



Prince of Peace Parish

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**OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm CLOSED 12:00pm-1:00pm daily
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

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)
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Geneveve Macariola-Amini

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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

Mass 7pm followed by Holy Hour with 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

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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
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, December 6

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, December 7

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, December 8

8:30am Mass

† Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

† Pui Ying Lau

Tuesday, December 9

8:30am Mass

† Delfin Reyes Sr.

† Joy George

Wednesday, December 10

8:30am Mass

† Ivana Kumprey

♦ Belen Family

7:00pm Mass

† Joy Ellichira

† Yuen-Chiao & Sin-Chung Huang

Thursday, December 11

8:30am Mass

† Peter Nunes

† Walter Gonsalves

Friday, December 12

8:30am Mass

† Amado Laxamana

† Xavier Titus

7:00pm Mass (Guadalupe)

Saturday, December 13

8:30am Mass

† Elias Diniz

† Eligio Siccion

Pro Populo

† Rest in peace ♦ In thanksgiving

♥ For the infirm

SANCTUARY LAMP

DECEMBER 8-13

For the Eternal Rest of:

Frances Koon-Lin Hui,
Ian McLeod, Peter Nunes,
Raul Poblete

For the Health of:

Fe Carbonel, Peter Yang

In Thanksgiving:

Dias Family

For the Intentions of:

Sheila Emmanuel Family

A SEASON OF PASTORAL TRANSITION: "THE COURAGE TO WALK A NEW PATH"



John the Baptist appears in the desert with a startling message: "Prepare the way of the Lord." The desert is a place of truth, where there is nothing to hide behind. In that stark landscape, God speaks clearly. John calls the people not to fear, but to movement—to leave behind whatever keeps them stuck, resentful, or divided, and to walk into the future with repentant, renewed hearts. As our parish continues through this season of transition, this call becomes very real. Change can feel like a desert: spacious, uncertain, and honest. It reveals both the stories we cling to and the ones we must release. It exposes the voices around us—some helpful, some distracting, some manipulative, some wise. Advent invites us to listen for the only voice that matters: the voice that leads toward Christ. To "prepare the way" does not mean to fix everything. It means to clear the space where grace can work. It means letting go of old expectations, forgiving past hurts, and allowing God to reshape what lies ahead. It means trusting that even when the path bends, God walks with us. This week, John the Baptist points not to himself, but to the One who is coming. In the same way, this community is learning to look beyond personalities and circumstances and to fix our eyes on the Lord who never leaves us. There is Someone greater already on the horizon, Someone who holds this parish, its past, its present, and its future. Let us walk together with courage. Let us choose the path of peace, humility, and readiness. And let us believe that God is preparing something new, even in the wilderness. *Matthew 3:1-12*

NOW ACCEPTING CARD PAYMENTS

Exciting news! Our parish office is now accepting payments by debit or credit card by tap, insert, or swipe.



CATHOLIC INSPIRATION CALENDARS



2026 Calendars will be available beginning this weekend, **December 6-7**, in the lobby after all weekend masses.

CHRISTMAS PLAY SIGN UP

The Christmas Nativity Play will be presented at this year's Family Christmas Eve Mass at **7pm** on **Wednesday, December 24**. We are looking for children who can sing, dance, and act. Children in our sacramental programs are especially encouraged to participate and may collect service hours through this project. Email the parish office if you are interested.



MASS OF ANOINTING



Next mass: **Wednesday, December 10** at **12pm** followed by the Senior's Group in the parish hall.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

This Sunday, **December 14**, join us from **7pm-9pm** to celebrate the birth of Jesus in song.



CELEBRATIONS TO BID FAREWELL TO FR. EFREN

On Sunday, **December 14**, following the Christmas Concert, we will have a gathering in the Parish Hall as a chance for parishioners to say farewell to Fr. Efren. He will also celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday, **December 31** at **11am** followed by a time of fellowship in the Parish Hall at **12pm**. We invite all parishioners to join us in extending our well wishes to our Pastor. To help organize these events, contact the parish office.



TRIDUUM TO HONOUR OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

In the days leading up to her feast, parish groups will gather to pray the Rosary: **Tuesday, December 9** at **7pm** in the church, **Wednesday, December 10** during the Senior's Group Social in the Parish Hall, and **Thursday, December 11** at **7pm** in the church. On the Feast Day, **Friday, December 12**, we will begin with a Multilingual Rosary at **6:30 pm**. After the fifth mystery, the Rosary will pause and the Mass will begin. Following Communion, we will sing the Litany, receive the final blessing, and then continue our celebration with fellowship in the parish hall.



DAY OF CONFESSIONS



Our Parish will be holding the Advent Days of Confessions from **December 15-19** from **9am-10am** (after the 8:30am mass), and on **Wednesday, December 17** from **6-7pm** and **7:30pm-9pm** (before and after the 7pm mass). In light of Fr. Efen being the only priest, we encourage everyone to reach out to neighboring parishes for their schedule of confessions. We thank you for your understanding.

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

This Christmas, let us come together as a parish family to bring joy to children in our community. A Christmas Tree is now located at the entrance of the church, decorated with gift tags with the age and gender of possible gift recipients. Please take a gift tag of your choice and return your gift wrapped, clearly labeled with the age and gender of the child and place it under the Christmas tree during the weekend of **December 20-21**. Wrapped gifts can also be dropped off before then at the parish office during regular office hours. Thank you for making this Christmas a little brighter for children in need.



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, interested participants may kindly contact Bro. Fion Lee at fionlee@sympatico.ca. Children in our sacramental preparation programs may collect forms from their catechists.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Next weekend, **December 13-14**, there will be a second collection for the Christmas Flowers fund. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



REJOICE! CHRISTMAS CONCERT

St. Michael's Choir School presents REJOICE Jubilee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall. Tickets for the concert on **December 13** at **7pm** are now available at masseyhall.com. Use Promo Code: **STARLIGHT**. Ticket information: Massey Hall Box Office at 416-872-4255.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Seeking additional ushers for all weekend Masses and Eucharistic Ministers for the **1pm Sunday Mass**. Please contact the parish office to express your interest in either ministry.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA PORTUGAL-SPAIN-FRANCE



We are happy to announce the news of **two further journeys in 2026**. From **May 6 to May 16**, we will travel through Portugal, Spain, and France, visiting many sights like Santiago de Compostela, Fatima, and Lourdes. You'll get the chance to take part in Candelight Processions, tread the path of the Angel of Peace at the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima, venerate the Holy Shroud, and more. This pilgrimage, led by Fr. Efen, is offered at **\$5,495** and promises to be a time of prayer, discovery, and deep encounter with the saints who shaped our faith. For more information or to reserve your place, please call 877-701-7729 ext. 342, or write directly to Fr. Efen at ealvarezpelayo@gmail.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO

Later next year, from **October 9 to October 16**, we will journey to Mexico, where the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and surrounding sacred sites will welcome us into the heart of devotion to Mary. Details and pricing are available upon request (see contact information for Pilgrimage to Fatima).

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, December 15** at **7pm**. We invite all those who have recently experienced the loss of a loved one to join us.



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

MASS SCHEDULE

December 24 Christmas Eve
7:00 pm * 11:00pm
December 25 Christmas Day
8:30 am * 10:00 am
11:30 am * 1:00 pm
December 31 New Year's Eve
5:00 pm
January 1 New Year's Day
8:30 am * 10:00 am
11:30 am * 1:00 pm

Regular Weekday Mass Schedule returns Friday, January 2, 2026.

Office Closed

December 25 & 26; January 1, 2026

STEWARDSHIP



Advent is a time to prepare for the Lord's coming on Christmas Day as well as his final coming at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our own individual judgement day is coming too, where we will stand before the throne of God and give an account of all the gifts and blessings we have received. Let us take this Advent to re-examine how we are being stewards of the gifts in our lives and recommit to fully living the Gospel.

SHARELIFE: DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!

From **November 3 until year end**, your contribution to the ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of **\$500,000!** As we approach the end of the year, your loving support is crucial as ShareLife-funded agencies strive to bring hope and relief to those facing their most challenging times. Jesus speaks to us through our brothers and sisters in need. In every gift we give to them, there is a reflection of God's love. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



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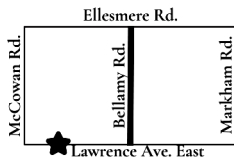


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