

Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 8:30am-4pm

EUCCHARIST: Weekends: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:15am, 10am, 12 noon, 7pm
Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8am, Saturday & Holidays 9am
First Friday: Adoration 12pm until Mass at 7pm
RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4-4:30pm or by request

SACRAMENTS: Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation & Marriage: Please contact the office.

PARISH MINISTRIES:

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| Altar Guild | Parish Office | Liturgical Ministries | Elizabeth Marriott |
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| Becoming Catholic | Brenda Chang | Music Ministry | Dan Smith |
| Capital Campaign Committee | Grace Volkening | Pastoral Council | Jason Gennaro |
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| Catholic Family Services | 905-770-7040 | Prayer Group | Anita & Edwin Andrade |
| Catholic Women's League | Lori Thompson | Renovation Committee | Elizabeth Steele |
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| Community Life | Wendy Frappier | St. Vincent de Paul Society | Lisa DiSera |
| Euchre | Agnes Carrey | Volunteer Screening | Joan Brooker |
| Family Playgroup | Sandra Fortini | Welcome Table | Annette Crisson |
| Finance Council | Dave Tate | Welcoming Arms | David Fong |
| Funeral Choir | Madeleine Swain | Youth Ministry | Fr. Eduardo de Oliveira Paixão |
| Knights of Columbus | John Lyn | | |

PARISH SCHOOLS:

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| Our Lady of Grace | 905-727-5631 | St. Maximillian Kolbe H.S. | 905-727-5652 |
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PASTORAL TEAM

Father Francis V. McDevitt, Pastor
Father Eduardo de Oliveira Paixão, Associate Pastor
Sandra Fortini, Pastoral Associate
Deacon Doug McManaman
Deacon Pat Colangelo

STAFF

Nancy McDonald, Parish Secretary
Pedro Zuca, Custodian

WELCOME

If you are making Our Lady of Grace your parish, please register by contacting parish office 905-727-4594 or complete a registration form found in the foyer of the church.



Mass Intentions



for the Week

September 28 - October 3, 2020

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| Mon. Sept. 28th | 8am | +Adalard Angeles |
| Tues. Sept. 29th | 8am | William Omere Sp.Int. |
| Wed. Sept. 30th | 8am | +Florence Cho-Chak-Wing |
| Thurs. Oct. 1st | 8am | +Julita & Aurelio Sienes |
| Fri. Oct. 2 nd | 8am | +Isabelle & Howard Tate |
| | 7pm | Teresa Lin Shen Lan Sp.Int. |
| Sat. Oct. 3 rd | 9am | +Daniel & Miguel Hojos |
| | | +Eugen Krysa |
| | | Cih Family - Sp.Int. |

REFLECTIONS ON THE WEBSITE

We have invited members of laity to provide a weekly reflection on the scriptures of the Sunday on our parish website. To date seven parishioners have come forward who will participate in this good effort.

We would be happy with a few more people who will take on this faith sharing invitation to the parish.

If you would like to be part of this effort speak to Fr. Frank at your convenience. Each reflection will be 500 to 700 words.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

One of the processes we need to get focused on as soon as space is available is getting those who are considering becoming Catholic together.

We do not do RCIA specifically, but a process of catechesis that we call Becoming Catholic. We welcome those interested in the faith to come forward at any time. If you wish to know more about the process give Fr. Frank a call.

ONLINE AURORA PRAYER BREAKFAST

Beginning at 8am on Thursday, October 22nd. For more information go to www.prayforthem.ca

Speaker: Maranatha Weeks -Her impactful experience - "A Nurse on the Front Lines".

ShareLife

September 27, 2020

**World Day of Refugees and Migrants
Living the Gospel by welcoming newcomers to
Canada**

The Dia Desso family were forced to flee the Cote d'Ivoire due to the civil war. They sought safety in neighboring Ghana, where they met a team from the Office of Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto. ORAT, a ShareLife-funded agency, facilitated the family's private refugee sponsorship by Good Shepherd Parish in Thornhill. They are now thriving! The father loves his work driving a forklift, the mother cares for their one-year-old son at home, and the daughters are succeeding at school. Thanks to your support, the Dia Desso family is proud to be living in Canada.

October 11 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

The annual collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada can be dropped off this weekend. Envelopes for the collection are by the doors as you leave today. There is also an envelope in your box of envelopes.

There will not, of course, be a collection, rather just put the envelope in the baskets by the door.

FIRST FRIDAY

This Friday, October 2nd mass will be celebrated at 8am and 7pm.

**OUR LADY OF GRACE SCHOOL - LUNCH
MONITOR NEEDED**

Please contact the school at 905-727-5631 if you are interested in this paid position which would involve one hour per weekday during the school year.

THANK YOU, NANCY MCDONALD

Nancy McDonald will be retiring as secretary at the end of September. We wish to thank Nancy for her years of service to the parish. We will miss her unflappable ways in every situation and her encyclopedic knowledge of parish households. She has been a profound asset to the parish team and to the wider parish. We have no doubt that Nancy and her husband Jim will still be very much part of the life of the parish. May the years ahead be rich in blessings.

WELCOME PAMELA TSANG

Pamela Tsang will be taking on duties as parish secretary beginning October 1. Pamela was born in Scarborough.

Pamela, her husband Jesse and their three children have been parishioners here for 11 years. In addition to English, Pamela is conversant in Cantonese.

A number of years ago she covered in the parish during the sick leave of one of the full-time staff. We are delighted to have her on the parish team.

ARE WE ANOINTING THE SICK AND THE FRAIL?

Throughout the pandemic we have continued to be called to the hospital for those who are grievously ill.

This does not extend to taking communion to the hospital or any of the nursing homes. That limitation will probably persist for the near future.

Of course, for anyone who is going for surgery we are anointing at the church and will visit private homes on request where there are those who are seriously ill.

PET BLESSINGS



We will undertake pet blessings next Sunday October 4th from 1:30pm to 3pm on the piazza at the front of the church.

No appointments are necessary, just come with your animal companions. We will be blessing this year on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

Animals and owners of all shapes and sizes are welcome.

UNDERSTANDING AND PRAYING WITH THE MYSTICS -A SILENT IGNATIAN WEEKEND RETREAT FOR MEN

Friday, October 16 -7 p.m. to

Sunday, October 18 -1 p.m.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

Hopefully, this retreat will lead the attendees to a greater understanding of their own ever-evolving prayer life and relationship with God along their individual earthly journey. See below for registration information.

WITNESSING THE BEATITUDES AROUND US- A SILENT IGNATIAN WEEKEND RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Friday, October 23 -7 p.m. to

Sunday, October 25 -1 p.m.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

With so much animosity and tension all around us, it would be good to be reminded of the gentle spirit of the Beatitudes: that there are still people like this around us to prayerful learn and gain spiritual strength from. This would be a multi-sensual retreat focusing on the Beatitudes through film, images and imaginative writing.

For either retreat, a suggested offering of \$225 per person includes two nights of accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

TO REGISTER VISIT: Manresa-canada.ca

CONTACT: registration@manresa.ca

PHONE:905-839-2864

LIFE CHAIN - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4th

Life Chain is a peaceful and silent witness to the injustice of abortion and the harm it inflicts on women and the community at large. It is a simple but powerful reminder to our fellow citizens of the sanctity of human life and our duty to defend the weakest members of our society.

This year, we will be marking 30 years of Life Chain in Canada. Please determine the location and time of your nearest Life Chain by visiting: www.campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain

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