

Prince of Peace Parish

Founded 1983

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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, October 5

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, October 6

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, October 7

8:30am Mass

† Lydia McGovern

† Mario Cruz

Tuesday, October 8

8:30am Mass

† Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

† Pui Ying Lau

Wednesday, October 9

8:30am Mass

† Joy George

◆ Dennis Lau Moon Lin

7:00pm Mass

◆ Annelle & Tomas Potenciano

◆ Francis Family

Thursday, October 10

8:30am Mass

† Alice Viegas

† Pharez Ong

Friday, October 11

8:30am Mass

† Peter Nunes

◆ Siobhan Govias

Saturday, October 12

8:30am Mass

◆ Charles & Hazel Gonsalves

† Hon Sum Lai

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP OCT 7-12

For the Eternal Rest of:
Brother William Standly
Rutherford, Peter Nunes,
Cynthia Acayan

For the Health of:
Efren Cantos

For the Intentions of:
Philip Samuels

In Thanksgiving by:
Kelvin Wong & Family

Pro Populo



In today's Gospel, we see Jesus asked about divorce. He acknowledges the law, but at the same time he brings out its failure but most explicitly, our need for compassion and understanding for brokenness. That is why he has the children brought to him. The incomplete, the weak, the most forgotten of his "Little Ones", are to be embraced and welcomed. We must help them find their way. They must not be left alone, vulnerable, at the mercy of the evil so present in the world. Our own journey today can help show the way to the weak and unattached of our time helping them to cast aside their loneliness. Let us not judge but preserve our wholeness by embracing them.

EXCITING NEWS ABOUT CHURCH ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS!

As part of our Family of Faith campaign, we've been committed to making our church more accessible for everyone. We're thrilled to announce that starting **Monday, October 7**, we will begin important work to improve accessibility and safety around our parish. Here's what you can expect:



- ◆ Widening the sidewalk on the side of the church to allow better access for wheelchairs and other mobility devices.
- ◆ Expanding the driveway at the front slightly to accommodate the new, wider sidewalk.
- ◆ Replacing cracked or broken walkways with new concrete for smoother, safer walking paths.
- ◆ Repaving the entire parking lot for a fresh and safe surface.
- ◆ Once the paving is complete, we will repaint the parking lot lines and add more barrier-free parking spaces next to the current ones at the back.

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW DURING CONSTRUCTION:

- ◆ From Monday, October 7 to Friday, October 11, the parking lot will remain accessible for weekday Masses, with the help of the contractor to guide you safely in and out of the parking lot.
- ◆ For the weekend Masses of October 12 and 13, the parking lot will be open as usual.
- ◆ **From Tuesday, October 15 to Friday, October 19**, the parking lot will be closed for paving. We kindly ask you to park on the west side of the street during this time. If you're able, consider walking or cycling to Mass! **Please avoid parking at the school, as they need their spots for staff and visitors.**

All of this work is weather-dependent, but the contractor is committed to finishing as quickly as possible. We're grateful for your patience and understanding as we complete these much-needed improvements. Lastly, the City has notified us that they will begin some curb and sidewalk reconstruction, along with repaving the roadway in front of the parish, starting the week of **October 21**. We'll keep you updated on that project as we learn more. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to make our parish a more accessible and welcoming place for all!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



This weekend, **October 5-6**, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is 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. As we give thanks for the many blessings we have, let us not forget those in our community who are not as fortunate. If you can help, please do. Thank you.

MONTHLY MASS OF ANOINTING

Due to unexpected Parking lot construction this coming two weeks, the Mass of Anointing will



be postponed to October 30. Please be sure to share this information with those who regularly attend this mass.

HOLY COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS



The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life" - CCC (1324-1327). If you have a love for the Holy Eucharist please consider being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Those interested, should contact the parish office by phone or email.

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.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM



Registration for the 2024-2025 Confirmation Program is now closed. Parents who are still interested in Confirmation for their child, are asked to sign up in 2025 when we announce our next program.

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.



BAPTISM FACILITATORS

We are seeking 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. Contact the parish office for more info.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

On the weekend of **October 19/20** there will be a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. This year's theme, "go and invite everyone to the banquet" calls us to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God.



THE PASSPORT OFFICE



Passports have been provided to all children preparing for the sacraments as part of their "journey" toward the celebration. Each week, catechists will stamp the passports when the children attend class and Mass. If your child attends Mass and there is no one available to stamp their passport, please contact the parish office on Monday morning to ensure your child receives their stamp. Please encourage and pray for the children in this important year of preparation.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Ministering to those who have suffered loss through separation, divorce or bereavement. Online Programs available: Bereavement-**October 16 at 7pm**, Separated/Divorced, **October 17 at 7pm**. Contact Arcangelo Limanni MRE, MACP, RP at: 647-215-3978



FALL RETREATS



Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre announces the following retreats: Thursday, **October 24** -Cancer Patients & Caregivers, Saturday, **October 26**-Marian Retreat. Information at: office@qoa.ca

ST. MICHAELS CHOIR SCHOOL

The Office of admissions is now considering applications of young men Grades 7 to 12 for September 2025. Open House on **October 17** and **22**. Registration at: applySMCS.com



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We continue to encourage all parents with Children in grades 2-6 to consider joining the Children's Choir which is already singing at the 1pm Sunday Mass. Hours of Service for First Communion and Confirmation can be awarded if they join. Call the parish office for details.



VOCATIONS

Matrimony - a beautiful vocation so misused today. Celibacy - a beautiful gift so misunderstood today. Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. McCarthy: 416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto.org



STEWARDSHIP

God gives Adam the gift of Eden and the beauty of creation, yet He doesn't instruct him to use all these gifts for his mere enjoyment and pleasure but to "till" the land. So too as stewards, we need to till the lands of our time and talents. Let us strive to not passively use them for our own gain but work on using them for God's will.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Regular Offertory September 28-29

Offertory: **\$ 8,017**
PAG: **\$ 925**
Total: **\$ 8,942**

Needs of the Canadian Church

\$ 3,520

2023 Weekly Expenses:

\$12,690

Thank you
FOR YOUR SUPPORT

BENEVOLENT FUND COLLECTION

We remind everyone that next weekend, **October 12-13**, there is a collection for the Benevolent Fund. This is a parish effort to assist those in unusual yet legitimate occasional need. Thank you for your continued support.



ANSWER THE CALL TO COMPASSION

100,000 people in Toronto are expected to turn to food charities for the first time in 2024. Through our parish's support, ShareLife, Catholic Charities helps to fund food banks and meal programs throughout the Archdiocese. We have currently raised **\$71,232** towards our suggested goal of **\$105,000**. Please help combat hunger at sharelife.org/donate. **Thank you for your compassion.**

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Pick Of The Week



Paint By Heart: Man looks on the outside, but God looks on the heart! The beauty of painting takes center stage as Giovanni Angelico or "Mr. Gelly" teaches Benjamin Cello and his friends how to "paint by heart".

The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus the Christ:

This filmed presentation of the theatrical production movingly recreates the final moments of Jesus' earthly ministry as a teacher through His crucifixion and death. The play has been seen by thousands worldwide, not only as a live performance but also in live streams and televised broadcasts.



I Am Who I Am-Lectio-God: Who is God and what does he mean when he says "I Am Who I Am"? Join Dr. Elizabeth Klein in her latest Lectio series as she begins to unpack the mystery of who God is.



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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