

Our Lady Of Peace Parish

16th November 2025
Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Holy Mass

Saturday
5:00 p.m.

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

Tuesday to Friday
9:00 a.m.

Confession

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

Adoration & Benediction

First Friday
following 9:00 a.m. Mass

Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office.



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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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.

"By Your Endurance You Will Gain Your Souls"

The readings this Sunday speak to us about faithfulness in the midst of fire. They remind us that the life of faith is not always easy or comfortable, but it is always meaningful, purposeful, and ultimately victorious.

The prophet Malachi paints a striking image: "The day is coming, burning like an oven." It sounds frightening—a day of reckoning, when evil will be exposed and arrogance consumed. But notice the promise that follows: "For you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings." In other words, for those who remain faithful, the same fire that destroys falsehood will purify and heal. God's justice is not meant to crush us, but to cleanse us, to restore what is true and good in us.

Psalm 98 continues that theme with joy: "The Lord is coming to judge the earth." Far from being something to fear, this judgment is cause for celebration! Creation itself—the seas, the hills, the floods—bursts into song because God's justice means that wrongs will be made right, oppression will be overturned, and truth will finally triumph. When we live with integrity, we can face God's judgment not with dread but with hopeful joy.

In Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, we're given a very practical message: keep working, keep contributing, keep living faithfully day by day. Some early Christians had become idle, believing the end was near, and so they stopped taking responsibility for their lives. But Paul reminds them—and us—that discipleship is lived out in the ordinary: in work, in effort, in perseverance. Faith isn't escapism; it's engagement. We show our faith not by waiting passively for heaven but by faithfully building God's kingdom here and now—through honest work, service, and love.

And in Luke's Gospel, Jesus warns that difficult times will come: wars, natural disasters, persecution, betrayal. Yet he adds something deeply consoling: "Do not be terrified." Even in chaos, Christ promises to be with us—to give us the words and the wisdom we need. His message is not to predict the end but to prepare for endurance. "By your endurance you will gain your souls."

That's our call today: to endure—not with fear, but with faith; not in bitterness, but in hope. When life feels unstable, when the "stones" we trusted seem to fall, Christ calls us to stand firm. He is our "sun of righteousness," rising with healing in His wings.

So as we enter a new week, let's remember: When the world feels like it's burning, God is refining us. When others lose hope, we can live with purpose and calm. When we grow weary, we can trust that endurance—faithful perseverance—will lead us to life.

The end of all things is not destruction but renewal. The fire of God's love purifies, the judgment of God restores, and the faithfulness of God never fails.

Let's keep walking, working, and witnessing—one steady day at a time—until that glorious day when the Sun of Righteousness rises fully upon us, and we see that every trial was worth it. **"By your endurance you will gain your souls."**



Children's Liturgy

11:30 AM Mass on Sundays

Liturgy of the Word with Children is adapted to be relevant to the lives of young children (5-8 years) & preparing them for participation in the Mass.

Parents, Please bring your child/children to the Parish Hall BEFORE Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday 15th November - 5:00pm

†Paul Payne

Sunday 16th November 2025

10:00am

†Luigi Recchia, † Constantino & † Francesca Lombardi
Requested by Maria Lombardi

11:30am

†Danny Casalino *Requested by Menina Casalino*

Tuesday 18th November - 9:00am

†Maria, † Zofi, & † Julian Sitarz
†Bronis & †Walter Papuga

Wednesday 19th November - 9:00am

†Henry Szarota *Requested by Doplaga Family*

Thursday 20th November - 9:00am

†Marek Zabinski *Requested by Doplaga Family*

†Pamela Nardini *Requested by Susan Gagliardi*

In Thanksgiving for Keziah Alphonso *Requested by Her Parents*

Friday 21st November - 9:00am

†Adam Zając *Requested by Doplaga Family*

Healing for Brian Blair *Requested by Jane Wallbridge*

Sanctuary Candle Intentions

Sacred Heart:

All Children & Youth of Our Lady of
Peace Parish

Requested by Arnold Samson

St Joseph:

All Current and Deceased Members of
the Canadian Armed Forces

Requested by Arnold Samson



Our Lady of Peace Youth Ministry The Parenting Children Course

For those parenting children ages 0 to 10

Fridays November 7th - December 12th

The Parenting Children Course is for any parent or person who cares for children; whether they consider themselves to have strong parenting skills or are struggling, those who are expecting their first child, are a single parent or a step-parent. Attendees are encouraged to come as a couple, but individuals are equally welcome. The practical tools of the course are applicable to everyone who has responsibility for a child up to ten years old.

The course is free to all, and will be run on Fridays at 6:00 pm-9:00pm starting on November 7th until December 12th
To sign up or for more information please contact:

olpfaithfellowship@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Our Lady of Peace Parish

🎄 Annual Christmas Bazaar 🎄

Saturday, November 29, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy a festive day filled with fun and games, children's activities, vendor tables, a bake sale, donuts, coffee, tea, lunch, Santa photos, and much more.

If you would like to sell your crafts or gift items, vendor tables are available for \$25.00 each. Please contact the parish office for more details or to reserve a table.

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BAKERS WANTED!

We are looking for **homemade treats** for our Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale!

Cookies, cakes, pies, squares—**any baked goods you can contribute will be greatly appreciated.**

Please drop off your baked items at the **parish office on Friday, November 28th.**

Thank you for helping make our
Christmas Bazaar a sweet success!

YOUTH Night! November 14th & 21st 2025

For Students in Grades 3-8

In Parish Hall 6-9pm

Registration required; forms available on arrival

Drop in, Hang out and have fun!!

Questions? Email: asamson@archtoronto.org

EDGE Night! November 28th, 2025

What is EDGE?

The EDGE program is a dedicated Ministry for youth in **grades 6-8**, centered around exploring & participating in the Catholic Faith in a friendly and judgement-free space alongside their peers.

It's also a chance to encounter Christ in unique ways; by sharing in this ministry together, we aim to grow closer as a youth community.

Available to any students in Grades 6-8

In the Parish Hall from 6-9pm

Registration required; sign up available on arrival (parental consent required)

Questions? Email: asamson@archtoronto.org



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