# **OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH**

# A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Feast of the Holy Family

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## 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.

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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

Because of reduced hours, please call the office to book an appointment before making a visit at 416-239-1259 Ext 0 or Fr. Yaw at Ext 3

## 2020 Donations to the Church

Please remember that **December 31, 2020** is the deadline for donations to be included in a Tax Receipt.

Thank you very much for your support.

## THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

The Sunday after Christmas Day is celebrated as the Feast of the Holy Family of Mary, Joseph and Jesus. Today's celebration is the continuation of the Christmas season. Part of the Christmas celebration is the inspiration Jesus gives to the family: the basic unit of society all over the world. The readings for Mass invite us to reflect on the spiritual significance of a family and family life.

When we talk about the Holy Family, we may have the tendency to think that the Holy Family was entirely different from any other family including our own families. Yet, this is essentially the same reason that the church gives us the Holy Family as our model. The Holy Family had their own share of challenges, difficulties and pain. However, they put their trust in the Lord and remained very close together.

In this challenging time of COVID-19 pandemic, we can learn from the Holy Family-- to learn to trust God to lead us. As baptized people, we have become adopted children in Jesus. Although we come from different backgrounds of race, language, culture and social status, today's celebration reminds us that we are all one big family of God. The loving relationships between the members of the Holy Family encourage us to live as people of love and peace. May God bless you and your families.

Fr. Yaw

## <u>Visit to the Church During Lockdown</u>

Due to provincial restrictions, all public Masses are cancelled. The church is open for private prayer only from Tuesday to Friday 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM, Saturday 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM and Sunday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Only 10 people are allowed in the church at one time. COVID-19 safety protocols are enforced.

There will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** when the church is open for private prayer.

## Visit to the Church on New Years Day

Please note that the church will be open from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM for private prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Current COVID-19 Safety Protocols enforced.** 



Dec 29	Tuesday	+ Erica Lewis
Dec 30	Wednesday	+ Jack Mahon
Jan 01	Solemnity of Mary	General Intercessions
	Mother of God	



### SANCTUARY CANDLES



## December 27 - January 04

Sacred Heart: Alistair Mathias & Family Tabernacle: + Julian Molina St. Joseph: + Julian Molina

## **The Offering for the Celebration of Mass**

Our Lady of Peace is still accepting 2021 Mass Offerings for parish weekday Masses (Tuesday – Saturday morning) and weekend Masses including Saturday Vigil. The suggested offering for an Announced Mass is \$20 per Mass and for an Unannounced Mass, \$10. Please note that an Unannounced Mass may be celebrated elsewhere.

## **Sponsorship of Sanctuary Candles**

There are six candles each week available for sponsorship; a set of two candles by the tabernacle, a set of two candles by the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and a set of two candles by St. Joseph side altars. Each set of candles cost \$20.

## **2021 Sunday Offertory Envelopes**

2021 Sunday envelopes are available in the **Monsignor Percy Johnson Hall**. If you used envelopes last year, you will find a box labeled with your name and envelope number. They will be arranged in alphabetical order by last name. Please note that a new number may be assigned to you. Please pick up your box of envelopes when you visit the church for private prayer. Please remember that COVID-19 safety protocols are enforced.

## <u>Ave María</u>

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray from us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen



Thank You

Many thanks to the ministers who are still serving the parish community during this lockdown.

## **Special Thanks**

Our Lady of Peace parish would like to thank all parishioners who have continued to support the parish through their generous donations during this challenging time. May God bless you for all that you do for His Church.

Fr. Yaw

## Faithful Stewards 2020

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

## **Congratulations**

We congratulate the following people who received the **Sacrament of Baptism** at Our Lady of Peace Church from **July - December 2020** 

Evan R. Hintermueller
David Lika
Khloe M. Munian

## **Departed Parishioners**

Our brothers and sisters who have passed away from **July - December 2020** 

Helen Heenan Nora Carmelita Olegario
Loretta England Inez Lenarczyk

Jack Mahon Erica Lewis
Anthony & Elizabeth Sloma

May They Rest in the Peace of Christ

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