



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

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joan@princeofpeaceesc.ca

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NAndrews@archtoronto.org

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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

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Membership: 647-639-0098
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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
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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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 22

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, November 23

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, November 24

8:30am Mass

✠ Pauline D'Souza

♦ Adelina Sy

Tuesday, November 25

8:30am Mass

✠ Cynthia Acayan

✠ Michelle Ramprasad

Wednesday, November 26

8:30am Mass

✠ Josefina Sagadraca

♥ Daphne Monteiro

7:00pm Mass

✠ Alicia Urgelles

✠ Felicidad Buyser

Thursday, November 27

8:30am Mass

✠ Khemraj Boodhoo

♥ Rafael Chan

Friday, November 28

8:30am Mass

✠ All Souls in Purgatory

♦ Ann James

Saturday, November 29

8:30am Mass

✠ Andres & Severa Cantos

✠ Luvisminda Aquino

✠ Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

NOVEMBER 24-29

For the Eternal Rest of:

Alicia Sanchez, Melvin Sanchez,

Mary Margaret Swampillai,

Kapathtillai Jesuthasan,

Anthonipillai Swampillai,

Zena Ezechiels, Piedade Joanes,

Peter Sucuangco

For the Intentions of:

Daniel Tapia

A SEASON OF PASTORAL TRANSITION: THE CROWN AND THE CROSS



This weekend, we proclaim Christ as King—not a ruler of empires, but a shepherd of souls. His throne is not gilded, but wooden. His crown is not jeweled, but thorned. And yet, He reigns. Not by force, but by love. This Gospel speaks to us now. Our parish is not a kingdom in crisis, but a people in passage. We are in a season of surrender—laying down our need for control, and lifting up our trust in the One who reigns through mercy. And in that surrender, we feel the ache. The ache of letting go. The ache of endings. The ache of remembering. November is the month of the dead, and Christ the King is the

final feast of the liturgical year. It is a time when the veil thins, and we feel the weight of what has passed—loved ones, seasons, chapters, and roles. Yet even here, Christ reigns. He does not rule from a distance. He rules from the Cross. He reigns from the place of our pain. But every cross invites a test. In every season of change, there are those who circle close to the crown—longing for the gold but avoiding the thorns. They speak loudly of renewal but quietly seek control. The true disciple, however, learns that there is no crown without the Cross, and no leadership without sacrifice. This time calls for humble allegiance—to Christ first, and always. It calls for spiritual courage—to follow a King who kneels to wash feet. And it calls for communal fidelity—to walk together, not as subjects, but as siblings. Let us be bold enough to crown Him with our trust. Let us be faithful enough to follow where He leads. And let us be strong enough to carry one another through the ache of transition. “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” — Luke 23:43

INVITATION TO DREAM AHEAD

MORE PILGRIMAGES WITH FR. EFREN



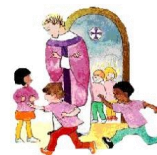
Our Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi is officially a go. More pilgrims may be added, but no further announcements will be shared here. So we ask: **Where might the next journey take us?** We're exploring a second pilgrimage between mid-February and early June 2026. Possible destinations include: 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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



On **December 6-7**, the Children's Liturgy will have their final session of the year. The program will resume on **January 10-11, 2026**. We wish all children a blessed and safe winter break!

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 9144 announces the **"KEEP 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, please contact Bro. Fion Lee at fionlee@sympatico.ca. Children attending sacramental preparation programs may collect forms from their catechists.

2025-2026 SUNDAY MISSALS

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



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.



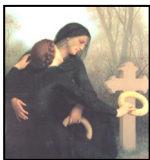
MAINTENANCE FUND

Next weekend, **November 29-30**, we will be having a second collection for the Maintenance Fund. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



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.



turity, 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.

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.



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.



VOCATIONS

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom." Can you lead others to make this request of our Lord and King? Give your life to Jesus and others are sure to hear, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." 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! Too often, families face their struggles in silence, unseen and unheard – but thanks to your compassion, they are seen and heard. Through ShareLife's Food Security Grants, parents find relief in knowing they can provide nourishing meals for their children, and seniors are able to live with dignity, free from the fear of hunger. These are just a few ways your love leads the way, bringing warmth, comfort, and renewed hope to those who need it most. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



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STEWARDSHIP

We often pray asking that the Kingdom of God may be built up here on earth when we say "thy Kingdom come, thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven." In addition to our practice of praying, we as good stewards can help build up the Kingdom through our deeds. Let us ask ourselves how we can better share our gifts to build up our parish communities and the Kingdom of God.



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 ma-*



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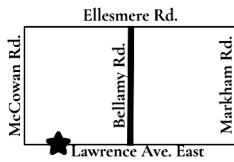


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