

# The Parish Community of St. Ann

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## 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 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

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
<b>In Residence</b>	Fr. Francis Noronha, CSC
<b>Native Mission Coordinator:</b>	Sr. Patricia Lao, RNDM
<b>Secretary</b>	Aymara Toro
<b>Finance</b>	Anne Francis
<b>Pastoral Assistant</b>	Maria Fernandes
<b>Baptism</b>	Fe Santos
<b>RCIA</b>	Rolly Cabas
<b>Development &amp; Peace</b>	Catherine Barry
<b>Food Bank</b>	Carlos & Colette Carreiro
<b>Music</b>	Ronald Vengie Fabre
<b>Custodian</b>	Ed Keenan
<b>Cook</b>	Cristina Acosta
<b>Caretaker</b>	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"



Care for our  
**Common Home**

CWL Logo

**“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

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**  
**CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION**

**Mass Intentions**

(September 6 – September 13, 2019)

**Friday, September 6:** 7:00 p.m.

**Personal Intentions** of Mirko and Irena Wasylanko

**Saturday, September 7:** 5:00 p.m.

**Intentions of Thelma Peter** Req. *Thelma Peter*

**Sunday, September 8:** 6:00 p.m.

+ **Philip McSherry** Req. *Teresa Cade*

**HCFM Rosary Makers resumes in October**

Due to the upcoming Pilgrimage in September, the HCFM Rosary Makers will gather next for their monthly meeting on **October 27, 2019**. We wish all the pilgrims a safe and grace-filled journey.

**Development and Peace Group**

**Today, September 8**, is Development and Peace coffee Sunday. Fair trade products such as coffee, chocolate, cocoa and tea will be on sale.

We are also looking for new members so consider joining us. Ask Catherine or Sr. Mary for more information. Thank you for your support.

**Food Bank Volunteers**

Have you been looking for a way to give back to your community? Well there is a way, the St. Ann Food Bank is looking for volunteers. We serve our clients on every Saturday morning from 9:30 am to 11 am, in the basement of the church and need volunteers for many different duties. If you are interested and have some extra time, please feel free to email [cancarr@sympatico.ca](mailto:cancarr@sympatico.ca) for more information or call St. Ann Parish at 416 466 2127. Looking forward to hearing from you!

**Care for Creation – September, 2019**

As we celebrate the year of Care for Creation, the month of September We care and support all children and students as they begin the new school year.



We continue to support and pray for all families with the children and everyone who are need our care and support in raising the children.

We will begin the Sunday liturgy **today, September 8**, as it is the feast of the birth of our Blessed Virgin Mary, we dedicate all families under the patronage of Mother Mary. **On September 15, we invite all students to bring their school bags** so we can bless all the children who are beginning their studies.

**St. Ann's Resettlement Committee**

We are pleased that our Syrian family is doing very well. The parents are taking ESL classes and the children are in school.

**Gift Cards:** Thank you to everyone who has donated gift cards, they do make a substantial difference to our family's welfare. If you wish to contribute, donate during the regular collection.

**Committee Volunteer:** If you would like to become a committee volunteer please contact the office. Thank you for your support.

**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 next Session will be **today, September 8, 2019 at 7:00 pm**. Please help us to invite young people to join the program.

**Parish Picture Directory**

In 2014, we published our Parish Picture Directory as a part of our 100 Years of Celebration. This picture directory gave us an opportunity to gather the information about our parish, history and people. We are planning to create another picture Directory and will be published in 2020. If you would like to be part this picture directory and have your family included in the St. Ann Parish Picture Directory, Please fill the form at the entrance. The first dates available **are this week, Friday Sept. 13, Saturday, Sept. 14, and Sunday, Sept 15, 2019**. For more information contact: Maria Fernandes or call the office Phone: 416 466 2127.

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

### **The family: The children – Message of Pope Francis**

In this series of Catecheses on the family, today we are completing our reflection on children, who are the most beautiful gift and blessing that the Creator has given to man and woman. We have already spoken about the great gift that children are. Today sadly we must speak about the “passions” which many of them endure.

From the first moments of their lives, many children are rejected, abandoned, and robbed of their childhood and future. There are those who dare to say, as if to justify themselves, that it was a mistake to bring these children into the world. This is shameful! Let’s not unload our faults onto the children, please! Children are never a “mistake”. Their hunger is not a mistake, nor is their poverty, their vulnerability, their abandonment — so many children abandoned on the streets — and neither is their ignorance or their helplessness... *so many children don’t even know what a school is*. If anything, these should be reasons to love them all the more, with greater generosity. How can we make such solemn declarations on human rights and the rights of children, if we then punish children for the errors of adults?

Those who have the task of governing, of educating, but I would say all adults, we are responsible for children and for doing what we can to change this situation. I am referring to “the passion” of children. Every child who is marginalized, abandoned, who lives on the street begging with every kind of trick, without schooling, without medical care, is a cry that rises up to God and denounces the system that we adults have set in place. And unfortunately these children are prey to criminals who exploit them for shameful trafficking or commerce, or train them for war and violence. But even in so-called wealthy countries many children live in dramatic situations that scar them deeply because of crises in the family, educational gaps and at times inhuman living conditions. In every case, their childhood is violated in body and soul. *But none of these children are forgotten by the Father who is in heaven!* Not one of their tears is lost! Neither is our responsibility lost, the social responsibility of people, of each one of us, and of countries.

Once Jesus rebuked his disciples because they sent away the children whose parents brought them to Him to be blessed. It is a moving Gospel narrative: “Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people; but Jesus said, *‘Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.’* And he laid his hands on them and went away” (Mt 19:13-15). How beautiful is this trust of the parents and Jesus’ response! How I would like this passage to become the norm for all children! It is true that by the grace of God children in grave difficulty are often given extraordinary parents, ready and willing to make every sacrifice. But these parents should not be left alone! We should accompany them in their toil, and also offer them moments of shared joy and lighthearted cheer, so that they are not left with only routine therapy.

Too often the effects of a life worn down by precarious and underpaid work, unsustainable hours, bad transport rebound on the children.... Children also pay the price for immature unions and irresponsible separations: they are the first victims; they suffer the outcome of a culture of exaggerated individual rights, and then the children become more precocious. They often absorb the violence they are not able to “ward off” and before the very eyes of adults are forced to grow accustomed to degradation.

Also in our age, as in the past, the Church sets her motherhood at the service of children and their families. To parents and children of this world of ours, she bears the blessing of God, motherly tenderness, a firm reproach and strong condemnation. Children are no laughing matter!

But when it comes to the children who come into the world, no sacrifice on the part of adults is too costly or too great, to ensure that no child believe he or she was a mistake, is worthless or is abandoned to a life of wounds and to the arrogance of all. The Lord judges our life according to what the angels of children tell him, angels who *“always behold the face of the Father who is in heaven”* (cf. Mt 18:10). Let us always ask ourselves: what will the children’s guardian angels tell God about us?

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