



# Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

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## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. John Bertão, Pastor  
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## PARISH STAFF

Rachael Da Silva, Administrative Assistant  
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## 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](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Weekends & 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.


## PARISH MINISTRIES


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Retrouvaille	<a href="http://torontoretrouvaille.com">torontoretrouvaille.com</a>
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Lisa DiSera
Volunteer Screening	Maria Young
Welcome Table	Annette Crisson
Welcoming Arms	Doug Steele

## PARISH SCHOOLS

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Cardinal Carter H.S.	905-727-2455
York Catholic District School Board	905-727-1211


**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

 <span style="font-size: 1.2em; color: #4F81BD;">Mass Intentions</span>		
Mon. Dec. 11 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Guadalupe Agurre
Tue. Dec. 12 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Giuseppe & Maria Giannotti
Wed. Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Thu. Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Adelina & Domenico Barbuto
Fri. Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Phyliss Clarke
Sat. Dec. 16 <sup>th</sup>	9am	+ Anna Maria & Luigi Pompilio, + Iwona, + Elzbieta, + Zbyszek, + Bob & Betty Reid, + Natalie Palmer, + Roman Jodlowski
	5pm	+ Mario Leone
Sun. Dec. 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	+ Al Quesnelle
	10am	+ Clariza Miguel
	7pm	+ Dora Miceli



**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: [guide-youth-en-2016.pdf \(archtoronto.org\)](#)  
For Adults: [guide-adult-en-2016.pdf \(archtoronto.org\)](#)

??? **Unknown Envelope Numbers** ???

We kindly ask that the owners of envelope numbers 163, 176, 217, 414 & 457 put your name and address on your envelope the next time you use it. This will enable us to issue you your tax receipt for the year 2023.

Thank you for your co-operation.



**Our Lady of Guadalupe**  
Feast Day – Dec. 12

“Let not your heart be disturbed... Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything. Am I not here, who is your Mother?”

- Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego



**Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule**

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 Family	Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup>	5pm (Vigil Mass)
	Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	8am, 10am & 12noon
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	5pm (Vigil Mass) NEW
	Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8am, 10am & 12noon

\*\* Please Note: Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve/Day, Feast of the Holy Family & the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God are all Holy days of obligation.\*\*



Schools	Rehearsal	Mass
Ecole Renaissance, Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Grace	Jan. 15, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 22, 2024 at 7pm
St. Jerome	Jan. 16, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 23, 2024 at 7pm
St. Joseph, Light of Christ, Our Lady of Hope	Jan. 17, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 24, 2024 at 7pm
Cardinal Carter, Country Day School, Dr. G.W. Williams, Good Shepherd, Hartman, Our Lady of the Annunciation, Our Lady of the Rosary, Regency Acres, Rick Hansen, St. Andrew's College, St. Elizabeth Seton, St. John Chrysostom, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Nicholas, Villanova, Wellington, Windham Ridge	Jan. 18, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 25, 2024 at 7pm

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



Our Jesse Tree is up in the narthex of the church and will remain there 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.

**Liturgical Publications**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2024 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

**Your compassion helps people with disabilities**



Double the impact of your kindness by donating before Jan. 1, 2024 at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

Through your compassionate generosity, Mary Centre partners with adults with a developmental disability in its mission of "building a good life". This ShareLife-funded agency offers integrated support services, providing respite for clients and their caregivers.

**2023 Christmas Market and Raffle**



Thank you to all the parishioners and friends who came out to support the CWL's 2023 Christmas Market and Raffle. It was a fabulous event,

with lots of fun for all. A special thanks to all the students who showed up to help us out, everyone who bought tickets, and to those who provided the prizes! The winners will be posted on our website. Hope to see you all next year!!



**St. Benedict Advent Mission**  
(2194 Kipling Ave., Etobicoke)  
Facilitated by Fr. Tom Rosica  
From 7pm to 9pm each day on  
Dec. 18 - Vespers w/ Talk 1,  
Dec. 19 - Mass with Talk 2



& Dec. 20 - Reconciliation Service with Talk 3.

A reception will follow in the parish hall on the final evening. A free-will offering will be collected each evening in gratitude for our speaker, Fr. Tom.

**Totus Tuus Missionary Applications**

Missionary applications are now open!

We are inviting young adult leaders who are seriously discerning God's calling in their lives and



who have a desire to teach children about Jesus in a joyful way, to apply to be a Totus Tuus missionary. We are currently recruiting young adult missionaries from ages 19 to 30 years for the summer of 2024. If you know of someone who is committed to their spiritual growth and is enthusiastic about making our Catholic faith come to life for children and teens, please encourage them to apply.

Apart from receiving a fair wage, they will experience a life-changing summer. To apply, they can complete the application form on the Totus Tuus website at [www.totustuutoronto.ca](http://www.totustuutoronto.ca) before Jan. 31, 2024.

For more information, please contact the Office of Catholic Youth by email at [youth@archtoronto.org](mailto:youth@archtoronto.org) or by phone at (416) 599-7676.

"When you pray you talk to God the way you do a friend."

- St. André Bessette

**Vocation Seeds**

"... the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight.'"



Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at (416) 968-0997 or [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org). For more information, go to [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

**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](http://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.

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