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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 bring their children to Mass especially children who have just celebrated their First Holy Communion.

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

“Our parishes are spiritual homes for the faithful where we meet one another to encounter Christ...Each of us needs to be fully engaged as a disciple of Jesus, grateful for what we have received from God, and eager to share it creatively and responsibly. This is the spirit of deep stewardship”
(Archdiocese of Toronto Pastoral Plan)

As baptized people, we are called to share God's gifts of time, talent and treasure to live out our baptismal promises as followers of Christ.

Please see the two white binders at the back of the church for the description of the various ministries at Our Lady of Peace parish.

PENTECOST SUNDAY-MAY 28, 2023

Pentecost: Receiving the fire of the Holy Spirit

Our journey through the Easter Season brings us to Pentecost Sunday. Today the Church celebrates an amazing gift, God's gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church. The three readings (Acts 2: 1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; Gospel of John 20: 19-23) describe the events that took place on Pentecost and the effects of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the first disciples. Today's celebration means that the Church is a Church that speaks all languages; the Church is a Church for all peoples in the world. The Bible and the Church teach that the Holy Spirit is associated with baptism. By virtue of our baptism we are temples of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19). So, how would we describe our experiences of the working of the Holy Spirit in our lives? Today's celebration reminds us that the Holy Spirit came with different gifts. As baptized people, we are invited to examine the ways in which we can use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to serve. It is how we use the gifts of the Holy Spirit that will identify us as people endowed with the Holy Spirit. Our spiritual gifts come in many forms: the gifts help us lead our children as Christian parents, the gifts help us serve as catechists, listen to others, visit the sick and reach out to the needy. We use our gifts to serve others. Our service can be a way in which we can experience the working of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Our service to others can be a way of seeing the Holy Spirit active in our communities. Every kind of gift is essential in building up our communities of faith. We use our gifts to the glory of God. Today, let us turn to God to keep the fire of the Holy Spirit burning within our hearts. Let us ask him to teach us how to use our gifts to build our communities united in one Spirit and in one love.

Fr. Yaw Acheampong

SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME

The season of Ordinary Time resumes on Monday, May 29, 2023 after Pentecost Sunday: Monday of the 9th week in Ordinary Time, Year A. During Ordinary Time, the Church “celebrates the fullness of the mystery of our Lord Jesus Christ.” The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Pascal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. The liturgical colour for Ordinary Time is green. In liturgical Year A, we read mostly from the Gospel of Matthew at Sunday Mass

Fr. Yaw Acheampong

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament and Benediction

Friday, June 02, 2023 at 6 PM followed by Mass at 7 PM



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| May 27 | Sat | 5:00 PM | Intentions of the Vicente Family |
| May 28 | Sun | 9:00 AM | OLP Parishioners |
| May 28 | Sun | 11:00 AM | + John McRae |
| May 30 | Tues | 9:00 AM | + Bernice Papuga and deceased family members |
| May 31 | Wed | 9:00 AM | Mothers Group |
| Jun 01 | Thur | 9:00 AM | Special Intention |
| Jun 02 | Fri | 9:00 AM | No Announced Intention |
| Jun 03 | Sat | 9:00 AM | + Patricia Staudinger |



May 28 – June 03, 2023

Tabernacle: St. Joseph: Sacred Heart:



Pentecost Sunday – May 28, 2023

ShareLife-funded agencies turn no one away

Did you know that no one is turned away from ShareLife-funded agencies due to inability to pay? This is all thanks to your generosity to our annual appeal. It is through your support that ShareLife agencies are able to help the most vulnerable in our community and around the world.

Thus far we have raised \$53,657.80 toward our goal of \$63,000.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

The next collection date for ShareLife is June 04, 2023

Thank you for your generosity.

Selected Annual Church Expense Comparisons

| | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Electricity | \$11,224.92 | \$ 9,608.74 | \$10,583.32 |
| Heat | \$ 6,668.16 | \$ 4,739.65 | \$ 4,776.20 |
| Water | \$ 684.75 | \$ 782.46 | \$ 871.92 |
| Elevator Maintenance | \$ 5,514.72 | \$ 6,751.08 | * \$ 8,292.01 |
| Fire Regulations & Mtce | ** \$ 6,883.13 | <u>\$ 3,572.40</u> | <u>\$ 4,605.05</u> |
| Snow Removal (Walkway & Parking Lot) **NEW** | \$14,343.72 | | |
| Lawn Cutting & Summer Landscaping **NEW** | \$11,381.43 | | |
| Music Ministry | | | |
| Returned July 1 – Dec 31) | <u>\$15,743.00</u> | | |
| | \$72,443.83 | \$25,454.33 | \$29,128.50 |

* Elevator Maintenance – 5 year test conducted in 2020, safety requirements

** New Fire Safety Plan requirement

Note: The winter snow removal and summer lawn & garden care expenses were previously include salary of the custodian. The retired custodian has not been replaced.

Clergy Changes

This is to inform you that from 28 June 2023, I will be returning to Hospital Ministry at St. Michael’s Hospital.

On the same day, Our Lady of Peace will warmly welcome Fr. Biju Kannampuzha as the new pastor. Fr. Biju is now serving as pastor at St. John Vianney Parish in Barrie.

Fr. Yaw Acheampong

Papal Charities 2023

There will be a collection for the Pope’s Pastoral Works this weekend May 27/28 at all Masses.

Thank you for your support.

Handicraft Holy Land Christians

Will visit the parish this weekend May 27 / 28, 2023 to sell handicrafts after all the Masses. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.

Coffee Sunday

Will take place this weekend, Sunday, May 28 after the 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Mass.

Please come and join us for coffee and friendship.

Mother’s Group

The next meeting is on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 10:00 AM in the Monsignor Percy Johnson Hall.

Toronto Serra Clubs – Vocations

Pentecost Sunday

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.” Send forth workers into your vineyard. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.



Corporate Golf Tournament

Monday, June 05, 2023

Visit sharelife.org/gold to register today or email Maria Panagakos at mpanagakos@archtoronto.org

Special Thanks

I thank you all for coming to Mass and for your support to Our Lady of Peace parish. Many thanks to our ministers who continue to serve the parish. May God continue to bless us all.

Fr. Yaw



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