

# 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. Jerome</b>	905-727-6593	<b>School Board</b>	
<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**

**November 16 - November 21, 2020**

Mon. Nov.16 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Giuseppe & Maria Giannotti
Tues. Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Julia Ajufo-Obi - Sp. Int.
Wed. Nov. 18 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Helen Lanthier
Thurs. Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Brenda Obeya - Sp. Int.
Fri. Nov. 20 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Lilian Akintusa - Sp. Int.
Sat. Nov. 21 <sup>st</sup>	9am	+ Luigi & Anna Maria Pompilio

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SHARELIFE**

Thank You to everyone who has responded to Sharelife. We have raised \$134,821. We are 92% of the way to our goal of \$146,000. Envelopes are still available by the doors of the church for donations. Any envelope with ShareLife written on it will get your funds to the important work of the Sharelife campaign.



**OUR CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

We now have six performers for our Christmas concert on December 15 at 7:30pm to 9:00pm. We need more, but to date we have a pianist, soprano, harpist, accordion, violin, and guzheng player. (Our Chinese parishioners will know what a ghuzheng is.) There is still lots of room on the roster for steel drums, guitar, flute or harmonica. Sorry if we missed your instrument. Of course, we will welcome more than one performer on a particular instrument. All accomplished amateurs are welcome. All expectations during this time Covid that are in place for mass will also be in place for the concert, including distancing, masks and sign in. You will be able to sign up to attend in early December.

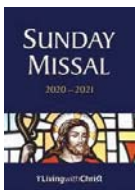
**PIANISTS**

Are you reasonably accomplished on the piano? We are not singing during the time of Covid. Having some music at mass makes a great difference. If you can help by playing at a certain mass that would be a great help. Since there is no singing, you can as the pianist have a certain amount of leeway in the music. Let Fr. Frank know if you can help.

**ADVENT PREPARATION COURSE**

Beginning Monday Nov. 23<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 for four weeks, the CWL will be facilitating an Advent preparation course for any interested parishioners. We will be using the "Rejoice" books that were used during previous Bible Study groups. More information on how to register will be in next week's bulletin or visit our website at [www.olgcwlaurora.com](http://www.olgcwlaurora.com) for our calendar of events.

**MISSALS ARE AVAILABLE**



As in other years, there is one free to each home. If, however you wish to make a small donation of your choosing, then we will use that to cover

the cost of missals and any excess will go to the renovation costs. If your household wants more than one missal, we ask that you pay \$5.00 for each additional missal.

What do you do with the old missal? They have not been blessed, so they can be put into recycling. We have been assured that the covers are not an issue for recycling.

**CHILDREN'S MISSALS**

Children's missals are available at a price of \$10.00 each. Just put the payment into the basket near the missals. There is only a limited number purchased so we encourage you to buy them now so that you do not miss out.



**THE PARISH HALL**

If you have a few minutes after mass, we invite you to drop down to the parish hall and to see how it has been renovated. We are beginning to use the hall for socially distant activities, including "Becoming Catholic."

### **THERE IS NO NEED TO CRAWL THROUGH THE PEWS**

We now have a break in the pews in the center of the church half way back, near the baptism font. If you are on the sides when communion time comes, let us walk to the break in the pews to get to the center aisle rather than going through someone else's pew. In this time of Covid we should be respecting others space, and even outside the time of Covid people do value having their own space.

### **WE HAVE REASON TO CELEBRATE**

Our Lady of Grace Parish was founded in 1946. The coming year 2021 will mark our 75th anniversary as a parish. We invite everyone to think of how we might celebrate this important milestone, with of course Covid still in mind. We will invite your input as we get closer to the year and have a better sense of what is possible.

### **WELCOMING ARMS FUNDRAISER**

On Saturday November 28, 2020, the Pine Tree Potters' Guild will be hosting their "Empty Bowls" event at the Trinity Anglican Church. All proceeds will go to Aurora's Welcoming Arms & Inn from the Cold, Newmarket. Tickets can be purchased for specific "Bowl Selection" time slots to allow for physical distancing. Please see their website at: [www.pinetreepotters.ca](http://www.pinetreepotters.ca) for more information.

### **FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION**

We are getting a fair number of calls from parents with children in grade 2 and grade 7 about first communion and confirmation. The grade 2's and the grade 7's will be registering for the sacraments beginning in January. There will be ample information in the bulletin and sent through the schools in the new year. We have been playing catch up with those who missed out this spring. We have celebrated first communion and confirmation with a number young people through the fall. Many families are reluctant to come forward at this time and we will integrate them into next year's sacraments.

### **JESSE TREE**

As Advent approaches, we are once again thinking about Our Jesse Tree program and how we can support those in need as we are faced with Christmas during a pandemic. As in past years, we will be supporting Rose of Sharon, Street Haven, and the Good Shepherd Centre through financial support or gift cards.

The tree will be set up in the Upper Narthex of the church from the first week of Advent until Christmas. Please select a tag from the tree, and return your donation at any time.

### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

The three-year capital campaign is for many coming to an end. We have had a number of questions about renewing their pledge for one or more years. Be in touch with Pam in the office and she can help you to arrange this. Forms are also available on the way out of church for those renewing and those who may wish to begin at this time.

### **FAMILY AT THE HEART OF FORMATION - Virtual Archdiocesan Gathering of Families Saturday, November 28 - 10 a.m. to 9:15 p.m. ONLINE EVENT**

Cardinal Thomas Collins is pleased to invite families from across the diocese to our third annual virtual archdiocesan gathering of families! Our family day will include: prayer; praise and worship; games; Scripture; teaching; a Q&A with Cardinal Collins; family activity challenges; and a parent talk and discussion session with lay evangelist, Patrick Sullivan. Parents and children of all ages are invited to join us for both online Zoom sessions and offline activities. There is no cost to attend, but capacity is limited so register early! One ticket per household. This event is being hosted by the Office of Formation for Discipleship at Archdiocese of Toronto in partnership with BLD Toronto, Couples for Christ, Focolare and Teams of Our Lady.

REGISTER: [www.archtoronto.org/family](http://www.archtoronto.org/family)  
CONTACT: 416-934-3400 ext. 569  
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