# **ST. ANN PARISH** Home of Native Peoples' Mission

Served by the Holy Cross Fathers



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.

FinanceAnne FrancisSecretaryPastoral Assistants<br/>Maria FernandesDevelopment & Peace<br/>Catherine BarryFood Bank<br/>Carlos & Colette CarreiroMusicBonald Vengie Fabre

MusicRonald Vengie FabreCaretakerRosalie 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

## <u>Weekend Activities</u> <u>Saturday</u>

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 <u>Native Peoples' Mass</u> 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 St. Ann Rosary Makers

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Saturday, March 16 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 17 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioner of St. Ann* 

Sunday, March 17 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – All are welcome* 

Sunday, March 17 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, March 18 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 19 at 8 a.m. Mass St Joseph, spouse of the BVM (M) Mavic & Manny Galicia – Thanksgiving receive tru St Joseph

Wednesday, March 20 at 8 a.m. Mass Members of Ignacio Deigo clan – repose of the soul

Thursday, March 21 at 8 a.m. Mass

Friday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. Station of the Cross, 07 p.m. Mass

> Saturday, March 23 at 5 p.m. Mass *Mathew Cherian* – + *Mary Cherian* – + *Wilson Cherian* – + *Aaron Joseph* – +

Sunday, March 24 at 10.30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's* Mass – *All are welcome* 

Sunday, March 24 at 6 p.m. Mass

# Reflection

#### **5th Sunday of Lent**

As we approach Holy Week, the readings begin to point towards Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. His sacrifice was a sacrifice of love done to reconcile us with God. It is through His sacrifice that we

now live in the new covenant between God and humanity. In the first reading, God tells the prophet Jeremiah, "But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

Through Jesus, a new covenant is formed. One that is not ruled by strict adherence to laws and regulations, but rather one that is based on living in the love of God. The Lord says that He will write the covenant

on our hearts. For the Lord to insist on writing it on our hearts, He implies that this covenant will be extremely personal and intimate.

As stewards, we are called into a deep relationship and friendship with God. St. John Henry Newman's motto was "Cor ad cor loquitur", or "Heart speaks unto heart." He fully understood the depths and importance of what it means to be in an intimate relationship with God. Do we likewise try to foster a personal relationship with Christ? Jesus' life, death and resurrection forever changed the way we go to God in prayer. Let us strive to go to Him and bear our heart to Him, that we may be able to grow deeper in relationship with Christ.

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-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



#### **Offertory Collection**

Weekend of **March 9/10** Envelopes (61) \$ 975 .00 Loose \$ 421 .70



## Share Life

#### This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

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 **March**, let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive. – **Pope Francis** 

## Music Concert Celebrating 400 Years of St Joseph as Patron of Canada

Join Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto and the Heralds of the Gospel celebrating 400 years of the Consecration of Canada to St Joseph on Thursday, March 21 @7:00 PM at St Paul's Basilica in Toronto, located at 83 Power St, Toronto ON M5A 3A8.

Don't miss an enchanting evening at the Basilica, where the Life of Saint Joseph will unfold through captivating melodies from around the globe. The children's choir of Guiding Light Academy, accompanied by Tenor Romulo Delgado, Violinist Eddy Marcano, along with trumpets, and organ will fill the air with beautiful music. This is a unique experience you won't want miss. to The Concert is free of charge, but consider making a reservation at 1-800-674-3410 or by email at vfa@virginfatima.org

#### **Palm Sunday**

Next weekend is Palm Sunday. The liturgy begins with a blessing and procession of palms where we



commemorate Jesus Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. As we celebrate and remember the entry of Jesus into

Jerusalem we would have the blessing of the palms for Saturday 5 p.m. the blessing will take place at the entrance of the church and for 10:30 a.m. the blessing of the palms will take place at the rectory and for 12:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. the blessing of the palms will take place at the entrance of the church.

#### **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.





# **Lenten Confession**

**St. Ann Parish** March 22, 6 – 6:30 p.m. March 23, 4 – 4:45 p.m. March 24, 5:30 – 6 p.m. **St. Joseph Parish** March 20, 6 p.m. **Holy Name Parish** March 21, 7 – 8 p.m.

Holy Thursday 8 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

# **Good Friday**

3 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Word 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Easter Vigil 8 pm Mass of the Resurection

# **Easter Sunday**

10:30 a.m. Mass 12:30 p.m. Mass 6 p.m. **No mass** 

#### **Sunday Funny**

A man appeared before St. Peter at the pearly gates. "Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St. Peter asked. "Well," the man said, "once I came upon a gang of bikers who were threatening a young woman. I approached the largest and most heavily tattooed biker and smacked him on the head, kicked over his bike, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground. 'Now leave her alone!' I yelled." St. Peter was impressed: "When did this happen?" "Just a couple of minutes ago."



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