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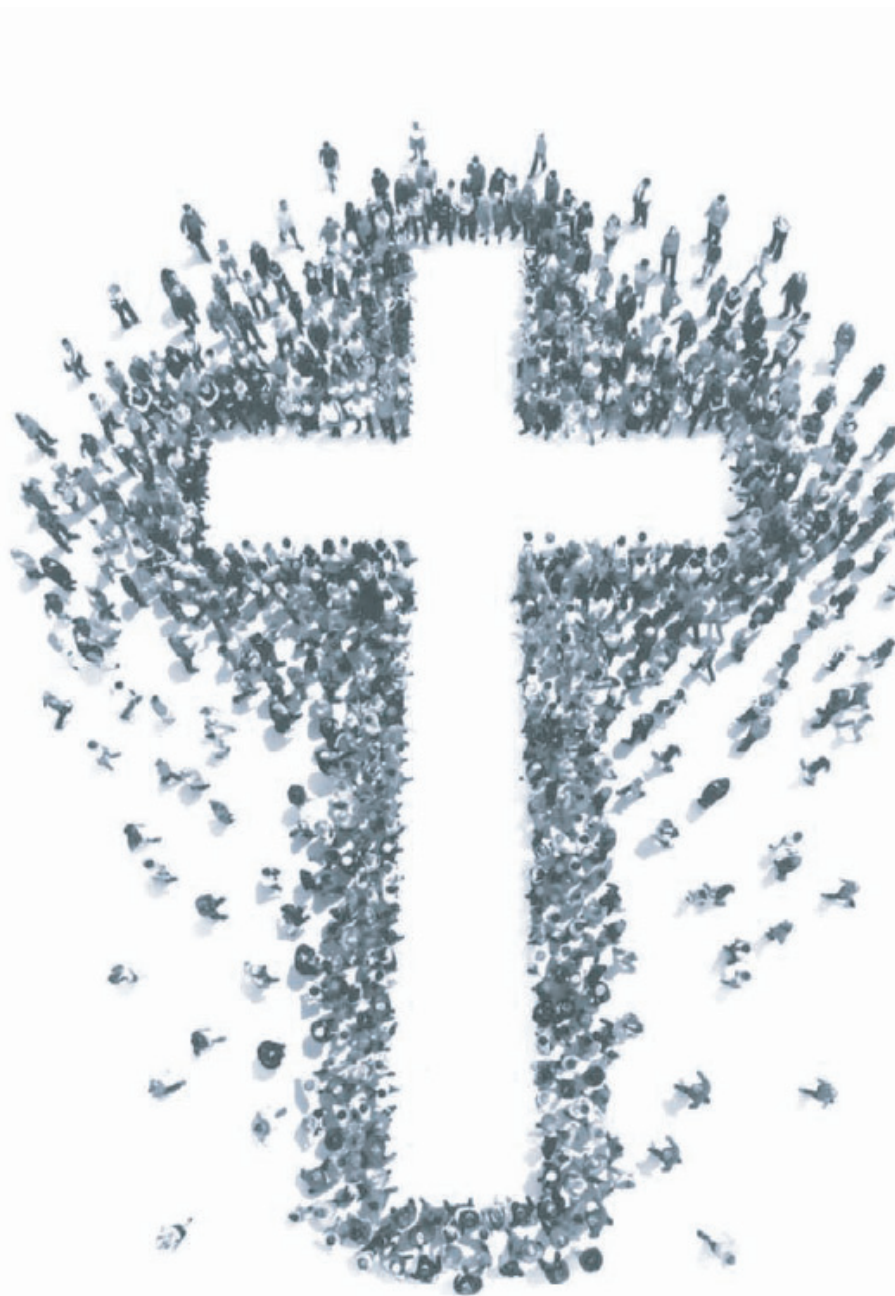
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GRATEFUL DISCIPLES



CELEBRATING OUR STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY:
September 20, 2020

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 gift of time, talent, and treasure 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 to share your God given talents.

Please consult our website:

<https://olpeace.archtoronto.org>

for description of the various ministries and registration forms. For further information, please call the church office.

Office Hours

The Parish Office is open with reduced hours. For more information or to make an appointment to come to the parish office, please call the Parish Office at **416-239-1259 Ext 0** or **Ext 3** for Fr. Yaw.

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.

COVID-19 Safety Protocols in Churches

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the safety protocols in place, there are a few changes in the parish.

Admittance to all Masses will be given to those who come first. There is no reservation of seats. Doors open 30 minutes before Mass starts. Please note that due to physical distancing in place, the seating capacity of the church is drastically reduced. COVID-19 safety protocols are strictly observed. Facemask or a face covering is mandatory in the church. Please remember that respecting provincial recommendations, we do not come to church if we have a fever, cough, difficulty in breathing, sore throat or we are not feeling well.

Many thanks for coming to join us at Mass.

Archdiocese of Toronto Stewardship Sunday

In Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship he wrote, "Each of us spends a brief time in this life, preparing for our eternal life with God. While we are here, we receive everything from God, even life itself, and are asked to make good use of what God has entrusted to us. We are invited by God to be good stewards of his gifts. It is no wonder that the idea of stewardship plays such a central role in the life of the faith."

In an effort to affirm all the wonderful ways people enrich parish life with the sharing of their time and talents through love of God and neighbour, Cardinal Collins has instituted Stewardship Sunday as an annual occurrence across the entire Archdiocese on the 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time. As such, the first Stewardship Sunday is on September 20, 2020.

The Cardinal has said that stewardship is undeniably fruitful. "Where, over time, more and more parishioners become engaged in committing their time, talent, and treasure to the work of the Gospel, the Church flourishes."

If you would like to learn more about the spirituality of deep stewardship and how it can enrich your spiritual life, read the Cardinal's Pastoral Letter on Stewardship at www.archtoronto.org/stewardship

Quentin Schesnuik, Associate Director, Parish Vitality and Stewardship, Archdiocese of Toronto.

Stewardship Sunday Homily

Pastors will read a homily by Cardinal Collins at the Vigil Mass 5PM and Sunday 9 and 11 AM.

Faithful Stewards

Many thanks to all our ministers for their faithful stewardship to our parish community.



Sept 26	Sat	5:00 PM	OLP Parishioners
Sept 27	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Cosimo Comilla
Sept 27	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Bernie LeDuc

Maintenance Collections **January 1 - September 9, 2020**

Balance as of December 31/19	\$ 0
Monthly donations via PAG	\$ 732.00
All other Maintenance donations	\$ 9,443.00
New balance	\$ 10,175.00

Less expense items:

Stained glass window repairs (Project started in Feb 2020)	\$ 4,520.00
Annual fire inspection & testing	\$ 2,730.00
Annual air conditioner inspection & repairs	\$ 800.00
Total expenses	\$ 8,050.00

Maintenance Collection balance as of
September 9/20 **\$ 2,125.00**

Every effort has been made to reduce expenses during the last six months. However, some expenses are required to meet safety requirements and for the protection of the Church property. The Five Year Test of the elevator, taking place in mid-September, will cost \$5291.00 and a new Fire Safety Plan, which incorporates the renovations to the Church and hall, is underway at a cost of \$2627.00.

Your generous and continuing support of the Maintenance Collections during these challenging times is much appreciated. Thank you.

Easter Candle Stand

The new Easter Candle stand has been donated
by a family of Our Lady of Peace Parish.
We thank the family for their generosity.

Stewardship: COVID-19 Pandemic

Many thanks to the ministers of the newly created cleaning ministry, who are responsible for cleaning and disinfecting pews, kneelers and surfaces of other items in the church before and after Mass to keep us safe. Many thanks also to the ministers who are serving the community during this challenging time.

Sunday Collection August 22 & 23, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 2,390.00
Loose:	\$ 100.00
PAG/Donate Now:	\$ 1,059.24
TOTAL:	\$ 3,549.24

Sunday Collection August 29 & 30, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 3,335.00
Loose:	\$ 70.00
PAG/Donate Now:	\$ 1,059.24
TOTAL:	\$ 4,464.24

Sunday Collection September 5 & 6, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 3,120.00
Loose:	\$ 75.00
PAG/Donate Now:	\$ 1,145.30
TOTAL:	\$ 4,340.30

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

THE CANADA EMERGENCY WAGE SUBSIDY (CEWS)

As a result of the Archdiocese's application to the federal government, Our Lady of Peace Parish has received the CEWS benefit in the amount of \$29,262 for the period March - August 2020. The receipt of this benefit has allowed us to pay our staff as some worked from home from the start of the COVID-19 restrictions and during their modified return to work under the Stage 3 guidelines of the provincial government and the Archdiocese. We have now been advised that the CEWS will end in December 2020 and that the wage subsidy will be significantly reduced each month between September and December.

The parish sincerely thanks all parishioners who have continued to support the parish by bringing their Offertory envelopes and their donations to Mass, by dropping off or mailing their regular Offertory envelope donations, and for all donations made through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), Donate Now and on-line banking. Your donations have helped us to cover the other operating costs of the parish during this difficult time. Let us continue to support our parish.

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