



# 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:** 8:30am

**Tuesday—Saturday:** 8:30am

**First Friday:** 7:00 pm

## 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

In normal times, these programs run from September to June. Look for bulletin announcements.

## 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](mailto: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. 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

# First Sunday of Lent

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, March 5

5:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, March 6

8:30 am \* 10:00 am

11:30 am \* 1:00 pm

### Monday, March 7

8:30 am Mass

† Alma Naidas

† Mariathan Gasper

### Tuesday, March 8

8:30 am Mass

† Teodora Ezperanza

† Frank & Moira McGregor

### Wednesday, March 9

8:30 am Mass

† Joy George

† Norman Hew Shu

### Thursday, March 10

8:30 am Mass

† Ody Paolo Lumanlan

† Cecilia Vegas

### Friday, March 11

8:30am Mass

† James Monisse

† K.J. Mathew

### Saturday, March 12

† Charles Chiu

† Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving  
♥ For the infirm

Pro Populo



Temptation in life is real. It's the result of our fallen human nature. It comes from our weakness but also from the evil one. Temptation can be a heavy burden and cause heavy emotional and psychological pain. And when the temptation is given in to, it causes an even deeper spiritual pain. Jesus never gave in to the temptations in the desert, nor did He give in to temptations at any other time in His life. But He endured them and suffered them.

## Welcome back to Church

### We are so glad to see you again

#### THE THREE PILLARS OF LENT

*In the season of lent, the church provides us with three disciplines to help us grow in the spiritual life. These "pillars" of lent are Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Jesus teaches us that to give alms, means to make the needs of others our own. We are especially called to provide for the most vulnerable people in our world: children and the old, the sick and the suffering, families and individuals, next-door neighbors and people in lands faraway. Whatever we give should be something of ourselves, something that costs us. We follow in the example of Christ who gave his life for us that we might live. This is why fasting and almsgiving go together. We fast to recognize our privilege. We fast to recognize the suffering of our brothers and sisters who have less than us and we fast to remind ourselves of our hunger for God. As we fast, we hope to nurture a spirit of gratitude and a spirit of generosity. However, we cannot do any of this without strengthening our relationship with God in prayer which grounds us and strengthens us. This Lent, we invite the parish community to join in the practice of these pillars of Lent.*



#### 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. 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)*

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Fridays during Lent, we gather in the church at **7pm** to pray the Stations of the Cross. On first Fridays we will pray the Stations of the Cross after the **7pm** Mass. Confessions will be available at **6:30pm to 7:30pm** every Friday during Lent.



#### RECONCILIATION TREE



The real work of conversion happens when we concretely address the areas in our lives where we are most in need of mercy and reconciliation. This year, as a parish community, we have set up a

Reconciliation Tree in the sanctuary of the Church. Each week, we will focus on an area of our lives in which we are in need of healing and reconciliation. You are encouraged to attach a ribbon onto the tree to indicate each instance of such mercy that you experience throughout the week. This can be times when you have been the object of mercy or when you have been merciful to others. At the end of lent, when the tree is completely covered in ribbons, we can rejoice knowing that we have experienced God's compassionate, forgiving love in our lives and brought that same healing love to others.





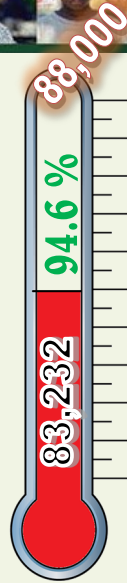
In **2021**, the ShareLife Parish Campaign raised \$13.9 million. Thank you for saying yes to Christ's call to "remain here, and stay awake" with Him as we bear witness to those in need. May God bless you for your faithfulness and compassion. Sincerely in Christ.

*Thomas Cardinal Collins*

Thank you to the parishioners of Prince of Peace Parish. Our goal for **2021** was **\$88,000**. We are proud to announce our total ShareLife donations reached **\$83,232. (94.6%)** Thank you for your generosity.

Our parish's **2022** ShareLife Campaign is now underway. In this time of Lent, please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped through your kind support of ShareLife. Please give generously on **ShareLife Sunday**, which is **March 27**.

*The ShareLife office has released a Report to Donors sharing the results of the 2021 campaign and demonstrating how our support has made a difference. Copies of the report are available at: [slife@archtoronto.org](mailto:slife@archtoronto.org)*



**STEWARDSHIP  
GIVING OUR FIRST FRUITS  
THIS LENT**

In the first reading from the book of Deuteronomy, Moses instructs the people saying that when they come to give their offerings to God, they should "bring the first of the fruit of the ground." One Lenten resolution we can adopt to help us offer our "first fruits" is the practice of scheduling our time of prayer in advance. If we do so, we will see great wonders take place in our relationship with God and others.



**MAINTENANCE FUND**



We remind everyone that next weekend, **March 12-13** we have our collection to help maintain our church property.

**Live Streaming** continues to be 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](http://www.archtoronto.org).

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

February 26-27, 2022

**\$ 6,383.**

Our current weekly expenses Average is

**\$ 8,191.00**

**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.



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**UKRAINIAN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF**

In response to the request of parishioners, the Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a humanitarian relief effort to help the Ukrainian people at this time. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- ◆ Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto at:

[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

- ◆ By phone through the Development Office: 416-934-3411

Through the parish, making your cheques payable to:

Prince of Peace Parish-Ukrainian Relief -Humanitarian Relief.

**LEGION OF MARY**



A plenary indulgence has been granted to the Legion of Mary worldwide by his Holiness, Pope Francis on the occasion 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](mailto:eghenderin@gmail.com) or Fatima Sequeira: [sequeifa@gmail.com](mailto:sequeifa@gmail.com)

**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.

**AMEN**

Amen is a free Catholic app from the Augustine Institute bringing you daily Mass readings, devotions, Scripture and more. Click on the link for your free app download.

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

**OUR PARISH HAS A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS**

**[parish.office@princeofpeacesc.ca](mailto:parish.office@princeofpeacesc.ca)**

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

# Prayer and Sacraments

## VOCATIONS



Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting.

Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto:

416-968-0997

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## LENTE RETREAT

Saturday, **March 12, 9:30am-1pm**. Join a day of virtual reflection on "The



Light of Newman in the Dark of Winter. Help for Our Lenten Journey." Contact: 416-261-7207 or email us at:

[lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca](mailto:lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca)

## COME & SEE RETREAT



**March 19, 9am-3pm**, single men 18yrs+.

Includes prayer, reflection, and information on the process of becoming a priest. Registration and information at:

[www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Last Saturday, **February 26**, at **7pm** the Knights began screening the first season of the TV Series "The Chosen" based on the life of Jesus of Nazareth. All parishioners and friends are invited to join the screening on zoom. For further details:

[www.KOFC9144.com](http://www.KOFC9144.com)

## 40 CANS FOR LENT



A Knights of Columbus Lenten program designed to help fight hunger will be conducted in our parish. We will be accepting donations up to and including **April 18**. We would appreciate to receive cash donations-cheques/eTransfers. All donations will be given to The Good Shepherd Ministries. Please do not deliver any items to the church or the parish office. For assistance with your donations contact one of the following volunteers:

Bro. Ryan Lee: 647-986-1062  
[rykalee@hotmail.com](mailto:rykalee@hotmail.com)

Bro. Bento D'Cruz: 647-202-5322  
[GK9144@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:GK9144@ontariokofc.ca)

Bro. Mike Chen: 647-268-8515  
[michaelch3n@gmail.com](mailto:michaelch3n@gmail.com)

Bro. Fion Lee: 416-573-5072  
[fionlee@sympatico.ca](mailto:fionlee@sympatico.ca)

*"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done." Proverbs 19:17*

## MEETINGS FOR ALL LITURGICAL VOLUNTERS

We are currently organizing our return to Church and we ask that those in the following volunteer roles attend a meeting to discuss the steps we will be taking to return to these ministries. We would like everyone to confirm their attendance by emailing us at: [parish.office@princeofpeacesc.ca](mailto:parish.office@princeofpeacesc.ca)

### ◆ ADULT ALTAR SERVERS & EXTRAORDINARY

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** A meeting will be held on Thursday, **March 10 at 6:30 pm** in the parish hall.



### ◆ ALTAR SERVERS (YOUTH & CHILDREN):



A meeting will be held on **Saturday, March 12 at 1pm** in the Church. Confirm your attendance at:

[fr.martin@princeofpeacesc.ca](mailto:fr.martin@princeofpeacesc.ca)

◆ **CANTORS:** A meeting for existing and new cantors will be held on Wednesday, **March 16 at 7pm** in the Church (choir area). Confirm your attendance at: [fr.efren@princeofpeacesc.ca](mailto:fr.efren@princeofpeacesc.ca)



◆ **LECTORS & RESPONSE LEADERS:** A meeting will be held on Thursday, **March 17 at 7pm** in the Church.



**We hope you can all make it!**

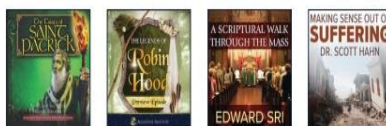
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## FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PROGRAMS



The pandemic has affected us all in so many ways and we at Prince of Peace were no exception. The plans for the this year's First Communion and Confirmation programs kept being postponed this past year and now, as we are just beginning to come back to normal, we face the fact that there is **not enough time to properly prepare our children** to receive these Sacraments this year. Therefore, both the **2022 and the 2023 cohorts will be prepared starting this coming September**. Parents will be contacted through the schools once we are ready to launch the registration process so that we can start classes early this coming September. We are confident that the obstacles will no longer be there to properly re-establish these programs and by giving ourselves this time to prepare, we will do what is best for all of us. Please subscribe to receive the bulletin in your inbox so you do not miss registration time. Visit our website to subscribe.

