

# 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

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Out of the Cold Program

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# Palm Sunday of Lent: March 24, 2024



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

Monday, March 25 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 26 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 27 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 28 at 8 p.m. Mass

**Holy Thursday**

Friday, March 29 at 3 p.m. Solemn Liturgy  
of the word

6:30 p.m. Station of the Cross

**Friday of the Passion of the Lord**

Saturday, March 30 at 8 p.m. Mass Easter Vigil

**Holy Saturday**

**Robert Kavanagh** – +

**Easter Sunday**, March 31 at 10.30 a.m. Mass

*for the Parishioner of St. Ann*

**Anders Noel Aereus** – *Thanksgiving Birthday*

Sunday, March 31 at 12.30 p.m. **Native People's**

Mass – *All are welcome*

Sunday, March 31 at 6 p.m. **No Mass**

## **Palm (Passion) Sunday**

Reflection  
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As we enter Holy Week we are faced with the great paradox of the cross. The crucifixion from a mere human standpoint was an utter and humiliating defeat for Jesus. How could God let Himself be killed by

His own creatures? The only way we can recognize the sublime beauty and victory of the cross is if we

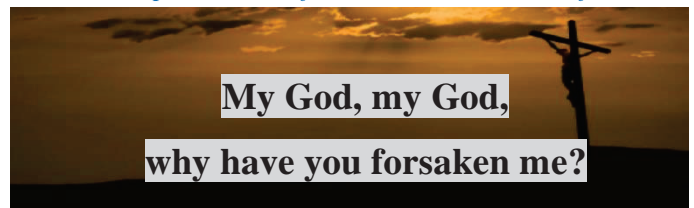
view it through a Divine lens. The Jews resisted accepting the necessity of the crucifixion because they expected Him to be a wondrous king who would set them free from the political rule of the Romans. Jesus on the other hand comes as a poor and lowly carpenter sent to set them free not from political tyranny, but from the tyranny of sin. To do this, he “humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross” (Philippians 2:8). Jesus hid all of His Divine majesty with His humanity and allowed Himself to die for the love of us. It was because of this humility that “God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name” (Philippians 2:9).

As stewards, we may sometimes forget the truth found in the paradox of the cross. It is not our own strength or achievements that make us great but it is rather our humility and obedience to God. The Lord can bring about tremendous good out of our willingness to humbly serve Him wherever He places us. As we enter Holy Week, let us take some time to meditate on the radical humility of Christ crucified and seek to imitate Him in our own lives as stewards.

### *Summary*

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*-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



## **Offertory Collection**

Weekend of **March 16/17**

Envelopes (59) \$ 940.00

Loose \$ 413.00



## **Share Life**

**ShareLife: Welcome Jesus into your hearts by sharing your blessings today**

Today is Palm Sunday, a time in our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of His teachings and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most.



## Palm Sunday of Lent: March 24, 2024

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 living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings.

### HOLY WEEK

Dear Parishioners, Holy Week, is the final week of Lent, starting on Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter. Holy Week is a time in which we gather to remember and participate in the Passion of Jesus Christ. The Passion was the final period of Christ's life in Jerusalem, which spans from when He arrived with the triumphant entry into Jerusalem, to when He was crucified.

### "Triduum"

In the Holy week, we have the '**Triduum**', which simply means '**three days.**' According to the General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar: 19, The Easter triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday. It thus includes three full days, though since the season doesn't begin at midnight, these three days are distributed as follows: The last part of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and the first part of Easter Sunday.

So, the triduum celebration that begins on Holy Thursday ends only with Easter. If we watch closely, there is no final blessing on Holy Thursday, the Good Friday service begins and ends with silence, and the Easter vigil begins with the blessing of the fire, the celebration is concluded and the final blessing is given at the Easter Vigil. So I invite each of you and your family members to participate in all three celebrations.

**Holy Thursday** commemorates the Last Supper when Jesus consecrated bread and wine the night before he was betrayed and arrested.

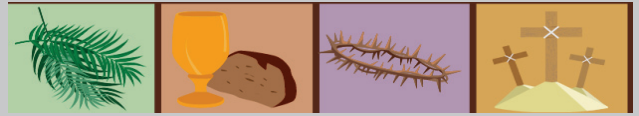
**Good Friday** marks the day of Jesus' arrest, trial and crucifixion. The events of Good Friday are commemorated with the liturgy of the Word and the Stations of the Cross.

**Holy Saturday** remembers the day which Jesus spent in the grave resting. This day celebrates the vigil that Christ's followers held for him outside of his tomb, waiting for his resurrection. Easter Sunday is the greatest celebration in the Catholic church because it completes the Holy week that ends with the resurrection of Jesus. Easter celebrates the beginning and foundation of Christianity.

### Special Collection

There will be a special collection for **Good Friday**. Thank you for your continued support, and your kind and generous contributions.

### Holy Week Schedule



#### Holy Thursday

8 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Good Friday

3 pm Solemn Liturgy of the Word

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

#### Easter Vigil

8 pm Mass of the Resurrection

#### Easter Sunday

10:30 am Mass

12:30 pm Mass

6 pm **No mass**

### Easter Flowers

Bringing flowers for the Easter Celebration is a long-lasting tradition of the church and the people of God. If you would like to bring the flowers, in honour and memory of your loved ones, you are most welcome to do so. If you are not able to go shopping or find it difficult to carry, you can give monetary donations towards flowers. Thank you.



### Easter Brunch



In celebrating the resurrection of Christ, the handmaids of the Lord will be hosting a brunch after 10:30 a.m. Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome to celebrate the resurrection of the Lord with the fellowship meal. There is no cost to the breakfast but **free will offering is appreciated**. We had also easter egg hunting for the kids for them to have fun in the celebration. Let's Celebrate!



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