

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. Jerome	905-727-6593	School Board	
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.





April 12 - April 17, 2021

Mon Apr. 12 th	8am	+ Ignac Farsang
Tues. Apr. 13 th	8am	+ El Lanthier
Wed. Apr. 14 th	8am	+ Linda Joyce Joerges
Thurs. Apr. 15 th	8am	+ Luis Salvador Rivera
Fri. Apr. 16 th	8am	+ Tina Lamanna
Sat. Apr. 17 th	9am	+ Vincenza Catania

DOES YOUR EASTER INCLUDE HOLY WATER?

For many taking home holy water that is blessed at Easter is part of the tradition of the season. This year we are not distributing holy water because of Covid. If you wish to have holy water in your home, bring a small container with water in it and one of the priests will bless it as you are coming from or going to mass.

OUR GOAL FOR SHARELIFE

Last year we collected \$146,000. Since we are in these unprecedented times and it is hard to know how the weeks and months ahead are going to unfold, we will keep our goal at \$146,000. It gives us a reasonable goal to strive for. The three collections are this year spread over spring, summer, and fall. We will keep you informed on how we are moving forward on this important effort for the church around the world.

GIVE A GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

The second edition information leaflet is available at the back of the church and on the website. If you would like to make a donation from you, your family or business, or in memory of a loved one, please contact the office. Thank you for your continued support of our renovation.



ShareLife

The goal for the 2021 ShareLife Campaign is \$13.8 million.

"Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability."

- Cardinal Thomas Collins

Next weekend, April 18, is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

WAYS TO DONATE TO SHARELIFE

- 1) For one-time donations: use a green ShareLife envelope, that can be found at the back of the church and drop it in the offertory basket or at the office.
- 2) For monthly giving: use a green Sharelife envelope, fill out the form on the envelope and include a void cheque. Submit it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.
- 3) For donations using a credit card: please visit sharelife.org, to make a one-time or monthly gift and designate it to our parish's campaign.

Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving.

MINISTRY IN OUR SCHOOLS

One of the great voids in our ministry as a parish is our absence from our schools. We are continuing to do what we can. We have recorded visits for the last three months of the year. April's discussion was on the Widow's mite, May is the two great commandments and June is the Ascension. The school is divided up more or less along divisions in the schools. Fr. Eduardo provides visits for Juniors, Sandra for Intermediates and Fr. Frank for Primaries.

We have also recorded two Easter masses one for elementary schools and one for secondary schools. Each school organizes this the best they can. We thank the schools for their cooperation with this outreach in this difficult time.

WELCOMING ARMS TOLIETRY DRIVE

They are in urgent need for:

- ✓ Kleenex
- ✓ paper tower
- ✓ shampoo
- ✓ deodorant (both male and female)
- ✓ adult toothbrushes
- ✓ body wash
- ✓ body lotion
- ✓ hand soap
- ✓ men's razors.



Items that are always needed include toilet paper, dish soap, laundry soap, toothpaste, and bar soap. Please bring your donations any time before April 18th and leave them at the top of the stairs to the right. Thank you to all who are able to support this effort.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Priests are allowed into the hospital. There may be some situations, like Covid patients in ICU, where we would be limited in our ministry, but in general we are able to minister to the very seriously ill when we are on the pager. Access to nursing homes can be very limited, but in most parts of the hospital we are able to anoint.

LET'S TRY FIRST COME FIRST SERVE

Beginning next week you do not need to register for Mass. Over the course of the last year, we have been using Eventbrite to register for mass in an effort to keep our numbers within the provincial restrictions at any given time. This effort has not been without its challenges. Not all parishioners have computer access, and more often than not there are a couple of dozen registrations that do not show up for mass which prevents others from attending.

It will now be first come first serve. The church will be opened 15 minutes before Mass begins. If you come earlier you will need to wait outside. Please respect the social distancing directives and remember to wear your mask.

We are going to try our very best to seat people to get the most out of the space that we have. This worked very well over the Easter Triduum, so we will continue in this way. You will be asked to wait in the upper Narthex after you have signed in, and an usher will direct you to your seats.

Once we have reached capacity, we will be locking the doors and posting a sign indicating that we are full.

After Mass we ask that you do not linger as the space needs to be cleaned. We will continue to give Communion from 11-11:30AM to those who will be watching at home.

THANK YOU FOR THE GOOD EFFORT DURING HOLY WEEK

A note of thanks to everyone who assisted during Holy Week in any way. It was as is so much now a strange time with limited liturgies and smaller crowds. We did keep on track to celebrate the sacred mysteries and we are deeply thankful for the participation of all at home and at church.

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