

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:

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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 Body and Blood of Christ

The feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus points to three different dimensions all of which have a direct implication for the life of a Christian.

First of all, we reflect on the human body of Jesus, the flesh that he assumed in the event of the incarnation. That undifferentiated flesh that God received from Mary that grew into a baby and a man. On the one hand, his body was a means to communicate with us human beings in a way that we were able to understand; communication between God and human beings became by far easier as he had assumed our own human body. It is this story that the author of the letter to the Hebrews is trying to tell us when he observes: “Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son.” (Heb 1:1-2). On the other hand, by assuming the human body, God is reiterating the fact that what he had made in the first act of creation is still “very good.” (Gen 1:31). This sends us the message, that unlike the negative view of the body that the Church had held at least for some time, the body is good and hence, we are to take care of our body that is the temple of the Holy Spirit. Any harm done to the body under any pretext would be an affront to God and his creative wisdom.

The second dimension of the feast is the Eucharistic body of Jesus. The Eucharist is the way in which Jesus is present among us in his bodily form. The Blessed Sacrament is the body of Jesus given to us human beings in perpetuity. There are several theories by which theologians have tried to understand and explain the way the bread is turned into the body and wine is turned into the blood of Jesus. However, all of them have failed miserably to explain the way it really works. Hence, we are not trying to add to such theories. As a believing Christian, even with the help of the attempts made by our ancestors to understand how it works, suffice it to know that taking the bread in the context of a Passover meal Jesus said: “This is my body.” If we cannot believe the words of the Lord, whatever theory, dogma, and doctrine produced by the theologians will not help us either. Hence, we pray with St Paul that we be given the eye of the heart in order to understand what the Eucharist really implies for the eye of our intellect fails miserably to grasp the depth and breadth of it.

The third dimension of the body of Christ is the Mystical body. The Church is the body of Jesus as indicated by the experience of Saul of Tarsus on his way to Damascus. He had enough documents and warrants to curb the growth of the young Church in its infancy, and to obliterate it off the face of the earth. And, being a conscientious and trained Pharisee he had all the

valid reasons for what he had set out to do. However, on the way he had an experience so dramatic or traumatic, that he took a U-turn. As he would repeatedly tell his listeners, the voice that he heard at the time was “why do you persecute me?” Not my Church, not my disciples, not my believers, but me! Did he hear well? Saul clarifies: “Who are you, Lord?” Came the answer loud and clear. There is no mistaking this time. “I am Jesus whom you are persecuting.” (Acts 9:4-5). Perhaps it is from this experience of Saul that he later recognizes the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ. He depicts the Church as the body of Jesus and Jesus himself as its head (Eph 5:23).

Corpus Christ, the Body of Jesus means all these at once. They cannot be separated from each other. Without the human body of Jesus, there is no Eucharist, which is the center of the Church whose head is Christ himself. As we celebrate the Feast of the body and blood of Jesus we pray for the grace to understand the depth of the meaning of the feast and then for the strength to keep Eucharistic Body of Jesus the center of our life that our own human bodies and the mystical body that the Church is, might be maintained spotless, even as the head himself is spotless.

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 22nd to Friday July 26th, 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 1st, 2024.

Questions?

Please contact Arnold Samson asamson@archtoronto.org or the parish office 416 239 1259 ext. 0 olpeace@archtoronto.org

Tuesday Treasures

2nd last get together before summer break...Please join us for pray, chat & refreshments...June 4th 9.30am -12.30pm...see you there!



Mass Intentions

Saturday June 1st - 5pm

First Holy Communion Mass

- †Maura Tootill requested by Pat Fitzgerald
- †Marjorie Melnik Requested by Helena Bartosik
- †Carolina Conceicao Dias requested by Her Grandchildren
- †Augustyn Karczuga Requested by Elizabeth Karczuga

Sunday June 2nd

10am

- †Patricia Staudinger Requested by Jane Wallbridge
- †Zenon Maligsay Requested by Eden Molina

11:30am

First Holy Communion Mass

- †Raul Felipe Papaleo Requested by the Papaleo Family

9am - Monday June 3rd

No Mass

9am - Tuesday June 4th

- †Marilyn Morton Requested by Charmaine & Baxter Cutinha

9am - Wednesday June 5th

- †Digna Mista Requested by Eden Molina

9am - Thursday June 6th

- †Cecilia Plut Requested by Plut Family

9am - First Friday June 7th

- †Maria Lista Requested by Rosanne Lista

Sanctuary Candles

St Joseph: Lascu Family Requested by Victoria Lascu



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION – June 7th



First Fridays have traditionally been associated with the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. To appropriately observe First Fridays there will be Eucharistic adoration following the 9 am Mass until 10:15 a.m. Closing with Benediction.

Bundle up
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Society of St. Vincent De Paul
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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 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.

Please for those who have died recently:



- †Carolina Conceicao Dias
 - †Marilyn Morton
 - †Josefina Moreno
 - †Raul Felipe Papaleo
- May they Rest in Peace



Share Life Collection – This weekend- June 1st & 2nd

Thank you for your continuous support



*Please pray for Our Candidates who received
Their Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend, Congratulations!*



Navil Agüero Morales

Alyssa Barbuto

Luca Cappellucci

Connor Collis-Nascimento

Isabella Cruz

Ryan Evely

Taiya Ganson

Amelia Hung

Scarlett Komakech

Salvatore Mangiardi

Cody McNamara

Zerachel Mohammed

Hailey Montano Aguiar

Leela Patel

Kai Santiago

Lily Thompson

Amelia Aliyeva

Sophia Biegas-Almeida

Jackson Chang

Jocelyn Correia

Ava De Iulius

Alyson Evely

Aiden Grima

Bosco Hung

Alessia Lecos

Emilio Marquez Rojas

Yvonne McRae

Givliana Monaco

Lourdes Mundin

Rebecca Probert

Joseph Silva

Amy Toledo Aliouga

William Baraniak

Elena Caponecchia

Celine Collis

Josephine Cruz

Anthony Di Ciano

Reagan Fletcher

Francis Hamoo

Carlos Kalra

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