



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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We are currently in the process of recruiting for the positions of: secretary, bookkeeper. Job opportunities are posted on the Archdiocese of Toronto's website.

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@princeofpeaceesc.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 visits, call the parish office. From the hospital, ask for a priest directly at the nursing station.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Following the 7pm mass there is exposition, 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 available. 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

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, May 3

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, May 4

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, May 5

8:30am Mass

† Lorenzo Chua

† Sarah Mari

Tuesday, May 6

8:30am Mass

† Reynaldo Dungca

◆ Hou Sheng Hua

Wednesday, May 7

8:30am Mass

◆ Abdullahi Family

◆ Alino Canagasurian

7:00pm Mass

† Natalie & Anthony Philip Noronha

† Kelvin St. Rose

Thursday, May 8

8:30am Mass

† Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

† Pui Ying Lau

Friday, May 9

8:30am Mass

† Joy George

† Sinnathurai Sebastiampillai

Saturday, May 10

8:30am Mass

† Peter Nunes

◆ Dominic Cava

† Rest in peace ◆ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

MAY 5-10

For the Eternal Rest of:

Peter Nunes, Raul Poblete,
Zacharias & Rita Fernandes,
Victims of the Lapu-Lapu Day
Festival Tragedy

For the Health of:

Efren Cantos, Ray Acayan

For the Intentions of:

Hou Sheng Hua

Pro Populo

Would you jump into a lake to go to our Lord? That may seem like an unusual question but it's worth considering in a literal way. If you encountered our resurrected Lord, would you be so excited to see Him that you would be compelled to enter into His presence, even if it meant you had to jump into a lake? This action of Peter should be seen as a symbolic gesture for our own spiritual lives. The fact that Peter did not hesitate reveals how we should react when we encounter Jesus.

30 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE

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**. It is Father Efren's wish to celebrate this as unassumingly as possible to show gratitude for the people of God who make all the difference in his life as a priest. 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. Moreover, we invite everyone to join us after the Mass for a time of fellowship in the parish hall, where we'll have the opportunity to personally congratulate Fr. Efren and thank him for his dedicated ministry. Parishioners are encouraged to bring a plate of their favorite food to share as part of the celebration. If you would like to contribute or help with the event, please contact the parish office for more details. Let us come together as a parish family to celebrate the gift of priesthood.

MASS OF ANOINTING

Our next Mass of Anointing will be on Wednesday, **May 14 at 12pm** followed by our Senior's Group activities in the Parish Hall.

FAREWELL TO DEACON TERENCE

Deacon Terence is retiring from his assignment at Prince of Peace Parish. This weekend marks his final weekend with us. To honour this transition, we invite you to join us after the **5pm** Mass on **Saturday, May 3** for a farewell gathering. This will be a special opportunity to thank Deacon Terence and his wife, Renuka, for their many years of faithful service to our parish. In addition, after each Mass on Sunday, **May 4**, parishioners will have another chance to offer their personal good-byes and well wishes.

BOOK OF CONDOLENCES

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who took the time to share their reflections and prayers in the Book of Condolences that was displayed in the sanctuary this past week. The book has now been removed as all available space for signatures has been filled. It will be delivered to Ottawa, where it will be formally presented to the Apostolic Nuncio, the Holy Father's representative in Canada. Thank you once again for your thoughtful words for Pope Francis.

LAPU-LAPU DAY FESTIVAL TRAGEDY

As a parish, we join in mourning for the victims of the recent tragedy during the Lapu-Lapu Day Festival in Vancouver last weekend. We encourage everyone to pray for those who lost their lives, for the healing of the injured, and for the comfort of the grieving. Let us also remember that we are all children of God—called to stand together in compassion, support, and love, especially in times of sorrow. May our unity be a sign of hope 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. An informational meeting will be held this 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.

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

PROVIDING FOR THOSE IN NEED

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday. We call upon your compassionate hearts to support your vulnerable brothers and sisters in need. More people than ever are turning to our agencies for help. The kindheartedness of ShareLife supporters like you enables access to essential programs and services, such as the treatment program and transitional housing at St. Michael's Homes. Some ways you can give are: at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or online at sharelife.org/donate. **Thank you for living the Gospel.**

serve your fellow parishioners in a meaningful way. If you feel called to serve, please contact the parish office.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

The theme in this Year of Jubilee is "Pilgrims of Hope." From **May 4 to 9** we celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. For more on how you can support Catholic education, visit: www.togetherinfaith.ca.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD SCHOOL

Have you heard of Mary, Mother of God School? This affordable private school (Grades K-12) is located in the Roncesvalles/Parkdale area and is deeply rooted in the Catholic tradition with a special devotion to Our Lady. They promote an excellent academic program, dynamic and joyful student life, and small classes. Registration is still open for September 2025. For details, call 416-531-7897.

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

From **May 5 to 11**, join the conversation and help end the stigma faced by those with mental health challenges or living

with a mental illness. You are encouraged to look beyond the stigma to see the whole person, making deeper connections. For details, visit <https://cmhato.org/campaigns/mental-health-week-2025/>.

CCRC

Life In The Spirit Seminar: Join the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council (CCRC) and 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: 416-292-8674 or email: prayergroup.pop@gmail.com

Cradle of Hope: CCRC is excited to announce this upcoming event on Saturday, **June 7** from **9am to 5:30pm** at Don Bosco School. Hear from speakers, join in praise and worship, and more. Register at www.ccrctoronto.ca.

SHARELIFE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join us for the 28th Annual, presented by AMJ Campbell, at Eagles Nest Golf Club on **June 2**, 2025 for a day of golfing, food and drink, prizes, and more! Registration is now open. Tax receipts are available. Register online: tkeethadevan@archtoronto.org.

Try It – Then Sign Up! A Gift From Your Parish

Looking for a way to stay grounded in your faith throughout the week? **Pick up your free copy of *The Catholic Register* this weekend**—Canada's Catholic newspaper, filled with Catholic news, spiritual reflections, cultural insight, and commentary rooted in our shared faith. This is part of a new initiative at our parish. Here's how it works:

- ◆ Each week, a portion of the copies will be available **first-come, first-serve** to anyone who wants to try it. Please pick up a copy from the foyer of the church or the parish office.
- ◆ If you'd like to keep receiving it weekly, you can **sign up** at the **parish office** or via email so that we'll be able to reserve a copy for you to pick up each weekend.

There is **no charge**, but if you'd like to support this parish initiative, we suggest a love offering of a **loonie per copy**—just **\$1**—when you pick up your copy to help us continue making it available for all.

VOCATIONS

How am I being called to feed the lambs of Jesus? Could it be as an ordained or consecrated person? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. McCarthy:

416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

STEWARDSHIP

When Jesus first asks Peter if he loves Him, he uses the term "agape," signifying an unconditional love, to which Peter replies, "philia," the love of friends. However, by the third time it is Jesus who asks Peter if he will love him philia, which, rather than an insult, is the beautiful reality that Jesus meets Peter where he currently is. So too in our lives, Jesus accepts the current level of love we're comfortable with, but like Peter, He slowly desires and leads us to embrace a deeper way of loving Him and the Church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

REGULAR OFFERTORY

APRIL 26-27

Currently unavailable

The Weekly Average
Operating Expense in 2023

12,690

*Thank you for your
continued generosity
and support.*

EASTER FLOWERS

If you missed the Easter Flowers collection and still wish to contribute, please make use of the envelopes available to you at the entrance of the church. Donations will be accepted any time for the duration of the Season of Easter.

MAINTENANCE FUND

On **May 10/11** there will be a second collection for the Maintenance Fund. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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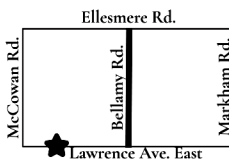


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