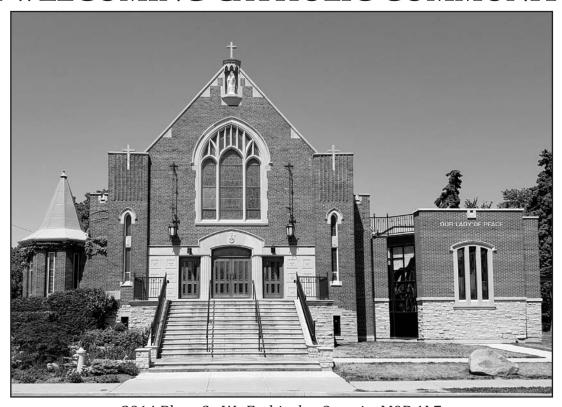
OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

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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:

First Friday of the Month: 6:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:00 p.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

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Welcome To Our Lady of Peace Parish

Our Lady of Peace Parish warmly welcomes parishioners, children and adults 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.

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

Sundays at the 11:00 AM Mass. Parents are encouraged to attend Mass with their children who are preparing to celebrate 1st Holy Communion this year.

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM COVID-19 Safety Protocols in place.

Family Day

The office will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2023 for the Family Day holiday

Care of the Sick

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

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

As baptized people, we are called to use our Godgiven 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.

Next Bulletin

Our next bulletin will be published on March 05, 2023

THE SEASON OF LENT-2023

We begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 22. After the Mass on Ash Wednesday, we leave our churches with a renewed desire "to repent and to believe in the Gospel" (Mark 1:15). Lent is a time of reflection: a time to examine the state of our spiritual lives. But, we often think of Lent as an austere time symbolized by the absence of flowers around the altar in our churches. The seriousness of Lent makes us wonder how we can live so that our lives may reflect the nature of the season. Every Lent we usually plan to observe some spiritual practices, referred to as Lenten discipline. Traditionally, these practices are centered on prayer, fasting and charity (Matthew 6). We hope that our Lenten discipline may help us spiritually grow as we journey through Lent. However, after a few weeks into Lent, we may tend to lose interest in our plans. We may find it challenging to follow through our plans for Lenten discipline.

So, how can we have a spirit-driven Lenten discipline? Perhaps, this Lent we can take a different approach to making our plans to observe the season. We need to realize that our Lenten discipline is not about our ability to control what we can do. It is more about our willingness and our desire to allow Jesus to lead us on our journey. This year, let us see Lent from a different perspective-- we should not feel it is an obligation to "give up" something or to be charitable. Lent is the time that we "give up" something with joy for the sake of others. We "give up" something out of love. Our Lenten discipline, done with a loving heart, also helps others to experience the presence of God in their lives. This year, let our Lenten discipline reflect our understanding of God's love to us--our salvation-- revealed in the death of his Son Jesus on the Cross. When we strive to observe our Lenten practices based on love, we deepen our love for God who provides a path of hope toward the celebration of Easter.

Fr. Yaw Acheampong

Ash Wednesday Mass

Community Mass at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM St. Elizabeth School Mass 10:30 AM in the school. OLP School Mass 1:30 PM in the church.

Confession

Available on Saturdays after the 9:00 AM Mass until 10:30 AM in the church



Feb 21	Tues	9:00 AM	+ Emilia & Giacinto Gravilo
Feb 22	Wed	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Feb 22	Wed	7:00 PM	No Announced Mass
Feb 23	Thur	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Feb 24	Fri	9:00 AM	Special Intention from Karen Dellio & Family
Feb 25	Sat	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Feb 25	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Angus MacDonald
Feb 26	Sun	9:00 AM	Parishioners of OLP
Feb 26	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Louis & Loretta England
Feb 28	Tues	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Mar 01	Wed	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Mar 02	Thur	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Mar 03	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Mary Claire Ballou
Mar 04	Sat	9:00 AM	No Announced Mass
Mar 04	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Michele Lista
Mar 05	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Lorenzo Honey Gauvin
Mar 05	Sun	11:00 AM	OLP Parishioners





February 19 - 25, 2023

Sacred Heart: A Special Intention Tabernacle: A Special Intention St. Joseph: A Special Intention February 26 - March 04, 2023

Sacred Heart: First Communion Children **Tabernacle: First Communion Children** St. Joseph: First Communion Children

Fridays of Lent

Morning

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction 8:30 AM, followed by Mass at 9:00 AM.

Evening

Celebration of the Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM followed by Mass. There is Lenten Supper of soup and bread after Mass. Donation of \$5 per person would be appreciated. Please come and enjoy soups from around the world.

Lenten Retreat

Fr. Yaw will facilitate a Lenten Retreat in the parish for Monday, March 13 to Wednesday, March 16 at Mass at 7:00 PM

Special Thanks

I thank you all for coming to Mass. I would also like to thank parishioners who continue to support Our Lady of Peace. I thank our ministers who continue to serve the parish. May God continue to bless you all. Fr. Yaw

New Archbishop of Toronto

Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo, currently Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal, as the 14th Archbishop of Toronto. The archbishop-designate succeeds Cardinal Thomas Collins, who has served the archdiocese since 2007. The new archbishop will be installed at a ceremony at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on a date to be confirmed in the coming days. Following his installation, he will begin his assignment as shepherd of Canada's largest Catholic diocese, comprising almost two million Catholics and 225 parishes.

Canadian Bishops Release Pastoral Letters to Advance the Healing Journey with Indigenous Peoples of This Land

On February 8, 2023, the Bishops of Canada released a series of pastoral letters to advance the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope with Indigenous Peoples of this land. Individual letters have been prepared for First Nations, Inuit and Metis communities. In addition, the bishops have released a letter to Catholics throughout the country.

Copies of the letters can be accessed by visiting: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

Catholics throughout the archdiocese are invited to reflect, learn and join in efforts to nurture and deepen our relationship with Indigenous Peoples. We pray that the letters may serve as an additional tool to guide the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope.

Upcoming Events

Coffee/Pancake Sunday

Will take place this Sunday, February 19 at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Mass. Donation of \$5 per person would be appreciated. Please come and join us.

Mothers Group

The next meeting is on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 10:00 AM in the Monsignor Percy Johnson Hall.

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre

Friday, March 3 – Sunday, March 05, 2023 **Father Ron Rolheiser**

Theme: Wrestling with God and with Love Resistance and Surrender Within Our Spiritual Journey. For more information, contact:

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