

Prince of Peace Parish

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

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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 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

Visits for Holy Communion are availa-
ble. Please call the Parish Office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 10:00 am, 11:30am, 1:00 pm

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 21

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 22

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, September 23

8:30am Mass

† Remedios Criste Pena

◆ Veronica

Tuesday, September 24

8:30am Mass

◆ Juan Lopez Hernandez

♥ Martha Tapia

Wednesday, September 18

8:30am Mass

† Cynthia Acayan

† Esther Reyes

7:00pm Mass

† Maria & Clodualdo Vicente

◆ Claudine Mak

Thursday, September 19

8:30am Mass

† Eloy & Ricardo Balatbat

◆ Daniel Tapia

Friday, September 20

8:30am Mass

† Kemraj Boodhoo

♥ Rita Gomez

Saturday, September 21

8:30am Mass

† Huu Ngo

◆ Efren Cantos

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP SEPTEMBER 23-28

For the Eternal Rest of:
Esperidion & Felisa Castillo,

Raul Poblete,

For the Health of:

Kingsley George

For the Intentions of:

Jodell Phillip

Prayer intentions may be added to the light of the candle and brought to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Pro Populo



We are not considered great by being independent, powerful, well respected, successful, etc. This is a worldly view of greatness. The Apostles, in this passage, were arguing about who was the greatest. Jesus, in pointing to a child, shows that greatness is not about what you accomplish or the like; rather, greatness is found in becoming dependent upon Christ. Additionally, it is found in seeking out those who are in need (as a child is in need of care) and offering the love and care others need. It's a call to compassion and concern for the poor and needy among us.

YOUTH MINISTRY

We're excited to have John MacMullen from the Office of Catholic Youth join our community as we invite everyone to our Youth Ministry informational meetings on **September 28** after the **5pm** Mass and **September 29** after the **1pm** Mass in the parish hall! This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about youth ministry, share your ideas, and find out how you can get involved. Whether you're a parent, child, or interested parishioner, we'd love to see you there and explore how we can grow together in faith and community. All are welcome!



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 5-6** 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.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is in need of new members to help carry out Christ's command of, "Love your neighbor as yourself". If you are interested in helping your neighbors in need within our community, consider joining us. For information contact John: 647-639-0098.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We continue to encourage all parents, especially those with children preparing for First Communion, to join this project. It's a meaningful way for children to fulfill their service hours. Children in grades 2-6 are welcome, and we seek a commitment to sing at the 1pm Sunday Mass weekly. Call the parish office for details.



BLESSING OF PETS



Many people bring their pets to the church to be blessed on St. Francis' feast day because of his love for animals. On Friday, **October 4** after the **7pm** mass, we will be having a special blessing for pets. The blessing will take place outside in the area near the Grotto where parishioners whose pets are catholic enough, will be allowed to participate. Please be sure to have your pet restrained at all times.

MONTHLY MASS OF ANOINTING

The next Mass of Anointing will be on Wednesday, **October 9** at **12pm**. Everyone is welcome.



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION NEWS

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM



We invite parents to sign-up to attend an "**Orientation Session**" to discuss our plans and the requirements to enroll your children for Confirmation this year. To start the process please **email the parish office** to sign up. Only those who sign up for the Orientation will be able to attend. Deadline to sign up is **September 27** for the last Orientation.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION

We have completed our Parent Orientation Sessions, and we thank all the parents who attended the meeting. Registration for the 2024-2025 First Communion Program is now closed. Parents who are still interested in First Communion for their child, are asked to sign up in 2025 when we announce our next program.



HEALING AND RECONCILIATION



As we honor the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on **September 30**, you are invited to join Fr. Robert Foliot in a time of reflection and prayer, walking together with Indigenous Peoples in a spirit of healing and understanding. This is a moment for our community to listen, learn, and pray for reconciliation and peace. For more information, please visit: www.manresa-canada.ca.

BAPTISM FACILITATORS



As we continue to grow as a parish family, we are looking for married couples with children who feel called to share their faith and family experiences by facilitating our Baptism preparation classes. The commitment will be once a month or less, depending on the number of couples involved. Training will be provided, and Volunteer Screening is necessary. For more information or to express your interest, please contact the parish office.

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

Interested parishioners, both men and women are required to fill the role of ushers & greeters for the weekend masses. Volunteer Screening is necessary and training will be provided. Call the parish office or Email Volunteer Screening found on the bulletin cover page for information and a description of this ministry.



WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES



The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for this, the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "God Walks with His People." On **September 29** Pope Francis encourages us to unite in prayer for all those who have had to leave their land in search of dignified living conditions. "May we journey together with them and entrust them to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary... as they continue their journey."

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

This weekend **September 21-22** Archbishop Frances Leo shares his homily fostering our call to be good stewards of the blessings God has given us. Visit: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship

WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?



Stewardship in its simplest terms, is the act of putting God's priorities before our own. Good stewards give the first portion of their gifts of time, talent and treasure to the Lord's work in gratitude for his many blessings. This practice of giving our "first fruits" incorporates the aspect of sacrificial giving. Stewards do four things...

- ◆ Receive God's gifts gratefully
- ◆ Nurture God's gifts responsibly
- ◆ Share God's gifts justly and charitably
- ◆ Return those gifts to God abundantly

THE SPIRITUALITY OF STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is living out a commitment to be Christ-centered rather than self-centered. Stewardship gives joy! Those who voluntarily give their time and abilities for work in the parish will always experience joy if they give them for Christ. Christian stewardship helps us to become aware that God is the ultimate giver of the gifts we have. Our gift to God should be from the top, not from what may be left over. Stewardship is not job-oriented or project-minded. It is a way of life for a lifetime.

Not a program, but a way of life

VOCATIONS



"Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." This life is the ministry of a priest, sister, brother or deacon. If you feel God is calling you to one such vocation call Fr. McCarthy: 416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto.org

STEWARDSHIP



St. James in the second reading says, "Where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind." As stewards, we will often face the temptation to compare our gifts with those of others and seek recognition for our own talents. One way to combat this envy and ambition is to intentionally celebrate the talents of others for the gifts of our brothers and sisters are the gifts of the entire Body of Christ.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Regular Offertory September 14-15

Offertory: **\$ 8,388**
PAG: **\$ 907**
Total: **\$ 9,295**

Benevolent Fund **\$ 3,572**

2023 Weekly Expenses:
\$12,690

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

CANADIAN MISSIONS

With your care and generosity today, you help bring the Gospel message to remote and impoverished missions across Canada. A collection will be taken next weekend **September 28-29**. For those of you who do not have offertory envelopes, there are special envelopes at the entrance of the church this weekend. Please take an envelope, bring your donation next weekend and help support this important work. Thank you.



HELP YOUR NEIGHBOUR

"We see and feel the pain of those struggling to feed their families, and it moves us deeply," says Archbishop Francis Leo. Our faith calls and challenges us to be the beating heart and outstretched hands of Christ himself, extending his love and compassion to those in need. Together, we will continue to bring hope and dignity to our community, to those who suffer thus making a concrete difference in the lives of our neighbours." We have currently raised **\$65,472** towards our suggested goal of **\$105,000**. Please help combat hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. **Thank you for living the Gospel.**

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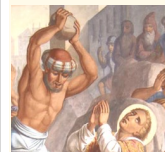


Pick Of The Week



St. Vincent de Paul-Catholic Saints: Join Dr. Christopher Blum and Mary McGeehan as they share about the life of St. Vincent de Paul on this episode of Catholic Saints.

Padre Pio-Lukas Storyteller- Catholic Saints presents First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. As the talent contest approaches and our friends prepare their special dance, Paul gets hurt and has to leave the contest. When Lukas takes him to the doctor, Paul learns from the example of Padre Pio about the importance of having a clean soul and offering his sufferings to God.



First Martyrs of the Church of Rome-Catholic Saints: Join Dr. John Sehorn and Mary McGeehan to discuss the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. Killed under Emperor Nero in AD 64, the First Martyrs offer us a powerful witness of fidelity to Christ.

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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