# Our Lady Of Peace Parish

# 9th November 2025

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Stewardship Sunday

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Office Hours Monday to Friday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm & 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

### **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.

# **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 Pastor

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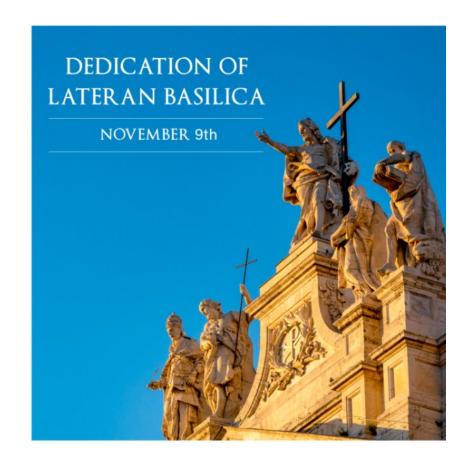
### **Schools**

Our Lady of Peace Catholic School 70 Mattice Ave, Etobicoke, ON M9B 1T6 (416) 393-5253

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# **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

Today we celebrate the Memorial of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome—the Pope—and therefore the mother and head of all churches in the world. This feast reminds us that our faith is both universal and deeply personal. The Lateran Basilica stands as a visible sign of the Church's unity, but today's readings invite us to look beyond stone and marble to the deeper meaning of what it means to be the temple of God.

In the first reading, from the prophet Ezekiel, we are given a magnificent vision: water flowing from the temple, bringing life and healing wherever it goes. The barren land becomes fertile, the stagnant waters turn fresh, and trees bear fruit in abundance. This is not just a poetic image—it is a promise. God's presence within His temple brings life to everything it touches. In Christian understanding, that life-giving water is a symbol of grace flowing from Christ, the new Temple, into His Church and the world.

The Psalm echoes this same confidence: "The streams make glad the city of God." God is in the midst of His people, and so there is no fear, even when the world seems shaken. The river of God's grace still flows through His Church, nourishing faith, hope, and love in every believer who opens their heart to Him.

In his letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul brings this truth home: "You are God's temple, and God's Spirit dwells in you." The memorial we celebrate today is not only about a magnificent building in Rome—it is about us. Each of us, by baptism, has become a living temple where God chooses to dwell. The beauty of any church building is only a reflection of the holiness and life God wishes to see in each human heart.

The Gospel takes us to the temple in Jerusalem, where Jesus cleanses it of all that profanes and distracts from its sacred purpose. With passionate zeal He declares, "Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" The temple must be a place of prayer, of reverence, of encounter with the living God. Then Jesus makes a startling revelation: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." He is speaking of His own body—the true and eternal temple. In Him, God and humanity meet perfectly. In His resurrection, that temple is raised forever, and now through His Spirit, He makes us His dwelling place.

Today's memorial, therefore, is a celebration of God's living presence among us—in His Church, in the sacraments, and in our very lives. As we gather in our parish church, we are reminded that every church building is holy because it shelters a holy people. But the holiest "building" of all is the community of believers who form the Body of Christ.

May this celebration renew in us a deep reverence for our church as a house of prayer and a sign of unity, and an even deeper reverence for ourselves and one another as living temples of the Holy Spirit. Let the life-giving waters of God's grace flow from our hearts into our families, our community, and our world—bringing healing, renewal, and peace wherever they go.

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"Wherever the river flows, everything will live." (Ezekiel 47:9)



# 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.

# Mass Intentions

# Saturday 8th November - 5:00pm

†Wes Domanski Requested by Irene & Domanski Family

# **Sunday 9th November 2025**

10:00am

†John Mendes Requested by Veronica

†Michael Zita Requested by Beverley Tollofson

### 11:30am

Thanksgiving -Anna & Antoni Rayar 52nd Wedding Anniversary †Maria Amelia Ferreira Requested by Michelle Tortosa

### **Tuesday 11th November - 9:00am**

†Karolina & †Kazmir Emerling Requested by Emerling Family †Rosaria Im

### Wednesday 12th November - 9:00am

No Intention

Thursday 13th November - 9:00am

No Intention

### Friday 14th November - 9:00am

†Arcangelo De Martin Requested by De Martin Family

†Deceased Members of the De Martin Family

**Special Intentions of the Walsh Family** 

# Sanctuary Candle Intentions

# Sacred Heart:

†Parents of Agnes Noronha Requested by Noronha Family

# <u>Sanctuary Candle:</u>

†Parents of Agnes Noronha Requested by Noronha Family



# St Joseph:

†All deceased family & friends of Agnes Noronha Requested by Noronha Family

# 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

# THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended the Pizza/Bingo Night and contributed generously with prizes and desserts.

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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

# **Our Lady of Peace Parish**

Saturday, November 29th, 2025 9 am to 2 pm



Vendor Tables, Bake Sale, Donuts, Coffee, Tea, Lunch, Children's Activities & More! If you are interested in selling your crafts or gift items, vendor tables are available for \$25.00 each.

Contact the parish office for more information. olpeace@archtoronto.org 416-239-1259 ext. 0



# **Our Lady of Peace Parish**

# Annual Christmas Dinner

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 5 PM Following Christmas Concert TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE SOON.

# YOUTH Night!

November 14th 2025

For Students in Grades 3-8

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