



# 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

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### HOUSEKEEPING

Genevieve Macariola-Amini

### PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

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### CUSTODIAL STAFF

Jessie Guinto, Tom Mitrovski

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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

### VOLUNTEER SCREENING

Contact the office or our volunteer coordinator Hsiu Hau at [screening@princeofpeacesc.ca](mailto: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

Info: [GK9144@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:GK9144@ontariokofc.ca)

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline: 647-234-0265

Membership: 647-639-0098

eTransfers: [Give@DonatetoSSVP.ca](mailto: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.

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, January 17

5:00pm Mass

## Sunday, January 18

8:30am Mass

10:00am Mass

11:30am Mass

1:00pm Mass

## Monday, January 19

8:30am Mass

† Alice Aguiar

† Joy George

## Tuesday, January 20

8:30am Mass

† Lucita Flores

† Tom Varghese

## Wednesday, January 21

8:30am Mass

† Alice Aguiar

† Sergio Solana

7:00pm Mass

† Chou-Sue Lee Hau

† Desmond Kwong Yue-Kin

## Thursday, January 22

8:30am Mass

† Inocencia Redillas

♦ Thanaraj Family

## Friday, January 23

8:30am Mass

† Cyril Gonsalves

† Michael Girgis

## Saturday, January 24

8:30am Mass

† All Souls

† Jose Gadayan

Rest in peace   ♦ In thanksgiving

For the infirm

### SANCTUARY LAMP

JANUARY 19-24

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### BENEVOLENT FUND

Next weekend, January 24-25, there will be a second collection for the Benevolent Fund. Thank you all for your continuous support and generosity.

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you have not yet picked up your envelopes for 2026, please stop by the parish office to pick them up.

Pro Populo



In today's Gospel, John the Baptist proclaims, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world,' which are the same words the celebrant speaks at Mass just before Communion when he holds up the host. Our (the congregation's) response to those words is 'Lord I am not worthy....' Although we are unworthy of the Lord's grace, the Lord still invites us to receive Him and go to Him. God still provides us with his unconditional love through his Son. The Lord does not ask us to be worthy; he asks us to be open to him, and to keep seeking him out, like the followers of John the Baptist. (Fr. Martin Hogan)

### PRAYING FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

This week, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, invites all Christians to draw on our shared Christian heritage and enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians. This year, the theme is "There is one body and one Spirit" (Ephesians 4:4).



### CANDLEMAS

On the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on **February 2**, we invite everyone to the blessing of the candles at the end of the **8:30am mass**. If you wish to have your own candles, we ask that you bring your own. Otherwise, tapers will be available for purchase at **\$5.00** each.



### BLESSING OF THE THROATS

On **February 3**, on the Feast of St. Blaise, the Church gives a "Blessing of the Throats," a tradition that has been invoked traditionally on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. Join us on this day for the **8:30am mass** after which we will administer the blessing of the throats.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



All the posters submitted by our children for the "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest will be on display in the hall this weekend, **January 17-18**, after all weekend masses except the 1pm mass. Kindly visit and appreciate the beautiful artwork created by our children as they helped promote the true spirit of Christmas in our homes and our community. Judging will take place next week, and the winners will be announced shortly thereafter. Prizes will be awarded to the winners. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the teachers, judges, and parents who encouraged the children to participate and showcase their creativity.

### MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

**NEXT MEETING:** The next Ministry of Consolation meeting will happen this Monday on **January 19** from **7pm to 8:30pm**. We invite anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one to join us.



**MINISTRY FORMATION:** If you are interested in training to become a Minister of Consolation, or if you are a minister and are looking to further your formation, we invite you to register for the online training sessions offered by the Archdiocese of Toronto on **Wednesdays** from **February 25 to April 1**. Register by February 23. Contact [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org).

### NEW BEGINNINGS

The New Beginnings ministers to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce, or bereavement. They will be holding an online, drop-in bereavement support session on **January 28** at **7pm** and an online, drop-in support session for the separated or divorced on **January 29** at **7pm**. For more information, contact Arcangelo Limmani using the email: [alimanni@cfstoronto.ca](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.ca).



### 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](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage)



## WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK

World Interfaith Harmony Week is commemorated this year from **February 1 to February 7**. During this week, we highlight the similarities between faiths, a common goal for the common good, and work to establish a community of peace. We encourage people to seek out ways to promote understanding, dialogue, and cooperation with people of other faiths and beliefs. The Archdiocese of Toronto is promoting several community events towards this goal such as the International Holocaust Memorial Day Ceremony, catechetical webinars, and free tours of Aga Khan Museum. Learn more at [archtoronto.org](http://archtoronto.org).



### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Come and be joyful at the Lift Jesus Higher Rally on Saturday, **March 14** from **9am to 5:30pm**. The day will feature two simultaneous events—a youth rally (ages 13-18) and an adult rally. It is a day to deepen and renew your faith, with inspiring talks and testimonies, praise and worship, the rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mass, Adoration, fellowship, and so much more! Register online at [ljhr.ca/tickets](http://ljhr.ca/tickets) before February 1 for the early bird pricing. If you would like to request assistance with registration or bus transportation, please contact the parish office.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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



### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Children born in 2022 are eligible to register for the September 2026 school year. Registration is **now open** for York Catholic District School Board. For Toronto Catholic District School Board, registration opens **January 21 at 10am**. Learn more: [ycdsb.ca/programs-services/kindergarten-registration/](http://ycdsb.ca/programs-services/kindergarten-registration/) or [tcdsb.org/page/kindergarten-registration](http://tcdsb.org/page/kindergarten-registration).

## UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

### PORTUGAL, SPAIN, ANDORRA & FRANCE:

Our Associate Pastor, Fr. Dennise will be leading this pilgrimage from **October 2 to October 13**. You'll visit many spiritual locations like the Apparition Chapel, the Cachot, many famed cathedrals and churches, and more. You'll have time to deepen your faith, learn about these historical sights, and enjoy a journey to remember. Contact [group@qstours.com](mailto:group@qstours.com) or call 905-412-2242 for details.



### PORTUGAL, SPAIN & FRANCE:

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. To reserve your spot, please call Kay from Connnaissance Tours at 877-701-7729 ext. 342.

**MEXICO:** 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 express your interest, please call Kay from Connnaissance Tours at 877-701-7729 ext. 342.

**MEDJUGORJE, CROATIA & ITALY:** Join Fr. Marko on this pilgrimage from **May 11 to May 22**. You'll visit many spiritual sites and have the chance to renew your faith through devotions, rosary, daily mass, and more. For details, see the poster in the lobby or contact the tour coordinator Marissa at 416-716-6217 or [blessedjourneys2009@gmail.com](mailto:blessedjourneys2009@gmail.com).

### MARTYR'S SHRINE CENTENNIAL YEAR

Save the date! Martyr's Shrine is excited to announce the year-long celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the shrine. There will be a special celebration (gala) in Toronto on **June 3**, an anniversary Mass at the shrine the weekend of **June 26-27**, an academic colloquium on the martyrs on **October 9**, and more. For details, visit [martyrs-shrine.com](http://martyrs-shrine.com).

## VOCATIONS

St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Contact Fr. McCarthy at 416-968-0997 [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto: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. For the men's group, visit [vocationstoronto.ca/mdg](http://vocationstoronto.ca/mdg). For the women's group, visit [vocationstoronto.ca/wdg](http://vocationstoronto.ca/wdg).

## COME & SEE

The Office of Vocations is offering a weekend Discernment Retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary for single men aged 18+ who feel the Lord may be calling them to discern the priesthood. The retreat will start on Friday, **February 27 at 6:30pm** and end on Sunday, **March 1 at 2pm**. Meals & Accommodations will be provided. Learn more or register at: [vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://vocationstoronto.ca/comesee).

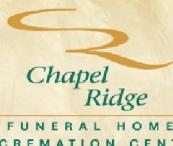


## STEWARDSHIP



St. John the Baptist used his gifts of prophecy and preaching to help make Christ known. Likewise, Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship says that our time, talent and treasure "are the gifts that each of us has freely received, and which we need to use responsibly in a spirit of gratitude." Let us strive to be intentional and tangible in our resolve to be stewards by offering our gifts back to God and our parish community.

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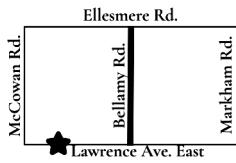
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