

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

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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:

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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.

Care of the Sick

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

The Joy of Service 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.

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*

Our Lady of Peace - Pray For Us

Lent – A Season For Embracing The Cross

On Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22), we began the season of Lent. We began a journey of spiritual renewal; we focus on the Passion of Christ and his death on the Cross. Jesus' death on the cross speaks to us about God's love and mercy for his people. Jesus calls us who believe in him to take up our cross and follow him (Matthew 16:24). To live out the Christian faith therefore means to embrace the cross as a way of life. What does it mean to embrace the cross? Learning to embrace the cross may help us develop a positive attitude to change from our former ways to becoming spiritually closer to God. To embrace the cross does not call us to do what we might consider great and extraordinary things. In fact, as shown by the lives of the saints, to embrace the cross means committing ourselves to doing what is pleasing in the sight of God. This calls us to make sacrifices in our lives for the sake of others. According to Pope Francis in his Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, (The Joy of the Gospel): "When we stand before Jesus crucified, we see the depth of his love which exalts and sustains us, but at the same time unless we are blind, we begin to realize that Jesus' gaze, burning with love, expands to embrace all his people." (268). When we genuinely open ourselves with contrite hearts to be transformed by the Spirit of love of Christ, we learn how to carry our own cross so that the love of Christ is real and present in our communities.

Fr. Yaw Acheampong - *A season for embracing the cross: Walking on the Journey of Faith*, Catholic Register, Toronto, 2022.

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 Day of Confession Our Lady of Peace

Wednesday, March 22, 2023
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM / 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Visit www.archtoronto.org/confession
for more dates and times at parishes in your area.



Mar 07	Tues	9:00 AM	+ Fr. Ivica Kecerin
Mar 08	Wed	9:00 AM	+ Fr. Mario Bellinaso
Mar 09	Thur	9:00 AM	+ Hilda Frenette
Mar 10	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Moses Oduro + Anthony Hasford
Mar 10	Fri	7:00 PM	Anthony Mascarenhas
Mar 11	Sat	9:00 AM	+ Mafalda Senatore
Mar 11	Sat	5:00 PM	OLP Parishioners
Mar 12	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Louis & Loretta England
Mar 12	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Jack & Ralph Fitzgerald
Mar 14	Tues	9:00 AM	+ Rita Kenny
Mar 15	Wed	9:00 AM	+ Mafalda Senatore
Mar 16	Thur	9:00 AM	+ Judy O'Hara
Mar 17	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Luciano DeSouza
Mar 18	Sat	9:00 AM	+ Louise Kelly
Mar 18	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Vincenzo Moscati
Mar 19	Sun	9:00 AM	OLP Parishioners
Mar 19	Sun	11:00 AM	+ Serafina & Antonino Mule



March 05 - 11, 2023

Tabernacle: Monaco Family
St. Joseph: A Special Intention

March 12 - 18, 2023

Tabernacle: Health & Prayers Sandy & Alex Lascu

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3rd Sunday of Lent - March 12, 2023

**Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers
and sisters.**

ShareLife Sunday is March 26 and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities. As a parish, this is our opportunity to live the Gospel.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.

Lenten Retreat

Fr. Yaw will facilitate a Lenten Retreat in the parish.

Monday, March 13 - Mass At 7:00 PM

Seeking God

Tuesday, March 14 – Mass At 7:00 PM

Being Transformed

Wednesday, March 15 – Mass At 7:00 PM

Responding To Transformation

Please come and join us!

**Mass of Celebration to Welcome
Archbishop Francis (Frank) Leo**

The installation of Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

Given capacity restrictions at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event. The Mass of Installation will be livestreamed through:

www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: www.slmedia.org.

Final Sunday Mass for Cardinal Collins

Cardinal Collins will preside at the noon Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral on Sunday, March 19, 2023. This will be his final Sunday Mass as Archbishop of Toronto. We will also have an opportunity to express our gratitude to His Eminence at the reception following the Mass of Installation on March 25, 2023.

Come & See

Discernment Weekend Retreat

March 19, 2023 - St. Augustine's Seminary

The office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary. Registration must be done online at:

www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee



**Talk by Salvatore Badali from
Canadian Food for Children (CFFC)
At All Masses this Weekend**

CFFC is a registered Canadian charity founded in 1995, with the goal of feeding children in the developing world. It was founded by Andrew and Joan Simone at the request of St. Mother Teresa. CFFC send a 40' shipping container of food and household goods every day from their warehouse in Mississauga to mission partners in over 12 countries. CFFC is grateful for the support of ShareLife and many donors and volunteers. We thank Salvatore for his talk.



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