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#### **PARISH STAFF**

Rachael Da Silva, Administrative Assistant Maria Young, Part-time Parish Secretary J.R. Lagman, Custodian

#### **OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

#### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:15 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

#### Weekday Masses

Monday – Friday 8:00 am Saturday & Holidays 9:00 am First Friday Adoration 12pm to 7pm Mass

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm or by request

#### You're welcome to join us for the Rosary!

Monday – Friday 8:30 am Saturday & Holidays 9:30 am

#### **Baptism**

Please contact the office for Enrollment forms

#### Marriage

12 months advanced notice required Preparation course is a prerequisite

#### Do you feel called to Holy Orders or Religious Life?

Contact 416-968-0997 or vocationstoronto.ca

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:00 pmWeekends & Statutory Holidays: Closed

#### WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

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.

George Martin

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Altar Carvara

Altai Servers	George Martin
Becoming Catholic	Brenda Chang
Catholic Cemetery – Holy Cross	905-889-7467
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Catholic Women's League	Annette Brennan
Euchre	Agnes Carrey
Funeral Choir	Madeleine Swain
Knights of Columbus	John Lyn
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Marriage Preparation	416-921-1163
Music Ministry	Dan Smith
Prayer Group	Edwin & Anita Andrade
Retrouvaille	torontoretrouvaille.com
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Lisa DiSera
Volunteer Screening	Maria Young
Welcome Table	Annette Crisson
Welcoming Arms	Doug Steele

#### PARISH SCHOOLS

Holy Spirit	905-713-6813
Light of Christ	905-727-5400
Our Lady of Grace	905-727-5631
St. Jerome	905-727-6593
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York Catholic District School Board	905-727-1211



### Mass Intentions

Mon. Nov. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Deceased members of the Di Pasquale family	
Tue. Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup>	8am	(SI) Christiana Oshiokpekhai	
Wed. Nov. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8am	(SI) Bernadette Boissonneault	
Thu. Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Marciana Santiago	
Fri. Dec. 1st	8am	+ Kathleen, George & Ronald Vaughan	
	7pm	+ Melita Mary Fenech, + Lucy Sousa	
Sat. Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette, + Don Crocker, + Alan Deary	
	5pm	(SI) Agnes Masiukiewicz	
Sun. Dec. 3rd	8:15am	+ John O'Bireck	
	10am	+ Neil O'Brien	
	7pm	+ Don Crocker	



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Mon. - Fri., after the 8am Mass, the Rosary will take place during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9am (Eucharistic Adoration also every first Friday of the month from 5pm to 7pm, followed by Benediction & Mass at 7pm).

#### **Parish Reconciliation**

Parish Reconciliation including
Reconciliation for First Holy Communion
candidates, Confirmation candidates,
and their families will take place on
Dec. 15 from 6pm to 7:30pm &
Dec. 16 from 2pm to 4pm.

There will be several priests available on each of the above days to hear confessions. Please see below the links provided on "How to go to Confession" & "Examination of Conscience."

For Youth: <u>guide-youth-en-2016.pdf (archtoronto.org)</u>
For Adults: <u>guide-adult-en-2016.pdf (archtoronto.org)</u>

#### **New Missals**

New missals will now be available at the parish office while supplies last. Price for each missal: \$7 for adults and \$10 for children.

St. Andrew, the Apostle: Feast Day – November 30th



"As Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed Him." Matthew 4:18-22



#### Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

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Fourth Sunday of Advent	Dec. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5pm (Vigil Mass)	
	Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am & 10am	
Christmas Eve	Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	4pm (children's Mass), 6pm & 8pm	
Christmas Day	Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am, 10am & 12noon (last Mass)	
Feast of the Holy	Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup>	5pm (Vigil Mass)	
Family	Dec. 31st	8am, 10am & 12noon	
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	Dec. 31st	5pm (Vigil Mass) NEW	
	Jan. 1st	8am, 10am & 12noon	

#### 2023 Christmas Market and Raffle



Looking for unique Christmas gifts?

Do you have a sweet tooth?

Are you free on
Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>?

If you answered yes

to any of the above, you won't want to miss The Catholic Women's League Christmas Market and

Raffle on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9am to 2pm.

Come join us in the parish hall at

Our Lady of Grace Church. Treat yourself at our
delicious bake sale table, or from our vendors, raffles,
and more. There's something for everyone!

Please come out to this holiday tradition and help us support local charities in our community.

## Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – your assistance is requested!

Our Archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan.

To participate in the consultation, visit:

www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a brief survey by Dec. 15, 2023, where you can offer your suggestions and insights. The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance

for sharing your insights, ideas, and discernment.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Jesse Tree Program 2023



Our Jesse Tree will be up in the narthex of the church beginning next Sunday and will remain until Christmas. St. Vincent de Paul Jesse Tree Program will once again support Rose of Sharon Newmarket, Street Haven, and the Good Shepherd Centre through financial support, gift cards, and warm winter ware. To participate, please select a tag from the tree and return your gift to the church at your convenience. Thank you for your continued support of this very important program, especially during these financially difficult times. God bless.

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of reading scripture, silent prayer, and various fasting practices, all done as part of a fraternity of men journeying together. To date, more than 100,000 men around the world have journeyed through this spiritual exercise, and now we are bringing Exodus 90 to our parish.

If you are interested in more information.

If you are interested in more information, please contact Rick Sobiesiak at olgraceau.exodus@gmail.com.

# From the Pastor's Desk

#### **Offertory Envelopes**

Offertory envelopes are now available in the narthex of the church. This year,



thanks to our new computer software, you will be using the same number as last year. The envelopes will be in numerical order. In the event you can't remember your number, an alphabetical list will be provided to be of help; please ask a minister if you require assistance. Please note: do NOT use your envelopes until the new year.

#### Register at Our Lady of Grace (OLG)

We encourage all OLG parishioners to register their family at the parish. If you have moved or added new family members recently, it's also a



good time to fill out a FRESH Registration Form.
Registering helps us better understand the needs of
the parish and plan programs to support you and your
family throughout your faith journey. ALSO,
you may want to consider PAG (see below for details).

#### **Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)**

Have you considered an easier way of supporting the parish? PAG is a convenient way: you decide how much and



we will charge your account the amount you are comfortable with on the 20th of each month. You can change the amount at anytime by contacting us. How much? For example, if you currently give: \$12/week that would be around \$52/month; and if you give \$25/week that would be around \$108/month. Kindly consider this convenient way of supporting our parish. PAG forms (blue) may be found near both main entrances of the church or on the shelves by the parish office.

"The door to Heaven is the Heart of Jesus. The key to this door is prayer and love." - St. André Bessette

Help Homeless Youth Through ShareLife
Double the impact of your kindness by
donating before Jan. 1, 2024 at the parish

with a ShareLife envelope or at <a href="mailto:shareLife.org/donate">shareLife.org/donate</a>. "Your commitment to love and care for youth experiencing homelessness and trafficking truly means so much," says the agency's Director. "You give youth a real chance for a better future."

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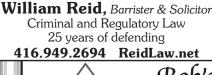


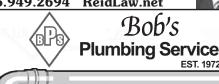
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