

# ST. ANN PARISH

Home of Native Peoples' Mission

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## Thanksgiving

For wealth and plenty in the land,  
For faith in God's sustaining hand,  
For every blessing great and small  
We thank the giver of it all.

## 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 8, 2023



Saturday, October 7 at 5 p.m. Mass  
*Our Lady of the Rosary (M)*

Sunday, October 8 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioner of St. Ann*

Sunday, October 8 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass*

Sunday, October 8 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, October 9 at 8 a.m. Mass  
*Thanksgiving Day*

Tuesday, October 10 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, October 11 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, October 12 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, October 13 at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour, 07 p.m. Mass,  
*Megan Fatima Montifar – Thanksgiving for the gift of life*

Saturday, October 14 at 5p.m. Mass

Sunday, October 15 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioner of St. Ann*

Sunday, October 15 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass*

Sunday, October 15 at 6 p.m. Mass

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

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**“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.”** These are the words from St. Paul’s letter to

the Philippians that we hear in today’s second reading. Elsewhere in his letter to the Thessalonians, he says “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” St. Paul is urging us to pray in all circumstances and at all times.

But is it really feasible for us to pray at all times? While we may not be able to spend every moment praying in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. St. Josemaria Escriva says that “You can be sure that it is through the circumstances of ordinary life, ordained or permitted by the infinite wisdom of divine Providence, that we come close to God ... To this I now add that your work too must become a personal prayer, that it must become a real conversation with Our Father in heaven”

As stewards, we can pray and be in union with God through our professional work as well as our charitable works for the parish community. If we offer up these moments of work to God as a means to commune with Him, we will begin to live out St. Paul’s exhortation to pray ceaselessly. Let us strive to never forget the dignity and value of our work as stewards of Christ.

#### *Summary*

In today’s second reading St. Paul urges us to pray ceaselessly in all circumstances. While we may not be able to spend every moment in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. Let us strive to intentionally realize the dignity of our professional work, and our work as stewards, as a means to be in communion with God.

*-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Weekend of **September 23/24 and September 30/October 1**

Envelopes (86) \$ 1650.00  
Loose \$ 662.00



### ShareLife

**ShareLife: Ensure no one goes hungry this Thanksgiving**

We all feel it: the rising cost of living is hurting families, forcing many to seek food assistance for the



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first time. Through our parish's support, ShareLife is committing over \$500,000 to support food banks and meal programs throughout the Archdiocese.

That's why we need your help to reach our parish goal! Please support the fight against hunger at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate) or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel!

### Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'

The invitation to serve often comes more than once; are you prepared with your answer? Consider ministry as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life.

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

### POPE PRAYERS INTENTIONS 2023

The Pope's prayer intentions for 2023 represent a wide array of challenges facing humanity and are the result of much prayer and discernment. In **October** we pray with Pope Francis that the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world. – Pope Francis

### Barn Dance & Dinner



St Ann Parish will be holding our first event **Barn Dance and Dinner**, on **Saturday, November 25, 2023**.

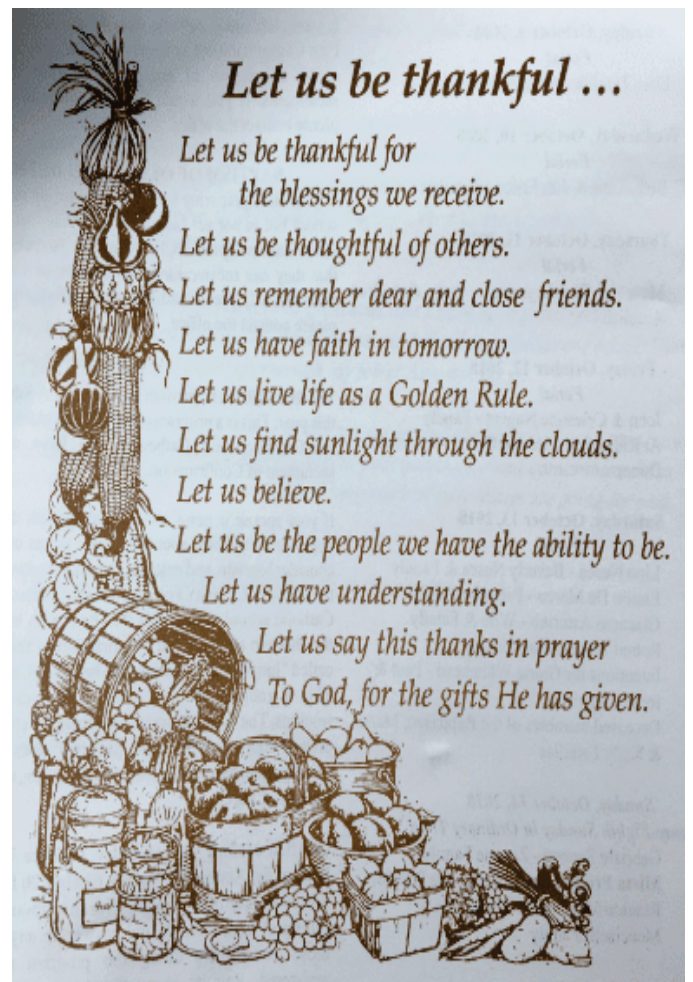
Please come and join us to share good moments together! All we request is your presence as we celebrate the night with our parish community. Tickets are already available, the price for adults is **\$25.00**, kids 10 to 13 years old **\$15.00** and those below 9 are free. Those who want to help or donate to this event please contact the office at **416-466-2127**, Cristina at **647-906-4377** or Rosemarie at **416-554-8320**.

### All Souls Day



We will start the yearly tradition of remembering the deceased family members and friends. You can begin to write the deceased names on the memorial book at the entrance of the church. There will be a special mass

for all the deceased members on Nov 02, 2023, at 7 p.m. We will not be selling candles as in the past years, but a week before and on the day of the mass you will be given **free candles** to light in honour of your family members. On Nov 02, at 7 p.m. Mass, you would be given an opportunity to go in procession and to place the candles in front of the altar, remembering your loved ones. You can write the deceased name from all the weekends of October and you also will receive an **'All Souls Day'** envelope to write the names of your deceased family members and for your free will offering.



### Let us be thankful ...

Let us be thankful for  
the blessings we receive.  
Let us be thoughtful of others.  
Let us remember dear and close friends.  
Let us have faith in tomorrow.  
Let us live life as a Golden Rule.  
Let us find sunlight through the clouds.  
Let us believe.  
Let us be the people we have the ability to be.  
Let us have understanding.  
Let us say this thanks in prayer  
To God, for the gifts He has given.



May your

*Thanksgiving*

be full of peace, love, and joy.



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