

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:

Altar Guild	Parish Office	Liturgical Ministries	Elizabeth Marriott
Altar Servers	George Martin	Marriage Preparation	416-921-1163
Becoming Catholic	Brenda Chang	Music Ministry	Dan Smith
Capital Campaign Committee	Grace Volkening	Pastoral Council	Jason Gennaro
Catholic Cemeteries	416-733-8544	Pastoral Visitors	Sandra Fortini
Catholic Family Services	905-770-7040	Prayer Group	Anita & Edwin Andrade
Catholic Women's League	Lori Thompson	Renovation Committee	Elizabeth Steele
Children's Liturgy	Jane Cobbold	Retrouvaille	416-281-6007
Collection Counters	Parish Office	Rosary	After weekday Mass
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	Doug Steele
Funeral Choir	Madeleine Swain	Youth Ministry	Fr. Eduardo de Oliveira Paixão
Knights of Columbus	John Lyn		

PARISH SCHOOLS:

Our Lady of Grace	905-727-5631	St. Maximillian Kolbe H.S.	905-727-5652
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St. Joseph	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.



3rd Sunday of Lent

March 8 - March 13, 2021



Mon Mar. 8 th	8am	+ Frank Murphy Sr.
Tues. Mar. 9 th	8am	+ Russell Hinds
Wed. Mar. 10 th	8am	Catania Family - Sp. Int.
Thurs. Mar. 11 th	8am	+ Giuseppe & Maria Gionnotti
Fri. Mar. 12 th	8am	+ Angelina Manganiello
	7pm	+ Kapi Nagalingam
Sat. Mar. 13 th	9am	+ Lilly & Tom Pingyin



Pamela Tsang will be working Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 8:30 to 12:00 in

the office. Otherwise, she will be working from home. If you need to connect with her personally those times are available, or you can email her at office@ourladyofgrace.com.

Of course, we will still take calls throughout the work week and emergency calls seven days a week to which we will respond as efficiently as we can. Drop offs are possible at the office through the slot in the window.

2020 TAX RECEIPTS

This year receipts are being mailed directly through the diocese. If you have not received them, they will be along in the very near future.

Boxes of envelopes are at the back of the church are for those who are returning to church after an extended period away. Thank you to everyone for their support of the church.

RESERVED A SEAT FOR MASS AND CAN'T COME?

If you reserve a seat for mass and you realize you will not be able to make it. Please cancel your reservation. Simply go to the email for the confirmation of your ticket to cancel the seat that has been secured for you. It will then become available for others.

BROADCASTING MASS & COMMUNION

We will continue to broadcast mass at 10AM on Sunday. You are invited to come to the church between 11:00 and 11:30 to receive communion. Please come if you have watched the mass. Do not come early as you will be causing crowding for the 10AM attendees as they leave. For this ministry to continue will depend on the cooperation of those who participate.

OVERFLOW FOR MASS

We can now invite people to the hall for mass if the church is at capacity. We will first get the church to 30% but will then be able to bring the hall to 30% too. Mass will be on a large screen and at communion time ministers will come down from the church to provide communion. Greeters will welcome you to the church and inform you if the church proper is full.



THE BENEFACTORS BOOK

When we began the opportunity for people to pay for particular things for the church, we said that we would create a benefactor's book to acknowledge these gifts. The mock up for that book is now in the vestibule of the church. A more permanent book will be created as we come to the end of this effort and will permanently remain in the vestibule. Thank you to everyone who has been part of this effort.



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

To enrol your son or daughter for first communion or confirmation please go to the downloadable forms online and fill out the google form for your appropriate sacrament. Because of the ongoing problems with opening up we are still not clear on when we will have parent meetings to organize the sacraments for those that are registering in 2021. We still have a significant number for 2020 to celebrate the sacrament with who we will be reaching out to as we draw closer to Easter.

PRAYER COMPANIONS

Do you believe in the Power of Prayer? We are inviting parishioners to make part of their prayer life a particular intention in the life of our parish. We will provide you with a prayer card and an intention that we would ask you to pray for daily in the coming year. What kind of intentions? It would be good if we had someone who made it their commitment to pray for each of our seven schools. Someone to pray for our parishioners in each of our nursing homes would be a good thing too. Someone to pray for each of our parish staff seems like a good idea. The list can be endless.



If you wish to volunteer, please go to the downloadable forms on the parish website and find the google form or call the parish and leave a message for Fr. Frank who will get you organized. Once you are setup, we send you the prayer card that you will need for your ministry. Thank you to everyone who is giving this some thought.

FUNERALS

The Bereavement Association of Ontario, which is the governing body for funeral directors, has brought in stricter protocols for funerals than the government expects. Though provincial government allows 30% capacity at worship, the BAO says the ceiling is 50 people at a funeral. Funeral directors are not allowed to participate in funerals that have more than 50 people in attendance. If the funeral involves cremated remains this is easily addressed by the family bringing the cremated remains to the church themselves. The diocese understands in the case of funerals with a casket that the funeral home can bring the casket to the door of the church and then the church and the family will need to take the casket to the front of the church. This is I believe in most cases can be easily done and in the case of our church around 130 people could attend the funeral.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent there will be mass Friday evenings at 7pm, followed by Stations of the Cross lead by either priest. No need to reserve your spot at this time.

VIRTUAL COME & SEE WEEKEND

On Friday, March 26 (5:00pm - 9:00pm) until Saturday, March 27 (10:00am - 5:00pm), the Office of Vocations will be hosting the first virtual Come & See Weekend for single Catholic men, ages of 17+ and older. On-line registration is required at: <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee>. This event will include a special address from His Eminence, Cardinal Collins, seminarian stories, community prayer and breakout discussions.

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