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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

Secretary Thea Luu

Pastoral Assistants

Maria Fernandes,
Fe Santos, 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)

YEAR OF PRAYER



**UNITY IN
DIVERSITY**
"Moved by the
Good News of
Jesus Christ...
We value our
diversity"
(St. Ann Parish
Mission
Statement)

"Lord, Teach us to pray" (Matt. 6:9-13)

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

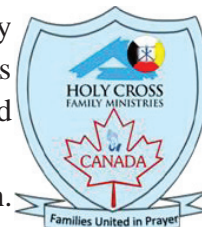
Pastoral Council
Finance Council
Liturgy/Faith Formation
Holy Cross Family Ministry
Altar Servers
Music Ministry
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers
Collection Counters
Hospitality committee
St. Ann Parish Food Bank
Development and Peace
Refugee Resettlement Group
Holy Family Prayer Group
Holy Cross Youth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

EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 17, 2022 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF PRAYER

Would you like to learn how to make a Rosary?

“A family that prays together, stays together” – Venerable Patrick Peyton, CSC

The Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada at St. Ann Parish would like to restart the Rosary Maker Group. If you would like to be a Rosary maker, please fill out the Registration Form. This year, we are planning to make 25,000 rosaries to distributed to churches, hospitals, schools, and missions in the world. Thank you for helping us spread God’s message of love in the families. Our next Rosary Making Session will be on **April 24, 2022, from 2 pm to 4 pm**, at St. Ann Parish.



The Synod on Synodality: Share Your Thoughts

Pope Francis has launched the [Synod on Synodality](https://www.archtoronto.org/), an ambitious two-year global process of listening to the faithful. All those diocesan-level responses will be collected and summarized and sent to the synod of bishops in the Vatican in 2023. Your participation is incredibly important. kindly join in for the online questionnaire posted at the website: <https://www.archtoronto.org/>



Listening Circles – Native Peoples’ Mission

We would like to thank everyone who helped us to promote and join in the listening circles for the last 7 weeks. These sessions were held in person, and a group of 35 people joined in a regular basis to learn from the Guidebook called *“Listening to Indigenous Voices.”*

Let us continue to promote Truth, Reconciliation and Healing in our self, family, community, society, and the entire creation.

Life story of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

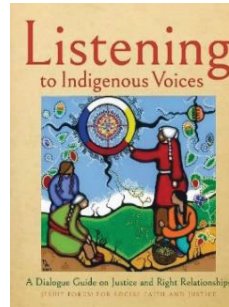
St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. Her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband.

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. A thanksgiving mass will be held on **April 17, 2022, at 12:30 pm**



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YEAR OF PRAYER - 2022: "Lord, teach us to Pray" Matt. 6:9-13

2022: Month of April: Hope and New Life

During this YEAR OF PRAYER and I invite you to reflect on the Prayer in the light of Hope and New Life as we celebrate the Paschal mystery of our faith: Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, our Lord. As we light the new Paschal Candle, let us renew our Baptismal promises, and let us keep awake and wake up in the Lord, so we can live as brothers and sisters in justice, peace, and love.

"May the Paschal Festivities fill us renewed joy and hope in God of love."



Thank you for celebrating Easter with us

We would like to thank everyone who helped to make our celebrations more beautiful, meaningful, and richer especially: Choir members, Altar servers, Eucharist ministers, Lectors, Decorators, Sacristans, members of Native Peoples Mission, all volunteers, and members our parish community. Thank you for your time and commitment. We also extend our Easter wishes to every member of our parish. Thank you for everything you are to us and for the blessing you all bring to our Parish Community of St. Ann and Native Peoples' Mission. May you and your families be filled with Easter Joy.



Pastoral Reflections

By Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

Dear Friends, once again we joyfully celebrate the glorious Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we celebrate Easter let us reflect on the words of Pope Francis, "Let the risen Jesus enter your life, welcome him as a friend, with trust: he is life! If until now you have kept him at a distance, step forward. Jesus will receive you with open arms. If you have been indifferent, take a risk: you won't be disappointed. If following Jesus seems difficult, don't be afraid, trust him, be confident that he is close to you, he is with you and he will give you the peace you are looking for and the strength to live as he would have you do".



Easter holds out an invitation to each one of us.
Easter invites us to open our hearts to the risen Jesus and to let him do for us what he did for the disciples, that is to offer peace and joy.
Easter invites us to let Jesus help us trust once again, after we have had our trust betrayed.
Easter invites us to let Jesus help us to love again.

Easter invites us to have hope. It invites us to start all over again.
This is what Easter is all about. It's the good news that the risen Jesus is in our midst.
Easter is the Goodnews that Jesus has triumphed over evil and death.
Easter is the good news that Jesus is ready to work miracles for us.

Support our Lenten ShareLife Appeal:

Our parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway. In this time of Lent, please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped through your kind support of ShareLife. Last year, ShareLife supporters like you enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto, including our community. **Please give generously on ShareLife Sunday, on May 01.**

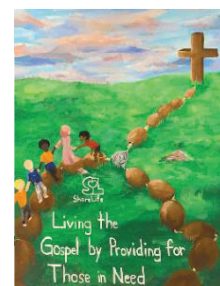
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