

ST. ANN PARISH

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Holy Eucharist

Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.
(Use the Parking Lot Side door)

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

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

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4th Sunday of Advent: December 19, 2021
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF PRAYER

Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada

Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada would like to support our work of promoting Family Prayer and Rosary Makers. In the last 3 years, we have distributed 77,500 handmade rosaries in 24 mission countries.

9 days- Advent Evening Adoration and Mass

We will have 9 Evening Masses before Christmas day, **from December 16th to December 24th**. You are most welcome to offer mass for your special intentions. Let us pray together and promote family prayer.



Christmas Flowers

This year if you would like to offer a Christmas flower (Poinsettia), to decorate our Altar, you are most welcome to do so. You can offer them as memorial of a loved one in your family. Please bring them to the Church on the 23rd of December 2021.



Christmas Ornaments



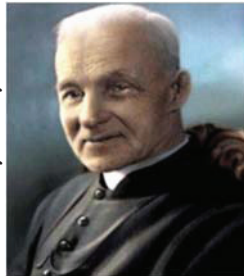
Help us to decorate the church by purchasing a Christmas ornament and placing it, on our Christmas tree. Christmas ornaments are available for purchase for at \$2.00 and will be sold at the front entrance. We use this money to help the poor during the winter.

Sunday Missal Available

We would like to thank Heritage Funeral Home for donating us the Sunday Missal. You can now purchase the 2021-2022 Sunday Missal. The Calendars will be donated by Rosar-Morrison Funeral Home. They are available at the entrance of the church.

The Feast of St. Brother Andre, CSC

On the First Friday, January 7, 2022, we will be celebrating the Feast of St. Brother Andre, the first Saint of the Congregation of Holy Cross. St. Brother Andre is known as the Miracle Worker of Montreal, as he promoted the devotion of St. Joseph with the healing oils.



6:00 pm: Adoration

7:00 pm Holy Mass

Join us healing prayer and Blessing of Healing Oils.

Merry Christmas

On behalf of the Parish Community of St. Ann and Native People's Mission, we would like to wish all of you a Blessed and grace-filled Christmas Celebration. We would like to Thank each one of you who make St. Ann Parish a place of prayer and celebration of life and faith. We thank all the ministers and volunteers who help us with your time and talents.



May you have blessed and happy Christmas.

Parish Administration: Update Your Contact Information

Are you new to St. Ann parish? Please use envelopes for offertory from the entrance of the church and write down your name and full address so we can give you a tax receipt at the end of the year. Your registration also helps us with the Parish Administration and support you in our pastoral ministry. You can also enroll through our Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) program by following the instructions and fill the form enclosed within our PAG.

If you or any member in your household changed address or contact information during this past year, please return it by no later than December 30, as it helps us keep updated records, ensuring the efficient delivery of parish services and tax receipts.

The Tax-receipts for 2021 will be issued only for the donations collected before December 31, 2021.

**4th Sunday of Advent: December 19, 2021
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF PRAYER**

**YEAR OF PRAYER 2021 – 2022: “Lord, teach us to Pray” Matt. 6:9-13
DECEMBER 2021 – FAMILY PRAYER**

Let us dedicate the Month of December for the Family Prayer. We thank God for all the blessings that we receive in our personal, family and community life. We celebrate our Year of the Prayer, we pray for the grace, motivation and inspiration from the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, together with Sts. Ann and Joachim who is our Patron and grandparents of Jesus. Let us make every effort to pray for our family and our community.

May God bless our families, bringing healing, love, and peace. Amen.



CHRISTMAS WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: 2021 – 2022

Friday, Dec. 24
7:00 p.m.: Family Mass

Saturday, Dec. 25
10:30 a.m.: Christmas

Sunday, Dec. 26
10: 30 a.m. – Holy Family Mass
12:30 noon – Native Mass
6:00 p.m. – Evening Mass

11:30 p.m.: Christmas Carols
12:00 a.m.: Midnight Mass

5 pm: NO MASS



NEW YEAR: 2022 – MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, Dec. 31, 2021,
7:00 p.m.: Family Mass
11:00 p.m.: Thanksgiving

Saturday Jan. 01, 2022
10:30 a.m.: Thanksgiving
5 pm: NO MASS



Sunday, Jan. 02, 2022
10: 30 a.m. Epiphany
12:30 noon - Native Mass
6:00 p.m. – Evening Mass

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

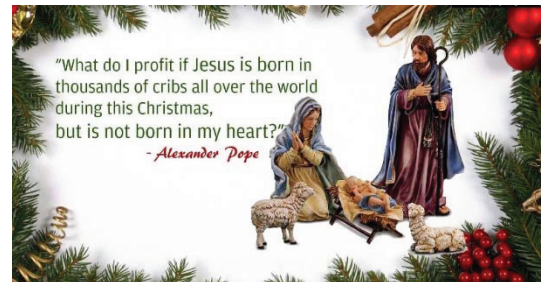


“Christ, the Saviour is born”

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. 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. 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.

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