

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

Pro Populo

Saturday, November 30

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, December 1

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, December 2

8:30am Mass

† Anna Revathy Xavier

† Teresita Cancio

Tuesday, December 3

8:30am Mass

† Andres & Juana Daquioia

† Rooplall & Seetah Dumroo

Wednesday, December 4

8:30am Mass

† Belen Macariola

† John Castanha

7:00pm Mass

† Carmen Munoz

† Fidelis & Muriel Noronha

Thursday, December 5

8:30am Mass

† Cynthia Acayan

† Sarah Mari

Friday, December 6

8:30am Mass

† Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

† Leonides F. Tungohan

7:00pm Mass

† Clement & Yung-Chang Huang

† Yuen-Chiao Chiu & Sin-Chung Huang

Saturday, December 7

8:30am Mass

† Delfin Reyes Sr.

† Jacob Ellichira

† Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP DECEMBER 2-7

For the Eternal Rest of:

Mr. & Mrs. P. Gabriel,

Nalini Nives

Marie Toppin

In Thanksgiving:

Elvina Isaacson

For the Intentions of:

Jasmin Garraway



What a glorious day that will be! Are you awake? Spiritually speaking? As we begin the liturgical season of Advent, we are given the future coming of the Son of God to ponder. True preparedness for the final coming of Christ will not only help you enter the mysteries of these Advent and Christmas seasons by which we ponder the first coming of Christ, it will also help you form a habit of daily attentiveness to grace.

ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

Our parish is seeking adults who feel called to serve as altar servers, particularly for weddings and funerals. Training will be provided, and screening is required for all participants. For more information or to inquire about joining this ministry, please contact the parish office.



DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Preparation for and the celebration of Confession allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness. Our parish's schedule for the Archdiocesan Day of Confessions is as follows:



Dec 16 to 20	9:00 am–10:30 am
Dec 17 & 20	12:00 pm–1:00 pm
Dec 17 to 19	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

FR. HO LUNG & FRIENDS



On Sunday, **December 8**, at the **8:30am** and **1pm** masses, members of the **Jamaican 5 Tenors Group** will be joining us in song.

If these are not the masses you typically attend, we invite you to join us and experience their uplifting performance. The group will be performing a Caribbean Christmas concert at Saints Peter & Paul Banquet Hall on **December 15**. Contact mopcanada@gmail.com or 905-940-2606 for concert details.

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

Theme: "Do you believe in this?" (John 11:26). Deadline for all entries: **January 13, 2025**. Contact: ecumenical@archtoronto.org



CHRISTMAS PLAY SIGN UP



We thank all the families who attended our general meeting last Sunday. If you were unable to attend, we ask that you contact us as soon as possible so that we can include you in our distribution list and assign a role to your child at the first rehearsal. We are looking for children who can sing, dance, and act. Children in the First Communion and Confirmation Programs are encouraged to take part in this project and collect service hours. Roles are limited so please contact the office by phone or email so that we can add your name to the Christmas Play list.

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE



This Christmas, let us come together as a parish family to bring joy to children in our community. A Christmas Tree is located at the entrance of the church, decorated with gift tags that represent the ages and genders of children who might otherwise go without a gift this Christmas. Please take a gift tag of your choice and return your donated wrapped gift, clearly labeled with the age and gender of the child and place it under the Christmas tree on the weekend of **December 21-22**. Wrapped gifts can also be dropped off at the parish office during regular office hours. Thank you for your generosity and for helping to make this Christmas a little brighter for those in need.

A MEANINGFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT



Dedicate a hymnal this Christmas in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving, or for special intentions. This lasting gift honors those we hold dear and supports our parish. A minimum offering of \$35.00 is requested. Hymnals are limited, so contact the parish office to reserve your dedication today!



Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

December 24 ✦ Christmas Eve

5:00 pm * 7:00 pm

9:00 pm * 11:00 pm

December 25 ✦ Christmas Day

8:30 am * 10:00 am

11:30 am * 1:00 pm

December 31 ✦ New Year's Eve

5:00 pm

January 1 ✦ New Year's Day

8:30 am * 10:00 am

11:30 am * 1:00 pm

Regular Weekday Mass Schedule returns Tuesday, January 2, 2025.

Office Closed

December 25 & 26 January 1, 2025

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Remember Your Offerings Please pick them up before and after the weekend masses in the Parish Hall. Envelopes can also be picked up from the parish office during regular office hours. Please refrain from using envelopes from **previous years** as those numbers might have been reassigned to someone else. If you are presently donating by Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) or Credit Card (CC) and no longer want to use a full box of envelopes, please call the office for options. Parishioners who would like to use PAG or Credit Card donating methods can register using the forms available at each station. If you need assistance with this, please call the office. Please do not use the 2025 envelopes until January 2025. If you would like to donate and do not have an assigned envelope number, any

regular envelope can be used as long as you indicate your name and full address or visit the parish office where you will be assigned a box of offertory envelopes.

*Offertory envelopes will not be available for pickup on **December 24 & 25.***

SUNDAY MISSALS

Sunday Missals are available for purchase in the office during regular office hours and **after** all weekend masses. If you would like to have your own copy, the cost is **\$7.00** per missal.



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 more information, please contact John at 647-639-0098.

TRIDUUM IN HONOUR TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Join us from **Monday, December 9, to Thursday, December 12,** as we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the Americas. Each day from **December 9 to 11,** we'll gather at **12:00 PM** in the church to pray the Rosary, led by parish groups, followed by an inspiring presentation of Our Lady's story in the parish hall where we are invited to bring a **cultural dish to share** with others for lunch. On the Feast Day, **December 12,** we'll begin with a solemn mass at 11:00 am followed by a gathering in the hall. Then we will return to the church for a **Multilingual Rosary at 1:00pm** to commemorate Our Lady's miraculous role in uniting cultures. Everyone is welcome.



VOCATIONS

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life." Are worldly cares dragging you down? Be a follower of the Master. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. McCarthy: 416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto



STEWARDSHIP



The readings this Sunday quickly call our attention to the final coming of Christ as well as our own individual day of judgement at the end of our lives. It is so easy for us to lose focus of our heavenly destination by excessive preoccupation with the pleasures and worries of this life. This Advent season, let us heed the advice of Jesus to "be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength."

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**Regular Offertory
November 23-24**

Offertory: **\$ 9,474**
PAG: **\$ 1,157**
Total: **\$ 10,631**

**Building Fund
\$ 3,502**

2023 Weekly Expenses:
\$12,690

Thank you

FOR YOUR SUPPORT

CHARITABLE GIFT OPTIONS

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). For more information, contact: development@archtoronto.org



SHARELIFE-FUNDED AGENCIES TURN NO ONE AWAY

Your gift will double in value! Until year end, 2024, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000. Did you know no one is turned away from ShareLife-funded agencies due to inability to pay? This is all thanks to your compassionate and generous heart. Through your support, ShareLife agencies are helping the most vulnerable in our community and around the world. Our goal this year is **\$100,500**. To date we have achieved **\$73,337**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. **Thank you**

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Pick Of The Week

A Nativity Play



30 Minutes BC creatively explores the profound emotions and intimate struggles of Mary and Joseph during the final 30 minutes before the birth of Jesus. As the clock ticks down, the couple navigates a whirlwind of hope, joy, and uncertainty, turning to God amidst it all.

What Catholics Believe: Christmas (Part 1): Is Christmas a pagan holiday? Why is Christmas celebrated on December 25? What happened at the "first Christmas"? Find out the answers to these and more!

Nicholas: The Boy Who Became Santa

Here is the fascinating story of the boy whose love for others make him one of the most popular figures of all times. Today, more than sixteen centuries later, the entire world celebrates the kindness and generosity of the man we call Santa Claus.



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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