



# Our Lady of Grace Parish

*Dedicated September 17, 1983*

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## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. John Bertão, Pastor

Fr. Rony Grayda, Associate Pastor

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am – 4 pm

Weekends & Statutory Holidays: Closed

## WELCOME TO OUR HOUSE OF PRAYER.

We are thankful for your visit. Do you plan on returning? Have you considered becoming a member? If so, please take a registration form with you and return it to the parish office. One of our parish staff will contact you, or you may contact us if you wish.

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm;

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, and 7 pm

### Weekday Masses

Monday – Friday: 8 am

(followed by Adoration & Rosary)

Saturday & Holidays: 9 am

### First Friday Adoration

Starts at 6 pm with Benediction  
at 6:45 pm and Mass at 7 pm

### Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 pm – 4:30 pm  
or by appointment

### Baptism

Families must be registered with envelopes for a minimum of one year and regularly attending Mass. A baptism preparation session is a prerequisite for both parents and godparents. Please contact the office for more information.

### Marriage

12 months advanced notice required before a date can be confirmed.

Preparation course is a prerequisite.



*Our Lady of Grace,  
pray for us!*

## WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PARISH

Pre-authorized giving (PAG) is an easy way of supporting the parish. 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 by the parish office.

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## PASTORAL REFERENCES

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

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon., Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Giuseppe & Maria Giannotti
Tue., Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Lucille Lanthier
Wed., Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Sonja Hanley
Thu., Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Therese Nguyen
Fri., Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup>	8am	(SI) Reid Family
Sat., Oct. 11 <sup>th</sup>	9am	(SI) Da Silva Family, + Therese Nguyen, + Jocelyn Acuna San Juan, + Allan Mary MacDonald, + Roberto Amador Flores Jr.
	5pm	+ Rita Whelan
Sun., Oct. 12 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Lorenza Savella
	10am	+ Deceased members of the Nalli Family
	12pm	"Populo" for the Intentions of our Parish Families
	7pm	+ Leszek Dziadula

**Office closed:** On Mon., Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, the office will be closed for Thanksgiving Day and the church will be closed after the 9am Mass and Rosary.

### 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.



**Sanctuary Candles sponsored  
Sep. 13<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for:  
+ Alberto & Louro families**



Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Da Silva & D'Souza families
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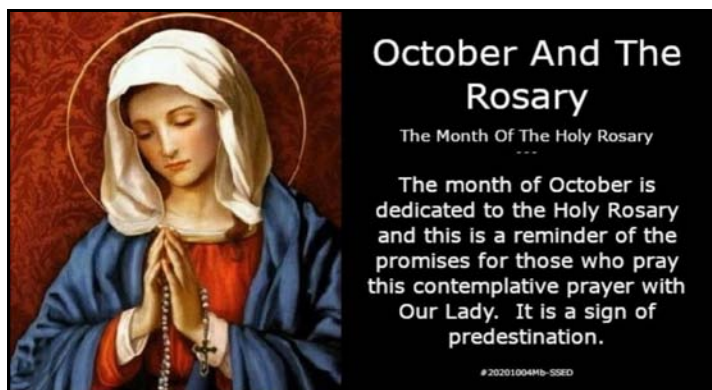
Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> to Dec. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	+ Deceased Priests & Bishops
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### Registration for Confirmation

As in the past two years, we will have the 'final preparation' sessions for those youth wanting to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Registration forms are available through the local catholic schools. For those in the public/other school sectors belonging to our parish, registration forms are available at the parish office. Dates and full details will be provided with the registration forms. Completed forms are to be returned to the Parish Office, NOT the school. Last day to register for Confirmation is Fri., Dec. 12, 2025.



### October And The Rosary

The Month Of The Holy Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary and this is a reminder of the promises for those who pray this contemplative prayer with Our Lady. It is a sign of predestination.

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### Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation - Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>

This weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection is in support of the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund, part of a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. To date, the Archdiocese of Toronto has allocated \$3.1 million to support projects that focus on culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities, and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth. Let us join together and follow the invitation extended by the late Pope Francis during his penitential visit of 2002 for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey.

For more information or to donate online, please visit  
[www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation).  
Thank you for your generosity.

### Life Chain – Sun., Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

Join thousands across Canada standing up against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration.

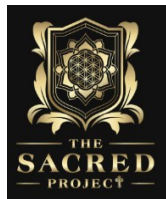
Where: at Yonge St. & Wellington St., Aurora  
Time: 2 – 3pm

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### Debt Reduction – Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>

Next weekend, our 2<sup>nd</sup> collection will go towards reducing our parish debt. Please give generously. Your efforts help to support our parish life and community. Thank you for your kindness.



### The Sacred Project Concert

We will be having a musical concert in our church on Sat. Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

The music director is Johnathan Michael, who is a cantor at St. Patrick's parish in Markham, as well as Daily TV Mass. The concert consists of 3 cellists, 3 violinists, a pianist & Jonathan as the lead tenor.

Tickets will be available for a donation of **\$25 for adults and \$20 for seniors** on the weekend of **Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>** in the upper narthex after each Mass.

Funds raised will help to create a second season of *The Sacred Project television series*.



### Christmas Market – Sat., Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

The CWL will be having their Christmas Market on Sat., Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 2pm. We are looking for a few more vendors. If you would like to be a vendor, please contact Nancy Orschel by email [nancy.orschel@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.orschel@gmail.com) or by phone at 905-841-6400.

### Miraculous Medals, Rosaries & Scapulars

The following items are available at the parish office for a donation.



- \$7 – Large Miraculous Medal
- \$5 – Medium Miraculous Medal
- \$3 – Small Miraculous Medal



\$7 - Wooden Rosary



\$5 - Scapular

### Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery – Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Home will be hosting a “Planning Ahead Information Session” on Tue., Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. This event will provide information on the benefits of planning ahead for a funeral as well as cemetery needs.

For more details and to RSVP, contact by phone 905-889-7467 ext.1 or email [holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca](mailto:holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca).

There will be refreshments and complimentary estate planning guide for all attendees.

### St. Andre Bessette Gala Grand Raffle - Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>

Grand Raffle Tickets will be sold after each Mass on the weekend of Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> for \$20/Ticket. Some prizes include:

- a \$2,500 cash prize
- Custom Cabinetry • Charcuterie Board + \$500 Greco Fresh Market Gift Card and much more.

As always, every ticket purchased directly supports the building of St. Andre Bessette Church.

Thank you for your generosity.



### Come & See Weekend Retreat - Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> to Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>

St. Augustine's Seminary is offering a Discernment Retreat for single men aged 18+ who feel the Lord may be calling them to discern the priesthood. Starts on

Fri., Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm and ends on Sun., Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00pm. Meals and accommodations will be provided.

For more details and to register, please visit [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee); or call Office of Vocations at 416-261-7207 ext. 801.



### Pilgrimage to Italy, Albania, Greece, Malta & Sicily

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18 September 2025

My dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord Jesus,

I extend greetings to the faithful of the archdiocese, grateful for all that you do to build up and strengthen the Kingdom of God in your home, parish and community. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.

In this Holy Year of Jubilee, we are called to reflect on our journey as Pilgrims of Hope. We are invited to discern how we may reconcile with those who may have caused us pain and we strive to build anew relationships that have been fractured in the past. The late Pope Francis, despite his advanced age and physical frailty, traveled to Canada on a penitential pilgrimage in 2022 to invite us to walk together with Indigenous Peoples of This Land and reflect on the pain and suffering experienced by many. As Pilgrims of Hope this year, I invite you to join me in praying for those who are still healing from emotional, physical and spiritual wounds. In a particular way, we lift our prayers to the Lord on 30 September, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

I would also invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) through a collection held in parishes on the weekend of 4/5 October. The fund was established by the Bishops of Canada in 2022 as part of our reconciliation efforts and is overseen by a National Board of Directors which includes Indigenous leaders and other members with relevant skills and expertise. As of September 2025, the national fund has raised more than \$21 million, tracking favourably to reach the five-year \$30 million commitment made in 2022.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we have allocated \$3.1 million to support projects through the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Our archdiocesan committee reviews project requests/proposals to ensure they meet the IRF criteria, sending both funds and proposals to the national body for timely approval and disbursement. You can learn more about these projects by visiting: [www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation).

As pilgrims on the journey, we remain mindful of the profound words offered by the late Pope Francis during his visit to Lac Ste. Anne, Alberta, a place of prayer and pilgrimage: *"May the Lord help us to move forward in the healing process, towards an ever more healthy and renewed future."*

I thank you for sharing your gifts and talents in abundance in service to the Lord. May this Year of Jubilee be a time of prayer, reflection and hope for you and your loved ones, as we give thanks for the abundance of blessings entrusted to each one of us by the Lord.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Protectress of Canada, pray for us.

Sincerely yours in Jesus with Mary,

Frank Cardinal Leo  
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