

# Prince of Peace Parish

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**OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (closed 12pm-1pm)  
Friday 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

## 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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### HOUSEKEEPING

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](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 exposi-  
tion, adoration and benediction at  
8:30pm (Confessions during Adoration)

### 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

Saturday 5pm.  
Sunday 10am, 11:30am, 1pm.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Fion Lee—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

## Second Sunday of Easter

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 6**

5:00pm Mass

**Sunday, April 7**

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

**Monday, April 8**

8:30am Mass

† Pui Ying Lau

† Doreen Leo

**Tuesday, April 9**

8:30am Mass

† Alfredo Cruz

† Joy George

7:00pm Memorial Mass

† Constance McFarlane

**Wednesday, April 10**

8:30am Mass

† Mimi Borromeo

† Pacita Naidas

7:00pm Mass

† Alfredo Cruz

† Sarah Mari

**Thursday, April 11**

8:30pm Mass

† Bonaventure Gonsalves

† Peter Nunes

**Friday, April 12**

8:30am Mass

† Edith D'Souza

† Hon Sum Lai

**Saturday, April 13**

8:30am Mass

† Mrs. Apolonia Pereira

◆ Mikaela Mak

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

APRIL 8-13

For the Eternal Rest of:

Deceased Members of the

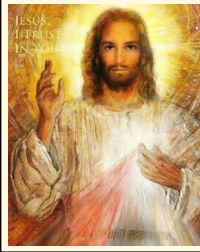
Peter's Family

Peter Nunes

For the Health of:

Elvina Isaacson

Efren Cantos



When Jesus says that our eternity will be spent contemplating His Mercy, He doesn't only mean that this is something we will do after we die. True, the fullness of the revelation of His Mercy will be set before us when we enter into the Beatific Vision and contemplate God forever. But "eternity" includes today. It includes the here and now. Therefore, our contemplation of The Divine Mercy must be the single most important goal in our life today. When it is, everything else in life will fall into place in support of this goal.

Pro Populo

### OUR EASTER WISH FOR YOU!

On this sacred occasion of Easter, we reflect upon the profound truth that resurrection is not attainable without the willingness to embrace sacrifice, endure suffering, and carry the burdens of life with humility. From the depths of despair within the tomb to the void of the grave, the Son of God has triumphantly risen, offering us the promise of eternal life. Easter, at its core, signifies that in this world, it is ultimately God who has the final say.

As representatives of our Pastoral team, including our dedicated Priests and Deacons, alongside our committed Office and Support Staff, and the countless volunteers who tirelessly serve our Parish community, we extend to you our heartfelt Easter greetings and wishes for abundant joy.

The Easter season spans fifty days, affording us numerous opportunities to personally greet and express gratitude to each of you for the vitality you bring to the Prince of Peace Parish. To those among us who consistently demonstrate generosity towards the Church and to us individually, we offer our sincere thanks.

Moreover, we wish to express our profound appreciation to all who played a part in our Triduum liturgies, those who adorned our church with beauty, those who participated in the Live Stations of the Cross, and those who worked diligently behind the scenes, often without recognition, to ensure that our Holy Week was not only dignified but truly magnificent.

Whether you have been a longstanding member of our parish, a newcomer, or a visitor among us, we extend our warmest wishes to each of you, inviting you to share in the joy and blessings of this Easter season.

*May the empty tomb be the assurance that one day we too shall live forever.*

### LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



The *Stations of the Cross* were brought to life here at Prince of Peace by the youth of our parish community on **Good Friday**. Many children from the parish lovingly dedicated their time for rehearsals throughout the week to bring this moving dramatization to the community. Many who attended were asking how they can support events like these in our parish, and we are happy to let them know that our "Benevolent Fund" is exactly what they can contribute to in order to support the good that is taking place in our parish, including the children and youth who participate in these events. We are so blessed to have children whose parents are willing to support them in being a part of the Stations of the Cross each year.

### MASS OF ANOINTING



The next Mass of Anointing will be on **April 10** at **12pm** followed by our Seniors Group activities in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome.

### DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Join us this **Sunday, April 7** at **3pm** for the devotions to the Divine Mercy. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet together. Everyone is Welcomed.



### 40 CANS OF LENT

The Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations in cash and in kind up to and including **April 7**. Kindly place your items in the box located in the church foyer. Needed items: food cans, granola/chocolate bars, juice boxes, toothbrushes/paste, soaps, shower gel and deodorants.

### ATTENTION PRAYER GROUP

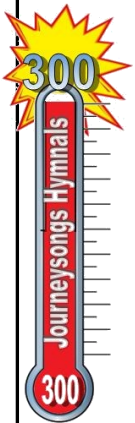


Our next meeting will be held in the parish hall on Thursday **April 11 at 7pm**. If you wish to join the prayer group, please contact the office for further information.

### CHRISTIAN UNITY

St. Gregory of Narek, a revered saint in the Oriental Orthodox Church, has recently come into our Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Join Archbishop Francis Leo at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church on Saturday, **April 27, at 6pm**, to celebrate this remarkable event.

### HYMNAL DEDICATION UPDATE



We are delighted to share the wonderful news that the 300 Hymns have been successfully dedicated and they are now available to us in the pews. We realize that 300 hymns are not enough for the size of our congregation and we are planning to order more to give everyone an opportunity to be a part of this endeavor. This achievement is a testament to the incredible generosity and support of our parish community. We extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you who contributed to this effort, whether through dedicating a hymnal, offering financial support, or spreading the word. Those still interested in joining us in this project are welcome to submit order forms which are found at the church entrance and parish office.

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

**April 14-20** we celebrate National Volunteer Appreciation Week. This year's theme, "Every Moment Matters" recog-

nizes and celebrates every volunteer and each of the contributions they make at any moment. Collectively, every moment of sharing in time, skills, and empathy strengthens our community and answers the call to serve others as Jesus' example and commission to us. This year we celebrate our very own 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.

### 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 four 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. Efren Alvarez Pelayo*



### VOCATIONS



Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a priest, religious or deacon. Call Fr. McCarthy: 416-968-0997

### STEWARDSHIP



In the first reading we hear the wonderful account of the early Christians living a beautiful community of stewardship in which they were all "of one heart and soul." Likewise, in the same way the early Christians offered all of themselves for the sake of the Church, we too should offer the gifts of our time and talent to our parish community. In this way, we will be able to echo the words from the first reading and joyfully proclaim: "There was not a needy person among them."

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**Weekly Offertory**

**March 30-31**

**\$12,381**

**Holy Thursday**

**\$3,704**

**Good Friday**

**\$9,223**

**Easter Sunday**

**\$10,600**

The Weekly Average  
Operating Expense in 2023

**12,690**



### BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND

We remind everyone that next weekend, **April 13-14** we have a second collection for the Building Fund. Thank you for your continued support and generosity

### YOUR SHARELIFE GIFT IS A LIFELINE TO FAMILIES IN NEED

Many individuals and families silently suffer from depression, anxiety, grief and trauma. ShareLife-supported Catholic Family Services agencies provide a lifeline to those dealing with mental health challenges allowing assistance to some of the most vulnerable and marginalized members of our community. Without access to free support, they would be left alone and unable to get the help they need. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate). Thank you for living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings.

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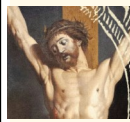


### Pick Of The Week



**The Rosary:** A Special Way to Pray-Join Brother Francis in this entertaining and guidance-filled presentation that will inspire children to deepen their faith by praying the Rosary!

Why Catholics believe in "life everlasting" Think of relics and funerals—reverence for our bodies and the body's of holy people as part of being Catholic. We find the answer at the end of the Creed: "I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting." That's a pretty strong statement and it's founded on Jesus. Because Jesus rose from the dead, we can look forward to our own body's being raised at the end of time.



**Lectio: Salvation:** After the Fall, each person is born not only with the stain of sin on their soul but also with a fallen human nature.

Thanks be to God that his gift of salvation not only frees us from Original Sin but also transforms us from the inside out, healing the root of our brokenness, our hearts.

## 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 ad in our bulletin. Our bulletin is printed from September to June on a weekly basis and is available on our parish website. As an exam-

ple, 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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