Holy Eucharist

Daily Mass	
Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday (Adoration)	6:00 p.m.
(Holy Eucharist)	7:00 p.m.
Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
	6:00 p.m.
Native Peoples' Mass	12:30 p.m.

Bridgepoint Hospital 2:30 p.m.

The Parish Community of St. Ann

Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

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CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MINISTRY

UNITY IN DIVERSITY: "Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We value our diversity" (Mission Statement)

Celebration of Sacraments

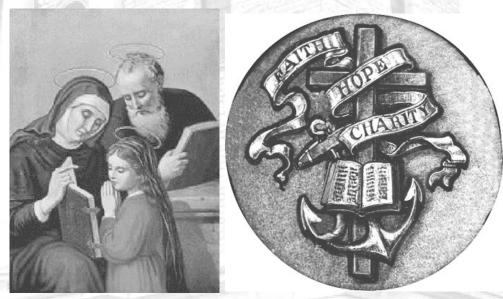
Baptism: preparation required (please contact office) Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment Matrimony: (couple contacts office one year in advance)

Pastoral Staff

	Vilson Andrade CSC			
In Residence				
Fr. Francis Noronha, CSC				
Secretary	Aymara Toro			
Finance	Anne Francis			
Pastoral Assistant				
	Maria Fernandes			
Baptism	Fe Santos			
RCIA	Rolly Cabas			
Development & Peace				
	Catherine Barry			
Food Bank				
Carlos & Colette Carreiro				
Music R	Ronald Vengie Fabre			
Custodian	Ed Keenan			
Caretaker	Rosalie Tolentino			
Cook	Cristina Acosta			

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday – Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday: Closed



"Many Ministries for one mission of Jesus Christ" (Cf. 1 Cor. 12)

Saturdays

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.: Food Bank 4:15 p.m.: Novena to St. Bro. Andre 4:30 p.m.: Novena to St. Ann 6:00 p.m.: 1st Saturdays - Healing Service 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: Holy Family Prayer Group

Sundays

9 - 10:00 a.m.: Tai Chi Group 9:15 a.m.: Divine Mercy & Rosary 10:30 a.m. Mass: Children's Liturgy 11:30 a.m.: 1st Sunday Coffee Sunday Tuesdays: 1:00 p.m.: Seniors' Group

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council Finance Council Liturgy/Faith Formation Altar Servers Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Collection Counters Hospitality committee Development and Peace Refugee Resettlement Group Holy Family Prayer Group Holy Cross Youth Group Handmaids of the Lord Couples Ministry Music Ministry

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 16, 2018 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

Mass Intentions (December 14 – December 21, 2018)

Saturday, December 15: 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving for Ann Dunn Req. Toro Young Family Intentions of Mary G. Santos Req. Zenaida Santos

<u>Sunday, December 16:</u> 6:00 p.m. + Rodolfo Salvatierra *Req. Florie Salvatierra*

Tuesday, December 18: 8:00 a.m. **Thanksgiving for Leth Gumapac** *Req. Friends & Family*

ATTENTION All Catholic Gentlemen over the age of 18. Did you know that your parish has a Knights of Columbus Council? Msgr. J.H. Ingoldsby Council 9079 serves St. Ann's, St. Joseph and Holy Name parishes. Becoming a member is easy. Please visit our new website and see what the Knights is all about, and the good works that we do for the parish, youth and the community. Visit us at www.kofc9079.com. For more information please fill out the "contact us" form on the website.

Christmas Donations to the poor

There are a number of items at the entrance of the Church. Donations made from these items will be used to help the poor with food and clothing during the winter season:

- ◆ 2019 Calendar: \$1.00
- ♥ New Missals: \$ 5.00
- ♥ Christmas Ornaments: \$ 2.00

Envelops will be distributed to buy the flowers and liturgical items to make a beautiful Christmas Crib and decorate the Altar.

Children's Christmas Pageant



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Rehearsals for the children's Christmas Pageant have started in December after the 10:30am mass. If you have any questions or would like to sign up please feel free to contact Melody or Nancy McMullan or

send an email to melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca

Raise a Roof Jamaica - 2019

Next March 2019, a group of 14 local teens, joined by Fr. Wilson and 5 other adult project leaders, will be headed to Kingston, Jamaica to build houses for families in need. To fund this project, we are challenged with raising funds to cover



the travel and material cost. Consider donating towards this cause. Envelopes are at the back of the church.

Care for Creation – December 2018



As we commence the year of Care for Creation, the month of December is dedicated to the patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will specially focus practicing concrete ways to care for mother earth. May God continue to bless and guide us during this year of Care for Creation.

St. Ann's Resettlement Committee's Giving Campaign

Our Syrian family of four, two parents, a boy 13 and a girl 10, are expected to arrive in Toronto this winter and we need your help to prepare for their arrival. You can be instrumental in helping a family fleeing war and uncertainty, by assisting us in the following ways:

1) Housing: Our family will need somewhere to live when they arrive. We are looking for temporary housing initially and then a more permanent residence. With Toronto's vacancy rate at 1.5% and high rents finding suitable accommodation is proving to be challenging. If you or anyone you knows can assist this family in finding or renting suitable lodgings please contact us as soon as possible. Please contact Theresa at 416-700-3358 or theresa.spohn@icloud.com.

2) In-Kind Donations: After fleeing war and violence and subsequently living in Lebanon where employment is uncertain at best, our family will be arriving from Beirut without the essentials necessary to make a home. They will be in need of furniture, household goods, clothing, and various sundry items (such as cleaning supplies, pantry supplies and toiletries). If you have any items you could donate we would be happy to store them until our family arrives. Please drop-off smaller items in the church basement after Sunday's 10:30am mass or contact David at 416-465-9882 the or quantum.hunter@gmail.com for donation of larger items.

3) Cash Donations: With any move there is always unexpected expenses and no doubt our family will have some as they settle into life here in Canada. Any amount you could spare would be greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes provided at the back of the church and they will be taken up during the regular mass collections.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 16, 2018 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION



"Rejoice in the Lord!"

By Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

The Third Sunday in Advent is called the *Gaudete* Sunday, where we are called to *Rejoice* because "The Kingdom of God is near." *Gaudete* (means Rejoice) taken from the Latin translation of Phil 4: 4-5, sets a tone of joyful expectation of the Lord's Birth and Second Coming. During this time our expectations become intense as we use the "O" Antiphons as often we sing the beautiful liturgical hymns like "O come, O Come Emmanuel."

The readings help us to reflect on the beauty of the season as Prophet Isaiah invites us to reflect on this theme of Rejoice as he says "the desert will be glad and blossom." He foretells what is going to come in the days of the Lord – 'the blind will see, deaf hear and dumb sing for joy, and there will be no more sorrow.' This prophesy has come true because Jesus was born and lived on the earth. The Gospel narratives are full of stories of healings and miracles. This prophesy is confirmed by the powerful presence of John the Baptist, who even rejoiced and "leaped for joy" in the womb, upon the arrival of the Messiah. We are called to believe that our Lord is always with us and "is already at the door." So let's open the stubborn doors of our hearts and rigid minds to see and rejoice in the Lord.

"Rejoice in the Lord" these words are taken from the letter of St. Paul, who, for us, is the model of true discipleship. St. Paul, after his conversion, becomes the joyful witness of Jesus Christ – who by his preaching as a missionary and his teaching as a writer still inspires many generations to follow Jesus and find fulfillment and salvation in God's love.

We are invited in the liturgy to gather in faith and sing songs of Rejoicing. All the moments of our life in the presence of the community or alone in our rooms, - let's sing aloud – shouting or in silence – O'Come, O' Come Emmanuel..... carolling away our earthly cares, as we are filled with the beauty of heaven on earth.

ADVENT SEASON MASS SCHEDULE - 2018				
Monday, Dec. 24	Tuesday, Dec. 25	Saturday, Dec. 29	Monday, Dec. 31, 2018	
7:00 p.m.: Family Mass	10:30 a.m.: Christmas	5:00 p.m.: Feast of the	5:00 p.m.: Family Mass	
	Mass	Holy Family Mass	11:00 p.m.: Midnight mass	
11:30 p.m.: Christmas Card	ls	6:00 p.m.: Family		
12:00 a.m.: Midnight Mass		Potluck Fellowship	<u>Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019</u>	
			10:30 a.m.: Thanksgiving Mass	
Advent Reconciliation Days of Individual Confessions:				
			doration/Prayer	
Days of Individu	al Confessions:	Advent is a time for P	rayer. We will have 9 Evening	
Days of Individu Dec. 16, Sunday Time	al Confessions: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Advent is a time for P	U U	
Days of IndividuDec. 16, SundayTimeDec. 21, FridayTime	al Confessions:	Advent is a time for P Masses before Christma December 24 th	rayer. We will have 9 Evening	

Lord, help me to Rejoice in you always. Amen.

Envelopes for 2019

Envelopes for 2019 are now available at the back of the church. If you would like to contribute through PAG, please fill out and submit the respective form. Those who would like to continue to donate through Envelopes, can now receive them at the entrance.

