

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

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OUR MISSION

*"Guided by the love of God and the teachings of Jesus Christ, we the parish community of **Our Lady of Peace** come together embracing diversity and unity, to celebrate the Sacraments, to study the Word of God, and to provide unwavering support for one another. Through dynamic liturgical celebrations, meaningful fellowship, and continuous education, we strive to nurture each person's unique relationship with God and empower them to live out their faith in the world."*

Our Pastor:

Fr. Biju Kannampuzha

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Office Administrators:

Jeff Glover &

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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals:

Please contact the Parish Office.



Holy Mass

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday to Friday

9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday

4:30 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

First Friday

following 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Our catholic faith has been passed down from generation to generation. Please ensure our faith lives on for generations to come by remembering your parish in your Will.

Brother's/Sister's Keepers

Today's readings resonate with a powerful message about our spiritual duty and personal accountability, which stem from our divine identity as God's cherished children. As followers of Christ, we naturally become each other's guardians, embracing a profound threefold responsibility. This sacred duty encompasses the compassionate correction of one another's missteps, the gracious forgiveness of those who wrong us, and the humble seeking of forgiveness from those we have hurt.

In the first reading, the words bestowed upon Ezekiel underscore his role as a sentinel for the house of Israel. He is entrusted with the solemn task of alerting Israel to moral perils. A striking revelation emerges: should Ezekiel falter in conveying God's transformative message to guide the erring, he will bear the weight of responsibility for their downfall.

Turning to St. Paul's insights in the second reading, a profound emphasis is placed on the love that should define our interactions. This love should serve as the sole motivation for addressing and guiding those who have strayed. Love, inherently concerned with the well-being of its recipient, becomes the driving force behind our admonitions. The purpose? To inspire collective repentance and a shared journey towards spiritual growth and sanctity.

In the Gospel narrative, Jesus imparts a profound lesson on genuine Christian benevolence. It is not merely about providing material aid and prayers to our neighbors; it extends to embracing the task of guiding our fellow believers back from public transgressions that disrupt the community's harmony. If initial private correction by the offended party fails, Jesus encourages a broader involvement – "one or two others," and ultimately the Church. The potency of communal prayer is highlighted, as Christ's presence permeates the congregation, aiding in resolution.

Central to this reflection is the recognition that we are indeed stewards of well-being of our brothers and sisters. In a modern context where boundaries between personal lives and communal concerns blur, it's easy to shy away from intervening. Some may feel inadequate due to their

own imperfections. Yet, Jesus's unwavering affirmation echoes: we are entrusted with the care of one another. The responsibility to offer guidance and encouragement to friends, neighbors, and colleagues when they falter is real. A private, loving correction for personal offenses is both our right and responsibility.

As we gather in unity, we echo Jesus's words that "where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." The essence is clear: when driven by the Holy Spirit, a collective force emerges that transcends mere numbers. Today, the Gospel underscores our interdependence, acknowledging that within the community, God's transformative love gains extraordinary potency. United in Christ, we become vessels for His healing love to resonate profoundly among His people, a testament to our interconnectedness and our sacred duty to be our brothers' and sisters' keepers.



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS TO OUR CHURCH!

We extend our most heartfelt greetings to all our visitors and extend a warm welcome to new members of our parish community. We hope you feel at home and embraced as part of Our Lady of Peace. New parishioners are encouraged to complete a parish registration form, which can be found at the rear of the church or by visiting our Parish Office. We offer Offertory Envelopes and Pre-Authorized Giving forms for your convenience.

Office Hours Changed

To better serve your needs promptly, we are pleased to announce that our parish office is now accessible to the public throughout the workweek. You can visit us from Monday to Friday, between the hours of 9:30 am and 4:30 pm. This expanded office hours schedule is aimed at providing more convenient access to our services and assistance. We look forward to assisting you during these times.



Saturday
Sep.9th 5:00 pm † Norma Palma
Requested by: Eden Molina
† Pasquale Schiavone
Requested by: Anna Colasanti

Sunday
Sept.10th 9:00 am For OLP Parishioners

11:00 am † Barbara Sawaskiewicz
Requested by: Halina Lavor

Tuesday
Sept. 12th 9:00 am

Wednesday
Sept. 13th 9:00 am

Thursday
Sept.14th 9:00 am

Friday
Sept.15th 9:00 am † Louis & Loretta England
Requested by: England Family

Saturday
Sept.16th 9:00 am



September 10 - 16, 2023
Sacred Heart: Giorno Family



The Catholic Church has a longstanding tradition of celebrating Masses dedicated for the repose of souls or to fulfill specific intentions. These Masses serve various purposes, including prayers for the souls in purgatory, commemorating the departed, or celebrating special occasions like birthdays. Should you wish to offer a Mass for someone, please get in touch with our Parish office at (416) 239-1259 Ext. 0 or visit us during our regular office hours.



Parish Income and Expenses

Month	Total Income	Total Expenses
June 2023	\$22,334.00	\$32,613.00
July 2023	\$25,281.00	\$36,962.00
August 2023	\$26,114.00	\$38,510.00

Sacramental Preparations

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)

Baptism serves as a foundational step for receiving other Sacraments, including First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you desire to have your child, who is in Grade 2 or older, baptized or received into the Roman Catholic Church (if already baptized in another Christian denomination), kindly reach out to the Parish office. Registration packages can be obtained either directly from the parish office or from the website or from the table located at the rear of the church.

First Communion Registration

Dear Parents, this year is a very special time for you and your child who will be receiving the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion. Your faith is a gift from God to be shared with your child. May your child, through your guidance, come to know what a great gift Eucharist is. May the faith you have deepened as you pass it on to your child. May this first communion be the first of many communions!!

Registration at the Church: - Saturday September 30, 2023, at 3:00 pm

We request that at least one parent attend this meeting with the child. To register, please bring with you the completed registration form, donation amount (suggested \$75 minimum- cash only please), and a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.

Confirmation Registration

Dear Parents/Guardians, it is that time of year to register your son/daughter for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is a pivotal step in the faith journey, a moment when the children will affirm their baptismal promises and receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It's a time of growth, self-discovery, and deepening of their relationship with God and the Church community. May God's grace and blessings be with you and your family.

Registration at the Church: - Sunday October 1, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

We request that you attend Sunday Mass at 11:00 a.m. and register your child for Confirmation. To register, please bring with you the completed registration form, donation amount (suggested \$75 minimum- cash only please), and a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.



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