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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.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

For assistance, please call the Parish Office at 416-239-1259 and Select Option 5 and leave your first and last name and phone number where you can be reached.

Our Lady of Peace - Pray For Us

LAETARE SUNDAY-MARCH 19, 2023

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is referred to as *Laetare* Sunday or Rejoice Sunday. *Laetare* Sunday gets its name from the first words of the traditional Latin entrance antiphon for the Mass of the day: "Rejoice Jerusalem, and all who love her" (Isaiah 66:10-11). Traditionally this Sunday has been a day of celebration. As part of our celebration of this Rejoice Sunday, the rule of restricting flowers may be relaxed. Today, we may put some flowers around the altar. The priest's vestments at Mass may be rose coloured symbolizing joy. The Church celebrates hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten discipline.

The Gospel reading -The healing of a man born blind (John 9:1-41) together with the other two Biblical readings for today's liturgy remind us of the spiritual significance of Rejoice Sunday. Today, we are called to the joyful anticipation of the saving act of God in his Son Jesus Christ. Through Jesus' passion, death and his resurrection, God has brought us into a light of life. In baptism, we have moved from darkness into light. In baptism, we have become children of light. Lent is the special time to examine how we are living as people of light. As people of light, let us use our Lenten discipline to learn how to move away from darkness into light. During this Lenten journey, let us learn to move away from selfishness that blinds us to the needs of others, pride that blinds us to our own faults and prejudice that blinds us to the truth of the Gospel. Let us ask Jesus to teach us how to walk as children of light-"for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true" (Ephesians 5:9).

Fr. Yaw Acheampong

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.

MARCH 19, 2023



Mar 21	Tues	9:00 AM	Special Intentions of the Walsh Family
Mar 22	Wed	9:00 AM	+ Maria & Ernesto Tavares
Mar 23	Thur	9:00 AM	+ Yaw Boakye
Mar 24	Fri	9:00 AM	+ Al Caranci
Mar 25	Sat	9:00 AM	A Special Intention
Mar 25	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Bob Kennedy
Mar 26	Sun	9:00 AM	+ Joseph Snidero
Mar 26	Sun	11:00 AM	OLP Parishioners



SANCTUARY CANDLES



March 19 - 25, 2023

Sacred Heart: Prayers for Health of Lascu Family
St. Joseph: + Halina & Joseph Drozdal

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4th Sunday of Lent – March 19, 2023

Show your love on the Feast of St. Joseph through ShareLife.

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent, we remember St. Joseph - the husband of Mary, and the Patron Saint of Canada - whose Feast Day is on this day, March 19. However, this year, this celebration has been transferred to Monday, March 20, because of Lent. But, we can still reflect on the way St. Joseph loved and cared for Jesus and Mary.

Next week is ShareLife Sunday. May we emulate St. Joseph's example and share our blessings with the least of our brothers and sisters.

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

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

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.

Regional Mass of Welcome for Archbishop Francis (Frank) Leo

Central Region: Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at
Blessed Trinity Parish, Toronto – 7:00 PM

Northern Region: Monday, April 17, 2023 at
St. Mary's Parish, Barrie – 7:00 PM

Eastern Region: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at
St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Pickering – 7:00 PM

Western Region: Wednesday, May 03, 2023 at
St. Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga – 7:00 PM

The Source with the Sisters of Life Thursday, March 23, 2023 – 7 to 9 PM

St. Peter's Church – 840 Bathurst St. Toronto

Join the Sisters of Life for an evening of prayer and fellowship. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be from 7 to 8 PM in St. Peter's. Confessions will be available. From 8 to 9 PM, we'll have refreshments and fellowship in the parish hall. We hope to see you there!

Contact: The Sisters of Life

Phone: 416-463-2722 Email: toronto@sistersoflife.org

Web: <https://www.sistersoflife.org/>

Toronto Serra Clubs – Vocations Fourth Sunday of Lent

"We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day." Are you being called to a life as an ordained or consecrated person? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

CONGRATULATIONS

On February 23, 2023, Mary Snidero, our parish secretary received a Certificate of Recognition from Cardinal Collins for ten years of service in the Archdiocese of Toronto. We congratulate Mary for her achievement.

Fr. Yaw



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