



Prince of Peace Parish

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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Thursday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday CLOSED
Saturday & Sunday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm Closed 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm daily

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@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 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 5:00 pm
 Sunday 10:00 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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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, August 16

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, August 17

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, August 18

8:30am Mass

† Lucy Gonsalves

† Mauro Miagan

Tuesday, August 19

8:30am Mass

† Shih Ying Leong-Hugh

† Nenita Tan

Wednesday, August 20

8:30am Mass

† Philomena Correa

† Winston Poblete

7:00pm Mass

† Edel Quinn

† Assunta Cristofaro

Thursday, August 21

8:30am Mass

† Elizabeth Arbour

† Antonio Chua-Co

Friday, August 22

8:30am Mass

† Erlinda Raguindin-Co

† Jerome Pereira

Saturday, August 23

8:30am Mass

† Michael Girgis

♦ Nimal & Cyrilda
Gnanapragasam

† Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

AUGUST 18-23

For the Eternal Rest of:

Fr. Matteo Balzano

In Thanksgiving:

Vanessa Carpintero

For the Intentions of:

Charity Ahmad, Raji Family,

Sheila Emmanuel Family,

Hou Sheng Hua

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

What does it mean when Jesus says that He came to set the world on fire? Fire is a powerful image that offers much insight into the Christian life. First, fire consumes. So it is with Christ. He came to consume us. He came to transform our little lives into blazing fires. This reveals that there is much potential in each one of our lives. We have potential to become something totally new if we allow the spark of grace to ignite our souls.

MASS OF ANOINTING

The next Mass of Anointing will be this Wednesday, **August 20** at **12pm**. Please note that there will be no Senior's Group activities after the mass as they pause for a summer break. Senior's Group activities will resume in September after the Mass of Anointing that will be held on Wednesday, **September 10** at **12pm**.

DISCOVER THE POWER OF SCRIPTURE

Ready to reignite your faith and uncover the treasures of the Bible?

Join our **Parish Bible Study** and take your spiritual life beyond Sunday mass. This is your invitation to dive into the richness of Scripture, explore the heart of Church teaching, and connect it all to your everyday life. Whether you're seeking clarity, community, or a deeper relationship with God, this study offers a space to grow, reflect, and be inspired. Together, we'll unpack timeless truths, ask big questions, and strengthen our Catholic identity—one verse at a time. Let's journey deeper—together: **Tuesdays** from **7pm-9pm** over **Zoom**, starting this **September 9**. To express your interest, contact Jessica: (705) 991-5336



Jessica.ketwaroogreen@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR THE JUBILEE CLOSURE

Have you ever dreamt of walking the streets of Rome in prayer and reflection?

Fr. Efren continues plans to lead a pilgrimage (maximum 25 people) to Rome for the closing of the Jubilee Year on January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord. Tentative travel dates are **January 4-13, 2026**. The purpose is to join in the spiritual celebration of the Jubilee's closing and experience Rome's sacred sites in a spirit of communion and renewal. Guided mostly by Fr. Efren, this journey will be rooted in prayer, fellowship, and reflection. At this stage, we are simply assessing interest to see if this



pilgrimage is possible. If you think you might be interested—or would like to learn more—please email Fr. Efren.

LITURGY COMMITTEE

The Liturgy Committee brings together parishioners and pastoral leaders to plan, prepare, and reflect on the liturgical life of our parish. Its mission is to help the community celebrate the Church's liturgy faithfully, beautifully, and fruitfully, keeping with the Church's norms and spirit. Thank you to everyone who has expressed interest so far. The final information session will be held this **Monday, August 18** at **7pm** in the parish hall. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNING

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be returning to our weekend masses (all except the Sunday 8:30am mass) starting the weekend of **September 6-7**. All youth are welcome to join.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?



Interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the faith? We warmly invite you to join this fall's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program. This is a welcoming journey of faith, reflection, and community for both **catechumens** (those never baptized) and **candidates** (baptized Christians seeking full communion in the Catholic Church). If you are interested, please contact the parish office to begin the process.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

This fall, we will be launching our new Ministry of Consolation. This ministry aims to provide support and comfort to individuals and families grieving the loss of a loved one. They will act as an extension of our parish community, showing our collective care and consolation. To begin this journey, our Ministers of Consolation will read a series of reflections during Sunday masses throughout September.



WITH GRATITUDE FOR THE GARDEN MINISTRY



We give heartfelt thanks to all who participated in our Garden Ministry this summer. Through prayer, meals, and shared work, you created a place of beauty and connection for the whole parish. Your generosity in tending the garden—and your willingness to continue caring for it in the fall—will bless many parishioners who find peace and joy there. Though this season of ministry has come to a close, we look with hope to the changing seasons, trusting that God will continue to reveal His presence in creation and in our liturgy.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Liturgical Hospitality ministry is seeking greeters and ushers for the weekend masses. If you have a passion to serve the parish community, please contact the parish office or volunteer screening (contact info provided on the front page). Training will be provided.

MARTYRS' SHRINE FALL GALA

Join Martyrs' Shrine in Midland on Saturday, **September 20** at **5:30pm** for their Fall Gala! It will be an unforgettable evening of fine dining, live entertainment, and community spirit, all in support of the Shrine's mission as they prepare for the Centennial. For information, contact Maja Jocson at: mjocson@martyrs-shrine.com

ANNUAL VOLUNTEER REVIEWS

The Volunteer Screening Committee is continuing their reviews of the following high-risk ministries and volunteers: Hospitality Ministry (Greeters and Ush-

ers), Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Sick/Homebound, and Offertory Collection Counters. Please watch your email for further instructions.

RENEW TORONTO



"You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me" (John 15:27). The Archdiocese of Toronto and the Office of Catholic Youth invite all young adults aged 19 to 39 to this annual faith conference held downtown on Christ the King weekend, **November 21-23**. It will be a unique opportunity to meet like-minded people in a similar stage of life and grow in faith with them. For information, visit renewtoronto.org.

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

"A Shared Service"

We are currently experiencing a high volume of Mass intention requests. As a parish community, we kindly ask everyone to be mindful of the need to share this meaningful form of prayer and service which is meant to be accessible to all. While the guidelines for Mass intentions are consistent across parishes, each community adapts them to reflect its unique needs and circumstances. To help clarify how mass intentions work—and how we adapt them to the challenges we face at our parish—we are preparing an information booklet that will be available in the coming weeks. We hope this booklet will help us all share our requests in a spirit of unity and care. Thank you for your understanding and for helping us serve one another with compassion and respect.



VOCATIONS

"...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us..." If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. McCarthy at: 416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

COME & SEE

We invite all young men ages 18+ who may feel the call to priesthood to this Come & See Weekend at St. Augustine's Seminary on **October 31 to November 2**. This weekend will be a chance to reflect, hear vocation stories, engage in meaningful conversation about vocations, and partake in social gatherings with seminarians.

STEWARDSHIP

Jesus never promised us that the life of a Christian disciple would be easy, but instead, he tells us that it will be difficult for the teachings of Christ is divisive, and hard for many to accept and believe. If the people persecuted Jesus and the prophets before him, how much more will the world persecute those who believe in Christ? Although the Christian life is not meant to be easy, let us take courage knowing that Christ has faced it all first, and will strengthen us when we face opposition ourselves.

MAINTENANCE FUND

Next weekend, **August 23-24**, there will be a second collection for the Maintenance Fund. We thank you for your generosity and support.

SHARELIFE

A big thanks to everyone who have donated to our parish campaign thus far. If you have not yet donated, you can still contribute at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



A SEASON OF TRANSITIONS IN OUR PARISH FAMILY



This year has brought many changes to our parish community. We've bid farewell to Rene, celebrated Fatima's well-earned retirement, and marked Deacon Terence's transition into retirement. Some of our dedicated staff are also currently away on medical leave. Now, we prepare for another heartfelt goodbye: Fr. Marko will be concluding his time with us at the end of this month. His final weekend with the parish will be **August 30-31**, during which he will preach at all Masses. Following each mass, Fr. Marko will be in the parish hall to greet parishioners and receive your kind words and blessings. As Fr. Marko's position will not be filled immediately, we kindly ask for your patience and understanding as we adjust to changes in clergy responsibilities. Please keep Fr. Marko—and our entire parish—in your prayers as we navigate this time of transition, trusting that God will guide us all.

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