

# 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:**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Parish Office	<b>Liturgical Ministries</b>	Elizabeth Marriott
<b>Altar Servers</b>	George Martin	<b>Marriage Preparation</b>	416-921-1163
<b>Becoming Catholic</b>	Brenda Chang	<b>Music Ministry</b>	Dan Smith
<b>Capital Campaign Committee</b>	Grace Volkening	<b>Pastoral Council</b>	Jason Gennaro
<b>Catholic Cemeteries</b>	416-733-8544	<b>Pastoral Visitors</b>	Sandra Fortini
<b>Catholic Family Services</b>	905-770-7040	<b>Prayer Group</b>	Anita & Edwin Andrade
<b>Catholic Women's League</b>	Lori Thompson	<b>Renovation Committee</b>	Elizabeth Steele
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Jane Cobbold	<b>Retrouvaille</b>	416-281-6007
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Parish Office	<b>Rosary</b>	After weekday Mass
<b>Community Life</b>	Wendy Frappier	<b>St. Vincent de Paul Society</b>	Lisa DiSera
<b>Euchre</b>	Agnes Carrey	<b>Volunteer Screening</b>	Joan Brooker
<b>Family Playgroup</b>	Sandra Fortini	<b>Welcome Table</b>	Annette Crisson
<b>Finance Council</b>	Dave Tate	<b>Welcoming Arms</b>	Doug Steele
<b>Funeral Choir</b>	Madeleine Swain	<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Fr. Eduardo de Oliveira Paixão
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	John Lyn		

**PARISH SCHOOLS:**

<b>Our Lady of Grace</b>	905-727-5631	<b>St. Maximillian Kolbe H.S.</b>	905-727-5652
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<b>St. Joseph</b>	905-727-5782		

**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**

Pamela Tsang, Parish Secretary  
J.R. Lagman, 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**

October 5 - October 10, 2020

Mon. Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+Bob & Betty Reid
Tues. Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+Patricia Reid Fetherston
Wed. Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+Lucille Lanthier
Thurs. Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+Alice & Martin Niland
Fri. Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+Ann Niland
Sat. Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup>	9am	+Don Bonin

**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.

**COLLECTION FOR THE POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS**

The annual collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works can be dropped off this weekend.

Envelopes are available at the back of the church and can be dropped in the baskets by the door.

**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.

**CWL NEWS**

This Tuesday evening from 7:00-7:30 pm the CWL will be hosting a zoom call and all participants will recite the rosary together for our teachers. The link to this zoom call is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2506151422>

For more information, please contact Lori Thompson at: 905-713-5340.

**ShareLife**

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 4, 2020

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**October 11<sup>th</sup> Next week is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.**

**SHARELIFE AT OUR LADY OF GRACE**

To date we have collected \$114,799 from donations made within the parish and those made through the archdiocese. This is nearly 79% of our parish goal of \$146,000.

**SUPPORTING SHARELIFE THROUGH PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING**

Monthly pre-authorized giving (PAG) is an easy way to spread your ShareLife contribution over the course of a year. The ShareLife package you received by mail includes a response form with a PAG option.

Simply submit a void cheque with the completed form to the parish office, or drop it in the offertory basket at any time. Contact ShareLife at [slife@archtoronto.org](mailto:slife@archtoronto.org) or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving.

**PET BLESSINGS - TODAY!**



We will undertake pet blessings today, Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

**PRAYER BY ST. BASIL THE GREAT**

On this weekend when we may think more deeply on the wisdom of St. Francis and his love of all creation, we offer this prayer by St. Basil the Great.

*O God, enlarge within us the sense of fellowship with all living things, for our brothers and sisters, the inarticulate beasts, to whom Thou gave the earth as their home in common with us.*

*We remember with shame that in the past we have exercised the high dominion of humanity with ruthless cruelty so that the voice of the earth, which should have gone up to thee in song has become a groan of anguish and a cry of torment.*

*May we realize that they live not for us alone, but for themselves and for Thee, and that they too love the sweetness of life. Amen.*

**HOW ARE WE PAYING FOR ALL THIS WORK?**

We have many parishioners who could quickly answer that question. We are paying for it as a parish. Each household is to the best of their ability making an effort to defray costs.

We thank everyone for their good effort. Most people are reasonably happy with what they have seen as the results of this big undertaking. If you are one of those and have been waiting to make your particular effort on behalf of the project, perhaps now is the time.

Many of have made great efforts and given what can only be described as sacrificial gifts.

Thank you to everyone who has done that. We look forward to the continued significant support to this effort. We have placed the capital campaign envelopes on the tables at the back. It may help you organize your response to the cost of our renovations.

**WE ALL NEED TO WORK TOGETHER!**

We have all been very fortunate to be able to attend mass over the past few months.

However, we wish to stress the importance of several points which will help keep us all safer during this pandemic.

- Face masks are required and must be worn over your nose and mouth **throughout the whole mass**.
- Face shields are not adequate protection for those around you.
- It is absolutely essential that you register on our website for the mass you are going to attend as seating is limited.
- **DO NOT** phone the parish on the weekend and leave a message about being registered for mass. Office hours are Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm - if you must call do so during these times.
- If you are not feeling well - do not attend mass.
- Now that the pews are installed sit only on those pews that are marked as available - remember to keep six feet between yourself and other parishioners.

**WHERE ARE WE AT?**

Slowly we are moving to the completion of this project here in our parish. Pews are pretty near complete. We are still waiting on the sanctuary furniture which was sent out for refinishing to return.

Landscaping will be undertaken throughout the fall. We anticipate our new outside sign within the month. There is still much to be done in the hall. We expect it will be done in a timely fashion.

The old house on Catherine St. is slowly coming together. The footings are in for the addition. The interior will be gutted and basic work done to prepare it for renovation. The renovation will not be done at this time. We will address ourselves to that in the future, but the exterior will be completed now. We will consider how to proceed on the house once we have a clear understanding of our financial situation at the end of this first phase.

Thank you to everyone for their patience and perseverance.

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