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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

Handmaids of the Lord

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1st Sunday of Lent: February 18, 2024



Saturday, February 17 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, February 18 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann*
Toribio Sierra – +

Sunday, February 18 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's*
Mass – *All are welcome*

Sunday, February 18 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, February 19, at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, February 20 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, February 21 at 8 a.m. Mass
St. Peter Damian (M)

Thursday, February 22 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m. Stations of the
cross, 07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, February 24 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, February 25 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the*
Parishioners of St. Ann

Sunday, February 25 at 12:30 p.m.
Native People's Mass – All are welcome

Sunday, February 25 at 6 p.m. Mass

1st Sunday of Lent



During this First Sunday of Lent we hear the account of Jesus's temptation in the wilderness. Facing temptations is a part of life. St. Anthony the Great says to "Expect temptation to your last

breath." Each time we face a temptation we have the choice of whether we follow Christ or turn away from Him. We should ask ourselves, how hard do we fight to resist temptations?

St. Josemaria Escriva says to fight temptations "Saint Francis of Assisi rolled in the snow, Saint Benedict threw himself into a thorn bush, Saint Bernard plunged into an icy pond ... what have you done?" When temptations come our way we must intentionally distance ourselves from the source of temptation and pray for strength. Perhaps one practice we can start is

praying a Hail Mary as we physically walk away from any potential occasions of sin.

Let us also realize that every sin is tempting us with a twisted version of something good. So instead of just running away from evil, let us run towards what is true, good and beautiful. For example, we won't fall into the temptation to gossip if we form the habit of building people up with our words. We will be less likely to get angry if we practice kind acts towards our neighbour. We won't fall into the sin of lust if we strive to sacrificially love others. This Lent, let us begin to run away from sinful temptations and fill ourselves with good things from God instead. This will allow us to become holier stewards, which will lead to the revitalization of our parishes as our holiness and charity will point others to the love of Christ.

Summary

As we read the account of Jesus' temptation in the desert, we should realize that we too have to fight temptations. When temptations come our way we must intentionally distance ourselves from the source of temptation and pray for strength. This Lent, let us begin to run away from occasions of sin and fill ourselves with good things from God instead which will slowly help us grow in holiness.

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collections

Weekend of **February 10/11**
Envelopes (56) \$ 1,385.00
Loose \$ 393.75



Share Life

Support our vulnerable youth through ShareLife
In this time of Lent, we ask you to think of our brothers and sisters in need – especially our vulnerable youth who call the streets their home.

"Your gift ensures youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness have access to individualized support and variety of programs and services to meet their complex and diverse needs," says Mark Aston of Covenant House Toronto. "With your caring support,

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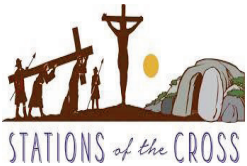
youth have a safe space to turn to and a supportive team to help them plan their own path.”

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Pope's Prayer Intention 2024

The Pope's prayer intention for 2024 addresses challenges facing humanity and assists the mission of the church. In **February**, let us pray that those with terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment. – Pope Francis

Stations of the Cross



On Fridays during the season of Lent, we will have the station of the cross at 6:30 p.m. followed by Holy Eucharist at 7 p.m.

Free Catholic Estate Planning Webinar

On Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection

How to create your own legacy

About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:



2. follow this QR link:

<https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24>

3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write “webinar February 24” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Christian Life Program



The Handmaids of the Lord invites you to a **Christian Life Program** starting on February 25, 2024, here at St. Ann Parish Hall at 1:30 p.m. Women who are single parent, separated or divorced, unmarried mature singles, widows, married with a husband working overseas or those women whose husband are incapacitated or at the moment are not ready yet for religious affiliations can attend the Christian Life Program and **NO FEES** required. For more details, you can email lyndacaratao@hotmail.com or call 4169519907, the office at 4164662127.

Journey through Lent: Video series

As we journey through Lent 2024, I am pleased to inform you that the Ash Wednesday video and the First Sunday of Lent video of the series titled “Journey through Lent” are now available on the CCCB website:

in English: <https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>

in French: <https://www.cecc.ca/careme/>

43rd Annual Concelebrated Mass in Honour of St. Patrick

On Sunday, February 25, 2024, 03:00 PM - Sunday, February 25, 2024, 06:00 PM, Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be his Eminence, Thomas, Cardinal Collins, Bishop Emeritus. Eithne Heffernan will be the Guest Irish Harpist. The ceremonial co-ordinator will be Hugo Straney. A reception will follow the Mass in the church hall, with refreshments and Irish entertainment provided by Michael Kelly and Irish dancers from Johnson Irish Dance.

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Tax Receipt

Thank you for your ongoing financial support to the parish. Your annual tax receipt for the year 2023 will be mailed to you directly. Please watch your mail and if you are not receiving it by the end of this month, please call the parish office.

Sunday Funny

A Bible group study leader says to his group, “What would you do if you knew you only had four weeks left before the great Judgment Day?” A gentleman says, “I would go out into my community and minister the Gospel to those that have not yet accepted the Lord into their lives.” “Very good!” says the group leader. One lady speaks up and says enthusiastically, “I would dedicate all of my remaining time to serving God, my family, my church, and my fellow man with a greater conviction.” “That's wonderful!” the group leader comments. One gentleman in the back finally speaks up loudly and says, “I would go to my mother-in-laws house for the four weeks.” The group leader asks, “Why your mother-in-law's home?” “Because that will make it the longest four weeks of my life!”



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