OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



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PASTOR: Fr. Yaw Acheampong

Parish Office Hours: Please see inside of bulletin for details.

CELEBRATION OF MASS: COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN PLACE Please see inside of bulletin for details.

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

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Saturday and Holidays: 9:00 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction: Every Friday: 8:30 a.m., followed by Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday after 9:00 a.m. Mass until 10:30 am

Baptisms: For registered parishioners, please contact the Parish Office for more information of the Baptismal Preparation process & celebration.

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

Office of Catholic Youth of the Archdiocese Director: Fr. Joshua Roldan 416-599-7676 Web: www.ocytoronto.org Email: youth@ocytoronto.org

Vocations: Fr. Matthew McCarthy 416-968-0997 Web: vocationstoronto.ca Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Catholic Cemeteries
416-733-8544

Welcome Back

Our Lady of Peace Parish warmly welcomes parishioners back for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Our Lady of Peace welcomes visitors who are joining us for the celebration. Your physical presence here is a sign of life in our community. We are also happy to welcome our children. Parents and guardians are encouraged to bring their children to Mass especially those who are preparing to receive the sacraments.

Coming To Mass

Please note that masks or face coverings are required 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.

<u>The Joy of Service</u> <u>Grateful Disciples & Stewards</u> According to the Archdiocese of Toronto's Pastoral Plan

"Our parishes are spiritual homes for the faithful where we meet one another to encounter Christeach 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 get to know the various volunteer ministries in our parish. Please consult our website: https://olpeace.archtoronto.org for the description of the various ministries and registration forms. For further information, please call the church office.

Office Hours

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM. <u>COVID-19 Safety Protocols in place.</u>

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 Extension 5 and leave your first and last name and a phone number where you can be reached.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 20, 2022

Repentance: Sharing hope, peace and love.

A couple of weeks ago, we began the season of Lent with the celebration of Ash Wednesday. On Ash Wednesday, we had ashes sprinkled over our heads reminding us of our call "to repent and believe in the Gospel." We normally associate the word "repent" with Lent because we think of Lent as a special time of reflection, a time of penitence and a time to return to the Lord.

Today's three readings focus on the theme of our call to repentance. When we talk about repentance, we usually think of how we have not obeyed all the Ten Commandments. While striving to obey the laws of God may help us to live a spiritually meaningful life as children of God, today's readings teach us that repentance comes with action. Lent is the time for us to reflect on our lives. Lent is the time that we open our hearts to the working of the Holy Spirit to show us how to change our lives. God wants us to have lives that bear fruit. Living a life that bears fruit brings us closer to God and also to our neighbour. As we come continue our Lenten journey, let us turn to God to renew in our hearts the spirit of repentance. Let us ask Jesus to inspire us to share the fruits of hope, peace and love. Fr. Yaw Acheampong

LAETARE SUNDAY FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT-MARCH 27, 2022

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is referred to as *Laetare* Sunday or Rejoice Sunday. As part of our celebration of this Rejoice Sunday, the rule of restricting flowers may be relaxed for us to put a couple of beautiful flowers around the altar. The priest's vestments at Mass may be rosecoloured symbolizing joy. The Church celebrates hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten discipline. This liturgical year, the readings meditate on forgiveness and the Parable of the Prodigal Son is among the readings. As we join with the father who welcomed home is lost son, let us welcome those who have hurt us and rejoice that God's gracious forgiveness continues to embrace us all.

Fr. Yaw Acheampong

Lenten Day of Confession At Our Lady of Peace Church

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM / 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM For other dates / times in Parishes in your area: www.archtoronto.org/confession

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	Mar 15	Tue	9:00 AM	+ Mate Goles	
	Mar 17	Thur	9:00 AM	+ Patrick Stoneburgh	
	Mar 18	Fri	9:00 AM	Special Intention	
	Mar 19	Sat	9:00 AM	+ Antonino & Serafina Mule	
	Mar 19	Sat	5:00 PM	OLP Parishioners	
	Mar 20	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Wladyslaw Skiba	
	Mar 20	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Costantino Vinante	
	Mar 22	Tue	9:00 AM	Special Intentions of the Walsh Family	
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	Mar 23	Wed	9:00 AM	Family + Fr. Edwin D'Souza	
	Mar 23 Mar 25	Wed Fri	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Family + Fr. Edwin D'Souza + Margaret McLean	
	Mar 23 Mar 25 Mar 26	Wed Fri Sat	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Family + Fr. Edwin D'Souza + Margaret McLean + Anselme (Sam) Bastarach	
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SANCTUARY CANDLES

March 13 - 19 St. Joseph: Special Intention of Maria Amaral

March 20 - 26 **Tabernacle: Special Intention of Susan Gagliardi** St. Joseph: + Joseph Snidero

Thank You from Fr. Yaw

I would like to thank the parishioners who have been attending Mass during this pandemic and I am grateful to parishioners who have continued to donate to support the parish. I am also grateful to our ministers who have continued to share their gift of time to serve the parish and our community.

Update Your Records

Please call the parish office at 416-239-1259, if you have any changes to your mailing address, E*mail or phone number.

Archdiocese of Toronto Update of Covid-19 Restrictions

Starting on Monday, March 21, 2022 indoor masking requirements end in churches. Restrictions on choir activities end. Some people will still want to wear masks in churches and in other places and they should not be discouraged from doing so. 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.

Sunday Collections for February 2022

Envelopes:	\$ 10,652.50
Loose:	\$ 261.00
PAG / Donate Now:	\$ 11,206.45
TOTAL:	\$ 22,119.95

The figure for the February Donate Now indicates that several people have decided to use the Online Donate Now system to support the parish. Your regular offerings help to run the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

Humanitarian Ukraine Relief Offering

Envelopes:	Ŷ	2,470.00			
Loose:	\$	40.00			
TOTAL:	\$	2,510.00			
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Thank you for reaching out to our brothers and sisters in need.

SL ShareLife 2021 Campaign

Our Lady of Peace Goal:	\$67,700.00			
Collected:	\$60,356.97			
Thank you for supporting the ShareLife campaign				

SL ShareLife 2022 Campaign

First Collection - March 26 – 27 at all Masses

Synod On Synodality

Pope Francis has launched the Synod on Synodality: a two-year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. The comments of the faithful will ultimately be discussed at a meeting of the bishops in the Vatican in 2023. To learn more about the synod on Synodality and to share your thoughts, please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/synodality.

<u>Archdiocese of Toronto – Calling All Girls</u>

A special evening for mothers and daughters. Friday, March 25, 2022 - 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM Live on ZOOM

To Register: www.dynamicwomenfaith.com Tickets on Eventbrite: cag2022.eventbrite.ca **Regular Registration: \$30**

