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-Saturday: 8:30 am

Confessions Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:45 am 4:00 pm-4:45 pm (First Friday Confessions-see below)

PASTOR

Fr. Efren Alvarez Pelayo fr.efren@princeofpeacesc.ca

Associate Pastor Fr. Martin Lugo Tapia fr.martin@princeofpeacesc.ca

DEACONS Rev. Mr. Terence Rebello Rev Mr. Thomas Aquino

SECRETARY Fatima Sequeira fatima@princeofpeacesc.ca

SACRAMENTS COORDINATOR-OFFICE ASSISTANT Joan Turco joan@princeofpeacesc.ca

> Accountant Rene Ng rng@archtoronto.org

PROPERTY MANAGER Dan Christante dan.christante@gmail.com

HOUSEKEEPING Geneveve Macariola-Amini

CARETAKERS Jessie Guinto * Tom Mitrovski Tuesday & 1st Friday: 7:00 pm

New Parishioners To become a member of our parish, visit the parish office in person.

VOLUNTEER SCREENING

Contact the office or our volunteer coordinator Hsiu Hau at screening@princeofpeacesc.ca

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

The date of our Mass of anointing is published in the bulletin. 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.

MASS OF ANOINTING

Second Wednesday of every month at 12:00 noon.

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

Meet on the 2nd Monday of every month. For assistance, donations or to join call 647-234-0265.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every Month.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Prince of Peace	416-393-5416
Our Lady of Grace	416-393-5372
St. Marguerite Bourgeoys	416-393-5381
St. Rene Goupil	416-393-5408
The Divine Infant	416-393-5414
Fr. Michael McGivney	905-472-4961
Francis Libermann HS	416-393-5524

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 17 Pro Populo 5:00pm Mass **Sunday, December 18** 8:30am * 10:00am 11:30am * 1:00pm Monday, December 19 8:30am Mass + Floarea Sima Harold Cuthbert **Tuesday, December 20** 8:30am Mass + Carmen Donaldson Evana Mathew 7:00pm Mass + Luigi De Palma + Antony Jacob Wednesday, December 21 8:30am Mass ♦ Tessie Belen + Valarian Crasto Thursday, December 22 8:30am Mass ◆ George & Dolly Poblete Friday, December 23 8:30 am Mass **†** Julie Fernandes ↑ Wally D. Nunez Jr. Saturday, Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm Mass 8:00 pm Mass 10:00 pm Mass Sunday, Christmas Day 8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 11:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Mass • For the infirm SANCTUARY LAMP **DECEMBER 19-24** For the Repose of the Souls of Elizabeth Ah Mao & Foo Chung Wong, Wally D. Nunez Jr. For the Health of **Efigenia Concepcion** In Thanksgiving by Tessie Belen



Joseph inspires us to face any and every mystery in life that we encounter with the utmost trust in God. Very often in life, God will call us to walk an unknown and mysterious path. But if we are to walk by the same faith that Saint Joseph had, then we must always be willing to accept the most sublime mysteries in life and allow God's revealing Word to clarify them.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On Sunday, **December 18** at **7pm** we invite the community to join us for our Parish Christ-



mas concert that is meant to help us prepare ourselves for Christmas amid a busy world that seldom stops to contemplate both in song and in prayer the miracle of Christmas. A special Christmas Adult Choir as well as a Youth Choir will be performing for our parish. Afterwards, we will meet in the parish hall for Hot Chocolate and Cookies. We invite everyone to bring a tray of cookies (baked or bought) to share or a **toy for our toy drive (ages 4-13)** and make a child's Christmas brighter.

CHRISTMAS-NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 pm, 6:00 pm 8:00 pm & 10:00 pm (carols before 10 pm mass)

Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day

8:30am, 10:00am,

11:30am, 1:00pm

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31 NEW YEARS EVE 5:00pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023 NEW YEARS DAY 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am, 1:00pm

> Regular Weekday Mass Schedule returns Monday, January 2, 2023.

Office Closed December 26 & 27 January 2, 2023

NATIVITY PLAY

Children of our parish are currently preparing a dramatization of the Nativity to be held during the



4:00 pm Christmas Eve mass. This will be a mass where families with young children will be present and space will be limited. Plan to arrive early.

ALTAR SERVERS



There will be a Christmas Rehearsal for **Group A** in the Church, on **December 24**, from **11:00am** to **12:00pm**.

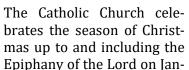
CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

We have children in our community whose Christmas can be brighter by the simple gesture of a small gift. Please consider donating a toy for children ages 4



to 13 years old. Bring the toy, already wrapped indicating the age and the gender and place it under the tree located in the foyer of the Church. We need the toys **no later than Thursday, December 22.**

FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS



uary 8, 2023. You can still make donations towards Christmas Flowers by using the special envelopes provided at the entrance of the church throughout the entire Christmas season. Your donations may be made **"In Memoriam" or "In Thanksgiving"**.

ATTENTION PRAYER GROUP



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The Group will be taking a Christmas break and returning on **January 12**, **2023** at **7pm** in the parish hall. Update your calen-

dars and be prepared for the next meeting of the New Year.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM

SESSION SEVEN Saturday, January 7, 2023 9:00 am-10:30 am Group 1: 11:00 am -12:30 pm Group 2:

GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE



On Thursday, January 19, **2023** there will be a meeting in the church from **7pm** to 8:30pm with Stan Kwadrans, tour Manager of International Heritage Tours. Everyone

who is booked for the pilgrimage is encouraged to attend this meeting to discuss the details of the itinerary and to answer all last minute questions. This will be the final meeting before the trip in February, please make every effort to attend.

MONTHLY MASS OF ANOINTING

In the month of January **2023**, the Mass of Anointing will be moved from January 11 to January 18 at 🚺 12:00pm. Please be sure to let your family and friends know of this change in our regular schedule.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY



Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2022 are invited to join in this cele-

bration Mass on February 13, 2023 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Given the limited attendance at the Cathedral. we encourage milestone celebrants to register early. Information at:

https://bit.ly/3h9jJPw

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertorv envelopes for **2023** are ready for **v** pick in the Parish Hall after the Saturday Mass. before 5pm



and after all Sunday Masses and Monday to Friday at the parish office. We ask that you do not use envelopes from previous vears as those numbers might have been reassigned to someone else. If you did not use envelopes for 2022.

REPARATION NEWS			
CONFIRMATION			
	Session Seven		
	Saturday, January 21, 2023		
	Group 1:	3:00 pm-4:30 pm	
	Saturday, January 28, 2023		
	Group 2:	3:00 pm -4:30 pm	

we ask that you visit the office to get a new box of envelopes. Offertory envelopes will not be available for pickup on December 24 & 25.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul would like to thank everyone who donated to our annual Christmas Col-

lection. With your generous support we were able to assist 27 families, consisting of 56 adults and 41 children. Thank you for helping our neighbors celebrate this Christmas.

PRAYING FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18-25, 2023 prayer for Christian Unity week on the theme "Do good; seek justice" (Isaiah 1:17) Join Cardinal Collins-4pm Mass celebrated at St. Andrews presbyterian Church, Toronto. All are welcome to attend. Information at: https://bit.ly/3W9k8k7

SUNDAY MISSALS

Sunday Missals are still available before and after all weekend masses and in the parish office during regular office hours. If you would like to have your own copy, the cost is **\$7.00** per missal.







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VOCATIONS

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the



Lord commanded him." Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact contact: Fr. Matt McCarthy:

416-968-0997 vocations @archtoronto.org

Stewardship

Not a program, but a way of life. Our sharing in the Paschal mystery brings us to see that our sacrifices represent our gratitude. praise, and trust in God. The offering of a significant portion of our time, talent and treasure is also a sign of giving the whole of our lives to God. Then our lives are transformed by this action. No matter what age we are, if we are to fulfill our mission, our personal vocation, stewardship must be an integral part of that role. Therefore, stewardship is not about money. Stewardship is about receiving all of God's gifts (time, talent, and treasure) gratefully, cultivating them responsibly, sharing them lovingly in justice with others, and then, returning them with increase to the Lord.

> **OFFERTORY COLLECTION** DECEMBER 10-11

Weekly Offertory \$7,160 **Building Maintenance Fund**

\$2,431





BULLETIN ADVERTISING



If you are a business owner, we invite you to consider advertising your business in our parish bulletin, available weekly at Mass and

virtually through our parish website. This is a valuable, effective, local and affordable method to promote your business to our congregation.

The most common sizes are displayed below but we do have other options. Please call the parish office if you wish to place

an add in our bulletin. Our bulletin is printed from September to June on a weekly basis and website. As an example, we have posted these advertisements past



that were previously in our parish bulletin. We hope this will provide you with an idea of how your advertisement might appear in our parish bulletin.

