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# **OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH**

### A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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On Thanksgiving, Give thanks to the Lord for His many Blessings

### **Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish**

Our Lady of Peace Parish warmly welcomes parishioners for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Our Lady of Peace also 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 being prepared to receive the sacraments in the 2022 – 2023 liturgical year.

### **Coming To Mass**

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 Eucharist**

The Eucharist remains the source and summit of our life in Christ. For Christians, participation in the Sunday Eucharist is the central experience of the week, and that is the foundation for the obligation of every Catholic to be personally present at Mass every Sunday. Of course, if there is a legitimate reason (such as being sick) this obligation does not apply. Similarly, when pandemic restrictions for the common good and love of neighbour have prevented attendance, then the obligation does not apply, and it is understandable as well, that some may feel hesitant at first about returning to personal participation. But as the restrictions are lifted, now is the time to encourage Catholics to return to physical presence at Sunday Mass, if not impeded for a legitimate reason, in keeping with our basic Sunday obligation as Catholics.

**Thomas Cardinal Collins** 

### **Office Hours**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM COVID-19 Safety Protocols in place.

### Care of the Sick

Please notify the Pastor by calling 416-239-1259 Ext 3.

### 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. Someone will return your call.

### Thanksgiving Message from the Pastor

Thanksgiving Monday is upon us. It is a day that we have set aside in this country for each of us to offer thanks to God for all that He has given us faith, parish community, families, friends, nature and in this country peace and unity.

As we thank God for his gifts, as Christians we are also reminded to build our homes, places of work and communities based on the love of Christ. Thanksgiving calls us to continue to journey together as people of God. Through our actions of generosity and compassion, we reach out to those in need, bringing comfort to those who are in sorrow and to those in despair, hope.

Let us remember to pray for those afflicted by war and recent disasters. I wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving.

Fr. Yaw

### **Thanksgiving Day Mass**

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Monday, October 10, 2022. Please come and join us!

### **Thanksgiving Holiday Monday**

The Parish Office is closed on Monday, October 10, 2022.

# **Good Shepherd's Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Homeless**

This is the last weekend to donate your food items such as, granular bars, beans, breakfast cereals, peanut butter, soups and stews or other nonperishable food items this weekend Saturday, October 08 and Sunday, October 09 in the Monsignor Percy Johnson Hall. Thank you for supporting the Good Shepherd Ministry.

### St. Vincent de Paul - Bundle Sunday

Your donation of gently used clothing and household goods will be given to benefit those in need. The truck will be open before and after all Masses on:

Saturday, October 22 and Sunday October 23, 2022.

For more information:

https://svdptoronto.org/how-to-help/bundle-up/

### Rosary

October is the month dedicated to the rosary.

Remember to say your rosary as a prayer for God's people.



Oct 08	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Antonio Di Iorio
Oct 09	Sun	9:00 AM	<b>OLP Parishioners</b>
Oct 09	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Jade DeCastro
Oct 11	Tues	9:00 AM	+ Jose Lecaros Jr.
Oct 12	Wed	9:00 AM	+ Michael Steven Dellio
Oct 13	Thur	9:00 AM	+ Antonio Martino
Oct 14	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Elizabeth Anne Fenech
Oct 15	Sat	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Oct 15	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Marietta & Giovanni Deluca
Oct 16	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Robert Emerling
Oct 16	Sun	11:00 AM	<b>OLP Parishioners</b>



### October 09 - 15, 2022

Sacred Heart: + Norma Palma Tabernacle: Julian Molina St. Joseph: Special Intention

### **Special Thanks**

I thank you all for coming to Mass. I would also like to thank all parishioners who have continued to support the parish in this pandemic.

I thank the ministers who have continued to serve the parish during this challenging time.

May God continue bless you.

Fr. Yaw

### <u>The Joy of Service</u> Stewards Make Our Parish

As baptized people, we are called to use our God-given gifts to live out our baptismal promises as disciples and stewards. You may consider responding to your baptismal call by becoming one of the ministers in the various ministries in the parish. Please see the two white binders at the back of the church for the description describing all the various ministries for the description in the parish.

### Archdiocese of Toronto-Parish Headcount

There will be a headcount survey on the weekend of October 16/17 & 23/24.

The reason for the count is to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese.

### Children's Liturgy

Will resume on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at the 11:00 AM Mass. Parents are encouraged to bring their children who are on their journey to celebrate 1<sup>st</sup> Confession and 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion. The next Children's Liturgy will be in 2 weeks' time on October 30.

### Our New Sign In Front of the Church



During the pandemic I prepared a book with the title "Illuminating Our Faith: The Windows of Our Lady of Peace Church" in commemoration of the 70th Anniversary of Our Lady of Peace as a parish community. The book was a collaborative project because there were parishioners who shared their time and talent to take the photographs that are seen in the book. The proceeds from the sale of the book (\$40 per copy) as well as support from some parishioners and friends of Our Lady of Peace fully paid for the cost of the sign. No money from the parish's account went into this project. In thanking God for making this project possible I would also like to thank all those who have contributed to the completion of this project. This project is an example of the fruit of stewardship way of life in the parish. Fr. Yaw Acheampong

### <u>Sacramental Preparation Program</u> <u>2022 - 2023</u>

### **Confirmation**

### **Enrolment**

Enrolment will take place at any of this weekend's Masses October 15/16, 2022.

Please bring your completed and signed enrolment forms.

### Office of Formation for Discipleship Parish Ministry Conference

(October 20 – 22, 2022) Information & Registration:

www.archtoronto.org/conference

Cost (In-Person and Virtual): \$35 per person General Inquiries: formation@archtoronto.org

### **World Mission Sunday Collection**

Weekend of October 22/23, 2022
Envelopes are available at the back of the church.
Thank you for your generosity.

### St. Michael's College School

The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2023. St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from grade 7 – Grade 12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 20 and Tuesday, October 25 beginning at 7:00 PM.

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