OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN THE HEART OF ETOBICOKE



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Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass: Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday to Saturday and Holidays: 9:00 a.m. First Friday of the Month: 9 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15 p.m -4:45 p.m.

Baptisms: Every 2nd Sunday of the month. For registered parishioners. Contact the Parish Office for more information on the Baptismal Preparation process.

Marriages: One year in advance notice. For registered parishioners. A Marriage Course is required. No date may be set before meeting with the priest.



Schools:

Our Lady of Peace School: **416-393-5253 Fax 416-397-6061** 70 Mattice Ave. Etobicoke, On M9B 1T6

St. Elizabeth's School **416-393-5278 Fax 416-393-5048** 5 Redcar Ave. Etobicoke, On M9B 1J8

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Catholic Cemeteries
416-733-8544

Welcome, Visitors

Our Lady of Peace Parish warmly welcomes visitors joining us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Your presence here is a sign of life in our community. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

Grateful Disciples & Stewards

According to the Archdiocese of Toronto's Pastoral Plan

"Our parishes are spiritual homes for the faithful where we meet one another to encounter Christ...Each of us needs to be fully engaged as a disciple of Jesus, grateful for what we have received from God, and eager to share it creatively and responsibly. This is the spirit of deep stewardship" In the spirit of stewardship, OLP needs your faithful assistance in sharing your time, talent, and gifts in building up a strong community.

Please consider joining one of our ministries in the parish.

Be a cheerful steward!

Volunteers Make Our Parish

Get to know the various volunteer ministries in our parish. You are invited to consider joining any one of them with your God given talents. Please consult the white binders placed at the back of the church for description of the various ministries and registration forms. For further information, please call the church office.

Care of the Sick

Please notify the Pastor to make arrangements for visits.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

For assistance, please call the **Parish Office** at **416-239-1259** and Select **Option 5** and leave your first and last name and phone number where you can be reached. Please remember our Society of St. Vincent de Paul's *neighbours in need*. Thank you for your kind donation as you leave the church today.

Third Sunday of Advent



The Third Sunday of Advent is traditionally referred to as *Gaudete* Sunday-Rejoice Sunday. The priest's vestments for Mass today are rose in colour, the same colour for the third candle we light today on the Advent wreath. We rejoice because Christmas is near. We rejoice because God's promise of his saving power among us will be fulfilled on Christmas Day. As we rejoice in hope and with anticipation of the Lord's coming on Christmas Day, today's readings call us to share the joy with others. As Christians, our preparation to celebrate Christmas also involves reaching out to those in need and in difficulty through our actions of caring and compassion. When we reach out, we bring them the experience of the love, joy and peace that comes with our Saviour.

Christmas & New Years' Schedule

<u>4th Sunday of Advent - Sunday, December 22, 2019</u> <u>9:00 AM & 11:00 AM</u>

<u>Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24, 2019</u> <u>5:00 PM & 9:00 PM</u>

<u>Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25, 2019</u> <u>9:00 AM & 11:00 AM</u>

<u>Feast of St. Stephen – Thurs December 26, 2019</u> <u>9:00 AM</u>

> Feast of the Holy Family (Vigil) Saturday, December 28, 2019 5:00 PM

Feast of the Holy Family Sunday, December 29, 2019 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Mary, Mother of God (Vigil) Tuesday, Dec 31, 2019 5:00 PM

Mass celebrated by Most Reverend John Boissonneau

Mary, Mother of God - Wednesday, January 01, 2020 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

> Regular schedule continues from Thursday, January 02, 2020



Dec 17	Tue	9:00 AM	Cioffi Family
Dec 19	Thu	9:00 AM	Special Intentions of the
			Bronze Family
Dec 20	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Ida Francesca Giorno
Dec 21	Sat	9:00 AM	+ Janina & + Michal Bialozor
			+ Maria & + Frantisek Janosik
Dec 21	Sat	5:00 PM	OLP Parishioners
Dec 22	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Marguerite Wilson
Dec 22	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Lorraine & + Michael
			McCart

Sacramental Preparation First Confession & First Holy Communion

The Children's Liturgy Program continues next weekend Sunday, December 22, 2019 @ the 11:00 AM Mass. Children in Group 5 will do the presentation of the Gifts of Bread & Wine.

Congratulations!

To the candidates who celebrated their **First Confession** on <u>Tuesday, December 10, 2019.</u> They will celebrate **First Holy Communion** during the Easter season. Please keep them in your prayers.

Advent Day of Confessions

<u>Tuesday, December 17, 2019</u> 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM / 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

O L P Christmas Concert

Many thanks to all those who helped to make the concert a success. Those who attended the concert and the reception enjoyed themselves. Well done!



Christmas Decorations

Our Lady of Peace will greatly appreciate donations of fresh poinsettias for Christmas decorations in the church. You may bring your donations to the parish office during office hours 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM or by the latest Saturday, December 21 / Sunday, December 22, 2019 when coming to Mass. Thank you again for your generosity!

Please remember Our Lady of Peace in you will.

<u>Sunday Collection</u> December 07 / December 08, 2019

Envelopes:	\$ 3,922.50
Loose:	\$ 284.60
PAG:	\$ 954.24
TOTAL:	\$ 5,161.34

Your regular offerings help to run the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

For Your Safety

Please use the elevator if you need assistance when entering or leaving the church.

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

The *PAG* program is a smart and environmentally friendly and convenient way of making your Sunday Offerings to your parish. Please consider joining this program as an alternative to the use of envelopes. In order to enrol in this program, please complete the Registration Form for *PAG* available at the back of the church or in the Parish Office. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Thank You!

For all who helped us organize the **First Children's Advent Celebration** event which took place on Sunday, December 01, 2019. The children who attended the event enjoyed themselves. The event was a great start for the Advent Season.

OLP Advent Bazaar and Bake Sale

Many thanks to the parish's Social Committee and all those who helped to organize our Advent Bazaar and Bake Sale that was held on Saturday, November 30.

Thank You!

To the following businesses for donating prizes for the Pot Luck/Bingo held on November 09: Bulk Barn / Canadiana Restaurant / M&M Food Market / Shoppers Drug Mart (Six Points) Metro (Cloverdale), Swiss Chalet (Shorncliffe) Royal Meats Barbeque, Milano's Pizza, State & Main – Kitchen & Bar

<u>Christmas Pageant</u>

Rehearsal will take place today after the 11:00 AM Mass.

Our Lady of Peace - Pray for Us

