate with the parish community. The domain reflects our identity and we invite everyone to begin using this email address only and eliminate any other previous addresses used in the past. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### MASS RESPONSE LEADERS

We continue 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.

#### **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.

#### SUNDAY MISSALS

2022 Sunday Missals are available for purchase; call the office for details.

#### 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

OUR PARISH HAS A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

# parish.office@princeofpeacesc.ca

Please use the above address to communicate with us effective immediately.

# **SL 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

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!

#### SUBSCRIBE TO OUR PARISH BULLETIN



Copy and paste the link below, to subscribe and receive the bulletin in vour inbox every week

and keep your family informed. princeofpeacesc.archtoronto.ca

# ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL Auditions are now open for September 2022 placement! Boys begin their 10-year journey in grade 3. The choir school offers a complete curriculum of academic studies, alongside its worldrenowned music program. Contact: Sabrina Leva at: 647-613-6367 or email:

admissions@smcs.on.ca

# **2021 TAX RECEIPTS** What you need to know about your 2021 tax receipts...

- ♦ If you switched to using your credit card to make your donations, those donations will receipted bv the Archdiocese. That amount is not included in vour receipt from Prince of Peace.
- ♦ If you made a donation to St. Vincent de Paul, you will receive a separate receipt from them.
- ♦ If vou made a ShareLife donation to Prince of Peace, the amount is included in your receipt; however, if vou used your credit card to make that donation, the Archdiocese will send you a receipt for the ShareLife portion.
- ♦We remind everyone that processing a replacement copy of a tax-receipt requires the work of an accountant which additional incurs cost to the parish. Thank you

## PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM



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This is an Archdiocesan Giving Plan to assist you in your support

of the work of Prince of Peace Par-<mark>ish, through your regular parish</mark> 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.

# **STEWARDSHIP** PRAYING FOR OUR ENEMIES

One of Jesus' radical messages that can help us work towards holiness is



the call to love our enemies. We must first realize that it is a long process to truly love them but it begins with small acts of prayer. Let us begin to pray for the good of our enemies and slowly rid ourselves of feelings of anger or hatred.

# INCOME TAX RECEIPTS



On February 14, your **2021** donation tax receipts were mailed out to

you. We ask you to please notify the office by email or by phone if you have changed your contact information.

# **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

February 12-14, 2022

\$4.298.

Our current weekly expenses Average is \$8,191.00



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: **b** www.archtoronto.org.

#### **VOCATIONS**

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's in your Will life: especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy Director of Vocations Archdiocese 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.

#### DO YOU NEED THE PRAYERS?

Amen

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.

#### LEGION OF MARY



A plenary indulgence has been granted to the Legion of Mary worldwide by his Holiness, Pope Francis on the oc-

casion of its one-hundredth anniversary. A plenary indulgence properly fulfilled under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Pontiff) to the members of the Legion of Mary and Auxiliary members of the faithful who are truly penitent, to be gained from **September 7, 2021,** until **September 7, 2022.** Contact:

Erlinda Henderin: eghenderin@gmail.com or Fatima Sequeira: sequeifa@gmail.com

#### **FIRST COMMUNION**

We remind all parents whose children celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Com-



munion last year 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, pri-



vate prayer will be cancelled. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will return to pre-Covid practice included in our First Friday devotions.

# QUEEN OF APOSTLES LENTEN RETREAT SCHEDULE

Saturday March **5 or** Tuesday March **15- 9am to 3:30pm**. Friday April **1** at **7pm** through Sunday April **3, 2pm**. Registration & Information at: 905-278-5229 or: office@goa.ca

# St. Augustine's Seminary Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 12, 9:30am-1pm. Join a day of virtual reflec-

# 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."

tion on "The Light of Newman in the Dark of Winter. Help for Our Lenten Journey." Contact: 416-261-7207

lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca

#### 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 - email at: office@goa.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. Meeting link at:

nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com

#### **AMEN**

Amen is a free Catholic app from the Augustine Amen Institute bringing you



daily Mass readings, devotions, Scripture and more. Click on the link for your free app download.

https://apple.co/2ZkgmvM

# COVID RESTRICTIONS UPDATE

**February 14, 2022** the Ontario Government announced that most of the provincial Covid-19 re-

strictions will be eliminated in two phases over the coming weeks. The first phase of easing restrictions began on February 17 and the second phase will begin on March 1, 2022. As we have seen throughout the pandemic, such plans can change rapidly and Covid rules can be confusing. We will keep you updated as any new information becomes available. As of February

- · Congregational singing can resume.
- · Social distancing and wearing a mask while inside the church will continue.
- · Our parish capacity remains the
- · Recording contact information is still the best practice

#### **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 re-



quirement 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 vou currently do not have assigned envelope and 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 advisorv committee that requires its members to have

backgrounds professional such as architects, structural engineers, real estate agents, property managers. 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 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.