

Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

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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.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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| 905-727-5400 |
| 905-727-5631 |
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| 905-727-5782 |
| 905-727-5652 |
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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.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

www.catholic-cemeteries.com

| MASS INTENTIONS | | | |
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| Mon., Jan. 29th | 8am | + Rosa Amore | |
| Tue., Jan. 30 th | 8am | + Cecile & Hubert Thauvette | |
| Wed., Jan. 31st | 8am | + Kathyrn Elizabeth Hull | |
| Thu., Feb. 1st | 8am | + Ryan Sheridan | |
| Fri., Feb. 2 nd | 8am | (SI) Chong Ye & Chiu Jung Lin & family | |
| | 7pm | (SI) Lidy Ann Rodriguez, + Mauro Gramolini | |
| Sat., Feb. 3 rd | 9am | + Virginia Coutts | |
| | 5pm | + Gerry & Kaylee Mc Donald | |
| Sun., Feb. 4 th | 8am | + Thomas Lee | |
| | 10am | + Rita Marinucci | |
| | 7pm | (SI) Lorna D'Souza | |

MASS OF HEALING



We will be celebrating a
Mass of Healing
on Sat., Feb. 10th at 11am here
at Our Lady of Grace Church.
Bring a friend. All are welcome!

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).

TAX

2023 Tax Receipts

The 2023 tax receipts will be mailed out mid-February.
Thank you for your generous support.



PAG ENVELOPES

Please note: PAG envelopes that were not picked up were mailed out this past week. A special thank you to all those who were able to pick up their envelopes.

To all donors, your generosity continues to support parish life and activities. Thank you.

St. Thomas Aquinas (Feast Day – Jan. 28th)



"Perfection of moral virtue does not wholly take away the passions, but regulates them.

- St. Thomas Aquinas

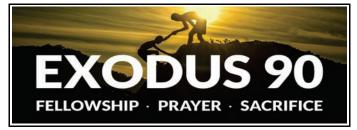
WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY



Our Bible Study on

What We Believe: The Beauty of the Catholic Faith will begin on Wed., Apr. 3rd and will run for 10 weeks. The focus of the study will be on: "What the Catholic Church is all about" and "What does it mean to be Catholic?" We invite you to join us on another incredible journey by dropping off your payment of \$45 (cash or cheque) at the parish office before Feb. 21st. Please mark clearly on the envelope: your full name, phone number, and email address (drop through the door slot at the parish office if the office is closed). Looking forward to another amazing experience together!

Experience Lent through an 'Exodus 90' Men's Group



'Exodus 90' is a set of spiritual disciplines rooted in prayer, asceticism, and fraternity. It provides a focused way to help men free themselves from modern-day attachments, grow closer to God, and be more present to loved ones. If you're interested in experiencing Lent as part of an 'Exodus 90' fraternity, please contact Rick Sobiesiak at olgraceau.exodus@gmail.com.

Marriage Sunday



When: Sun., Feb. 11th at 3pm Where: St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto) Celebrant: Most Rev. Archbishop

Francis Leo

For more information or to register, visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

Mass will be Livestreamed at https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/.

The broadcast will begin at 2:45pm.

A Spiritual Pilgrimage to Greece & Turkey: in the Footsteps of St. Paul & the 7 Churches of Revelation



Led by: Fr. Ravi Kakumanu, Spiritual Director

When: Sep. 25 – Oct. 4, 2024 Cost: \$4,875 - includes:

- ♦ Return airfare from Toronto (including taxes)
- ♦ Double occupancy 3 4 star accommodation with daily breakfast and dinner
- ♦ All tours by Deluxe Motor Coach as per itinerary
- **♦** Cable car in Pergamum
- ♦ Cruise to the 3 Saronic islands of Greece
- ♦ Bosphorus cruise in Istanbul
- ♦ English-speaking professional local guides
- **♦** All entrance fees to places of interest

A deposit of \$700 guarantees you a spot! A rebate of \$150 is offered for payment by e-transfer or cheque.

For more information or to register, Call: 905-279-8000 / 1-888-463-3637 or email: remyp@sympatico.ca.

Healing After Abortion

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion?

There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime.

A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates are: Feb. 10, Apr. 20 & Jul. 20, 2024. For more details, locations, and confidential registration - or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 416-463-2722 or reach us by email at toronto@sistersoflife.org.

Liturgical Publications

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

<u>Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev. Francis Leo –</u>
<u>"Seeking the Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things"</u>



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

- ♦ 1st class hotel accommodation 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 or to register,

contact: 877-999-8868 or 416-444-6666.

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

Liliana – ext. 324 or <u>liliana@ihtours.com</u>;

Alex – ext. 317 or <u>alex@ihtours.com</u>.

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

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre invites

Cancer Patients & Caregivers to a Day of Retreat
to Experience God's Healing Love

When: Sat., Feb. 17th (registration starts at 8:30am) Cost: \$45 Where: Queen of Apostles Renewal Ctr. (1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga)

For more information, contact Jean at 905-278-5229.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Led by: Fr. Peter Choi When: May 12 - 23, 2024 Cost \$2,680 - includes:



- **♦** Roundtrip airfare between Toronto and
- Sarajevo, land transfer between Sarajevo airport and Medjugorje, airport taxes, and all gratuities
- ♦ A priest as spiritual director, an English-speaking pilgrimage guide, and coordinators
- ↑ Air tickets issued by a licensed travel agency, a member of TICO

There will be daily Mass, evening prayer, going up the Apparition Hill and Cross Mountain, group sharing, and visiting places of worship and interest in Medjugorje and vicinity (depending on the availability and schedules of the locals).

For more information or to register, call: 416-800-6311

or text/WhatsApp Dominic Lau at 416-617-0173 or text/WhatsApp Christin Lau at 416-726-8899.

You can download the registration form at https://bit.ly/qpmedjugorje-202405 or scan



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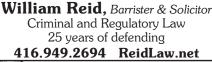


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