

# 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:**

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**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.

**Children's Liturgy**

Takes place on Sundays 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 during the 2022/2023 year.

**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.

**The Solemnity of All Saints – November 01**

On Tuesday, November 01, we honour our departed brothers and sisters, whom we believe are with God in heaven. Scriptures describe the saints as “people from every nation, tribe and language standing in front of the throne of God and before the Lamb Jesus Christ offering praise and thanksgiving” (see Revelation 7). The saints share with us one baptism and one faith in Jesus Christ. They lived lives of fidelity to God even if that life meant death. The stories about the lives of the saints inform us that they witnessed to God in their own circumstances and situations-- by serving others with the gifts entrusted to them-- a life of faithful discipleship.

Our celebration of All Saints Day reminds us that the saints were ordinary people--young, adult, lay men and women, clergy and religious who responded to the call of Jesus “to take up their cross to follow him”. According to Saint Paul, by virtue of our baptism in Christ we are all called to be saints-- called to embrace a life of holiness (I Cor. 1:1-2). During this COVID-19 pandemic, we have heard amazing stories of people who have served others with acts of selflessness and the love for the other. This year's celebration of All Saints Day should also include our prayers of thanks for those among us who have acted in such extraordinary ways. Today's celebration reminds us that as Christians we are to develop an attitude similar to that of the saints. It is at a time like this that we need to show greater concern for the other to help bring the love of God to all through our actions based on our faith. Through the intercession of “so great a cloud of witnesses”, may God guide us to imitate the faithfulness of the saints in our service to God's people. Happy All Saints Day.

Acheampong, Yaw (2022) *Saints are models of faithful discipleship. “Walking on the Journey of Faith.”* Catholic Register Books, Toronto.

Mass for All Saints will be at 9:00 AM in the church.

**All Souls Day – Wednesday, November 02**

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM in the church. Please come and join us as we pray for the repose of the souls of our departed brothers and sisters.

**Special Thanks**

I thank you all for coming to Mass. I would also like to thank 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*



Oct 29	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Jose LeCaros Jr.
Oct 30	Sun	9:00 AM	OLP Parishioners
Oct 30	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Mario & Pasqualina Iannotta
Nov 01	Tues	9:00 AM	+ Jose LeCaros Jr.
Nov 02	Wed	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Nov 03	Thur	9:00 AM	+ Norma Palma
Nov 04	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Ante Bavcevic
Nov 05	Sat	9:00 AM	All Souls



**October 30 – November 05, 2022**

Sacred Heart: + Norma Palma

Tabernacle: Holy Souls

### **Sacramental Preparation**

Lessons for Confirmation continues on

Tuesday, November 01 at 5:30 PM.

Lessons for First Confession continue

Saturday, November 12 at 10:30 AM

### **The Joy of Service**

#### **Stewards Make Our Parish**

As baptized people, we are called to use our God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure 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**

#### **New Beginnings**

#### **Online Parish Staff Grief Seminar**

Keynote Speaker: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE

Location: Online via ZOOM

Date & Time: Thursday, November 10, 2022 @ 10 AM

Register: <https://psgs.eventbrite.ca>

For more information email Arcangelo Limanni at [alimanni@cfstoronto.com](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com) or phone 647-215-3978

### **43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cardinal's Dinner**

Will take place on Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

Tickets are \$225 each.

To purchase tickets online:

[www.archtoronto.org/cardinals dinner](http://www.archtoronto.org/cardinals dinner)

### **WHAT IS A PARISH FOR?**

According to Canon Law, a parish is described as “a certain community of Christ’s faithful stably established within a particular Church, whose pastoral care, under the authority of the diocesan Bishop, is entrusted to a parish priest as its proper pastor. As a general rule, a parish is to be territorial, that is, it is to embrace all Christ’s faithful of a given territory. Where it is useful, however, personal parishes are to be established, determined by reason of their rite, language or nationality of the faithful of a certain territory or on some other basis.” For practical purposes and for the celebration of the sacraments, Christ’s faithful who do not live within the territorial boundaries of a parish but are formally registered in the particular parish are considered parishioners of the particular parish. Parishes are primarily for the benefit of the faithful. The Church’s mission in every parish is to be taken by all the faithful-the people of God, each playing their own part. When parishioners come together to use their gifts of time, talent and treasure as missionary disciples, they take their share of responsibility for the management of the parish. When parishioners live out their baptismal promises as faithful stewards, they build welcoming parishes full of life where everybody can grow spiritually closer to Jesus Christ and to each other.

*Fr. Yaw*

### **Availability of A Priest Chaplain in Our Hospitals**

If you or your loved one are admitted into one of our hospitals, please be informed that there is a priest chaplain at hospitals within the Archdiocese of Toronto. It is important for you register as a Roman Catholic on admission. If you would like to see a priest, please inform your caregiver. If you are not successful in getting to see the hospital priest, in times of emergency, please call the church office at 416-239-1259. On weekends or after office hours, please press option “3” to leave a voicemail on the pastor’s extension.

From the pastor.

### **From the Office of Liaison for Catholic Education**

Please note that to be hired as a teacher in any Catholic school in Ontario, as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you are planning to apply to teach in a Catholic school, it is highly recommended that you contact the pastor early to begin the process. For further information, contact the pastor at 416-239-1259 Ext 3.

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