



Prince of Peace Parish

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
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

Wednesday: 7:30pm - 8:15pm

Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:45 am
(not before Sat 5pm mass, see for First Friday below)

PASTOR

Fr. Efren Alvarez Pelayo
fr.efren@princeofpeaceesc.ca

DEACON

Rev Mr. Thomas Aquino

SECRETARY

Due to unforeseen reasons, this position is now vacant

SACRAMENTS COORDINATOR

Joan Turco (on leave)
joan@princeofpeaceesc.ca

ACCOUNTANT

Nalini Andrews
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HOUSEKEEPING

Geneveve Macariola-Amini

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Dan Christante
dan.christante@gmail.com

CUSTODIAL STAFF

Jessie Guinto & Tom Mitrovski

VOLUNTEER SCREENING

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

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 & 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
eTransfers: Give@DonatetoSSVP.ca

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every Month.

LITURGY COMMITTEE

Leaders in the parish who guide and enrich our liturgical life

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Prince of Peace	416-393-5416
Our Lady of Grace	416-393-5372
St. Marguerite Bourgeois	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, November 16

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, November 17

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, November 18

8:30am Mass

✠ Dominic Soosaipillai

♦ Hana Wong

Tuesday, November 19

8:30am Mass

✠ Fei Ling Yap

✠ Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

Wednesday, November 20

8:30am Mass

✠ Joseph Maliakal

♥ Matteo Tony

7:00pm Mass

✠ Clement & Yung-Chang Huang

✠ Isidro Garcia

Thursday, November 21

8:30am Mass

♥ Colette Tsang

✠ Rosario & Isabel Corda

Friday, November 22

8:30am Mass

✠ John Castanha

✠ Sean Lee

Saturday, November 23

8:30am Mass

✠ Geoffrey Cooper

✠ Ivy & Gilbert Lue

✠ Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

NOVEMBER 17-22

For the Eternal Rest of:

Elizabeth Malinay, Raul Poblete,

Winston Poblete

For the Health of:

Andrea Orian, Tootsey Orian,

Celina Morgan, Keith Morgan,

Colette Tsang

In Thanksgiving:

Maribel Tarroza, Romana Cunanan

A SEASON OF PASTORAL TRANSITION: THE STONE AND THE STRENGTH



This weekend, Jesus gazes at the temple—its grandeur, its permanence, its pride—and says, “Not one stone will be left upon another.” It is a moment of holy disruption. What seemed immovable will fall. What seemed eternal will pass. And yet, He does not speak with fear. He speaks with truth. This Gospel speaks to us now. Our parish is not crumbling, but we are being reshaped. We are in a season of transition—where familiar structures shift, and deeper foundations are revealed. And in that shifting, we feel the tremble. We feel the grief. We feel the uncertainty. But Jesus does not leave us in the rubble. He prepares us. He warns us of false voices, of conflict, of persecution. And then He says, “By your perseverance you will secure your lives.” Not by control. Not by avoidance. But by endurance. By faithfulness. By staying. Still, there are those who circle the ruins—not to rebuild, but to profit. They sell fear. They peddle division. They offer power in exchange for peace. They speak with urgency, but not with truth. And yet, the Gospel calls us to resist their noise. To remain steady. To stay rooted. This time calls for spiritual resilience—to remain rooted when the stones fall. It calls for communal clarity—to recognize what is passing and what is eternal. And it calls for pastoral courage—to walk through the ache without losing heart. Let us be strong enough to endure. Let us be wise enough to discern. And let us be faithful enough to remain—together, even when the temple trembles. “By your perseverance you will secure your lives.” — Luke 21:19

INVITATION TO DREAM AHEAD

MORE PILGRIMAGES WITH FR. EFREN



Our Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi is officially a go. More pilgrims may be added, but no further announcements will be shared here. So we ask: **Where might the next journey take us?** We’re exploring a second pilgrimage between mid-February and early June 2026. Possible destinations include: Mexico—Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and surrounding sacred sites; Portugal—Spain—France—Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Lourdes, Lisieux, or Ireland and Surroundings—Monastic landscapes, holy wells, and Celtic Christian heritage. If any of these stir your heart, please write to Fr. Efren personally to show your interest at ealvarezpelayo@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY: Seeking additional ushers for the weekend Masses. Training will be provided.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Needed for the **1pm Sunday Mass**. Please contact the parish office to express your interest in either ministry, especially if you attend the masses that are in need of your help.

ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY



In prayer for All Souls in Purgatory, the Book of Life will be in the sanctuary until the end of November. This year, we will not be adding names directly into the book. If you wish to submit names for us to add, please email the parish office or submit a request slip or All Souls envelope to the box at the sanctuary. Please note: we will only consider names of people that are not in the Book of Life currently, have passed away since last November, and are your immediate family members. Your intentions will be included in our parish’s prayers throughout the month.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

Next session on Monday, **November 17 at 7pm**. We invite all individuals and families experiencing any type of loss to join us.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On the Third Sunday of Advent, **December 14**, join us from **7pm-9pm** for our Christmas Concert! Celebrate the birth of Jesus with your parish community in song. All are welcome.

2025-2026 SUNDAY MISSALS

Now available at the parish office during regular office hours. The cost is **\$7.00** per missal, cash only.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 9144 announces the "KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" poster contest open to all children (JK - Gr. 8) in our parish. The contest encourages the true spirit of Christmas within our homes, schools, and community. Teachers and parents are encouraged to inspire their children or grandchildren to participate. Submit your entry by **December 18**. Winners will be awarded prizes. For entry forms or rules, interested participants may kindly contact bobcaldwell597@yahoo.ca. Children attending sacramental preparation programs may collect forms from their catechists.



FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

Students 13-19 years old are invited to participate in this yearly writing contest. This year the theme is *"The gifts he gave were for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."* (cf. Eph 4:13). Make your entry by **January 12, 2026** for a chance to win a prize. Learn more at catholicregister.org/writingaward.



LET THE HOLY SMELLS BE ENOUGH

As we gather for Mass, we're blessed by the sacred scents of incense, candles, and maybe even fresh flowers. Some of our parishioners have serious sensitivities to scented products—especially those that arrive in clouds of cologne strong enough to part the Red Sea. So please, for the love of your neighbour (and their lungs), go easy on the fragrance. Let's not force the rest of us to smell like you—no matter how fabulous you think you smell. Thank you for keeping our church a safe, welcoming, and scent-considerate space.



RED WEDNESDAY MASS

Red Wednesday is an international day of awareness and prayer for the persecution of Christians. A Mass for Persecuted Christians will be held on **November 19 at 5:30pm** at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. All are welcome.



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you have not yet picked up your offertory envelopes for **2026**, you can now pick them up from the Parish Office. If you would like to use Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) or Credit Card (CC) and no longer want a box of envelopes, please call the office for options or use the forms available in the lobby. Finally, we ask that you **do not use envelopes from previous years** as those numbers might have been reassigned to someone else, and do not use the 2026 envelopes until January 2026. If you would like to donate and do not have an assigned envelope number, any regular envelope can be used as long as you indicate your name and full address. Alternatively, you can visit the parish office to register in our parish and be assigned a box of offertory envelopes.

REJOICE! CHRISTMAS CONCERT



St. Michael's Choir School presents REJOICE! Jubilee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall. As we celebrate six decades of music in this historic space, we embrace the spirit of the Jubilee Year - a time of hope, renewal, and joy in Christ's birth. Let this evening be a song of gratitude for the past, a proclamation of joy in the present, and a prayerful step into the future. Tickets for this concert on **December 13 at 7pm** are now available at masseyhall.com. Use Promo Code: STARLIGHT. For ticket information, please call the Massey Hall Box Office at 416-872-4255.

SPIRITUS DANCE

Calling all young adults (19-39), who love to dress up, dance, eat good food and are looking to meet young adults in the Diocese of Toronto. Celebrate the year and the Christmas season with the Office of Catholic Youth's Annual Spiritus Dance! This year is a Masquerade Ball. It will be hosted at St. Luke's Parish in Thornhill on **December 13 from 7pm to 11:45pm**. Purchase your ticket at ocytoronto.org. For questions, email:

spiritusministry@gmail.com.



VOCATIONS

"By your endurance you will gain your souls." Be patient with yourself and with God as you await the sign of your call. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. McCarthy at 416-968-0997 or via email at

vocations@archtoronto.org



SHARELIFE: DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!



From **November 3 until year end**, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000! Across Ontario, our brothers and sisters are facing hunger, uncertainty, and growing need. Children go to bed hungry, families struggle to put food on the table, and seniors worry about their next meal. ShareLife and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto are back for a third year with Food Security Grants, now partnering with two generous anonymous donors to pledge \$800,000 to help your neighbours most in need. With your compassionate support, we can continue our shared commitment to fight against hunger. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

STEWARDSHIP

As the Mass readings point toward Christ's Second Coming and the end of our earthly life, we should ask ourselves if we are appropriately using our gifts to serve Christ in the poor and our neighbour. One great gift we can share is that of our time. Cardinal Collins says that, "we can use our time in this life to be selfish, or to be generous to others. The blessed used their time here to care for those in need."



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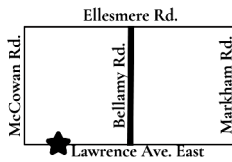


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