

Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

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PARISH STAFF

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OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sunday Masses

Saturday vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00 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 5:00 pm - 6:45 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm

Reconciliation

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

Baptism

Families must be registered and regularly attending Mass. Parents and godparents must also attend a baptism preparation session before the baptism date. Please contact the office for Baptism registration forms.

Marriage

12 months advanced notice required before a date can be confirmed. 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 pm Weekends & Statutory Holidays: Closed

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

If you are making Our Lady of Grace your parish, please register by completing a registration form found near both entrances of the church or on the shelves by the parish office. If you require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office at 905-727-4594. Also, kindly contact the office if you move or have added new members to your family that have not been registered.

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 any time by contacting the parish office. 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. The PAG form (blue) may be found near both entrances of the church or on the shelves by the parish office.

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905-713-6813
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PASTORAL REFERENCES

To receive a pastoral reference, you must be a registered parishioner, attending Sunday Mass regularly, and participating in the sacramental and pastoral life of the Church community, be serving in a parish ministry (e.g. lector, catechist) on an ongoing basis, and be in good canonical standing within the Church.

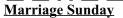
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MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon., Jan. 15 th	8am	+ Patricio Monge		
Tue., Jan. 16 th	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette		
Wed., Jan. 17 th	8am	(SI) Bernadette Boissonneault		
Thu., Jan. 18 th	8am	+ Souls in Purgatory		
Fri., Jan. 19 th	8am	+ Edilberto de la Cruz Sr.		
Sat., Jan. 20 th	9am	+ Carmelo Antonietta & Michael Cornacchia, Rev. Pat Fitzpatrick, + Irene Vernon		
	5pm	+ Josephine Phillips		
Sun., Jan. 21st	8am	+ Giuseppe Joe Caputo		
	10am	+ Anna Grimaldi		
	7pm	+ Norberto Del Rosario		

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 commencing at 5pm, followed by Benediction at 6:45pm & Mass at 7pm).





Most Rev. Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024.

The Mass will take place at

3pm on Sun., Feb. 11, 2024, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. All are welcome to attend.

Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass at https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/.

The Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle

The broadcast will begin at 2:45pm.

(Jan. 25 – Feast Day)

"Do you not realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you and whom you received from



God? You are not your own property, then; you have been bought at a price. So use your body for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 6: 19-20

Prayer for our Confirmation Candidates

"God our Father, we thank You for our young people who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.



You call each one of them

by name and promise that whatever happens in their lives, You will be with them always. We pray that this journey to Confirmation will be an opportunity for them to deepen their faith and renew their hope in You so that Your love may shine through them to the world.

Send Your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and guide.

Give them the gifts of wisdom and understanding, the gifts of right judgement and courage, the gifts of knowledge and reverence.

Fill them with the gifts of wonder and awe in Your presence.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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

From the Pastor's Desk



Happy New Year! Just a brief reminder from the pastor of some events we are working on this month to kick off the New Year:

- Holy hour every first Friday commencing at 5pm, with Benediction at 6:45pm and Mass at 7pm
- Coffee Sunday after the 10am Mass
- All children are invited to the children's liturgy during the 10am Mass starting Sun., Jan. 21st
- On Sun., Jan. 14th at the 12 noon Mass, His Grace, Archbishop Francis Leo, will be the celebrant and bless our renovated church --- bring a friend
- Parish Confirmation Masses will take place on the evenings of Jan. 22, 23, 24 & 25

Fr. Ravi and I look forward to serving you in the sacramental life of our parish and I thank our wonderful volunteers for all the work they do in helping us make these and other events possible. THANK YOU.

Fr. John

Parish Debt Reduction



Next weekend, on Jan. 20th- 21st, there will be a second collection which will go towards our parish debt. Please give generously. Your efforts help to support our parish life and community.

Thank you for your kindness.

Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev. Francis Leo – "Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and **Beyond All Other Things**"



Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto. entitled, "Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things".

This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year and strive to build and strengthen the Kingdom of God throughout our archdiocese.

The Pastoral Letter can be accessed by visiting the archdiocesan website at: www.archtoronto.org.

Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France

We will be attending a special celebration commemorating the apparitions and "Miracle of the Sun" of Our Lady of Fatima on Oct. 12th.

Led by Fr. John Bertao & Fr. Peter Choi When: Oct. 10 - 21, 2024 (12 days) Cost \$4,395 includes:



♦ Air transportation from Toronto

(unless specified otherwise), incl. all taxes and surcharges

- ♦ Hotel accommodation 1st class or superior tourist class based on double occupancy (single supplement \$850).
- ♦ 2 meals daily (breakfast and dinner)
- ♦ All sightseeing as per itinerary, with an **English-speaking guide**
- All tips for drivers, guides, restaurants, and hotels.

For more information and registration, contact: 877-999-8868 or 416-444-6666.

Halina – ext. 315 or halina@ihtours.com:

Liliana – ext. 324 or liliana@ihtours.com;

Alex – ext. 317 or alex@ihtours.com.

You can also view trip details and register online at www.ihtours.com.







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When: Sat., Jan. 20th from 9:30am to 3:30pm **Cost: \$70**

Led by: Anna Racine To register, call 905-356-4113 or visit www.carmelniagara.com.

Liturgical Publications

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

Vocation Seeds

St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy,



Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at (416) 968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org. For more information, go to www.vocationstoronto.ca. Susan Duggan 647-923-8062 dugganlaw.ca

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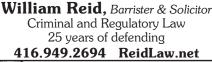


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