

Prince of Peace Parish

Founded 1983

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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

Wednesday: 6:00pm - 6:45pm Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:45 am

(not before Sat 5pm mass, see for First Friday below)

PASTOR

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DEACON

Rev Mr. Thomas Aquino

PARISH SECRETARY

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St. Rene Goupil	416-393-5408
The Divine Infant	416-393-5414
Fr. Michael McGivney	905-472-4961
Francis Libermann HS	416-393-5524

VOLUNTEER SCREENING

Contact the office or our volunteer coordinator Hsiu Hau at screening@princeofpeacesc.ca

BAPTISM

Contact the parish office at least 3 months before the desired date.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PREP

These programs run from September to June. Contact the office to sign up.

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

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

Mass Of Anointing

Second Wednesday of every month at 12:00 noon. The exact date is published in the bulletin every month.

SENIOR'S GROUP

Every month after the Mass of Anointing. Watch for announcements in the bulletin for exact schedules.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Following the 7pm mass there is exposition, adoration and benediction at 8:30pm (Confessions during Adoration)

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

Funeral home visitations, grief support groups, and more. Contact the parish office for details.

VISITING MINISTRY

Visits for Holy Communion are available. Please call the parish office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays on Zoom 7:00pm-9:00pm

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL GROUP

Prayer and worship group. Meetings every Thursday at 7pm.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Info: 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.

LITURGY COMMITTEE

Leaders in the parish who guide and enrich our liturgical life

Mass Intentions

Pro Populo

Saturday, September 20 5:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 21

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, September 22

8:30am Mass

- * Serafin Cancio
- † Primrose & Naomi Samuels

Tuesday, September 23

8:30am Mass

- **†** Annet Suganthy
- **†** Michael Girgis

Wednesday, September 24

8:30am Mass

- ★ Veronica Remedios
- **†** Brenda Zoleta-Diamos

7:00pm Mass

- † Padmini & Prem Lama
- **†** Eliseo Javier

Thursday, September 25

8:30am Mass

- ◆ Dias Family
- ***** Ester Reyes

Friday, September 26

8:30am Mass

- ♣ Poerwanto Soesatyo
- ♣ Ioasinho & Augusto D'Souza

Saturday, September 27 8:30am Mass

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- * Kemraj Boodhoo
- * Mazy Lee

†Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving **♥** For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP SEPTEMBER 22-27 For the Eternal Rest of: Georgiana & Celestine Flocker For the Intentions of: Emmanuel Family For the Health of: Gloria Felician

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.



This challenging parable invites us to reflect on our relationship with money and possessions, urging us to be as shrewd in our spiritual lives as worldly people are in their financial dealings. It questions our priorities, reminding us that we cannot serve both God and money, and that our faithfulness with worldly things is a test of our trustworthiness with genuine riches.

"A WARM WELCOME TO TRISH"

We are delighted to welcome Patricia (Trish) Sherwin as our new Parish Secretary at Prince of Peace. Trish brings with her valuable parish ex-



perience, strong office skills, and a deep love for the Church. We are blessed to have her join our staff and look forward to the many ways her presence will enrich our community. We also extend our sincere thanks to all who expressed interest in this position. Your desire to serve the parish is a gift, and we are grateful for the spirit of generosity that sustains our community. Please join us in warmly welcoming Trish as she begins her ministry among us.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Due to the transitions at our parish, confessions will be held for the months of **September** to **December** as follows: Wednesdays, **after 7pm Mass** (around 7:30pm) and Saturdays 9am-9:45am (after 8:30am mass). **No confessions will be held before the Saturday 5pm mass.** Thank you for your understanding.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR THE JUBILEE CLOSURE

We are happy to confirm that our Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi for the Jubilee Year will take place **January 4 to 14**,

2026. This will be a prayerful journey to Rome's holy sites and Assisi, culminating in the closing celebration of the Holy Door on the Feast of the Epiphany. For the first month, registration is open only to Prince of Peace parishioners. After this time, we will extend invitations to others. If you are ready to book, please email Fr. Efren (see cover page for email address) to ask him directly so that you can receive the registration details.



PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

The first Liturgy Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, **September 23** at **7pm** in the parish hall. This commit-



tee will help guide and enrich the liturgical life of our parish, support ministries such as music, altar servers, readers, hospitality, and environment, and foster a prayerful, inclusive, and vibrant worship experience. The committee includes coordinators of a ministry and those who are willing to join. Screening is mandatory.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

"Come & See"



Join us on Sunday, September 28 at 6pm in the parish hall to learn more about this new min-

istry that we will be launching this fall. The Ministry of Consolation aims to provide support and comfort to individuals and families grieving the loss of a loved one and any other type of losses. We hope to begin this ministry with a meeting on **October 20** at **7pm.** In preparation, reflections will be read during Sunday masses throughout September.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CHOIR!

We're forming a one-time **Christmas Choir** for our parish concert on **Sunday**, **December 14 at 7pm** (Second Sunday of Advent). If you love to sing but can't commit year-round, this is your chance! Reading music helps, but **carrying a tune is essential**. Contact the parish office to sign up!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Many people bring their pets to the church to be blessed on St. Francis's feast day because of his

love for animals. On Saturday, **October 4** at **6:30pm**, bring your pets to the parish parking lot for a blessing in the area near the Grotto. Please have your pet restrained at all times.

FIRST COMMUNION



Parents of children aged 7 and up are invited to register their children in our First Communion program. The deadline to return any

forms is Friday, **September 26.** Please contact the parish office to request the registration package.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

GRADE 7: Our plans for this vears Confirmation Program are still in progress. We will Confirmation

provide information soon in our bulletin, pulpit announcements and through our schools. Stay tunned.

ADULTS: Are you 18 years or older, baptized in the Catholic Church, and maybe received First Holy Communion-but never been confirmed? We invite you to take the next step in your faith journey through the Sacrament of Confirmation. Adult Confirmation preparation is designed for those who, for various reasons, missed this sacrament earlier in life and now feel called to complete their initiation into the Church. If this applies to you, please contact the parish office to express your interest. Details will be shared soon.

RCIA



We are welcoming applicants to join this fall's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program. This is a journey of

faith, reflection, and community for both **catechumens** (those never baptized) and candidates (baptized in non-Catholic traditions seeking full communion in the Catholic Church). If you are interested, contact the parish office.

MASS OF ANOINTING

The next Mass of Anointing will be held on Wednesday, October 8 at 12pm **noon** followed by the Senior's Group. All are welcome to attend.

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home will be hosting an in-person Planning Ahead Information Session on Tues-



day, October 7 at 7pm at 211 Langstaff Rd E, Thornhill. This evening event will provide valuable information on the benefits of planning ahead for funeral and cemetery needs, including: easing stress for family members (by locking in today's prices), flexible payment options, and ensuring personal wishes are honoured. Attendees will also have access to refreshments and a complimentary estate planning guide. For inquiries, email holycrossinguiry@cc-fs.ca. RSVP (required in order to attend), call the receptionist at 905-889-7467 ext 1.

BUNDLE UP WEEKEND



This weekend **September** 20-21, a truck from St. Vincent de Paul will be in the parking lot to receive items for donations. Volunteers will assist with the loading before and after each mass. Items accepted: large suitcases (in good condition) clothing, footwear, bedding,

drapery, towels, and toys. Items not accepted: furniture, books, dishes, cassettes. Thank you for your support.

SEEKING SUITCASES

Fr. Efren is seeking donations of large suitcases in good condition to support his ongoing personal outreach to children at a nun-run orphanage in Mexico. Please ensure they meet airline requirements to avoid excess baggage fees and have wheels. These suitcases are used to transport essential supplies during his visits. If you're able to donate or would like more details, please contact Fr. Efren directly.

SHARELIFE HISTORY

As we prepare to celebrate ShareLife's milestone 50th anniversary, we want to honor not only the programs and funds raised but also the stories and memories that have shaped ShareLife. If you have any materials from ShareLife's history (e.g., old posters, photos, campaign envelopes, news clippings, or other memorabilia), or personal stories or anecdotes of how ShareLife touched your life, please contact ilazo@archtoronto.org. Thank you for your kind generosity!

VOCATIONS

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you contact Fr. McCarthy at:

> 416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto.org

COME & SEE

All young men ages 18+ who may feel the call to priesthood are invited to a Come & See Weekend at St. Augustine's Seminary from 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 SUNDAY

This weekend **September 21** is Stewardship Sunday. This event celebrates our parishes which contain stewards who seek to grow in holiness and become saints by serving God and one another. On this day Cardinal Frank Leo will be sharing a special homily meant to help us prayerfully reflect on our lives as stewards. Brochures with more information are available in the parish

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA COLLECTION



The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place on the weekend of Septem-

ber 27-28. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.



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