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:

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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.

"Come and See"

Today's Scripture readings resonate with a powerful and compelling message—the Divine vocation that beckons each one of us to be witnesses for Christ. We are called to embrace our unique gifts and blessings, dedicating our lives to acts of love and service for others. The readings echo a resounding reminder of our personal and collective call to become witnesses for Jesus, the Lamb of God, by leading lives of holiness and purity.

The first reading immerses us in the story of Samuel, who responded to Yahweh's call with the words, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." Samuel's obedient response led him to a mission blessed by God, transforming him into an illustrious figure, joining the ranks of Moses and David as a true man of God.

In the Responsorial Psalm, we hear the psalmist proclaiming, "Behold, I come to do Your will." This declaration signifies a vocation to obedience, a commitment to fulfill God's commands.

St. Paul, in the second reading to the Corinthians, reinforces the Divine call to holiness. He emphasizes the need to keep our bodies pure and souls holy, recognizing that through Baptism, we become integral parts of Christ's Body and the dwelling places of the Holy Spirit.

The Gospel unveils John the Baptist's proclamation of Jesus as the "Lamb of God," foreshadowing Jesus' sacrificial vocation to atone for our sins. Two disciples, intrigued by this revelation, approached Jesus, prompting His timeless invitation: "Come and see." This invitation is not confined to that moment but extends through the ages, reaching into the depths of our hearts today. What does it mean to "Come and see"?

Encountering Christ in Relationship: Jesus beckons us into an intimate relationship with Him. It's a personal call to experience His presence, to walk alongside Him, and to intimately know our Savior. Let us heed this call and cultivate a deep, personal relationship with Christ.

Witnessing His Transformative Power: Responding to Jesus' invitation opens us to witness the transformative power of His love. Just as the disciples' lives were forever changed, so too can ours be transformed. His love has the capacity to heal wounds, mend brokenness, and infuse purpose into our lives.

Sharing the Good News: The invitation is not exclusive but inclusive. As we experience the joy and transformation in Christ's presence, we are called to share this good news. We become living witnesses, inviting others to come and see the hope and redemption found in Jesus.

In our journey of faith, let us not overlook this profound invitation. Let us draw near, experience His love, and be transformed by His grace. Responding to this invitation, we become living testimonies of a life-changing encounter with the living Christ.

May the Holy Spirit guide us as we embark on this transformative journey, and may our hearts be open to the profound and lasting impact of encountering Jesus.



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.



Saturday Jan 13th

<u>5pm</u>

†For deceased members of the Olive Family Requested by Clement Olive

Sunday Jan 14th

†Jorges Cortes Requested by Lopez Family †Marjorie Melnik Requested by Stan Melnik <u>9am</u>

†Janiee Trendal Requested by Stephen Tomo

11am

Monday No Mass

Tuesday Jan 16th

9am

†Cecilia Plut Requested by Plut Family

For the deceased members of McNama Family

Wednesday Jan 17th

9am

†Michael White Requested by Paul White

For the deceased members of Williams Family Requested by Patricia Williams

Thursday Jan 18th

9am

†Catherine White Requested by Paul White

For the deceased members of Olive Family

Requested by Clement Olive

Friday Jan 19th

9am

† For Mundin, Douggenhout, Catapong, Mendoza & Libales Families



Sanctuary Candles



Sacred Heart

† In honor of the deceased members of Lopez Family

(Imelda Lopez & Family)

St Foseph

In honor of † Dan & †Wayne Currie (Ralph & Rosemary)

Please pray for those who are sick and those who have died recently:

† Marjorie Melnik

† Clyde Maharaj

† Horst Rogsler

† Jose Viveiros

† Jangt Bonczuk

May they Rest in Peace.



Please remember to write your name and address on your 2024 Offertory Envelopes for the first month to ensure proper allocation of all donations. ALSO PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS

AS NEW NUMBERS ARE ASSIGNED EACH YEAR AND THIS ONLY CREATES DIFFICULTY WHEN INPUTTING YOUR DONATIONS INTO THE COMPUTER. Thank you all for your support throughout the year!

15th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference Saturday March 23, 2024

9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch)

Opening Mass celebrated by

Hís Emínence Cardínal Collins

Speakers:

Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual

Warfare

Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God

Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer

Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson (wife of Dr.

Jordan Peterson)

Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group TO REGISTER VISIT www.dynamicwomenfaith.com



The loving community of Our Lady of Peace parish is thrilled to welcome with open hearts and arms

Scarlett Maria Tomé

May your baptism be the start of a life filled with faith, love, and God's presence.



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