

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

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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:

Teresa McNamara &

Rosanne Colavecchia

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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

4:15 p.m. - 4:45 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.

Weeks of Watching



Today's readings resonate with the profound message of Jesus urging us to be vigilant, watchful, and prepared, for the momentous event of Christ's Second Coming, coinciding with the culmination of the world, could unfold at any instant. While the idea of the world's end has stirred apprehension throughout history, Jesus, in the Gospel, assures us that fear is unnecessary if we remain alert and prepared.

In the past, speculative predictions about the end of the world have caused anxiety, yet Jesus' teachings today dispel such fears. The Church, on this inaugural Sunday of Advent, calls us to ready ourselves for Christ's Second Coming by cherishing the memory of his first advent, embracing his daily arrival in the Eucharistic celebration, the Holy Bible, and the worshiping community, and daily preparing for the unknown moment of our own departure or the world's conclusion.

The scriptural lessons further illuminate our path. In Isaiah's prayer, we find a plea for God's active presence, guiding a community back from Babylonian exile to remain faithful. St. Paul, in the second reading, prays for the reawakening of Corinthian Christians who have strayed from their readiness for Christ's return.

In today's Gospel, Jesus employs the parable of the servants and gatekeeper to instruct us. Just as the servants vigilantly await the return of their absent master, so too must we be watchful in our Christian duties, as the timing of Christ's return may be uncertain, but the assurance of reward or consequence is unwavering.

The underlying message for our lives is clear: live each day in the vibrant presence of Jesus. Today's Scripture beckons us to experience Christ's living presence in the Eucharist, the Holy Bible, our worshiping community, our families, our souls, and in every person we encounter. Echoing the early

Christians, our greeting should not merely be a casual "Hi!" or "Good Morning!" but a heartfelt "Maran Atha" — "Come, Lord Jesus." This greeting acknowledges Christ's presence among us and anticipates his imminent return.

May you be blessed, and may you remain ever prepared for the glorious Second Coming of Christ.



ADVENT CONFESSIONS

December 12th - 15th After 9:00 a.m. Mass
December 16th - 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
December 19th - 22nd After 9:00 a.m. Mass
December 23rd - 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.



Sunday December 24th

Christmas Eve Mass 5:00 pm

Monday, December 25th

Christmas Day Masses 9:00 & 11:00 am

Sunday, December 31st

New Year's Eve Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday January 1st

New Year's Day Masses 9:00 & 11:00 am



Sunday, December 17th, 6pm (approx.)
Following the Christmas Concert in the church hall

\$25 per person

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Dec.2nd	5 p.m.	†Deceased Members of McRae Family Requested by Susan McRae
Sunday Dec.3rd	9 am	For OLP Parishioners †Albin & Darinka Blamik Requested by Maryanne Walker
	11 am	†Louis & Loretta England Requested by the Family †Patrick Corbett Requested by McNamara & Donnelly Families
Monday Dec. 4th	<u>No Mass</u>	
Tuesday Dec. 5th	9 a.m.	†Cecilia Plut Requested by Plut Family †Deceased Members of Iamascia Family Requested by Iamascia Family
Wednesday Dec.6th	9 am	†Josh Ponam Requested by Agnes Noronha †Deceased Members of Perl Family Requested by Elisa & Patrick Perl
Thursday Dec.7th	9 am	†Patrick Bijal Requested by Agnes Noronha †Deceased Members of Castrucci Family Requested by Kerry Castrucci
Friday Dec 8th	9 am	†Orleen Singh Requested by Agnes Noronha †Cyndia Cheung Requested by Cheung Family

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Offertory Envelopes for the year 2024 are conveniently placed on the table at the rear of the church. Upon

collecting your 2024 envelopes, please complete the card sticking out from the box, furnishing your full name, address, telephone number, and email address and leave it in the container provided. **To prevent any confusion, kindly refrain from using the 2024 envelopes until the beginning of the New Year.** Take a moment to inscribe your name and address on the envelopes for the initial weeks of 2024, offering an additional way to verify your contact details. We encourage you to include the donation amount on your envelope, providing valuable assistance to the counters.

If you currently do not use donation envelopes, we urge you to consider adopting them or explore the option of enrolling in a monthly preauthorized giving plan. Both approaches contribute to the financial stability of your parish while ensuring you receive a beneficial tax receipt annually.

Your ongoing support is deeply appreciated. Thank you!



Archdiocesan Consultation Underway.

Your assistance is requested!

Our archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan.

To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation. Please complete a brief survey by December 15, 2023. You can offer your suggestions and insights. The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas, and discernment.



Sanctuary Candles



Sacred Heart

†Patrick Corbett
(Breda Donnelly)

Sanctuary

†Deceased Members of
Marasigan Family
(Fardeliza Marasigan)

St. Joseph

†Deceased Members of
Kennedy Family
(Joan Kennedy)

Christmas Concert & Children's Pageant

All are invited to join us for our Christmas Concert & Children's Pageant 4:00 pm. to 5:30 pm, on Sunday, December 17, 2023, at Our Lady of Peace Church.



The 2023-2024 Sunday Missals are ready for you at the back of the church. Please consider a minimum

\$5.00 donation to cover the cost.



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