

# Prince of Peace Parish

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

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](mailto:GK9144@ontariokofc.ca)

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline: 647-234-0265  
Membership: 647-639-0098

### 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, February 8

5:00pm Mass

## Sunday, February 9

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

## Monday, February 10

8:30am Mass

† Bede Uku

† Freda de Jesus

## Tuesday, February 11

8:30am Mass

† Anwar Ahmad

† Peter Nunes

## Wednesday, February 12

8:30am Mass

◆ Fr. Manuel Duterte

† Santiago D'Souza

7:00pm Mass

† Charles Chiu

† Pamela Veraswamy

## Thursday, February 13

8:30am Mass

† Elias Diniz

† Santiago D'Souza

## Friday, February 14

8:30am Mass

† Hon Sum Lai

† Hyacinth Myers

## Saturday, February 15

8:30am Mass

† Frs. William & Thomas Harding

† Letty D'Souza

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

### SANCTUARY LAMP

FEB 10-15

For the Eternal Rest of:

Donato & Remedios Ramos,  
Peter Nunes, Raul Poblete

For the Health of:

Efren Cantos, Rita Gomez

For the Intentions of:

Elsinore Jardin

*Each week parishioners may request special prayer intentions to be added to the light of the candle and brought to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.*

Pro Populo

Our world is in desperate need of a Saviour, and we are the ones Jesus desires to use to gather a huge catch and to find those in greatest need. Jesus desired the Apostles to catch the fish that were in the deep waters as a way of saying that there are countless souls in our world who are far from God. There are many people "swimming" in an ocean of confusion and pain. It is these people, in particular, that Jesus wants to draw in.

### MONTHLY MASS OF ANOINTING

The next Mass of Anointing will be this Wednesday, **February 12** at **12pm** followed by our Seniors Group activities in the Parish Hall. Please invite anyone who may need this Sacrament. We especially encourage those who are currently ill, elderly or expecting to have surgery soon.

### ROSES FOR LIFE

Roses for Life lapel pins will be available with our Brother Knights this weekend (**February 8/9**) after all weekend masses. The red rose symbolizes our opposition to abortion, while the white rose represents our stance against euthanasia. Please support them generously. All your contributions will be donated to various pro-life organizations as we have done in previous years. Your gift will help foster the culture of LIFE from conception to natural death.

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR UPDATE

Beginning this weekend, the 1pm Children's Choir will be singing at the **Saturday 5pm Mass**. We look forward to their joyful voices enhancing our liturgy at this new time! Parents with children interested in joining the choir are invited to contact the parish office.

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Are you in a profession relating to bereavement, or a willing individual who possesses the gift of compassionate listening? Consider being part of our bereavement ministry. If you are interested, please call the parish office. The archdiocese will be offering training sessions online on **Thursdays, February 20 & 27 and March 6, 13, 20 & 27** from **7-8:30pm**. Registration is required.

**Register by February 18** at: 416-934-3400 ext. 523 or visit us at: <https://bit.ly/BMT-RegisterFebMar2025>

### BAPTISM FACILITATORS

As we continue to grow as a parish family, we are looking for married couples who are parents and 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.

### ANSWER THE CALL TO SPONSORSHIP

Our parish is seeking committed individuals to serve as sponsors for those preparing to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. Sponsors play a vital role in offering guidance, encouragement and spiritual support as candidates deepen their faith and embrace the life of the Church. If you feel called to accompany someone on this journey please call the parish office for more information.

### 33RD WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

In this Jubilee Year of 2025, the Church invites us to become "pilgrims of hope". In Pope Francis's message, he reminds us of the ways that God remains close to the sick through *encounter, gifts, and sharing*. On **February 11**, visit a loved one or stranger who is shut in, lonely or sick, and offer gratitude to a healthcare professional or volunteer. This year, the theme is "'Hope does not disappoint' [Rom 5:5], but strengthens us in times of trials".

**PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

All are welcome to the Regional Masses across the Archdiocese of Toronto. The Eastern Region Mass is on **February 19** at St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough with Cardinal Leo presiding.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

We are encouraged to remember and celebrate the achievements and contributions of Black people, and acknowledge the suffering and hardships faced throughout history and today. On Saturday, **February 22** at **2:30pm** our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Toronto invite all to join them for a eucharistic celebration of African Heritage/Black History. Contact: [olourdes-to@archtoronto.org](mailto:olourdes-to@archtoronto.org) or call: 416-924-6257

**VIDEO CONTEST 2025**

High school students (aged 13 to 19 years) in the Catholic School Boards within the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to create a three-minute video that captures this year's theme "Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity" as a part of the annual celebration of the United Nations International Human Fraternity Day. Entries can be submitted no later than **April 15** at <https://bit.ly/DFVCSubmission>. Information at: 416-934-3400 ext. 527 or [interreligious@archtoronto.org](mailto:interreligious@archtoronto.org).

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND SERVICE AWARDS**

Catholic Charities is accepting applications for scholarships and nominations for the Michael Fullan Community Service Awards. With five scholarships available, they aim to support future leaders in social services. Nominate individuals making a difference in the community. Details at: [www.ccat.ca/scholarships](http://www.ccat.ca/scholarships). Deadline: **April 30**, 2025. Contact: 416-934-3401 ext. 419.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025**

World Day of Prayer is a global movement uniting Christians for a day of prayer. In 2025, we celebrate on **March 7**, with the theme "I Made You Wonderful" (Ps 139:14), focusing on how women and girls are beautifully made in God's image. The service, written by the Cook Islands, invites us to reflect on our

divinely created bodies. For the full service video, children's program, or more information, visit [wdpcanada.ca](http://wdpcanada.ca) or [worlddayofprayer.net](http://worlddayofprayer.net).

**2024 TAX RECEIPTS**

Assuming Canada Post is on time parishioners can expect to receive their tax receipts by mail on or before **February 17, 2025**. If you do not receive your tax receipt by February 17, please contact the parish office for assistance. We remind everyone that once you receive your tax receipt, should you lose or misplace it, processing a replacement copy will incur accountant fees.

**CHESS TOURNAMENT**

St. Aiden's Catholic Church and The Federation of North America Explorers is hosting a chess tournament on **Saturday, March 8, 2025** from **11am to 3pm**. to raise funds for a Pilgrimage to Portugal during Holy Week 2025. Open to all ages with cash prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Register before **March 1** at:

[FNEChess2025@gmail.com](mailto:FNEChess2025@gmail.com)

**IGNATION RETREAT**

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre is offering a men's silent retreat: Guidance for the Lenten Journey from **March 14-16, 2025**. The focus will be on giving and receiving forgiveness, growing in hope and accepting one's limitations. Register online at: [manresa-canada.ca](http://manresa-canada.ca)

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

On **Saturday, March 22**, the I Love My Catholic Moms Group will be hosting their annual Dynamic Women of Faith conference. Reignite your spirit together with like-minded women on a journey of faith, hope, and transformation. Register at [DynamicWomenFaith.com](http://DynamicWomenFaith.com). Early bird special until **February 14**. For more information, contact 416-907-1042.

**2025 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY**

Theme: Power from on High: a day of evangelization through music, testimonials, reflections, Divine Mercy, and Eucharistic Adoration. Join us **March 29, 8am to 5:30pm**, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Mass with Cardinal Thomas Collins. Information at: 647-559-8384.

**VOCATIONS**

Do not be afraid. If the Lord is calling you to the ordained or consecrated life, do not be afraid. Jesus calls and will give you the grace to respond wholeheartedly. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. McCarthy: 416-968-0997

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**COME & SEE RETREAT**

The Archdiocese of Toronto will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years+ at St. Augustine's Seminary from **March 14 to March 16**. This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. For more information, and to register visit:

[www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)

**STEWARDSHIP**

In the Gospel today we see Jesus getting into Peter's fishing boat so that He could preach to the vast crowds that had come to see Him. So too in our lives of stewardship, are we allowing Jesus to use the gifts we possess, namely our time and talents, so that others can come to know the Gospel? Let us strive to offer ourselves to Christ and echo the words of the prophet Isaiah in the first reading and boldly say to God, "Here am I; send me!"

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

**Regular Offertory**

**February 1-2**

Offertory: **\$ 9,026.**

PAG: **\$ 1,258.**

Total: **\$ 10,284.**

2023 Weekly Expenses:

**\$12,690**

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