Holy Eucharist

Daily Mass	1.
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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THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

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

Pastoral Staff

Pastor Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC	
In Residence	
Fr. Francis Noronha, CSC	
Native Mission Coordinator:	
Sr. Patricia Lao, RNDM	
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 Ro	onald Vengie Fabre
Custodian	Ed Keenan
Cook	Cristina Acosta
Caretaker	Rosalie Tolentino

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)

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



"The creation waits with eager longing for the revelation of the Children of God" (Cf. Romans 8: 19)

Saturdays

9:30 - 11:00 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

9:15 a.m.: Divine Mercy & Rosary 10:30 a.m. Mass: Children's Liturgy 1st Sundays 11:30 a.m.: Fair trade - Coffee Sunday 7:00 p.m.: Youth Discernment Program 4th Sundays 3:00 p.m.: Rosary Makers Program

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council **Finance Council** St. Ann Food Bank Holy Cross Family Ministry - Canada Liturgy/Faith Formation **Music Ministry** Altar Servers Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers **Collection Counters** Hospitality committee **Development and Peace Refugee Resettlement Group** Holy Family Prayer Group Holy Cross Youth Movement Handmaids of the Lord Grief Ministry

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: APRIL 28, 2019 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

Mass Intentions (April 18 – April 26, 2019) <u>Friday, April 26:</u> 7:00 p.m. + Lourenco Borges *Req. Arinda Duarta*

<u>Sunday, April 28:</u> 6:00 p.m. + Thanksgiving Mass Req. Florie Salvatheire

Easter Monday, April 30: 8:00 a.m. + Tai Yu Lee Req. Hugh and Connie Altarejos-Lee



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Day of Prayer for Vocations: May 4

The Archdiocesan Day of Prayer will be celebrated on May 4. We invite you to support and to pray for all vocations; priesthood, religious and consecrated life. For more information, please contact or call the office of Vocations at vocations@archtoronto.org. Please remember to pray for more vocation throughout the world. For more information check our website: https://www.tavda-toronto.com/

Pilgrimage to Mexico and Ecuador

Fr. Wilson will be going on a pilgrimage to Mexico and Ecuador from May 02, to 15, 2019. Fr. Roshan Kiro will be celebrating Liturgies. Please call the Parish office for any pastoral needs.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in July 2018 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

ShareLife 2019

Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services. Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' needs without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

May 5 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Care for Creation – April, 2019

As we celebrate the year of Care for Creation, the month of April is dedicated to reflecting on the **Spring of Nature.** *Creation reveals God's presence*, and as the spring begins let us be aware God's presence by reflecting on the nature. Every day begins with new life, new opportunities, new possibilities, so let us use them for the good of all. We also pray how we can help in creating a safe and sustainable environment for our family and in

our community. We will specially focus on practicing concrete ways to care for the Nature, by gardening, recycling, using more natural light,



helping others by encouraging words and actions. May God continue to bless and guide us in caring for the Creation.

St. Ann's Resettlement Committee's Giving Campaign

We are pleased that our Syrian family is doing very well. The parents are taking ESL classes and the children are in school. We look forward to introducing you to the family later this spring.

Gift Cards: Thank you to everyone who has donated gift cards, they do make a substantial difference to our family's welfare. We will continue to collect cards for grocery stores, discount fashion stores, drug stores and ones that sell household items on the last Sunday of every month. If you wish to contribute to this program, the next donation day will be <u>Sunday April 28,</u> 2019, during the regular collection.

Committee Volunteer: If you would like to become a committee volunteer you are welcome to attend our meetings which are usually held on the third Sunday of the month after 10:30am mass but will be held on <u>Sunday April 28th</u> this month since Easter takes place on the third Sunday of the month this year.

If you wish to be a committee volunteer please contact Theresa at **416-700-3358**

or <u>theresa.spohn@icloud.com</u>. As always your generosity and prayers are greatly appreciated.

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Feast Day of St. Kateri Tekakwitha



St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. Her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband.

She contracted smallpox as a four-year-old child which scarred her skin. The scars were a source of humiliation in her youth. She was commonly seen wearing a blanket to hide her face. Worse, her entire family died during the outbreak. Kateri Tekakwitha was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan.

Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. However, she refused to marry. When her adoptive parents

proposed a suitor to her, she refused to entertain the proposal. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

At age 19, Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her adoptive parents and their neighbors. Some of her neighbors started rumors of sorcery. To avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal.

According to legend, Kateri was very devout and would put thorns on her sleeping mat. She often prayed for the conversion of her fellow Mohawks. According to the Jesuit missionaries that served the community where Kateri lived, she often fasted and when she would eat, she would taint her food to diminish its flavor. On at least one occasion, she burned herself. Such self-mortification was common among the Mohawk.

St. Kateri was very devout and was known for her steadfast devotion. She was also very sickly. Her practices of self-mortification and denial may not have helped her health. Sadly, just five years after her conversion to Catholicism, she became ill and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680.

Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena. St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans

Thank you for everyone who supported our St. Kateri Event on April 27, 2019 Mass presided by Fr. Darold, Guest Speaker Elder Tom Dearhouse, Organisers Sr. Petite Lao, Elder John Robinson and group.

Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada Would you like to learn to make a Rosary?

The Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada at St. Ann Parish are hosting our next group of Rosary Makers' Training event on TODAY **April 28, 2019 at 3:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. If you would like to become 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 spread God's message of love in the families.

For more information contact: Fr. Wilson Andrade, CSC. Phone: 416 466 2127. Email: <u>familyministry.canada@gmail.com</u> or website: <u>www.hcfm-canada.com</u>



