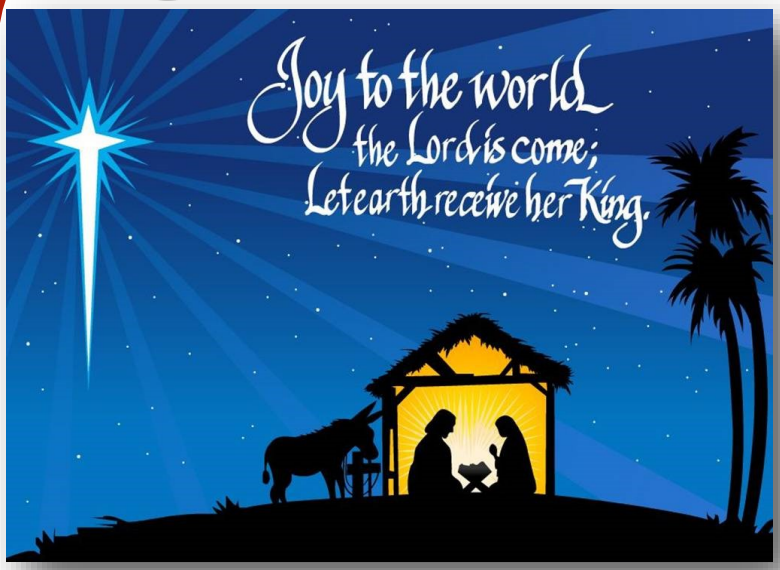
Our Lady of Peace Parish

Christmas/New Year

December 24-25, 2017 & Jan 31st –1st #4/2017-2018



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: Wed– Fri-9:00 a.m.
Tues –6:30PM
Weekend Mass:
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

ROSARY

20 Minutes before our Weekend Masses

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Mass: 9:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Adoration until Noon

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday's: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday's: 8:30 a.m.

Feasts of the Week
Tue 26: St. Stephen
Wed 27:St John
Thurs 28 :Holy Innocents

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Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish!

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish community. We are happy to assist you at our Information Desk before or after Mass. Here you can register at our parish, notify us of change of address, sign up for collection envelopes, get a Mass Card, notify the office of someone in the parish who needs prayers or a need that you may have. Someone will be at this table at least 15 minutes prior to Mass, and after as well.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:-Call the Parish Office if you need anointing at home or in the hospital.
Check bulletin for upcoming anointing schedules.
BAPTISM: Please call the office to register/information.
MARRIAGE: Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin the necessary preparations.
RCIA/RCIC: - Call the Parish Office for information.

Christmas Day	Mon. ,Dec 25th	10:30Am
Holy Family	Sat., Dec 30th	5:00PM
	Sun., Dec 31st	9AM & 10:30AM
Mary, Mother of God	Dec., 31st, 2017	7:00PM
Mary, Mother of God	Jan., 1st, 2018	10:30AM

Stewardship:

December 24, 2017 - 4th Sunday of Advent
"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"- Luke 1:28
Faith is a gift from God. Take time in silence and thank Him for all the gifts He has given you. Try to set aside any anger or resentment you have and really open your heart to receive the gift of God's mercy and forgiveness. We can't give what we don't have. We need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others.

Merry Christmas from Fr. James

I write to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It's been a very successful 2017 for our parish. Because of all of you and the different ministries and volunteers working with the spirit of Jesus Christ we celebrate this period with enriched liturgy, songs, Christmas carols and hymns, food drinks and gift-giving. We do all these because "the Word became flesh and dwells amongst us" (John 1:14).

This week of Christmas, we gather as domestic church and as parish community with our families and friends to celebrate that Day which the Gospel of Luke records thus: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy… For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:10, 11). Christ Jesus himself described the all-embracing reason for his appearance: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved" (John 3:16-17).

The Christmas season is a festival of lights and with our Christmas lights, we light up trees and window frames with tiny twinkling lights of many colors and we light our candles to "signify the light of Jesus Christ. Every time we light a candle, we are in line with what scriptures says: "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5). I see the light of Christ resplendent in all of our parishioners and I thank you all for your ministries in the parish and your spirituality. As Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace, we are blessed by the promise of Christ Jesus to the whole world, that: "on earth peace and good will toward men" (Luke 2:14).

Thus, as we celebrate, I wish you all a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and God bless you all and I thank you all for your love, friendship and support for the parish. Wishing you light of Christ in the midst of winter and a joy filled Christmas season.
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. James Owolagba
Pastor

Merry Christmas to all our Parishioners, volunteers, & Pastoral Council. Its been a wonderful and exacting experience with you in 2017. Thank you for all the love and warmth shown. Have a blissful 2018
…….Our Lady of peace Staff

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Mass	Readings	Mass Intention
Mon Dec25 10:30AM-Mass **Holy day of Obligation**	Isaiah 52.7-10; Heb 1.1-6 John 1.1-181.18-24	Lavonne Beasley by Liz Hycza
Tue Dec 26 **NO Mass**	Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59 Matthew 10.17.22	-
Wed Dec 27—**NO Mass**	1 John 1.1-4; John 20.2-8	-
Thurs Dec 28—9AM- Mass	1 John 1.5-2.2 Matthew 2.13-18	Noreen Skibinsky by Marian & Miles Lozinsky
Fri Dec 29:9AM Mass	1 John 2.3-11 Luke 2.22-35	+Lylla Fahlman by Gebriel
Sat Dec 30- 5pm Mass	1 John 2.12-17 Luke 2.36-40	Noreen Skibinsky by Marian & Miles Lozinsky
Sun Dec 31- 9am & 10:30am mass Holy family New year Eve-7:00PM	Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3.12-21 Luke 1.22-40	Darlene Laws by A.Rieger For all Parishioners Ken & Betty's Intention by James & Theresa Rushka
Mon Jan1 2018-10:30AM Mary, Mother of God **Holy day of Obligation**	Numbers 6.22-27; Gal 4.4-7; Luke 2.16-21	Thanksgiving by Nodado family. For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family
Tue Jan 2-6:30PM Mass	1 John2.22-28-4; John 1.19-28	For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family
Wed Jan 3-9AM- Mass	1 John2.29; 3.1-6 John 1.29-34	For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family
Thurs Jan 4-9AM- Mass	1 John 3.7-10 John 1.35-42	For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family
Fri Jan 5-9AM- Mass	1 John 3.11-21 John 1.43-51	For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family
Sat Jan 6- 5pm Mass	1 John 5.5-13 Mark 1.4-5, 7-11++	For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family
Sun Jan 7- 9am & 10:30am mass. Epiphany of the Lord	Isaiah 60.1-6 Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2.1-12	For God's divine Intervention by Mbachu & family

Parish Events & Meetings
Dec 25 – Jan 6, 2018

Mon Dec 25	Christmas Day Holy day of Obligation
Tues Dec 26	Office closed
Wed Dec 27	-
Thurs Dec 28	-
Fri Dec 29	-
Sat Dec 30	5:00 PM-
Sun Dec 31	4th Sunday of Advent
Mon Jan 1	New Year-Office closed Holy day of Obligation
Tue Jan 2	-
Wed Jan 3	6:00PM -RCIA class
Thurs Jan 4	-
Fri Jan 5	9:00AM -1st Friday Adoration
Sat Jan 6	5:00 PM-
Sun Jan 7	Epiphany of the Lord

Stewardship:

December 31, 2017 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph *"…as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." - Colossians 3:13*
Forgiveness - one of the hardest things for people to do. It's amazing how long we can hold a grudge or be angry with someone. As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, take this opportunity to give the gift of forgiveness to someone - maybe someone in your family, maybe a friend, maybe a co- worker or neighbor or, maybe yourself. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

Upcoming Parish Events

- **Our lady of Peace Concert Series -- Sunday, Jan 14, 2018 @3:30PM with Regina Nigerian Cath. Community**
- **Watch for dates for our Annual Bazaar, and yearly Garage Sale.**
- **SCRIPTURE STUDY - On upcoming Sunday readings. Starts Monday Jan 8 at 10:00 am to noon at 1309 Dover Avenue. Join us!! Always welcome!!**

Thanks to YOU the potato peelers, dough makers & rollers, and pinchers. Even with the 4 months of renovation, a total of **$5,387.50** has been contributed. Perogy making will continue in mid-January. Please come to help at any time...New workers always welcome.

Our lady of Peace Concert Series - Sunday January 14, 2018 –Regina Nigerian Community @ 3:30PM Refreshments and cookies. Free Will Offering.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Dec 16/17, 2017

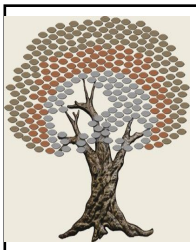
5pm - 897.75
9am - $1,723.75
10:30am - $899.85
TOTAL:$3,521.35

2018 DONATION ENVELOPES

The Donation Envelopes for 2018 are available at the entrance for you to pick up. ***Please do not use these envelopes until January 2018 as the envelope numbers have changed.***

If you do not have envelopes but would like to begin using them please contact the office or the Information desk. For your convenience you can also sign up with our Automated Funds Transfer Program, donations will come out of your bank account on the 2nd day of the month. This hassle free way to donate is easy to get started up, sign up forms are available at the Information Desk or at the parish office.

Tax Receipts are issued at the end of each year for your donations. **We appreciate your donations and we thank you in advance for your generosity in 2018!**



Memorial/Donation Fund --- An opportunity to

assist with our building renovation project. Anyone can donate, or a make donation in memory of a loved one. Names of donors of $500.00 or more will be displayed on a tree in the gathering area of our church. Information letters with donation envelopes can be found at the information table or more information obtained by calling the office. Tax deductible receipt is issued. Until our "tree" is being designed and completed, we are utilizing the bulletin. We have received the following:

In Memory of:
Lylla Fahlman, Ed Rieger, Mervin Rieger, Albert Sentes, Simon Hitcherick, Darlene Laws, Sid/Helen Zwirsky. Stan Krywulak, Joseph & Florida Castonguay & Betty Raboud

Donations from:
Simon Hitcherick, Judy Rieger, Charles & Anne Gelowitz, Monica Fahlman, Linh Diem Phan, Sang T Thov, Fr. Peter Nguyen, Jacob & Mary Martens, Anita Rieger John & Joanne Hartney .

To date $21,785 has been achieved.

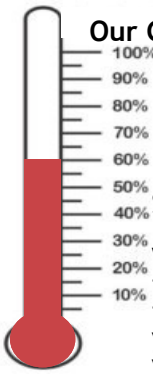
CWL Corner

- I Wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
- May God bless you and your families in 2018!!!
- Executive meeting Jan 2nd 1:30pm

General meeting Jan 16th Mass at 6:30pm with meeting to follow. - -kim Colehouse

Once again thanks to our dedicated Bingo Workers .. Since May to end of October \we have raised **$12,729.22.** Our January dates are .. (Early Jan. 15 & 29) (Late Jan. 3 & Jan. 21). Please call Anita at 543-0421 or the office if you can help in a half or whole shift. No experience necessary.

2017 Archbishop's Appeal Update as at Dec 20, 2017



Our Goal $24,468.00 2017- FYI

PREVIUOS YEARS GOAL/ACHIEVEMENT
2014 - $15,069 or 79% of the $19,149 goal
2015 - $18,569 or 95% of the $19,949 goal
2016 - $16,744 or 71% of the $23,747 goal

So far we have had donations totalling **$14,672.30.** This is 60% of the goal set for us. We thank all who have generously donated to this great cause. We ask for God's blessing on the donors to come. **Let's make this a great year and meet our goal. Please and Thank you—Tax receipts will also be issued**

10:30 Mass Rosary Schedule

All the parishioners who say the Rosary at the 10:30am Mass, the 2018 schedule is out. Please pick yours up at the Information Desk. Thanks Antonette Rothecker
If there is anyone who would like to help say the Rosary Please notify me Antonette 306-545-5397 or call the office 306-543-5355

Please pick up your January and February 2018 **Liturgy Schedules** at the Foyer Thank you. Wishing you a merry Christmas a prosperous New Year

The Christmas Mass on TV

For those who cannot make it to church, please join the Catholic Community this Christmas. Watch the Daily TV Mass:
Christmas Eve on Vision TV at 6:00 pm PT/ 7:00 pm MT/ 8:00 pm CT yesTV at 9:00 MT (Alberta Only)
Christmas Day at 8:00 am and 12:00 pm ET on VisionTV 11:00 am ET on Salt + Light.
You can also watch on the web at **www.dailytvmass.com**

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

TF66: I'm Spiritual But Not Religious Part 2

Eric and Brett continue the Christmas table-talk around the topic of being "spiritual but not religious". Part one looked at the spiritual part of that statement and asking what is really meant by the term 'spiritual'. This week they take it to the next level, looking at whether it is possible to live as a spiritual person without being in any way religious. Who says you can't talk about religion over Christmas dinner? That's what we're doing this week on Thinking Faith!
http://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/tf66-im-spiritual-but-not-religious-part-2

Archbishop's Appeal

Give the Gift of Hope this Christmas; Hope for the sick, Hope for our youth and Hope for those in prison. These are just a few of the ministries supported by the Archbishop's Appeal. If you have not already donated to the 2017 Archbishop's Appeal, it is not too late! You may donate online at our website - archregina.sk.ca, give at your parish, or call our office at 306.352.1651 ext. 210. We are so grateful to those who have already given. Thank YOU!

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