



# *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  
Maria Young, Part-time Parish Secretary  
J.R. Lagman, Custodian

## **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](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 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com)

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon., Nov. 25 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Carlos Martins
Tue., Nov. 26 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Wed., Nov. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Deceased members of the Di Pasquale family
Thu., Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Armando Napao
Fri., Nov. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Wanda & Vincent Olczak
Sat., Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup>	9am	(SI) Da Silva family, + Marciana Santiago, + Costanzo Colantonio, + Joyce Ross, + Joan A. Singh, + Bob Keegan, + Souls in Purgatory
	5pm	+ Joseph Lee
Sun., Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8am	+ Giuseppe Nesci
	10am	+ Carmine Frijio
	12pm	“Populo” for the intentions of our parish families
	7pm	+ Humberto Mejia


**Lighting a Candle 'Gift' Cards**  
 Lighting a candle for someone? Please help yourself to a 'gift' card that you can give/send to the individual you lit the candle for. They are located by the candle stands.

“There are people who suffer much more than me.” - Carlo Acutis

Sanctuary Candles sponsored Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Dec. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 for: (SI) Dave Tate & family	
Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 to Jan. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Sayaman family
Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Letassey & Yap families
Feb. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Mar. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Peter Yiu
Mar. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Apr. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Aldo Cristofoli
Apr. 13 <sup>th</sup> to May 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Vinluan family
May 13 <sup>th</sup> to Jun. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Donkers & Blanco families
Jun. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Jul. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Jack & Ruth Doris
Jul. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Aug. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Alberto & Louro families
Aug. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Sep. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	(SI) Chen family
Sep. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Oct. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Alberto & Louro families
Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Da Silva & D'Souza families
Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Dec. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Deceased Priests & Bishops

 Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule		
Mon., Dec. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8am	Advent
Tue., Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Advent
Tue., Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	4pm - Children's Mass 6pm & 8pm - Family Masses	Christmas Eve
Wed., Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	8am, 10am & 12noon	Christmas Day
Thu., Dec. 26 <sup>th</sup> Fri., Dec. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Octave of Christmas
Sat., Dec. 28 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Holy Innocents
Sat., Dec. 28 <sup>th</sup>	5pm - Vigil Mass	Holy Family
Sun., Dec. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm	Holy Family
Mon., Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup> Tue., Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	8am	Octave of Christmas
Tue., Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	5pm - Vigil Mass	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year)
Wed., Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8am, 10am & 12noon	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year)

**Parish Reconciliation**



Parish Reconciliation will take place on  
**Sat., Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> from 3pm to 5pm.**  
 There will be several priests available 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 \(archtoronto.org\)](https://www.archtoronto.org/guide-youth-en-2016.pdf)  
**For Adults:**  
[guide-adult-en-2016.pdf \(archtoronto.org\)](https://www.archtoronto.org/guide-adult-en-2016.pdf)



**CWL Meeting**

Calling all sports fans!  
We've got tickets to some of the best sporting events in 2025.



Enter our draw for a chance to win either a pair of baseball tickets to see the Blue Jays in their newly renovated stadium OR a pair of tickets to see a home game of the Toronto Raptors OR a pair of tickets to a Toronto Maple Leafs home game. Tickets are \$10 each and the draw will take place at the CWL annual Potluck dinner on Tue., Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tickets are being sold after all Masses this weekend.

**Liturgical Publications**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2025 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.

**“Welcoming the Incarnation” - A Day of Reflection**

On Mon., Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, parishioner Mary Bastedo will lead this reflection at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre in Pickering. The day (9am - 3:30pm) will include talks by Mary, time for quiet prayer, sharing, confession, and Holy Eucharist. The suggested offering is \$65 (includes lunch and coffee/snack). Please register online at: [manresaregistration@outlook.com](mailto:manresaregistration@outlook.com).

**Exodus 90 Men's Group**

'Exodus 90' is a 90-day formation period of prayer, asceticism, and fraternity. It's a focused way to help men free themselves from modern-day attachments and grow closer to God. The next Exodus 90 begins in mid-January 2025 and covers the 90 days leading up to Easter Sunday. For more information about Exodus 90 at Our Lady of Grace, please contact Rick Sobiesiak at [olgraceau.exodus@gmail.com](mailto:olgraceau.exodus@gmail.com).

**Registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation**

Now closed. For those who have completed registrations, kindly refer to the schedule that was received with the sacramental packages for upcoming parent meetings and sacramental classes which will begin in 2025.



Thank you.

**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).



**St. Michael's Choir School presents GLORIA!**

This Christmas Concert will be held at Massey Hall on Sat., Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Tickets are now available at [www.masseyhall.com](http://www.masseyhall.com). Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT. For more information, please call (416) 397- 6367.

**Friars Student Writing Contest 2025**

(Nov. 11, 2024 – Jan. 13, 2025)

Theme: “Do you believe this?” (John 11:26)  
High school students aged 13 through 19 years from the Catholic School Boards in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event. Great prizes await the top three submissions. For more details, please visit: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

**Pilgrimage to St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal**

3 days & 2 nights – join us !!!

Led by Spiritual Directors: Fr. Peter Choi, Pastor of St. André Bessette, Maple & Fr. John Bertao, Pastor of Our Lady of Grace, Aurora

When: Fri., Apr. 4<sup>th</sup> – Sun., Apr. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Cost: \$635 for double occupancy, includes:

- ◆ luxury coach bus
- ◆ 2 nights stay at the Holiday Inn Convention Centre – Montreal Centre
- ◆ 3 breakfasts, 1 dinner
- ◆ taxes
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- ◆ private Mass
- ◆ and much more!!



Spend some time together with like-minded people, while giving up your worries to the Lord.

Explore St. Joseph's Oratory and see the fruit of St. André. Also, visit Historic Montreal, Trois Rivières, and Cap de la Madeleine with us.

For more information or to register, contact St. André Bessette Parish by phone at

289-553-1610 or via email [office@standrebessette.ca](mailto:office@standrebessette.ca).

Limited spots! A \$150 deposit will reserve your spot (balance due by Feb. 23, 2025).

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