

# ST. ANN PARISH

Home of Native Peoples' Mission

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

## Pastor:

Fr. Francis Salasiar, CSC

## In Residence:

Fr. Roshan D'Souza, CSC

## Office Hours

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

**Finance** Anne Francis

**Secretary**

**Pastoral Assistants**

Maria Fernandes

**Development & Peace**

Catherine Barry

**Food Bank**

Carlos & Colette Carreiro

**Music** Ronald Vengie Fabre

**Caretaker** Rosalie Tolentino

## Daily Mass

Monday-Wednesday 8:00 a.m.

Thursday No Mass

First Fridays 6:00 p.m. Adoration

7:00 p.m. Mass

Other Fridays 6.30 p.m. Adoration

7:00 p.m. Mass

## Weekend Activities

### Saturday

9:00 - 10:30 am: **Food Bank**

4:15 pm: **Novena to St. Bro. Andre**

4:30 pm: **Novena to St. Ann**

5:00 pm: **Sunday Vigil mass**

6 pm: **1st Saturdays - Healing Service**

### Sunday

9:30 am: **Divine Mercy & Rosary**

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

10:30 am Mass: **Children's Liturgy**

### 1st Sundays

11:30 am: Development and Peace

Group **Fair Trade - Coffee Sunday**

## Native Peoples' Mass

12:30 p.m.

## 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)

## Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council

Finance Council

Liturgy/Faith Formation

Altar Servers

Music Ministry

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

Collection Counters

St. Ann Parish Food Bank

Development and Peace

Out of the Cold Program

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## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time: July 16 & 23, 2023



Saturday, July 15 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, July 16 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann*

Sunday, July 16 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's Mass*

Sunday, July 16 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, July 17 at 8 a.m. Mass  
*Lex Barrairo – Thanksgiving B'day*

Tuesday, July 18 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, July 19 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, July 20 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour, 07 p.m.  
Mass

*Nenita Ignacio – Thanksgiving B'day*

Saturday, July 22 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, July 23 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann*

Sunday, July 23 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's Mass*

Sunday, July 23 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, July 24 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, July 25 at 8 a.m. Mass  
*Andre Biason - Thanksgiving Jackie Barrairo +*

Wednesday, July 26 at 8 a.m. No Mass  
*St Ann Feast Day - 7 p.m. Mass*

Thursday, July 27 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, July 28 at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour, 07 p.m.  
Mass

Saturday, July 29 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, July 30 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann St Ann Feast Day Celebration*

Sunday, July 30 at 12.30 p.m. No Mass, *Native People's Mass*

Sunday July 30 at 6 p.m. No Mass

## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Reflection  
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The readings for the 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A tell of how our relationship with God helps us grow, which in turn allows our lives to bear fruit. The first reading explains that God's Word is like the rain, which falls on the earth and makes it fertile. The second reading reminds us that a new creation is going to emerge. And in the gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the Sower and explains that our hearts must be ready to receive the Word of God.

**God's Word:** The first reading highlights the power and effectiveness of God's word, comparing it to rain and snow that brings nourishment and produce fruitful results.

**Spiritual Nourishment:** The imagery of rain and snow in the passage symbolizes the spiritual nourishment and refreshment that come from engaging with God's word, highlighting the life-giving nature of Scripture.

**Receptive Hearts:** Jesus teaches about the different types of hearts or dispositions of people who hear the word of God, emphasizing the importance of having a receptive heart that receives and embraces the message.

**Responses to God's Word:** The parable illustrates various responses to the word of God, including unbelief, superficial faith, distractions, and genuine faith and fruitfulness.

**Fruitfulness and Growth:** The parable emphasizes the power of God's word, depicting the potential for growth and abundant fruitfulness in the lives of those who receive and apply it.

## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

The readings for the 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A are focused on the Kingdom of God.

The first reading reminds us that God desires justice and has shown us the way of kindness. The second reading tells us that the Spirit aids us in our weakness. And in the gospel Jesus gives us several parables related to the Kingdom of God, including the parable of the weeds in the wheat, the parable of the mustard seed, and the parable of the yeast.

Jesus presents the reality that in this world, both the children of the kingdom (believers) and the children of the evil one (unbelievers) will coexist until the final judgment, highlighting the presence of evil and

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the challenges faced by believers in a fallen world. The parable emphasizes God's patience and long-suffering, as He allows both the wheat and the tares to grow together until the harvest, symbolizing the delay of final judgment and the opportunity for repentance. The parable highlights the importance of spiritual growth and fruitfulness in the lives of believers, as represented by the wheat, emphasizing the need for genuine faith and righteous living. Jesus teaches that the kingdom of God will expand and grow, starting small but eventually encompassing many people, cultures, and nations, reflecting God's plan for the expansion of His kingdom.

### SHARELIFE

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Many young women who are unexpectedly pregnant don't know where to turn for help. Your support of ShareLife gives them access to resources to keep their education on track and provide love and proper care to their babies. Rose of Sharon, a ShareLife-funded agency, provides young mothers with a learning-centred environment while parenting their young children.

The agency tells us, "Our no-cost services would not be possible without the support of ShareLife from generous donors like you. Thank you for all of your help. Together we walk hand-in-hand, serving these young mothers and their babies."

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate). Thank you for generously supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Weekend of **July 1/9 and July 8/9**

Envelopes (101) \$ 1930.00

Loose \$ 879.70



### Pope's Prayer Intention 2023

The Pope's prayer intention for 2023 represents a wide array of challenges facing humanity and is the result of much prayer and discernment. In **July**, we pray with Pope Francis that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God, and all their brothers and sisters. – **Pope Francis**

### Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'

Let anyone with ears listen! Do you hear God's call for you in your life? Have you considered the way of loving called "priesthood", "diaconate" or "religious life"?

**email** [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
**www.vocationstoronto.ca**

### Mission Appeal

As part of this year's mission appeal, Fr. Aureus Manjares from the Diocese of Legazpi Philippines, will be here in our parish on the weekend of July 22/23, 2023. Currently, he is working here in the Diocese of St. Paul Alberta. The Diocese of Legazpi is about 300 miles southwest of Manila, the capital of the Philippines. Being in the archipelago's eastern part, the diocese is in the Typhoon belt. Because of these recurring calamities, the Diocese is one of the most depressed dioceses in the country. At the center of the Diocese is a majestic Mayon Volcano. It is 8,000 feet tall, almost a perfect cone. The Diocese has 100 active priests and 34 missionary priests. Some priests are on loan to dioceses in dire need of priest personnel like USA, CANADA, FRANCE and NETHERLAND-ANTILES. We are optimistic that the Diocese of Legazpi can even lend more priests because we have many vocations to priesthood. Our concern is how to provide scholarships for poor and deserving seminarians. Your donations will also be used to support our pastoral programs and formation for our parish lay leaders. May you be blessed in return for your generosity.

### Feast Of St. Ann.

On July 26th we celebrate the feast of St. Ann and Joachim. This is our patron feast. And we will have the feast day mass on July 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Since the feast falls on a weekday, we will celebrate the feast once again on Sunday, July 30th, at 10.30 a.m. Mass, followed by a BBQ luncheon in front of the church. If anyone would like to donate food or money to the feast day celebration, please talk to Ronald Vengie or Maria Fernandes.

### Sunday Funny

En route to church to make his first confession, my nervous seven-year-old grandson asked me what he could expect. "Confession is where you tell all the bad things you've done to the priest," I told him. He looked relieved. "Good. I haven't done anything bad to the priest."



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