

# 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**

Tel: 416-239-1259 Ext 3

#### Office Administrators:

**Teresa McNamara &**

**Rosanne Colavecchia**

Tel: 416-239-1259 Ext 0

#### Office Hours:

**Monday to Friday**

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Baptisms,**

**Weddings & Funerals:**

Please contact the Parish Office.



#### Holy Mass

**Saturday**

5:00 p.m.

**Sunday**

10:00 a.m. & 11:30 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.*

## The Most Holy Trinity

Have you ever pondered what heaven might be like? People sometimes ask if there are dogs in heaven. Sometimes people wonder what we'll do in heaven. As one bumper sticker proclaims: "If there's no golf in heaven, I'm not going!" And it's not unheard of for parents to assure their children that thunder is simply the sound of God bowling in heaven. I can't say for sure if there is golf or bowling in heaven. But if there is, I promise you there will be no solitary bowlers. Why? Because the very nature of God is relational—He is a Trinity. Understanding the Trinity isn't just a matter of doctrine; it's crucial for understanding ourselves and our purpose.

Through baptism, we are initiated into the life of the Trinity, becoming children of God, siblings of Jesus, and recipients of the Holy Spirit. This union with the Triune God reflects our fundamental identity as beings created for community, for sharing love with others.

The Trinity reveals to us that God is not a solitary figure but a communion of three Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—bound together in perfect love. This divine community serves as a model for our own relationships, emphasizing the inherent interconnectedness and interdependence of all humanity.

Unlike a solitary deity, whose creation might be perceived as a mere distraction or expression of loneliness, the Trinitarian God reflects overflowing love, generosity, and abundance. We, as beings made in His image, are likewise called to embody, and share this perfect love.

Yet, in our earthly existence, we often encounter love's imperfections—betrayal, abandonment, and hurt. Despite our longing for deeper connections, we may find ourselves bowling alone, wounded by the shortcomings of human love.

But the hope of heaven assures us that these wounds will be healed, and our capacity to love fully restored. In that eternal realm, we will experience love in its purest form, free from the limitations and brokenness of this world.

While we await this ultimate fulfillment, we are called to continue striving for love, extending forgiveness, and nurturing meaningful relationships. Our journey towards heaven involves both seeking and offering love, guided by realistic expectations and a growing intimacy with God.

So what awaits us in heaven? While the specifics may remain a mystery, one thing is certain: there will be no solitary bowlers. Amidst the joys and wonders of eternity, we will find ourselves embraced by the boundless love of the Trinity and surrounded by a community of fellow beloved souls.

### Children's Summer Camp: Blast from the Past!



Our Lady of Peace Youth Ministry is proud to announce our first children's summer camp for 2024! This year's camp will be all about the wonderful lessons from the Old Testament of the Bible.

#### What can kids expect?

- Bible stories from the Old Testament
- Arts, crafts, and games alongside videos and interactive activities
- Nut-free snacks will be provided daily & a pizza lunch will be served on Friday!

Children are asked to bring their own lunch Monday to Thursday.

Who: Children aged 5 to 13 years old. The camp is capped at 60 children, first come first served basis. So don't delay to register.

When & Where: Monday July 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
From 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Our Lady of Peace Parish Hall

Cost: \$120, with discounted pricing for additional children.

To Register: Please pick up a registration package at the back of the Church, in the parish office or download from the Parish Website <https://olpeace.archtoronto.org>

Deadline to apply is July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

#### Questions?

Please contact Arnold Samson [asamson@archtoronto.org](mailto:asamson@archtoronto.org) or the parish office 416 239 1259 ext. 0 [olpeace@archtoronto.org](mailto:olpeace@archtoronto.org)



### Mass Intentions

Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> - 5pm

†Maura Tootill Requested by Mae Gilleece  
†Yvonne & †Hippolyte Borge Requested by McRae Family  
†Francisco Sebastiao Da Silva & †Maria Rosa Da Silva  
Requested by Da Silva Family

Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>

10am

†John McRae Requested by McRae Family  
†Ena Payne Requested by Anne-Marie Payne  
Special Intentions of Jean Wade & Brayden Bishop

11:30am

†Manuel Arango Requested by Stephanie Bialas  
†Robert Baker Requested Zirnelt Family  
†Enrico Colosimo Requested by Maria Colosimo & Family

9am - Monday May 27<sup>th</sup>

No Mass

9am - Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup>

†Paula Pentiricci Requested by Vicky Janosik

9am - Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup>

†Cecilia Plut Requested by Plut Family

9am - Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup>

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9am - Friday May 31<sup>st</sup>

### Sanctuary Candles

**Sacred Heart:** †Adele Snidero

*Requested by Mary Snidero*

**St. Joseph:** In Thanksgiving



## Bundle up

For the

### Society of St. Vincent De Paul

June 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> 2024

**Bring your gently used clothing, shoes and linens to share with others.**

A St Vincent De Paul Bin will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will donate or sell these donations to support our outreach efforts.

[www.ssvptoronto.ca](http://www.ssvptoronto.ca) for more info.

Thank you for your continued support!

### Annual Ladies' Brunch

Sunday, June 9th, 2024, at 12:30 pm

The Canadiana Restaurant,

Six Points Plaza, 5230 Dundas St. W.

Tickets are \$25 each and include a delicious buffet brunch with coffee, tea and juice, guest speaker, special door prizes.

Tickets will be sold after each weekend mass.

For more information and tickets contact Joan Grima at 647-278-9362 or the parish office.

Tickets are limited. Don't miss out

### The books suggested by Father Biju during his Easter sermon

- ~Frank Morison, 'Who Moved the Stone?'
- ~Josh McDowell, 'More Than a Carpenter'
- ~Lee Strobel, 'The Case for Christ'
- ~Timothy Keller, 'The Reason for God'



The next meeting of the Catholic Moms Group is on Wednesday, May 29th

10am-12pm in the Blue Room at Our Lady of Peace. For more information visit

[www.catholicmomsgroup.com](http://www.catholicmomsgroup.com)

or email [info@catholicmomsgroup.com](mailto:info@catholicmomsgroup.com)

All Mothers welcome

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Pray for Us

### Sacrament of First Holy Communion



Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup>  
5:00pm Mass

Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
11:30am Mass

Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>  
11:30am Mass

We ask that you keep all Our Candidates in your prayers as they receive The Sacrament of First Holy Communion.



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