



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
Wednesday & 1st Friday: 7 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

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

Fion Lee—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

Saturday, September 23

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 24

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Pro Populo

Monday, September 25

8:30am Mass

† Ester Reyes

◆ Mr. & Mrs. Peter Alfred

Tuesday, September 26

8:30am Mass

† Wilfredo Quito Trinidad

† Joasinho D'Souza

Wednesday, September 27

8:30am Mass

† Wilfredo Quito Trinidad

♥ Lydia Maria McGrann

7:00pm Mass

◆ Princess Limbana

† Alfredo Santiago

Thursday, September 28

8:30am Mass

† Wilfredo Quito Trinidad

◆ Princess Limbana

Friday, September 29

8:30am Mass

† Veronica Santos

◆ Lorenzo Jardin

Saturday, September 30

8:30am Mass

† Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

† Kemraj Boodhoo

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP SEPTEMBER 25-30

For the Health of:

Ron Kielbiski

Majida Khayat

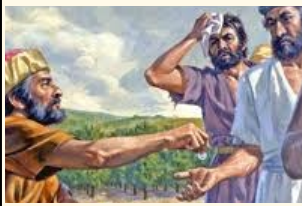
For the Eternal Rest of:

Elmo Phillip Jr., Maria Lim,

Elizabeth Ah & Mao Foo

Chung Wong

Each week parishioners may request special prayer intentions. Please contact the parish office.



In today's Gospel Jesus tells us the strange parable of a landowner who hired laborers at five different times during the course of one day to work in his vineyard but paid the same living wage for a full day's work to all of them. This story of the landlord's love and generosity represents God's love and generosity. It illustrates the difference between God's perspective and ours. God's provisions for our spiritual lives will never run out, and when we share our blessings with others, we tap into the inexhaustible Divine supply. This story tells us how God looks at us, sees our needs and meets those needs generously and mercifully.

YOUTH GROUP



As we continue to grow and strengthen our faith community, we are excited to extend an invitation to adult parishioners who have a passion for working with young people and would like to volunteer their time and talents to launch a Youth Group at Prince of Peace. If you feel called to be part of this exciting venture, please contact the parish office and leave us your contact information. We will be hosting an initial meeting for all interested volunteers to discuss our vision, goals, and the steps we will take to bring this Youth Group to life.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

As we give thanks for the many blessings we have, let us not forget those in our community who are not as fortunate. On **October 7-8** the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting donations of dry and canned goods. Please bring your food items to the entrance of the church and place them inside the large wooden container provided. Due to health code laws, we cannot use items that have gone past the expiry date stamped on the labels. If you can help, please do. Thank you.



ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

We are inviting Prince of Peace parishioners to help as adult altar servers for weekday Masses, Monday to Saturday at **8:30am** and Wednesdays at **7pm**. Please contact Fr. Martin to begin the screening process and training.



ALTAR SERVERS CHILD/YOUTH



The training sessions for new altar servers will be every Saturday in the Church, from **September 30 to November 25**, from **12:30 to 2pm**. If you would like to be an altar server please email : fr.martin@princeofpeacesc.ca

RCIA REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2023-2024 program is now closed. Those of you who may still be interested in joining the program to become a Catholic are invited to wait for next year or we ask that you call the parish office during regular office hours to discuss the options available to you.



CONFIRMATION



Plans are underway for the 2023-2024 program and will be announced once the First Communion registration is complete. Thank you.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION/RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

We would like to invite parents to sign-up their children to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion in the spring of 2024. In order to begin this process, we ask that you contact the parish office by phone or email and request an **Orientation Session Sign Up Form**. There are two (2) dates for the Orientation Session and parents are required to **attend ONE** of these dates. Requirements for this years program will be discussed at this meeting. **The deadline to 'sign-up' for an Orientation Session is 12:00 pm (noon) on Friday, September 29.** Contact the parish office before noon on September 29th to avoid disappointment.



HEALING AND RECONCILIATION



The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation takes place each year on Saturday, September 30th. St. Ann's parish in Toronto, home to the Native People's Mission, will celebrate mass on **October 1 at 12:30pm.** - all are welcome to attend. The Archdiocese of Toronto will hold a special collection the weekend of **September 30-October 1.** The fund will support both local and national programs proposed by Indigenous communities to nurture the ongoing reconciliation journey. Special donation envelopes will be available on September 23-24.

VOCATIONS

"Seek the Lord while he may be found..." While searching, listen; could it be that you are being called to serve as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother? If God is calling you contact, Fr. Matt McCarthy:



416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRY



Volunteers from Prince of Peace parish have been requested to help out on the first Sunday of every month with in-house dining offered in the downtown core. For information, please contact Deacon Thomas at 416-624-4219

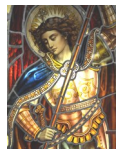
PRAYER GROUP



You are invited to join the Life in the Spirit Seminar Series Thursday evenings at **7pm** up to and including **Thursday, November 9.** Complete details are posted in the church foyer or contact Ethlyn at 416-292-8674.

FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL

On **Friday September 29 at 5:30pm** St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass followed by an informal reception in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



5-Pin Bowling for Fellowship returns on **Sunday October 15** at Markham Bowl. Registration and practice: **2:30pm**, games at **3pm.** Bowlers (minimum age 10 yrs.) \$25.00 per person. Information and registration/etransfer please contact: Allan Figueiredo: 647-504-5204, Gordon Alias: 647-883-1358, Fion Lee: 416-573-5072, Bento D'Cruz: 647-202-5322. Deadline for booking is **September 30.** Register early to avoid disappointment.



COMBATING HUNGER

Many of our brothers and sisters grapple with the daily challenge of putting food on the table. In response to their urgent need, ShareLife has launched the Food Security Grants - dedicating over half a million dollars to combat hunger. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign will make possible this bold action. We have currently raised **\$64,000. (59.9%)** towards our suggested goal of **\$106,800.** Please support our fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry in your community and beyond.

STEWARDSHIP

As stewards, we can sometimes fall into the same temptation of those in the Gospel of feeling that the gifts God has given us and our neighbour are not to our liking. However, we should strive to be grateful for the gifts we have received and even be grateful and praise God for the gifts of others. Let us strive to grow in gratitude to God for His many gifts in our lives and the lives of our fellow parishioners.



LIFE CHAIN-2023



Join us on **Sunday, October 1 from 2pm to 3pm** at the intersection of McCowan and Steeles praying silently for the hour. Simply show up and follow the directives of the local organizer.

THE SEARCH BEGINS

This new seven-episode video series features teen commentary and shorter segments to facilitate honest conversations between teens and their youth ministers, parents, teachers, and peers. Who is Jesus Christ? How do I respond to his invitation? Sign up for free at: formed.org/signup.



FUN AND FUNDRAISING—SUMMER FETE



Our Parish fete will be held on Saturday, **September 30, 9:30am to 3pm** in our church parking lot. Parking will be forbidden from **6am to 4pm.** Our stalls will feature arts/crafts, sale of our signature home cooked food, BBQ, baked goods snacks, ice cream, desserts and individual garage sales. Come out with your family and friends to enjoy games, raffles, 25/25/50, Bingo, Lucky draws and more and be prepared to have a great time. Your participation will make this event a success. All proceeds will go to the church. For details contact Patrick: 416-858-4979, Bento: 647-202-5322, Keith: 647-294-1940 or Janice: 647-839-7371.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Regular Offertory
September 16-17

\$ 8,566

The Weekly Average
Operating Expense in 2022

\$11,848

*Thank you for
your continued support.*

2022 PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Dear parishioners,

As in every year, together with the Finance Council, I am providing you with the 2022 Financial Report of our parish. Its purpose is aimed at the importance of transparency for our parishioners to be well informed about the Temporal Affairs of our parish. In fact, the vital financial and administrative work of any parish will make little sense unless we are aware of the way it relates to the pastoral and spiritual work of a parish and how they sustain each other.

A common misunderstanding among Catholics, is where the offertory goes. Some may believe that it primarily supports the clergy's livelihood or the physical upkeep of our church building. While it may contribute to these aspects, the offertory serves a much broader purpose. It supports the numerous ministries, programs, and outreach initiatives that define our parish's mission. It helps us subsidise religious education, support those in need, and spread the message of Christ to our community and beyond. To ensure that our parish remains financially stable and can continue to serve our community effectively, I encourage everyone to use offertory envelopes. These envelopes not only help us keep track of our individual contributions and provide donors with tax receipts, but they also ensure that our giving remains transparent and consistent. Moreover, I want to stress the importance of Preauthorized Giving (PAG). PAG is a convenient and efficient way to contribute to our parish. It ensures a steady and reliable source of income, which is vital for maintaining our programs and ministries. PAG allows us to plan more effectively for the future, knowing that we can count on a predictable income stream. By using PAG, we can ensure that our giving remains consistent, even during times when we may not physically attend Mass. Our bills come whether we attend mass or not.

2022 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE FAITHFUL			
Receipts		Payments	
Offertory	\$ 456,564	Staff Salaries	\$ 157,712
Rental & Interest Revenue	53,342	Clergy Salaries	89,049
Christmas & Easter	21,135	Payroll Remittances	29,466
Parish Programs	19,545	Parish Programs	22,837
Sacraments	16,375	Office Services, Supplies	17,510
Mass Intentions	15,740	Other Salaries	12,535
Bequests & Other Donations	14,575	Rectory Payments	12,400
Other Collections	12,156	Liturgy/Mass	7,904
Sub-total	609,432	Choir/Music	4,273
ShareLife	54,118	Other Payments	2,030
Humanitarian Relief	10,870	Sub-total	355,716
Shepherd's Trust	10,104	Furnishings & Equipment	41,219
Good Friday	6,772	Repairs & Maintenance	39,790
World Missions	5,550	Utilities - Church	24,455
Other Diocesan Collections	4,972	Grounds Maintenance	12,762
Canadian Church	3,351	Property Insurance	7,815
Pope's Pastoral Works	3,211	Security Services	4,495
Canadian Missions	2,685	Sub-total	130,537
Marygrove Camp	2,263	Diocesan Assessments	134,448
Sub-total	103,896	Diocesan Disbursements	103,896
Sundry Receipts	150,460	Sub-total	238,345
Investments Redeemed	0	Sundry Payments	36,634
Total Receipts	\$ 863,788	New Investments	207,060
Opening Cash Balance	195,750	Total Payments	\$ 968,292
TOTAL	\$ 1,059,539	Ending Cash Balance	\$ 91,247
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION				
Account	Beg Balance	Additions	Withdrawals	End Balance
Investments at Chancery	\$ 3,156,059	\$ 197,759		\$ 3,353,818
Family of Faith Investments	295,140	9,301		304,441
Total Investments	\$ 3,451,199	\$ 207,060	\$ -	\$ 3,658,258

One item in our report that may be confusing for many is the "Diocesan Assessment". All parishes share a common responsibility to support and fund the services provided by the Archdiocese which is why 15% of the offertory is sent to the chancery office, leaving parishes with 85% of the Offertory to cover for its expenses.

Sacrificial giving, a core tenet of stewardship, involves making financial contributions that may require us to stretch beyond our comfort zones. It's about understanding that our giving should reflect our gratitude for God's blessings in our lives and our desire to support the mission and ministry of our parish. This sacrificial giving is

essential because it enables us to carry out the work of the Church, including serving the needy, educating our youth, and maintaining our place of worship. Should we all give the same donation amount? Of course not...

"We are not called to make the same Gift, but we are called to make the same Sacrifice"

Provided by the Finance council:
Jimmy Chang (Vice-chair)
Aris Naidas, Archie Carvalito
& Fr. Efren Alvarez Pelayo

Questions and concerns can be directed to us via email at :
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