

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

Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:45 am
4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
(for First Friday schedule see below)

PASTOR

Fr. Damian Young-Sam-You

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Fr. Dennise Joy

DEACON

Rev. Mr. Thomas Aquino

SECRETARY

Due to unforeseen reasons, this position is now vacant

SACRAMENTS COORDINATOR

Susan Remedios

ACCOUNTANT

Nalini Andrews

HOUSEKEEPING

Geneveve Macariola-Amini

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Dan Christante

CUSTODIAL STAFF

Jessie Guinto
Tom Mitrovski

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

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

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| 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 |

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 3

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, January 4

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

Monday, January 5

8:30am Mass

✠ Rosa Cheng

✠ Thomas Varghese

Tuesday, January 6

8:30am Mass

✠ Agnes D'Souza

✠ Sarah Mari

Wednesday, January 7

8:30am Mass

✠ Eleanor Gunabe

✠ Lydia McGovern

7:00pm Mass

✠ Marilyn Alonzo

✠ Muriel & Fidelis Noronha

Thursday, January 8

8:30am Mass

✠ Gabriel & Victoria Noronha

✠ Pui Ying Lau

Friday, January 9

8:30am Mass

✠ Eli Javier

✠ Remedios Talosig

Saturday, January 10

8:30am Mass

✠ Cynthia Acayan

✠ Wally Nunez Jr.

✠ *Rest in peace* ♦ *In thanksgiving*

♥ *For the infirm*

SANCTUARY LAMP

JANUARY 5-10

For the Health of:
Efren Cantos

Pro Populo



The Magi were “wise men” who studied the stars and were aware of the Jewish belief that a Messiah was coming. They knew that the appearance of a new star symbolized something special was happening. God used a medium that all—Gentile or Jew—were familiar with to call them to adore the Christ, for Jesus came to save all of humanity, not just one nation. As we celebrate this Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord and herald in this New Year, let us open our hearts to this message: let us watch for the “star” that God is using to call us to Him, leaving ourselves wholly open to his guidance and living our faith in a way that is welcoming to all.

WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENT

Our parish joyfully announces the arrival of our new pastoral leadership, welcoming **Rev. Damian Young-Sam-You** as Pastor and **Rev. Dennise Joy** as Associate Pastor. We give thanks for the gifts they bring and the ministry they will share among us. Fr. Damian comes with a heart shaped by service—a certified mechanic who knows how to rebuild what is worn, a police chaplain who has walked with courage into places of pain, a self-taught DJ who has used music as a bridge for ministry, and a former vocation director who has guided many in discerning the voice of God. He brings creativity, compassion, and a deep commitment to serving God’s people, coming not to replace what has been but to shepherd what is emerging. Fr. Dennise Joy also begins his ministry at the same time, and in the weeks ahead we will come to know his story, his gifts, and the heart he brings to priestly service. As we prepare for their arrival, we are invited to ready our hearts with openness, patience, and trust, allowing God to guide this new chapter with grace. Transitions ask something of all of us—a willingness to let go, a readiness to receive, and a spirit of surrender to what God is doing—so let us welcome our new priests with prayer, generosity of spirit, and a shared desire to walk forward together in unity and hope.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

We are happy to announce that beginning **this weekend, January 3-4**, our parish’s confession schedule will return to normal. This means that we will **resume** confessions on **Saturdays from 4pm to 4:45pm** and will **discontinue** confessions on Wednesdays.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for additional **ushers** for weekend masses, **Eucharistic Ministers** for the 1pm mass, and **slide advancers** for all weekend masses. If you are interested in any of these ministries, please contact the parish office.

SUNDAY MISSALS

If you would like a Sunday Missal for the 2025-2026 liturgical year, they are now available at the parish office during regular office hours. The cost is **\$7.00** per missal. We accept debit, credit, or cash.



MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

With the New Year and all the changes in our parish, we want to take this time to say a heartfelt thank you to parishioners, members of our Prince of Peace community, and volunteers who tirelessly continue to support the vibrancy and warmth of our parish family. Your heartfelt prayers, your constant presence in our parish, and your generosity in time, talent, and treasure are all greatly appreciated here at Prince of Peace. We hope that you and your loved ones have a year filled with joy, faith, and many blessings.



CLOSING OF JUBILEE YEAR

On Tuesday, **January 6**, on the Epiphany of the Lord, Pope Leo XIV will formally close the Year of Jubilee with the sealing of the Holy Door in St. Peter’s Basilica. You can watch it happen through the livestream: youtube.com/live/EEM7a3mHMR4.



CHILDREN’S LITURGY

We welcome our parish youth back for the program’s return next weekend, **January 10-11**.



MASS OF ANOINTING

Next mass: Wednesday, **January 14** at **12pm** (noon), followed by the Senior’s Group Social in the Parish Hall.



PRAYING FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world this year from **January 18-25**. This week of prayer invites all Christians to draw on our shared Christian heritage and enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians. The Archdiocese of Toronto invites you to join Bishop John Boissonneau and distinguished Christian leaders from various traditions, to join in the Annual GTA Prayer Service on Sunday, **January 18 at 4pm at Runnymede United Church**, to pray for the restoration of the full visible unity that Jesus Christ willed for His Church. Resources for this Week of Prayer can be found at councilofchurches.ca.



HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE

Join the Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto on the Commemoration of International Holocaust Day, Tuesday, **January 27**, from **7:30pm-9pm** as they commemorate and honour the victims, survivors, and liberators of the Holocaust and commit to the promotion of Shoah education. Register at tinyurl.com/ym22muk.



MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Bishop John Boissonneau will preside over a special Mass to honour married couples, especially for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries, on **Sunday, February 8 at 2:30pm** at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. All married couples will have



an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. Those who are unable to attend in-person are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. To register or get more information, visit: www.archtoronto.org/marriage

UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

From **May 6 to May 16**, join Fr. Efren on a pilgrimage through **Portugal, Spain, and France**, visiting sights like Santiago de Compostela, Fatima, and Lourdes, and more. It will be a time of prayer, discovery, and deep encounter with the saints who shaped our faith. A brochure with details is available in the lobby of the church. You can also join Fr. Efren for a pilgrimage to **Mexico**—to the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and surrounding sacred sites—from **October 9 to October 16**. For more information or to reserve your spot, please call Kay from Connnaissance Tours at 877-701-7729 ext. 342.



2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

A reminder to all parishioners to **pick up your offertory envelopes for the 2026 year from the parish office**. 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 full name and full address. We encourage you to visit the parish office to register in our parish and be assigned a box of offertory envelopes. **Please do not use your envelopes from previous years** as these numbers may be reassigned.



VOCATIONS

“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.” God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. McCarthy at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org



ONLINE DISCERNMENT GROUPS

The Archdiocese of Toronto’s Office of Vocations presents two online discernment groups this winter led by facilitators living out their vocations in consecrated or married life.

MEN 18+: **Wednesdays** from **7pm-9pm** from **January 14 to February 11**. You will journey through the book “Discernment Do’s and Don’ts” by Fr. George Elliott. Register at vocationstoronto.ca/mdg.

WOMEN 18-29: **Mondays** from **7pm-9pm** from **January 19 to February 16**. You will journey through the book “Pray, Decide & Don’t Worry” by Bobby & Jackie Angel. To register or learn more, visit vocationstoronto.ca/wdg.



BLESSING YOUR HOME

On Epiphany Sunday we celebrate the manifestation of Christ to the world and the coming of the Three Kings. Because this was the day the Three Kings visited the house of Jesus, the custom of blessing homes on Epiphany Day developed. After the blessing, the initials of their traditional names, Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar were written in chalk on the back of the door. They were enclosed by the year and connected by a cross in this way. 20 + C + M + B + 25



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Use the following prayer to bless your home as you make the inscription on your door. Have someone light and hold your Christmas candle during your blessing ceremony. This is a reminder that we are still in the Christmas Season.

Lord Jesus, the Three Kings followed the star that led them to your home. Help us to find you in this house through the love we share. Bless our home and all of us during this year ahead. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP

On this feast day we celebrate the visit of the foreign Magi which represents all the nations coming to know Christ. Even 2000 years later, Christ still desires to make Himself known to the ends of the earth and we as stewards have the great privilege of helping in this important mission. We cannot keep the gift of the Gospel for ourselves, but we must use our God-given time and talents to go out into the world and proclaim it to others.



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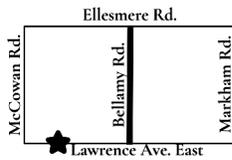


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