

ST. ANN PARISH

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Holy Eucharist

Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.
(Mass at St. Ann Rectory)

Fridays (Adoration) 6:00 p.m.
(Holy Eucharist) 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday

10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Native Peoples' Mass 12:30 p.m.

Bridgepoint Hospital 2:30 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday – Thursday:

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday:

Closed

Pastoral Staff

Pastor Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC

In Residence

Fr. Roshan D'Souza, CSC

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

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)

THE CALL TO HOLINESS



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

(St. Ann Parish
Mission
Statement)

"BE HOLY FOR I AM HOLY" (1 Peter 1:16)

Saturdays

9:00 - 10:30 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

9:15 a.m.: **Divine Mercy & Rosary**

10:30 a.m. Mass: **Children's Liturgy**

1st Sundays

11:30 a.m.: Development and Peace Group

Fair Trade - Coffee Sunday

4th Sundays

3:00 p.m.: **Rosary Makers Program**

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council

Finance Council

Liturgy/Faith Formation

Holy Cross Family Ministry

Altar Servers

Music Ministry

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Collection Counters

Hospitality committee

St. Ann Parish Food Bank

Development and Peace

Refugee Resettlement Group

Holy Family Prayer Group

Holy Cross Youth Group

Handmaids of the Lord

Couples Ministry

Grief Ministry

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT: DECEMBER 20, 2020
CELEBRATING THE CALL TO HOLINESS**

St. Ann Church, Toronto

Due to the provincial restrictions effective from Monday, Nov. 23, 2020:

- The Church is open for **private prayer** only
- Only 10 people are allowed in the building at a time
- All public masses are cancelled until further notice.

Online Daily Eucharist

Weekday Masses will be posted on the website at 7:00 am

Please check Websites: <https://www.stanntoronto.com/>

Or <https://www.hcfm-canada.com/>

Personal Prayer: The Church is Open On

Sunday to Friday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am

St. Ann Food Bank on Saturdays

Foodbank Hours: 9:00 am to 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation or Personal conversation

Please call the office and make an appointment to meet Fr. Wilson Andrade at 416 577 2973 or send an email to stannparishtoronto@gmail.com



The Call to Holiness



Thank you for everyone who help us in our parish activities throughout this year. As we all struggle to cope with many difficulties in our life, we continue to hope and trust in God's healing presence. As we conclude this liturgical year which we celebrated on the theme: Year of Joy (2019 -2020).

We would like to dedicate the new Liturgical year of 2020 – 2021 as the **Year of Call to Holiness**. Holiness is closely linked to joyfulness and blessedness. During this year of call to Holiness, may be a time for each one of us to listen to God speaking to us in the Scriptures or in the silence of our hearts, to renew our baptismal promises and to actively participate in the Sacraments of the Church and lastly by our Sacred service to others, we can bring God's holiness and proclaim it to the whole world.

Call to Holiness: 2020 December - FAMILY

We begin the celebration of the YEAR of CALL to HOLINESS with the words of Pope Francis: "In the family we come to know God, to grow into men and women of faith, to see ourselves as members of God's greater family, the Church." Pope Francis, Jan. 17, 2015



This month of December, we shall dedicate to all the families and all people of God that we may radiate holiness in our families, Church, Communities and the world. Let this Christmas may be a time for all to share the true holiness, joy and peace of Jesus to all and we may be wrapped in the holiness of God's love.

A Family is God's greatest Masterpiece.

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LET THE LORD ENTER; HE IS THE KING OF
GLORY - PSALM 24

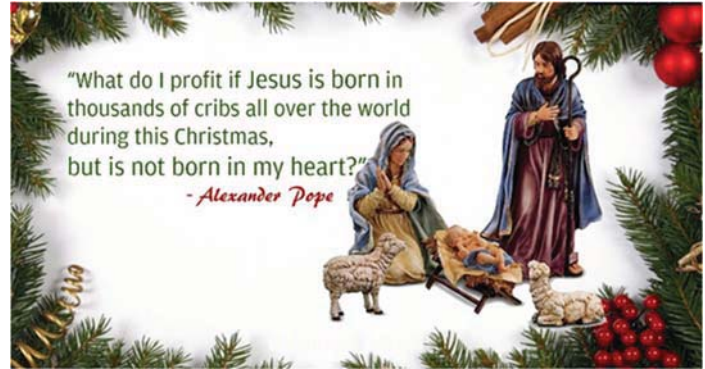


“Christ, the Saviour is born”

By Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

On the Fourth Sunday of Advent we light the last Candle in the Advent Wreath as we complete the circle of preparation for the birth of our Saviour. As we complete the circle we now focus on the Center of the Circle where a **white candle** is ready to be lit on the Christmas day – **a symbol of Christ** – The True Light of the world. The True Light of Christ comes from the Center to the four corners of the world. So let's put God at the center of our lives, let the Light of Christ flow into us and dispel the darkness of our lives.

This promise has been foretold by the ancient prophecy of Isaiah who gives the sign of God-with-us (Emmanuel) **“a virgin shall bear a son.”** This is what we celebrate in Jesus Christ born of Blessed Virgin Mary, who for us becomes the means of our Salvation, since it was Jesus through his life, death and resurrection **“saved the people from their sins.”** We celebrate the Birth of Jesus, because he saved us from sin and death, gave us hope of resurrection of life.



Christmas is time to celebrate Jesus Christ. His Birth itself is the great joy, fulfillment of the ancient prophecy, a divine promise, and a human redemption. So the **“Good news and great joy to all the world: Today is born our saviour, Christ the Lord”**. How do we receive this Good News? How do we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Saviour?

This sacred time is not a passing event of a secular culture filling us with temporary joys shining lights on a bogus tree, or empty promises of marketing tags, or expensive gifts without true love. Rather this is the time to celebrate the True Light comes from Christ, Fulfilment of Divine promise of hope and receiving the True Gift from God – **The Birth of Our Saviour and Our Lord**. So Lets Celebrate **Emmanuel** – God-with-us.

O Come Divine Messiah – fill us with your **Light**, your **Joy** and your **Love**. Amen.

Merry Christmas

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The Holy Cross Family Ministries is active with many volunteers working on making Rosaries that are sent to the Missions, parishes and schools to promote family prayer with the distribution of Holy Rosary. In spite of all restrictions, we were able to send more than 23,000 handmade Rosaries to the missions.

We are active in promoting family prayers with our Social Media as we have daily mass on YouTube. Please do connect with us for the Virtual Celebration of the Christmas Mass.



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