



# Prince of Peace Parish

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**OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (closed 12pm-1pm)**  
**Tuesday through 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, April 26**

5:00pm Mass

**Sunday, April 27**

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

**Monday, April 28**

8:30am Mass

† Donato & Remedios Ramos

† Kemraj Boodhoo

**Tuesday, April 29**

8:30am Mass

† Alicia N. Verendia

◆ Hou Sheng Hua

**Wednesday, April 30**

8:30am Mass

† Alan Paul Villanueva

† Maurita Macariola

7:00pm Mass

† Amelita & Rogelio Genete

† Augustino & Tina  
Buonaguro

**Thursday, May 1**

8:30am Mass

† Andrew Telles

† Mary Antonipillai

**Friday, May 2**

8:30am Mass

† Inasimuthu Antonipillai

† Josephine Wong

7:00pm Mass

† Alicia & Melvin Sanchez

† Joseph Paragine

**Saturday, May 3**

8:30am Mass

† Manuel Bastiampillai

◆ Cava Family

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

**APRIL 28 - MAY 3**

**For the Eternal Rest of:**

Allan Lynn & Elizabeth  
MacPherson, Cancio Family,  
Catalina & Lourdes Estacio,  
Fei Ling Yap, Leo Maglietta

**For the Intentions of:**

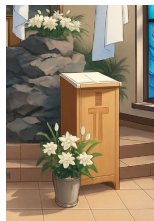
Hou Sheng Hua

Pro Populo



Of all the Apostles, perhaps Doubting Thomas experienced this mercy most dramatically. Thomas was mad that Jesus had failed. He was brooding over it, nursing his anger and sorrow in solitude. So when he finally heard the news of the Resurrection, he wouldn't accept it: "Unless I see the mark of the nails... I will not believe." A week later, on the second Sunday after the Resurrection, Divine Mercy Sunday, Thomas is with the other Apostles, still locked inside the room and inside their fears and doubts. Jesus comes through those locked doors once again, and wishes them peace. Do not doubt, but believe.

## BOOK OF CONDOLENCES



On April 21, 2025, our beloved Pope Francis passed away. Since 2013, he has served tirelessly as the leader of the Church, a global ambassador of peace and hope, and an example of Christlike love for all peoples. May we honour his legacy and continue to serve others, especially the poor and marginalized, with care, compassion, and humility. Beginning this weekend, a Book of Condolences has been placed in the Sanctuary by the Easter Cross. All are invited to sign the book before and/or after masses, and, if they wish, include a short message. The book will remain in the Sanctuary until **Sunday, May 4** and on Monday, **May 5**, it will be taken to Ottawa, where it will be formally presented to the Apostolic Nuncio, the popes representative in Canada.



## FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to all the children who will be celebrating their First Communion this weekend! As you join God's family on your First Communion Day, may Jesus Christ, Our Saviour, bless you on your way and may you feel his loving presence in a very special way, as you strive to follow in his footsteps.

## FAREWELL TO DEACON TERENCE



Deacon Terence is retiring from his assignment at Prince of Peace Parish. Although his retirement became official this last April 23, his last weekend with us will be **May 3-4**. To mark this transition, we will be holding a farewell gathering after the **5pm** Mass on **May 3**. This is an opportunity for everyone to express our gratitude to him and his wife Renuka for his years of service at our parish. Additionally, on Sunday, **May 4**, after each Mass, we will have the opportunity to express our farewell to him. We thank Deacon Terence for his ministry and wish him every blessing as he enters this new chapter in his life.

## 30 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE

With hearts full of gratitude, we invite you to join us for a special Mass in celebration of Fr. Efren's 30th Priestly Anniversary on **Tuesday, May 13** at **7pm**.

Let us come together as a parish family to give thanks for Fr. Efren's three decades of faithful and dedicated service to the Church. It is Father Efren's wish to celebrate this as unassumingly as possible recognizing that it is the people of God who make all the difference in his life as a priest for which he is deeply grateful. Your presence will mean a great deal as he continues his priestly service at Prince of Peace parish.

## MASS OF ANOINTING

Our next Mass of Anointing will be on Wednesday, **May 14** at **12pm** followed by our Seniors Group activities in the Parish Hall. This date also marks the **30th Anniversary of Fr. Efren's First Mass of Thanksgiving**; the very first time he presided at a Holy Mass and he wishes to celebrate with those who are most in need of priestly service and healing.

## LITURGY COMMITTEE



We're forming a **Liturgy Committee** to help plan, prepare, and evaluate our liturgical celebrations to ensure they are prayerful, meaningful, and in tune with the Church's seasons. If you have a **love for the liturgy** and a desire to serve, we invite you to consider joining! Experience in ministry is helpful, but not required—formation will be provided.



ed. An informational meeting will be held on Tuesday, **May 6 at 7pm**. To express interest or make a nomination, please call or email the parish office with your name and contact information.

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

**April 27 to May 3** is a time of appreciation and celebration of every volunteer, their contributions, and their positive impact on our parish community. 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, in our parish and our community, we thank all our volunteers for their dedicated service.



As many as 7,000 youth are homeless across Canada on any given night. Covenant House, an agency you support through ShareLife, provides safe housing alongside healthcare, education, and employment guidance. Thanks to your compassionate heart, at-risk youth can move from a life on the street to a life with a future. Next weekend, **May 3-4** is **Share-Life Sunday**. We ask you to share your

blessings through the parish or at [share-life.org/donate](http://share-life.org/donate).

**Thank you for living the Gospel!**

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We are currently seeking Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) to serve at our **1pm** Sunday Masses. This ministry is a beautiful way to deepen your connection to the Eucharist and to serve your fellow parishioners in a meaningful way. If you feel called to serve in this way, please contact the parish office.

### PRAYER GROUP

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council (CCRC) presents this year's Life in the Spirit Seminar. Join the Prayer Group on **May 24** from **8am to 5pm** in the parish hall for Holy Rosary, praise & worship, inspiring talks, reflection and confession. Holy Mass at 5pm. Contact us at: 416-292-8674 or email:

[prayergroup.pop@gmail.com](mailto:prayergroup.pop@gmail.com)



### OUR EASTER WISH FOR YOU!

At Easter, we remember a deep and life-changing truth: there is no resurrection without sacrifice. The joy of Easter morning only comes after the sorrow of the Cross and the silence of the tomb. But God is faithful—and today, He has the final word. And that word is life. From the heart of your Pastoral Team—our priests, deacons, staff, and so many generous volunteers—please receive our warmest Easter greetings. We give thanks for the joy and faith you bring to Prince of Peace Parish, and we want you to know how much you are loved and appreciated. The Easter season lasts for fifty days—plenty of time, I hope, for us to personally greet you, thank you, and share in your joy. To those who continually support our parish through your generosity, your prayers, and your presence, we offer our heartfelt thanks. You are the quiet strength of our community. A special word of gratitude goes to all who helped make our Holy Week and Triduum liturgies so meaningful—from the choirs and altar servers to those who prepared the church, participated in the Living Stations of the Cross, and quietly worked behind the scenes. Because of you, these days were not only beautiful but truly sacred. Whether you have been part of Prince of Peace for many years, or are just visiting this Easter, know that you are welcome here. We are grateful for your presence, and we invite you to keep walking with us in faith. May the empty tomb remind us that death does not have the last word. God does. And because of that, we have hope—not only for this life, but for the life to come.

**MAY THE EMPTY TOMB BE THE ASSURANCE THAT ONE DAY WE TOO SHALL LIVE FOREVER.  
HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL.**

**Fr. Efren and the Prince of Peace Pastoral Team**

### VOCATIONS

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life? If God is calling you contact Fr. McCarthy: 416-968-0997

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

### STEWARDSHIP

Similar to St. Thomas in the Gospel, we too may experience many moments of doubt. Jesus does not reprimand us for our doubt but constantly sends us providential opportunities to help us grow in our faith. However, let us strive to do our part by educating ourselves through good books and websites on topics of the faith and by praying for the gift of understanding.

### OFFERTORY & EASTER COLLECTION

**APRIL 19-20**

**\$21,532**

**HOLY THURSDAY: \$3,620**

**GOOD FRIDAY: \$8,009**

**EASTER FLOWERS & BENEVOLENT**

**\$6,169**

The Weekly Average  
Operating Expense in 2023

**\$ 2,690**

*Thank you for your  
continued generosity & support.*

### ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

We would like to inform everyone that the **2025** envelope boxes not yet claimed will be reassigned as of **April 30**. It is important to keep in mind that envelopes from previous years should not be used for your donations. If you need new envelopes, please contact the parish office.

### EASTER FLOWERS

Please make use of the envelopes available to you at the entrance of the church. If you still wish to contribute. Donations will be accepted any time for the duration of the Season of Easter.

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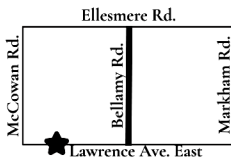


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