



# Feast Day for Prince of Peace

January 1

## What is the Feast Day for Prince of Peace?

The Feast Day for the Prince of Peace is celebrated on January 1st and holds significant religious importance in the Christian faith. This special day commemorates the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, and marks the beginning of the new year.

The history of this feast day dates back to the early centuries of Christianity. In the fourth century, during the reign of Emperor Constantine, January 1st was declared as the Feast of the Circumcision of Christ. However, in the liturgical reform of the Second Vatican Council in 1969, the Church renamed it as the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary's role as the mother of Jesus Christ, who is known as the Prince of Peace.

This feast day holds profound significance as it emphasizes the blessed motherhood of Mary and her unique role in the salvation story. It highlights the divine nature of Jesus as both fully human and fully divine, affirming the belief in the Incarnation, where God became man in the person of Jesus Christ. The title "Prince of Peace" emphasizes Jesus' mission to bring peace, love and reconciliation to humanity, offering hope and salvation.

On this day, Catholics around the world attend Mass to honour Mary, seeking her intercession and praying for peace in their lives and the world. The Feast Day for the Prince of Peace serves as a reminder of the profound love and mercy of God, as revealed through the Incarnation of Jesus Christ. It is a time of reflection, prayer and gratitude for the gift of Jesus and the powerful role of Mary in God's plan for humanity's redemption.

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[Prince of Peace CES Website](#)

[Our Lady of the Lake Parish website](#)



## Quotes

*"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."*

- John 14:27

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."*

- Matthew 5:9

*"When you find peace within yourself, you become the kind of person who can live at peace with others."*

- Peace Pilgrim

## Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;

Loving God,

On this Feast Day of the Prince of Peace,  
We thank you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ.

May His presence bring peace to our hearts  
and inspire us to be peacemakers in a divided world.

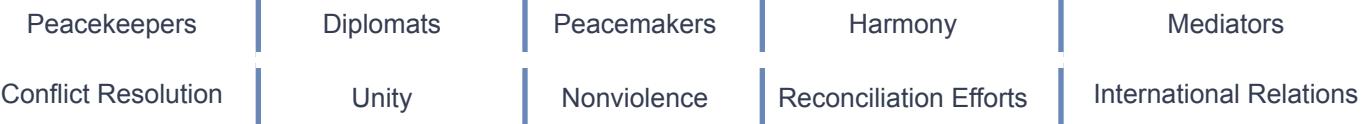
Grant us the courage to seek understanding and reconciliation,  
and may His love guide our actions and words.

We pray for peace among nations and healing for those affected by violence.

Help us to be instruments of your peace,  
spreading love  
and compassion wherever we go.

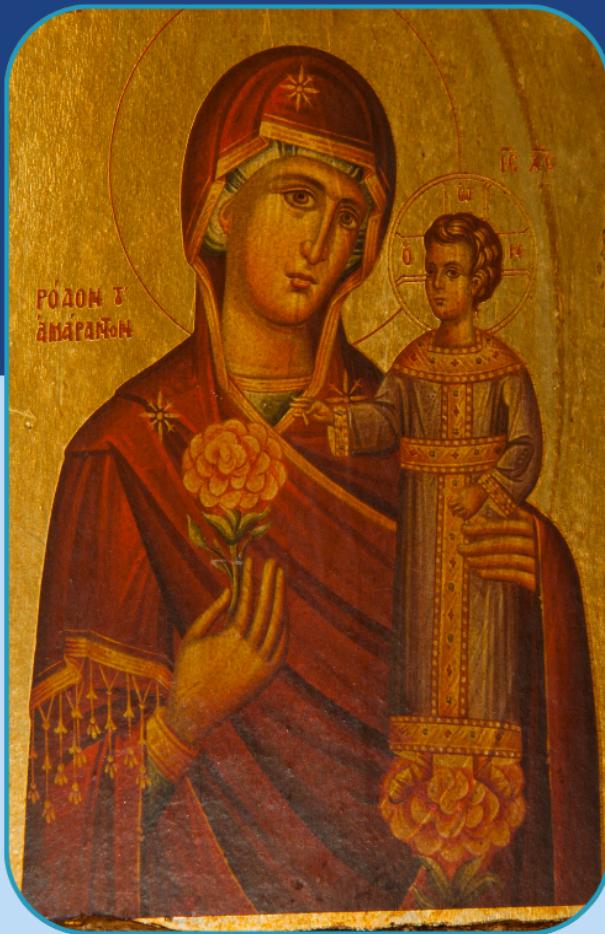
Amen.

## Patron Saint





## York Catholic District School Board



**FEAST DAY:**  
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**SCHOOL LOCATION:**  
Keswick, ON

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- Peacekeepers/Makers
- Diplomats & Mediators
- Unity & Harmony
- Nonviolence
- Conflict Resolution
- International Relations

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