

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 FOR CARE FOR CREATION

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

Pastor	Fr. Wilson Andrade 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

Ronald Vengie Fabre

Custodian

Ed Keenan

Caretaker

Rosalie Tolentino

Cook

Cristina Acosta

"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

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

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: MARCH 3, 2019

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Mass Intentions (March 1 – March 8, 2019)

Thursday, March 7: 8:00 a.m.
Thanksgiving for Elias Toro Young
Req. Toro Young & Dunn Family

Friday, March 8: 7:00 p.m.
Nikita Layne-Austin *Req. Youth Group*

Holy Cross Family Ministries –Canada:

Lenten Retreat



Join the Holy Cross Family Ministries in prayer for all Families this Lenten season. We will have presentations by Fr. Wilson Andrade, Marian Procession with Rosary, and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Lunch and Dinner Tickets are available at \$20.00

Date: Saturday, March 30, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

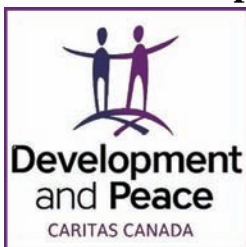
All are welcome

Become a Rosary Maker

The Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada at St. Ann Parish will be hosting our next group of Rosary Makers Training event on **March 24, 2019 at 3:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. If you would like to be a Rosary maker, Please fill out the Registration Form. We are planning to make 50,000 rosaries that will be distributed to many churches, hospitals, schools and missions in the world. Thank you for helping us to spread God's message of love in the families.



Development and Peace Sunday



Development and Peace Fair trade Products Sale will happen on **today Sunday, March 3**, after the 10:30 mass. Please drop by their table at the back of the church and support this important parish ministry. Thank you to all parishioners for their support.

Raise a Roof Jamaica – 2019

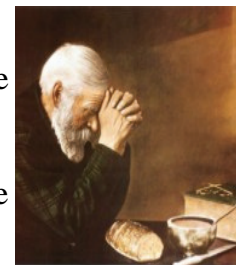
This week, a group of 14 local teens, joined by Fr. Wilson and 5 other adult project leaders, will be headed to Kingston, Jamaica. Thank you for your support and please pray for the success of the project.



Care for Creation – March, 2019

As we commence the year of Care for Creation, the month of March is dedicated to the Reflection on the Food as we enter into the season of Lent and invited to keep the traditional spiritual activities of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving.

We will specially focus practicing concrete ways to care for the **Food** as we Pray – Give us today our Daily Bread. May God continue to bless and guide us in caring for the Creation.



Lenten Season Spiritual Activities

March 06, 2019 Ash Wednesday Mass
8:00 a.m and 7:00 p.m

Fridays in Lent

6:00 pm: Adoration

6:30 pm: Way of the Cross

7:00 pm: Holy Eucharist



St. Ann's Resettlement Committee's Giving Campaign

We are pleased to announce our Syrian family of four, two parents, a boy 13 and a girl 10, have arrived in Toronto. We appreciate your ongoing support and look forward to introducing you to the family once they have had an opportunity to settle in our neighbourhood.

Gift Cards: If you have gift cards you are not using or would like to make a gift card donation please do so on **Sunday March 24, 2019**. Cards from grocery stores, discount fashion stores, drug stores and ones that sell household items would be appreciated.

Please put the gift cards in the regular collection. Thank you to all those who made a gift card contribution on February 24th.

Committee Volunteer: If you would like to become a committee volunteer you are welcome to attend our meetings which are held on the third Sunday of the month after the 10:30am mass.

Our next meeting is **March 17, 2019**. *If you wish to be a committee volunteer please contact Theresa at [416-700 3358](tel:416-700-3358) or theresa.spohn@icloud.com.*

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: MARCH 3, 2019 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2019

“For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God” (Rom 8: 19)

Each year, through Mother Church, God “gives us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed... as we recall the great events that gave us new life in Christ” (*Preface of Lent I*). We can thus journey from Easter to Easter towards the fulfilment of the salvation we have already received as a result of Christ’s paschal mystery – “for in hope we were saved” (*Rom 8:24*). This mystery of salvation, already at work in us during our earthly lives, is a dynamic process that also embraces history and all of creation. As Saint Paul says, “the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God” (*Rom 8:19*). In this perspective, I would like to offer a few reflections to accompany our journey of conversion this coming Lent.

1. **The redemption of creation:** The celebration of the Paschal Triduum of Christ’s passion, death and resurrection, the culmination of the liturgical year, calls us yearly to undertake a journey of preparation, in the knowledge that our being conformed to Christ (cf. *Rom 8:29*) is a priceless gift of God’s mercy. When we live as children of God, redeemed, led by the Holy Spirit (cf. *Rom 8:14*) and capable of acknowledging and obeying God’s law, beginning with the law written on our hearts and in nature, *we also benefit creation* by cooperating in its redemption. When the love of Christ transfigures the lives of the saints in spirit, body and soul, they give praise to God. Through prayer, contemplation and art, they also include other creatures in that praise, as we see admirably expressed in the “*Canticle of the Creatures*” by Saint Francis of Assisi (cf. *Laudato Si’*, 87). Yet in this world, the harmony generated by redemption is constantly threatened by the negative power of sin and death.

2. **The destructive power of sin:** Indeed, when we fail to live as children of God, we often behave in a destructive way towards our neighbours and other creatures – and ourselves as well – since we begin to think more or less consciously that we can use them as we will. Unless we tend constantly towards Easter, towards the horizon of the Resurrection, the mentality expressed in the slogans “*I want it all and I want it now!*” and “*Too much is never enough*”, gains the upper hand. The root of all evil, as we know, is sin, which from its first appearance has disrupted our communion with God, with others and with creation itself, to which we are linked in a particular way by our body. Sin leads human beings to consider himself the god of creation, to see himself as its absolute master and to use it, not for the purpose willed by the Creator but for his own interests, to the detriment of other creatures.

3. **The healing power of repentance and forgiveness:** Creation needs the revelation of the children of God, who have been made “a new creation”. For “if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away; behold, the new has come” (*2 Cor 5:17*). Indeed, by virtue of their being revealed, *creation itself can celebrate a Pasch*, opening itself to a new heaven and a new earth (cf. *Rev 21:1*). The path to Easter demands that we renew our faces and hearts as Christians through repentance, conversion and forgiveness, so as to live fully the abundant grace of the paschal mystery.

Lent is a sacramental sign of this conversion. It invites Christians to embody the paschal mystery more deeply and concretely in their personal, family and social lives, above all by fasting, prayer and almsgiving. **Fasting**, that is, learning to change our attitude towards others and all of creation, turning away from the temptation to “devour” everything to satisfy our voracity and being ready to suffer for love, which can fill the emptiness of our hearts. **Prayer**, which teaches us to abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego, and to acknowledge our need of the Lord and his mercy. **Almsgiving**, whereby we escape from the insanity of hoarding everything for ourselves in the illusory belief that we can secure a future that does not belong to us. So we rediscover the joy of God’s plan for creation and for each of us, in our brothers and sisters, and the entire world, and to find in this love our true happiness. Let us not allow this season of grace to pass in vain! Let us ask God to help us set out on a path of true conversion. Let us leave behind our selfishness and self-absorption, and turn to Jesus’ Pasch and we will also radiate its transforming power to all of creation.

St. Kateri Learning Circle

Please join the Learning Circle and to hear Mr. John Robinson, our Pastoral Indigenous Elder talk about **The Four Sacred Medicines**, today **March 3, 2019**, 1:30 pm -2:30 pm (After the 12:30 pm Native Mass) at St. Ann Church. Light refreshments will be available. All are Welcome



Discernment Program for the Youth of Toronto – 2019

We are blessed to have many young people attending our Sunday liturgies and their active participation in all the programs of St. Ann Parish. With the approval of Toronto Archdiocese Vocations Directors Association, we will be beginning a discernment Program for all the youth of Toronto (ages 18 to 35 years). Our Second Session will be **today, March 03, 2019 at 7:00 pm**. Please help us to invite young people to join the program.

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