



Prince of Peace Parish

Founded 1983

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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

Tuesday & 1st Friday: 7:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:45 am
4:00 pm-4:45 pm

(First Friday Confessions-see below)

PASTOR

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Geneveve Macariola-Amini

CARETAKERS

Jessie Guinto * Tom Mitrovski

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 vis-
its, call the parish office. From the hos-
pital, ask for a priest directly at the
nursing station.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Following the 7pm mass there is expo-
sition, 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

Mass Intentions

Pro Populo

Saturday, February 25

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, February 26

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, February 27

8:30am Mass

◆ Joe Rangel

† Nathaniel Alfred

Tuesday, February 28

8:30am Mass

† Ernesto C. Hernandez

† Kwang Kim Chiu

7:00pm Mass

♥ Kevin Chao

† Patrick Lam

Wednesday, March 1

8:30am Mass

† Manuel Fernandes

♥ Lydia Maria McGrann

Thursday, March 2

8:30am Mass

♥ Lydia Maria McGrann

† Troy Eggleston

Friday, March 3

8:30am Mass

◆ Parker Wong

† Billy Hsiung Young

7:00pm Mass

† Eleanor Manigbas

♥ Lydia Maria McGrann

Saturday, March 4

8:30am Mass

† Martile Chelliah

† Terisita Gregorio

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

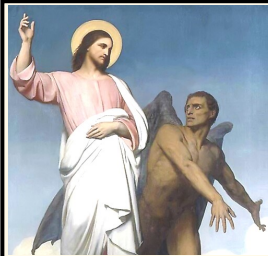
FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 4

For the Repose of the Souls of
Rickford & Ramdai Persaud

Elizabeth Ah Mao

Foo Chung Wong

Call us if you wish to make an offering
for your intentions.



As we begin our Lenten journey, it is important to once again apply the lessons of Jesus' time in the desert to our entire lives. Jesus not only endured temptation, He confronted it. He was not afraid of the devil and did not fear his attacks. He willingly faced those temptations, being led by the Spirit, so as to not only overcome them in His life but also to enable us to confront, in our lives. We must never be afraid to confront temptations directly and confidently when the Holy Spirit is in the lead.

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 will 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.

ARCHBISHOP OF TORONTO



Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo, as the 14th Archbishop of Toronto. The archbishop-designate succeeds Cardinal Thomas Collins, who has served the archdiocese since 2007. The new archbishop will be installed at a ceremony at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, **March 25, 2023, at 10am**. Due to space restrictions, we anticipate this will be an invitation-only event. During this time of transition in the archdiocese, we give thanks for Cardinal Collins and his service to the Church and welcome Archbishop-designate Leo. Please continue to keep these shepherds close in prayer in the days ahead.

PRACTICING OUR LENTEN DISCIPLINES

During the Fridays of Lent, everyone is invited to join us



in our communal practice of the disciplines of Lent: Pray, Fast and Give (alms). We are introducing a new practice to help us engage in these disciplines. The various groups and organizations of our parish will take a turn to prepare and serve **Soup and Bread** (known as Lenten Soup) On **Friday March 3 at 5pm to 6pm** you are invited to participate as a family by eating a simple meal in exchange of a meaningful **Alms Giving** (suggested love offering of \$5) which will be destined to help the poor and in so doing we not only fast but give alms at the same time. After the meal, we will have our Lenten Spiritual Exercises based on the Lenten Series *Eternal Rest* which include a 30 minute episode from FORMED and group reflection afterwards (6pm-7pm). **March 3** is First Friday, and we will pray the **Stations of the Cross** after the **7pm** mass. Each group will use a different version of the Stations of the Cross to help us appreciate the beauty of the many that have been written over the years. This practice allows us all to participate in as much as we are able to. You can choose to participate in all or in part. We hope this helps you enter into the holy season of Lent.



ALTAR SERVERS



Training sessions for new altar servers, both children and youth, interested in joining this ministry are asked to join Fr Martin in

the church on Saturday **March 4 & 11** from **1pm to 2pm**.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION



FAQ'S: Passport? What's it for?? Like any journal, the passport will keep track of your child's preparation and special checkpoints. Attendance to Sunday Mass is one of the obligations of every Catholic and an opportunity to stamp your child's passport. Look into your child's passport, how many stamps have they collected? The children cannot do this without you doing your part.



ENROLMENT CEREMONY

This weekend and next, at the **Sunday 1pm** mass, the Confirmation students will have the opportunity to indicate their willingness to live up to the commitment they will make on their Confirmation Day, as well as their willingness to continue their preparation for Confirmation. Let us continue to pray for these young adults encouraging them always.

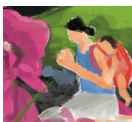
2023 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY



This year's theme is "Empowered to Stand". Join us at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre on, **March 4**, from **9am -5:30pm**. Agenda will include inspirational talks, and mass celebrated by his Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins. Our Knights of Columbus council 9144 will subsidize the tickets by \$5. for the first 100 parishioners. Contact Angela & Monty Hensen at 416-297-8167.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church, Scarborough, is extending invitations to area churches to participate and attend this event on Tuesday **February 28**, at **7pm**. The service program for 2023 is written by the women of Taiwan and the theme is "I have heard about your Faith" based on scripture passage Ephesians 1:15-19. Everyone is welcome to attend.



LENTE RETREAT

Weekend retreat with Father Ron Rolheiser, **Friday March 3- Sunday March 5**. Theme: Wrestling with God and with Love – Resistance and Surrender Within Our Spiritual Journey. Contact: 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca



LENTE DAY OF REFLECTION

St. Augustine's Seminary extends a warm invitation to all for this day of reflection, with a particular welcome to all Catholic school teachers, administrators, support staff, and to all who work in the homeschooling com-



munity. The theme of this retreat will speak to all Catholics, for all of us live and participate in the world of Catholic education, and its critical importance touches us all. **March 4** from **9:30am to 3pm**. Contact: Chere MacLean at: 416-269-3445

chere.maclea@utoronto.ca

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

40 Day Lenten Food Drive:

Beginning this Saturday, **February 25** through **April 16**, we will be accepting donations in cash and in kind. We ask that you place your items in the box located in the church foyer. We appreciate the following items: food cans, granola/chocolate bars, juice boxes, tooth brushes/paste, soaps, shower gel and deodorants. Cash donations \$20 + will receive a tax receipt from The Good Shepherd Ministries. All donations will be given to The Good Shepherd Ministries. For assistance/eTransfer contact Bro. Ryan Lee at 647- 986-1062, Bro Fion Lee at 416-573- 5072, Bro. Bento D'Cruz at 647- 202- 5322. **50/50 DRAW:** On-line raffle in support of Special Olympics, food banks & the Prince of Peace Council 9144 sponsored charities at: <https://bit.ly/3DDIw6l>



EMPLOYEE SERVICE RECOGNITION

Congratulations to Geneveve Macariola-Amini for being recognized by the Archdiocese of Toronto for her 10 years of faithful service as an employee to Prince of Peace Parish and the Archdiocese of Toronto. We continue to appreciate her gentle and unassuming way in which she does her work, especially in the Rectory.



VOCATIONS



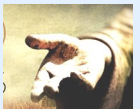
Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy:

416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

COME AND SEE WEEKEND

March 17-19 at St. Augustine's Seminary, single Catholic men 18 years and older are invited for a time of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Hosted by Fr. Matt McCarthy Registration must be done online at:



www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

STEWARDSHIP

As we begin this great season of Lent it is important to take some time to reflect on how we plan to best spend this time to grow as stewards of Christ. It is important that if we are going to give something up, we should strive to replace it with something good as well. Let us strive to fast from anything that prevents us from being good stewards and feast on those practices that strengthen us.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

FEBRUARY 18 -19

Weekly Offertory

\$9,441.

Humanitarian Relief

\$4,965.

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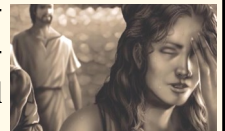


PICK OF THE WEEK



Watch this inspiring animated movie about the life of Saint Perpetua. Born from a noble Roman family, she converts to Christianity despite a new decree prohibiting new conversions in the Roman Empire. Ultimately, she gives her life for Christ.

The Passion of Saint Perpetua. Join Mike Aquilina, Vice-President of the Saint Paul Biblical Theology Center, in this informing and inspiring documentary that tells the true account of the courageous martyr, Saint Perpetua, and her companions



Living Lent as a Family (Part 1 of 4) Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Augustine Institute Graduate School Professor Dr. Sehorn and his wife, Sarah Sehorn, to discuss liturgical living during Lent.

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 past advertisements 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.



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416-291-9422

Email us at:

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