

# 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.

**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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## 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 8, 2024



Saturday, September 7 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 8 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioner of St. Ann*  
*Imelda Orosco – +*

Sunday, September 8 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome*

Sunday, September 8 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, September 9 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, September 10 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, September 11 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, September 12 at 8 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour  
07 p.m. Mass. *St John Chrysostom (M)*

Saturday, September 14 at 5 p.m. Mass  
*Exaltation of the Holy Cross (F)*

Sunday, September 15 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioner of St. Ann*  
*Our Lady of Sorrow (M)*

Sunday, September 15 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome*

Sunday, September 15 at 6 p.m. Mass

### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection

In the Gospel today, Jesus encounters a deaf man who is brought to Jesus to be healed of his impairment. The deaf man didn't come on his own initiative but rather was brought by the

people who begged Jesus to lay his hands on this man and heal him. This selfless action of the people, who didn't seek healing for themselves or for some favour to be granted to them, but instead sought the healing of the deaf man is a beautiful example of the power of intercessory prayer. The deaf man was healed not because of his faith or desire, but of the faith and desire of those who brought him to Jesus.

As the prophet Isaiah declared in the first reading, "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense, he comes to

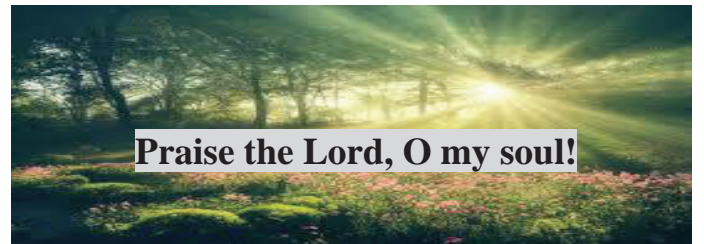
save you." Christ came to bring healing, comfort, and forgiveness. Jesus desires to speak those healing words we hear in today's Gospel to everyone, 'Be opened!', yet many people, including ourselves, are not able to hear it because of our spiritual deafness. We may not even realize that we need the healing, after being so caught up in our own spiritual deafness. When people are unable to come to Jesus because they feel unworthy, or maybe don't know that Jesus loves them, our intercessory prayer becomes crucial as we bring before the Lord the people who need Jesus' healing touch and love.

In what ways do we bring people to Christ so that Christ can bestow his blessings? Do we participate in the missionary action of the Church? Do we welcome new parishioners? Do we pray often for the needs of the people around us? Even if we are unable to bring people physically to church, let us make a greater effort to spend more time in prayer, praying for those we know if our lives who require Christ's healing.

#### Summary

The healing of the deaf man in today's Gospel was a result of the people bringing the deaf man to Jesus, a beautiful example of the power and necessity of intercessory prayer. Christ came to bring healing, but many times people we know, or even ourselves don't go to Christ because we feel unworthy and stop ourselves from going to Him. Through our prayers, we do what the people in the Gospel did, bringing to Jesus those who need healing and allowing Christ to heal them through us

*-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



### Offertory Collection

Weekend of **August 24/25 & August 31/ September 1**

Envelopes (116)	\$ 3,620.00
Loose	\$ 1,013.00
PAG	\$ 943.65
Mission Coop	\$ 175.00



### Pope's Prayer Intention 2024

The Pope's prayer intention for 2024 addresses challenges facing humanity and assists the mission of the church. In **September**, we pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as

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a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people. – **Pope Francis**

### Marriage Encounter Weekend



WWME aims to renew the Church through the renewal of the Sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders. It is the most successful and

dynamic marriage enrichment experience in the world today. Since its beginning in 1968, couples and priests have volunteered their time and energies to bring the Marriage Encounter Weekend to couples everywhere. **Fall in love again!** Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priesthood? Join us on September 20 – 22, 2024 at Queen of Apostles for a weekend that could change your life. **Discover the Secrets to a Lasting, Supportive, and Transformational Marriage!** Call us now Christian & Elizabeth Arroba at 416-5544439/416-5547062, or email: [christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org](mailto:christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org)

### Time away from the Parish



Fr. Francis Salasiar CSC, our pastor, will be travelling to India to attend a meeting of Holy Cross Fathers in Tamil Nadu. He will be away from the Parish from September 10

to October 09, 2024. Fr. Roshan D'Souza CSC, Fr. Frank Wagner CSC, and other visiting priests will offer all the masses. During his time away, if you need any emergency sacramental assistance, please contact the parish office.

### Jesus Youth Prayer Meeting

To all young adults, we are glad to invite you for our monthly prayer meeting happening tonight September 8 at 7 p.m. in the church basement after the 6 p.m. mass. Thank you.



### Children's liturgy

We will begin the children's liturgy for the kids from kindergarten to grade 3. It is an opportunity for the children to learn about faith in their own way and in a kid-friendly way. This ministry will resume today September 8, 2024 onwards every



Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Mass. We welcome parents and adults if you would like to volunteer and help you are most welcome.

### Altar Servers

Serving at the altar is a wonderful way for young people to participate in the Eucharistic celebrations. It allows them to experience closeness as they continue to contribute to the smooth flow of the liturgy.



So, we invite the parents to encourage their children who are in grade 4 or above to volunteer as altar servers. Training will be provided.

### Christian Life Program

**Handmaids of the Lord** will be having a free **Christian Life Program at St Ann Parish Hall** for 8 consecutive Sundays from **September 15, 2024, to November 3, 2024, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.** It is an integrated teaching intended to lead the program participants into a renewed understanding of God's call to them as Christian women. If you would like to participate please get in touch with Rose Marie Nobleza at 416-5548320 or Lynda Caratao, email: [lyndacaratao@hotmail.com](mailto:lyndacaratao@hotmail.com).

### RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Do you know anyone who is thinking about becoming Catholic? Have you been attending Mass with your spouse, a friend, or family member and would like to learn more about joining the faith and sharing in the full sacramental life of the Church or are you a faithful Catholic already and want a review of the basics of what it means to be Catholic? Please talk to Fr. Francis to explore more.

### Breakfast Sunday



The **Handmaids of the Lord** will be hosting their Breakfast on Sunday, September 15, 2024. Please come down to the hall after the 10:30 am mass and join us for a freshly made breakfast and fellowship. All are welcome!

### Sunday Funny

A teacher is testing her students 'knowledge of words' antonyms. She asked, "What is the opposite of go?" A student answered, "Stop." "Very good" the teacher replied. "What is the opposite of adamant?" Another student said, "Eveant."



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