



# 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  
**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)

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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

## Saturday, March 11

5:00pm Mass

## Sunday, March 12

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

## Monday, March 13

8:30am Mass

† Roberta Hill

† Peter Nunes

## Tuesday, March 14

8:30am Mass

◆ Susan Remedios

† Elias Diniz

7:00pm Mass

† Catalina Leones

◆ Dhanarajan Theeparajan

## Wednesday, March 15

8:30am Mass

† Raul Poblete

† Wally Nunez Jr.

12:00pm Mass of Anointing

† Francisco Malaya

† Arcadia Delos Santos

## Thursday, March 16

8:30am Mass

† Zita Fernandes

† Noel Titus

## Friday, March 17

8:30am Mass

◆ Ramona Coutinho

◆ Dominic Cava

## Saturday, March 18

8:30am Mass

◆ Roseline Abdullahi

† Charles Chiu

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving  
♥ For the infirm

## SANCTUARY LAMP

MARCH 13 - 18

For the Repose of the Souls of:

Christine Molinaro, Charles Chiu

Elizabeth Ah Mao,

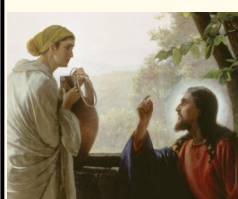
Foo Chung Wong, Anar Adatia

For the Health of:

Pat Weston, Fitzroy Antonie

In Thanksgiving:

Chan Tian Hui



Today we hear about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman. It was about noon when Jesus and his disciples found her alone at the well. Women usually went to the well together, and in the morning, so we are to suppose that she was an outcast. And yet Jesus sees past her sin to the person she longs to be, and she, in turn, proclaims him as the Messiah. Let us acknowledge that we are all sinners and recognize our need for God's grace and humbly open our hearts toward this transforming love.

## REVITAIZING OUR SENIORS GROUP



Currently, we have a team who in the past have been running a Seniors Program at Prince of Peace Parish and are now ready to bring life back into this ministry. Plans are underway to have a Seniors Social once a month following the Mass of Anointing. Our first Seniors Social is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 15** immediately following the 12:00pm Mass of Anointing. We invite the senior members of our parish to gather in the Parish Hall after the 12pm Mass for a time of fellowship and a simple meal. We hope to see you there.

## MONTHLY MASS OF ANOINTING

In the month of **March**, the Mass of Anointing has been moved to **March 15** at **12:00pm**. Please be sure to let your family and friends know of this change in our regular schedule.



## VISITING MINISTRY

We are planning to start our Ministry of Visitation to the sick and homebound in our parish. All those who were previously part of this ministry, those currently taking Holy Communion to a sick relative or friend, and those interested in being part of this ministry are asked to contact the parish office and leave your name and telephone number. Once we have received your information, a meeting will be scheduled at which time further details will be discussed.



## EMBRACING GRATITUDE

As Cardinal Collins prepares to conclude his remarkable journey with us as our Archbishop, we are thrilled to invite you to a special online event with him on **March 16** from **9:30am to 11:00am**. During this time, Cardinal Collins will reflect on his



many years of service in our Archdiocese. "Embracing Gratitude" will offer us a special opportunity to connect with our beloved Shepherd before he departs as our Archbishop. We hope you will be able to join us for this very special moment. Register at: <https://bit.ly/PVWS-RegisterMar2023>

## MASS OF CELEBRATION



The installation of Bishop Francis Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, **March 25** at **10am**. Given capacity restrictions at St. Michaels Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event; however, parishioners are invited to attend a Regional Mass of Welcome taking place in the Eastern Region on **April 26** at St. Isaac Jogues Parish in Pickering at **7pm**. A reception will follow in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**The Roses For Life Program** on the weekend of February 11-12 was a huge success. Thank you to parishioners and friends for your generous donations of **\$1,001**. Your gift will help foster the culture of LIFE from conception to natural death. The Knights will donate \$350 each to Campaign Life Coalition, Priests For Life and Sisters Of Life. **40 Day Lenten Food Drive:** continues until **April 16**. Kindly place your items in the box located in the church foyer. We would appreciate: food cans, granola/chocolate bars, juice boxes, tooth brushes/paste, shower gel soaps, and deodorants. Cash donations \$20 + will receive a tax receipt from The Good Shepherd Ministries. For details contact Bro. Ryan: 647- 986-1062, Bro Fion: 416-573- 5072, Bro. Bento:647-202- 5322





**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION NEWS**

**FIRST COMMUNION**



Parents are reminded that there will be a makeup class for everyone on **Saturday, April 15**, attendance is mandatory. Mark this date on your calendar! Encourage your children to participate in the Lenten disciplines, attaching a ribbon to the tree of reconciliation when they experience forgiveness. We can begin by giving them an example by doing it ourselves.

**CONFIRMATION**



Congratulations to the youth of our parish who recently celebrated the Rite of Enrolment. Please remember to keep these young people in your prayers during this important year. There will be a makeup class for all Group 1 students on **Tuesday, March 21, 2023 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm** in the Parish Hall. All **Group 1** students are required to attend. Mark this date on your calendar.

**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. Registration is mandatory, please visit us at: [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)

**LENTEN RETREAT**

Queen of Apostles Retreat Day on **Saturday March 18 from 9am-3pm**. Information and details at: 905-278-5229, or [office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca)



**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.

**DISCIPLINES OF LENT**



During the Fridays of Lent you are encouraged to give up your dinner budget and donate it to the poor. In turn, you and your family are invited to join us for soup and bread from **5pm to 6pm** in the Parish Hall. An alms-giving box will be set out to receive donations that will be used to feed the poor in our community. 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). Then we move to pray the Stations of the Cross at **7pm** in the church led by one of the parish groups. You can choose to participate in all or in part. We hope this helps you enter into the holy season of Lent.

**DAY OF CONFESSIONS**

The Archdiocese has again planned a day of confession, and it will take place at Prince of Peace Parish on the following dates:



**Monday, March 27**

7:00pm-9:00pm

**Tuesday, March 28**

9am-10am ★ 10:30am-12pm  
6:00pm to 7:00pm.

**Wednesday, March 29**

9am-10am ★ 10:30am-12pm  
6:00pm-7:00pm.

**Friday, March 31**

9am-10am ★ 10:30am-12pm  
6:00pm-7:00pm.

**VOCATIONS**

"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you?



Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**STEWARDSHIP**



As stewards of Christ, we are called to generously share our time and talents with our parish community. However, a mere sharing of our gifts without the guidance and strength of the Holy Spirit can easily lead us to becoming burnt out, discouraged or resentful. Let us bring about a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit into the hearts of our parish community by constantly turning to Him to strengthen us.

**OFFICE FOR REFUGEES**

The Archdiocese has launched its 2023 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners. This program assists parishioners who would like to sponsor family members who are in need of refugee resettlement. If you are a parishioner, and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor. Interested parishioners are asked to provide the funds that will be required for sponsorship.



**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

MARCH 4-5

**Weekly Offertory**

**\$ 10,131.**

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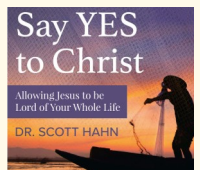


### PICK OF THE WEEK



The Story of Death, Eternal Rest: Episode 1: Where did death come from? What does death mean for the human person? Is it simply just part of life, or is it something else? In this first session, we discuss the story of death and God's response to it: defeating death by dying and rising from the dead.

Say Yes to Christ: Allowing Jesus to be Lord of Your Whole Life by Scott Hahn. Mary conformed the entirety of her life to the Divine Will. In doing so, she became the model of perfect discipleship. In this talk, Dr. Scott Hahn discusses why we too should surrender our lives to the Lord.



Living Lent as a Family (Part 2 of 4) Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Keenan and Bri Fitzpatrick, parents of four, to discuss liturgical living during Lent and marks of the Christian home in our world today.

## 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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