Our Lady Of Peace Parish

25th October 2026
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

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Holy Mass

Saturday
5:00 p.m.
Sunday
10:00 a.m. &
11:30 a.m. (Children's Liturgy)
Tuesday to Friday
9:00 a.m.
Rosary 8.30am

Confession

Saturday
4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
(Or by appointment)

Adoration & Benediction

First Friday
following 9:00 a.m. Mass

Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office



Dear Parish Family,

Our Lady of Peace Parish is joyfully celebrating a very special milestone — **our 75th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee!** As we give thanks for God's countless blessings throughout these seventy-five years, we warmly invite you to join us for an unforgettable evening of celebration at our **Diamond Jubilee Gala on Friday, November 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Le Tréport, 1075 Queensway East, Mississauga.** This will be a wonderful opportunity for our entire parish family — past and present — to come together, reconnect with friends, celebrate our journey, and look forward with hope to the years ahead.

The evening will feature:

A delicious dinner, Open Bar, Dancing and Live Entertainment, A spectacular grand door prize valued at $5,000, *and* Exciting raffle prizes.

We encourage you to reserve your tickets early and invite your family and friends to celebrate this remarkable occasion with us. **Tickets are $200 each & Now Available!**

Purchase your tickets online here:
https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/our-lady-of-peace-diamond-jubilee-gala

For every ticket purchased, **a $75 tax receipt will be issued to the purchaser of the ticket.**

If you have any questions or would prefer to purchase your tickets **with cash**, please contact the parish office. We will be happy to assist you.

We look forward to celebrating
75 years of Our Lady of Peace Parish — together as one family!

With gratitude and every blessing,
Fr. Biju Kannampuzha Pastor, Our Lady of Peace Parish

LOVE GOD, LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR: THE HEART OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH

In this Sunday's readings, we are reminded of one of the most important truths of our Christian faith: **love of God and love of neighbour belong together.** Our faith is not measured only by how often we pray, how faithfully we attend Mass, or how well we know the commandments. It is also revealed in how we treat others, especially those who are poor, vulnerable, lonely, or in need of our compassion.

In the Gospel, a lawyer asks Jesus, "Teacher, which commandment in the Law is the greatest?" Jesus responds with two commandments: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind," and "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." He concludes by saying that all the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commandments.

These words provide us with a simple yet profound guide for living our Christian lives. **We cannot truly love God without learning to love the people whom God has placed in our lives.** Prayer and worship must lead us to greater kindness, patience, forgiveness, generosity, and concern for others.

The first reading from the Book of Exodus makes this connection very practical. God commands His people not to oppress strangers, abuse widows and orphans, or take advantage of the poor. He reminds them that He hears the cries of those who suffer. The Lord is especially attentive to those whose voices are often ignored by society.

This message remains relevant today. We may not oppress others in obvious ways, but we can sometimes overlook a lonely neighbour, judge someone who is struggling, speak harshly to a family member, or remain indifferent when someone needs help. We can become so occupied with our own responsibilities and concerns that we fail to notice the suffering around us.

God invites us to look beyond ourselves. Is there someone who needs a listening ear? Is there a family member waiting for our forgiveness? Is there an elderly person who would appreciate a visit or a phone call? Is there someone in our community who is struggling financially, emotionally, or spiritually? Sometimes, a simple act of kindness can restore hope and remind another person that they are not forgotten.

In the second reading, St. Paul praises the Thessalonians because their faith became an example to others. They did not simply receive the Word of God; they allowed it to transform their lives. Their faith became visible through their actions, their perseverance, and their joyful witness to Christ.

The same invitation is given to us. Our homes, workplaces, schools, and parish community should be places where others can recognize the love of Christ through us. We may not be able to change the whole world, but we can change the experience of someone we encounter today. A word of encouragement, a patient response, an honest decision, a generous gift, or a willingness to serve can become a powerful witness to the Gospel.

As our parish community continues to grow in faith and service, let us remember that every ministry and every act of service begins with love. Whether we welcome people at Mass, participate in liturgical ministries, support families in need, visit the sick, prepare meals for those experiencing hardship, or simply make a newcomer feel welcome, we are putting the commandments of Jesus into practice.

May we never separate our worship of God from our love for our neighbour. Let our prayers become acts of kindness, our faith become service, and our love become a source of hope for those around us. When we love God wholeheartedly and love our neighbours sincerely, we fulfil the very heart of the Gospel.

May the Lord strengthen us to become people whose words reflect His truth, whose actions reveal His compassion, and whose lives bear witness to His love.



Mass Intentions

Saturday 24th October 2026 - 5pm

- **†Roland DeSouza** *Requested by Josie Snaith*
- **†Philomeno Vaz** *Requested by Philomena Vaz*

Sunday 25th October 2026

10:00am

- **†Mario & †Pasqualina Ianotta** *Requested by Franca Ianotta*
- **†Jan Weglicki,** *and* **†Aniela & †Henryk Doplaga** *Requested by the Doplaga Family*

11:30am

- **†Jean Naim Hamaoui** *Requested by Celebre Family*
- **Special Intentions of Agostin Lelcaj**

Tuesday 27th October 2026 - 9am

- **†Carmine Storino** *Requested by Lucia Storino*

Wednesday 28th October 2026 - 9am

- **Special Intentions of the OLP Mother's Group**
- **†Joe Campese** *Requested by the Campese Family*
- **†Philomeno Vaz** *Requested by Philomena Vaz*
- **Special Healing Intentions for Maureen Hogan** *Requested by Christine Leclair*

Thursday 29th October 2026 - 9am

- **†Jose Lecaros** *Requested by Jeanette Lecaros*

Friday 30th October 2026 - 9am

- **†Michael Zita (1st Anniversary)** *Requested by Pattie*

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World

An International Exhibition by St. Carlo Acutis

We invite you to experience ***The Eucharistic Miracles of the World,*** an international exhibition compiled and designed by St. Carlo Acutis, the young saint known for his deep love for Jesus in the Eucharist.



This inspiring exhibition presents remarkable accounts of Eucharistic miracles from around the world, inviting us to reflect more deeply on our Catholic faith in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

A relic of St. Carlo Acutis will also be available for veneration, offering visitors a special opportunity to seek his intercession and be inspired by his example of holiness.

LOCATION	DATES AND TIMES
Parish Hall Our Lady of Peace Parish, Etobicoke	**Saturday, October 31** 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Sunday, November 1** 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Bring your family and friends to discover the beauty of the Eucharist and deepen your relationship with Jesus.

St. Carlo Acutis, pray for us!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUN	Oct 25	RCIA (10am–12.30pm)
MON	Oct 26	NO Faith in Focus
TUES	Oct 27	Tuesday Treasures (9am–12pm)
WED	Oct 28	NO Choir Practice
THURS	Oct 29	Bible Study Class (7–9pm)
FRI	Oct 30	Children's Halloween Party, All ages welcome (5–8.30pm)

Special Requiem Mass

ALL SOULS' DAY



As we approach All Souls' Day, we invite all parishioners to join us for a

Special Requiem Mass on Monday, November 2nd, at 7:00 p.m.

at Our Lady of Peace Parish.

During the Mass, we will remember by name those from our parish family who have died during the past year and light candles in their memory. It will be a special evening of prayer, remembrance, thanksgiving, and hope as we commend our loved ones to the loving mercy of God.

Following the Mass all are invited to the Parish Hall for refreshments.

This celebration is especially meaningful during our Diamond Jubilee Year, as we give thanks for 75 years of Our Lady of Peace Parish and remember with gratitude the many generations whose faith, love, and generosity have helped build our parish family.

All are welcome to join us as we remember, pray, and give thanks for the gift of those we have loved and lost.

Thank You!





A heartfelt thank you to the businesses that supported our Pizza/Bingo night by providing generous prizes.

CANADIANA RESTAURANT SIX POINTS PLAZA	LENNY NAILS & SPA 131 MARTIN GROVE		METRO GROCERY STORE
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	SWISS CHALET 5487 DUNDAS ST W		

VENDORS WANTED

for the

OLP Church *Christmas Bazaar*

Saturday, November 28th

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

We are looking for vendors with homemade crafts, holiday items, jewelry, home décor, accessories and unique gifts.

Tables are $25.00 each.

For more information or to reserve a table call the parish office.

PEACEMAKERS YOUTH MINISTRY

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Donations Needed!

Chips, snacks and hard candy

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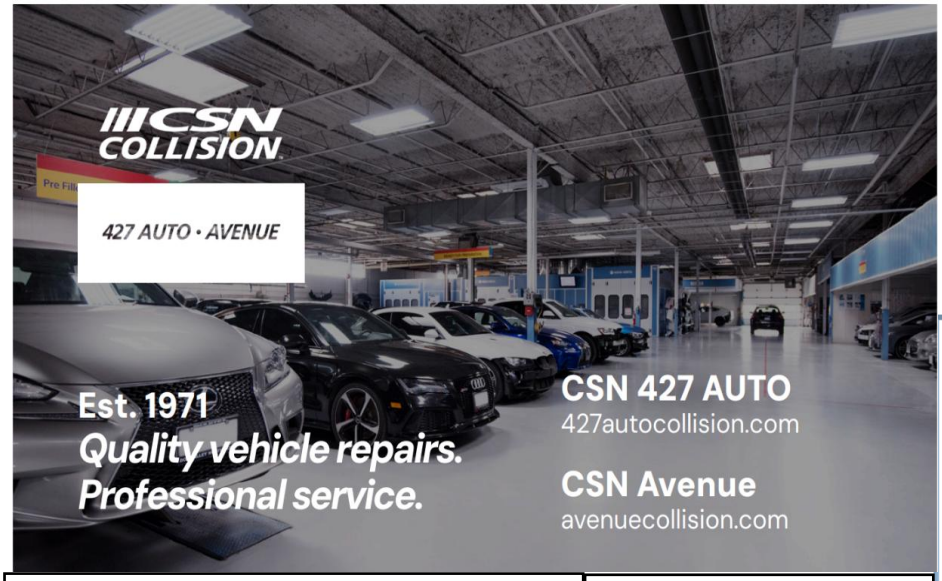
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