



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

Holy Spirit 905-713-6813

Light of Christ 905-727-5400

Our Lady of Grace 905-727-5631

St. Jerome 905-727-6593

St. Joseph 905-727-5782

St. Maximilian Kolbe H.S. 905-727-5652

Cardinal Carter H.S. 905-727-2455

York Catholic District School Board 905-727-1211

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon., Mar. 18 th	8am	+ Bob & Betty Reid
Tue., Mar. 19 th	8am	+ Edilberto de la Cruz
Wed., Mar. 20 th	8am	+ Patricia Ann Fetherstone
Thu., Mar. 21 st	8am	+ Alice & Martin Niland
Fri., Mar. 22 nd	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Sat., Mar. 23 rd	9am	+ Marco Dante, + Bellarosa Andrada, + Soher Zakher
	5pm	+ Deceased Bishops & Priests
Sun., Mar. 24 th	8am	- No Intentions -
	10am	- No Intentions -
	7pm	- No Intentions -

NEW **Sanctuary Candle Sponsorship Program**

Upon request, we will be commencing special sponsorship for the two sanctuary candles on each side of the tabernacle as follows:



- ◆ candles can only be sponsored as a pair
- ◆ donation to sponsor a per pair of candles is \$80 per month
- ◆ candles can only be purchased on a monthly basis as per table below
- ◆ a tax receipt will be issued
- ◆ the intention of the donor will be printed upon request in the bulletin, if the commitment is made one month in advance

Please note: at present, the sponsorship is full until May 13, 2024. See table below for available dates.

Mar. 8 th to Apr. 12 th	(SI) Lee Wilson & family
Apr. 13 th to May. 12 th	+ Souls of deceased Bishops & Priests
May. 13 th to Jun. 12 th	**AVAILABLE**
Jun. 13 th to Jul. 12 th	**AVAILABLE**
Jul. 13 th to Aug. 12 th	**AVAILABLE**
Aug. 13 th to Sep. 12 th	**AVAILABLE**
Sep. 13 th to Oct. 12 th	**AVAILABLE**
Oct. 13 th to Nov. 12 th	**AVAILABLE**

Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Mar. 19th



“If Joseph was so engaged, heart and soul, in protecting and providing for that little family at Nazareth, don’t you think that now in heaven he is the same loving father and guardian of the whole Church, of all its members, as he was of its Head on earth?”

-Venerable Pope Pius XII



Potted Easter Flowers
We welcome your gift of potted Easter flowers of Hydrangea & Azalea to decorate our Sanctuary.

Please bring them starting Mar. 22nd until Mar. 29th and place them in the upper narthex (top of the stairway). We thank you for your generosity.




Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday Vigil	Sat., Mar. 23 rd	5pm
Palm Sunday	Sun., Mar. 24 th	8am, 10am, 12pm & 7pm
Mass of The Lord's Supper	Thu., Mar. 28 th	7pm, followed by adoration until 9pm
Good Friday	Fri., Mar. 29 th	Service with Holy Communion at 9am & 12pm, Stations of the Cross only – 3pm, - office closed -
Blessing of Food	Sat., Mar. 30 th	12pm (noon)
Easter Vigil	Sat., Mar. 30 th	7pm
Easter Sunday	Sun., Mar., 31 st	8am, 10am, 12pm & 2pm (no 7pm Mass)
Easter Monday	Mon., Apr. 1 st	9am, office closed


LENTE FASTING & ABSTINENCE
PRESENTED BY JONATHAN TEIXEIRA FOR THE FOCUS BLOG




WHEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

ABSTINENCE


WHO



CATHOLICS 14+
ARE OBLIGED TO PRACTICE ABSTINENCE



CATHOLICS 18-59
ARE OBLIGED TO FAST



THOSE OUTSIDE THE AGE LIMITS
and those whose state in life (e.g. pregnant women, manual laborers, those who are ill) may be excused from the requirements of fasting and abstinence, but are encouraged to take up some other form of penitence or acts of charity or piety.

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 



The following toiletries are URGENTLY needed:

- ◆ Laundry Soap
- ◆ Dish Soap
- ◆ Shampoo & Conditioner
- ◆ Body Wash
- ◆ Toilet Paper
- ◆ Paper Towels

Please leave your donations on the upper narthex. Donations will be collected until the weekend of Mar. 16th - 17th. Thank you so much.



... for all your ShareLife support.

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday, and it marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you, who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Our parish goal this year is \$147,500. You can donate at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, or online through our parish website at



<https://olgraceau.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/>.

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.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!!! (Sun., Mar. 17th)

Old Irish Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind always be at your back.
May the sunshine warm upon your face,
and rains fall soft upon your fields.
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.



15th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

When: Sat., Mar. 23, 2024

Time: 9am - 4pm

Where: Old Mill

(Old Mill Subway Station)



Speakers: Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare; Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God; Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer; Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson (wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson); Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group.
To register, visit: www.dynamicwomenfaith.com.

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