



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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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

Second Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 15

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, April 16

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, April 17

8:30am Mass

† Raul Poblete

† Merly Kwan

Tuesday, April 18

8:30am Mass

† David Fabico

† Ludy Tamondong

7:00pm Mass

† Esmeralda Braganza

◆ Gajarajan Theeparajan

Wednesday, April 19

8:30am Mass

† Lally Rico

† Edelberta Buling

Thursday, April 20

8:30am Mass

† Chang Ken Chiu

† Ino Dias

Friday, April 21

8:30am

† Alegria Rico

♥ Carlos & Myrna Capati

Saturday, April 22

8:30am Mass

† Helen Ong

† Vasukie Jesuthason

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

APRIL 17-22

For the Eternal Rest of:

Vernon Hussey

Elizabeth Ah Mao

Foo Chung Wong

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.



Of all the Apostles, perhaps Doubting Thomas experienced this mercy most dramatically. Thomas was mad that Jesus had failed. He was brooding over it, nursing his anger and sorrow in solitude. So when he finally heard the news of the Resurrection, he wouldn't accept it: "Unless I see the mark of the nails... I will not believe." A week later, on the second Sunday after the Resurrection, Divine Mercy Sunday, Thomas is with the other Apostles, still locked inside the room and inside their fears and doubts. Jesus comes through those locked doors once again, and wishes them peace. Do not doubt, but believe.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

During Holy Week, our parish came to celebrate the most sacred events of our Lord Jesus Christ surrounding his passion, death and Resurrection. Our Parish community shared so much of what makes our community so special: time, talent, reflection and generosity of heart. This year, many families worked so hard to be a part of what Good Friday brings to us as an inevitable step to Resurrection. Our participation in the service of the church through the washing of feet; the Crucifixion of our Lord depicted in the Stations of the Cross that moved us to contemplation and gratitude; the Vigil that brought two members to our family of faith and the endless gifts of one's willingness to share our faith and our bread. Thank you to all of you, parishioners of Prince of Peace on behalf of Fr. Martin, Deacons Terence and Thomas, the parish staff, volunteers and myself. May God shower his blessings upon us abundantly this Easter Season.

Fr. Efrén Alvarez Pelayo, pastor.

CONGRATULATIONS



We congratulate **Cecilia Chung Kin** who received Baptism and Confirmation and **Rosemary Scheffer** who received Confirmation as they joined us for the first time at the Eucharistic table this Easter Season. Please keep these new members in your prayers.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION



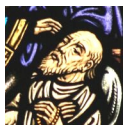
April 16-22 we celebrate National Volunteer Appreciation Week. This year's theme, "Volunteering Weaves Us Together" we celebrate our very own **200+** volunteers for weaving our church community together using their unique gifts and abilities in their acts of service. From everyone on staff, from everyone in our parish and our community, we thank all our volunteers for their dedicated service.

Our Easter Wish For You

God's plans often take us by surprise. In so many situations of our lives, we don't understand that hard times are going to produce wonderful victories. We fail to realize that the empty tombs in our lives (the losses that we grieve) are beginnings of important new growth. We cannot imagine how Jesus is going to redeem bad times into great blessings. This Easter Tide, take time to wash away your uncertainties and all your worries. Instead, embrace the opportunities that come with hard work and difficult times. Sometimes we need to be brought down to the dust from which we came, in order that we discover how full of pride and greed we can be. These are the obstacles to New Life, to true Resurrection. This past few months, many of our parishioners have experienced situations where life has been, to some degree, wiped out. The challenge to rise above the pain and suffering, whatever it may be, can only be overcome by one single reality: Resurrection. We need to open the tombs we have buried ourselves in and let the light come in to show us the way out into the open garden of life. I pray that the parishioners of Prince of Peace may find a way to embrace the life (resurrection) that comes from hard times, because there is one hope we all must have and one hope only; and that hope is that all of us one day be Risen With Christ. Happy Easter to all of you!



MONTHLY MASS OF ANOINTING AND SENIORS GROUP



Due to the Easter celebrations in April and the Sacraments' Programs in May, we are moving the monthly Mass of Anointing to the 4th Wednesday in the month of April & May. The next Mass of Anointing will be on **April 26 at 12pm** and on **May 24 at 12pm** followed by our Seniors Group activities in the Parish Hall. Beginning in June, the Mass of Anointing will return to the second Wednesday of the month.

ESTATE PLANNING



Free seminar on Saturday, **May 6 at 9:15am**. Learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share:

- **How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will.**
- **How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected.**
- **Powers of Attorney Estate Trustee selection.**
- **Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors.**

Contact: Frank Jannetta, Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services- Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-733-8544 ext. 2023 or info@cc-fs.ca

ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO

Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place in the Eastern Region on Wednesday, **April 26, 2023**, at St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Pickering at **7pm**. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.



EASTER FLOWERS



If you missed the Easter Flowers collection and still wish to contribute, please make use of the envelopes available to you at the entrance of the church. Donations will be accepted any time during this season of Easter and may be made "In Memory of Loved Ones" or "In Thanksgiving". The names will be published on the slides in the church during the week for the duration of the Season of Easter.

SCAM ALERT



Parishioners be aware, there has been an email circulating claiming to be from Fr. Efen asking that you do not call him but rather, answer the email message. **"discreetly"**. Do not open and do not respond, simply delete the entire email message. Whenever in doubt, call the parish office immediately for verification. Fr. Efen would never ask you to reply to an email **"discreetly"**.

VOCATIONS

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy:

416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org



STEWARDSHIP



As good stewards of Christ we should first accept the mercy of God in our lives and then share it with others through our acts. Some spiritual works of mercy we can begin to cultivate are to "instruct the ignorant" and "counsel the doubtful" by helping with parish catechesis ministries. Likewise, some corporal works of mercy we can adopt is to "feed the hungry" and "clothe the naked" by taking part in parish organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul society.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Holy Thursday

\$3,511.

Good Friday

\$7,551.

Easter Collection

\$8,213.

Regular Offertory

April 8-9

\$10,362.

LENTEN SOUP COLLECTION

\$2,210.

Thank you to all the groups that donated and prepared the soup during the Fridays in Lent and to all those who took part in the fasting and almsgiving.



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Our second ShareLife Collection will be on **April 30**. Among others, your contributions help people with disabilities and their family members. Your generous support enables our member agencies to provide them with the resources they need. Thank you very much for supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign. Thus far we have raised **\$9,960** toward our goal of **\$106,800**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

SHARELIFE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join the 26th Annual event on **Monday June 5**, at Royal Woodbine Golf Club in Etobicoke. Proceeds will benefit ShareLife. Save the date as we'd love to see you there! Details at: sharelife.org/golf.

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PICK OF THE WEEK



God's School of Trust | Divine Mercy | Episode 1 The sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve, has distorted the way we see God. But God hasn't given up on us. In fact, he has tirelessly worked to heal our distorted image of him through his "School of Trust," beginning with his Chosen People in the Old Testament.

A beautiful and faithful retelling of the familiar story of one of the world's most beloved saints. Humorous, moving, and reverent, this unique, award-winning, independent film has been seen by millions worldwide and has sold tens of thousands of copies since its release in 2009.



Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues by Bishop Robert Barron Join this revealing presentation as he sheds light on the seven deadly sins—those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our relationship with God and others—and the antidote to them, the seven lively virtues!

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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