# **ST. ANN PARISH** & 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)

**MEGWETCH!** We are a small congregation, that gathers for prayer and worship. We value our diversity and welcome everyone. We try to provide a safe circle for the growth of the human spirit free from judgmental attitudes. Joyfully celebrating and participating in the sacraments, we are committed to just and compassionate action. (Native People's Mission Statement)

#### **Pastor:**

Fr. Francis Salasiar, CSC

In Residence: Fr. Roshan D'Souza, CSC

# <u>Office Hours</u> Monday – Thursday:

9:30 am - 2:00 pm

FinanceAnne FrancisSecretaryCristina BiasonPastoral Assistant<br/>Maria FernandesFood Bank<br/>Carlos & Colette CarreiroMusicVengie Fabre

# **Daily Mass**

Monday-Wednesday 8:00 am Thursday No Mass First Fridays 6:00 pm Adoration 7:00 pm Mass Other Fridays 6:30 p.m. Adoration 7:00 pm 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

Sunday 9:30 am Divine Mercy & Rosary 10:30 am Mass Children's Liturgy 12:30 pm Native Peoples' Mass

# **Celebration of Sacraments**

**Baptism:** preparation required (please contact office)

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 pm or by appointment

**Matrimony:** (couple contacts office one year in advance)

#### Parish Ministries

Pastoral & Finance Council Liturgy/Faith Formation Lectors & Altar Servers Music Ministry Eucharistic Ministers Collection Counters St. Ann Parish Food Bank Out of the Cold Program Development and Peace Handmaids of the Lord

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Saturday, March 1 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 2 at 10:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann Martinne Palanca – Thanksgiving Birthday

Sunday, March 2 at 12:30 p.m. Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome

Monday, March 3 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 4 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 5 at 8 a.m. Mass 7 p.m. Mass - *Ash Wednesday* 

Thursday, March 6 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, March 7 at 6:30 Station of the Cross, 07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 8 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 9 at 10:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann

Sunday, March 9 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome* 

# 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time



"Lord, it is good to give thanks to you." These are the words from the refrain of this Sunday's responsorial psalm. Thanksgiving is at the core of what it means to be a steward. We cannot offer our gifts to our parish communities if

we don't first acknowledge and give thanks to God for giving us these gifts in the first place. Cardinal Collins in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship*\* says that, "deep stewardship begins with gratitude and ends with accountability ... We recognize gratefully that everything in life is a gift of God."

Not only does gratitude unlock a spirituality of stewardship, but it is also the first step in living a life of greater joy. The opposite of gratitude is indifference. Often times we are indifferent and unaware of all the great gifts in our lives. By adopting an intentional lens of gratitude we can begin to realize how blessed we truly are. St. Gianna Molla beautifully tells us that "the secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for what He is sending us every day in His goodness." Wherever we are reading this reflection, let us take a moment to thank God for three things around us. We can express our gratitude for having a roof over our heads, food in our stomachs, or the joy of family and friends. Above all, we can always be thankful for the gift of God's love in our lives. As stewards, let us begin to adopt a spirituality of thanksgiving and begin living more joyful lives.

#### Summary

St. Gianna Molla beautifully tells us that "the secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for what He is sending us every day in His goodness." Wherever we are reading this reflection, let us take a moment to thank God for a few things around us. We can express our gratitude for having a roof over our heads, food in our stomachs, the joy of family and friends, and above all, we can always be thankful for the gift of God's love.

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



# Offertory CollectionWeekend of February 22/23Envelopes (38) \$ 1,255.00Loose\$ 240.00PAG\$ 419.25



#### **Stations of the Cross**

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



# **Pope's Prayer Intention 2025**

The Pope's prayer intention for 2025 addresses challenges facing humanity and assists the mission of the church. These intentions serve as principles guiding our lives and mission. In **March**, let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, and rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences. – **Pope Francis** 

# 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time: March 2, 2025

# Month of March – Dedicated to St Joseph



Saint Joseph, you are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you. Oh, St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

Oh, St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most Loving of Fathers.

Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen

#### **Day of Reflection for Women**

- Saturday, March 08, 2025, 09:30 AM - Saturday, March 08, 2025, 04:00 PM

Dav of Reflection for Women - Who You Are is How You Relate and Pray: Discover and Embrace the Gifts of your Temperament. Facilitator: Veronica Ljubicic. Further details may be found on our website: Manresa-canada.ca. Please see the flyer for this special day. The suggested offering is \$65 for the day and includes coffee, tea muffin break, lunch and the program. For more information & to register, please Contact Veronica.

boutiquecoachingconnections@gmail.com.

**CONTACT:** Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre WEB: https://manresa-canada.ca/

# **Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit** at St. Benedict Parish

Please join us as we host the Vatican-approved Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit. Friday, March 14, 2025, 06:00 PM - Friday, March 14, 2025, 08:30 PM St. Benedict Parish, 2194 Kipling Ave., Etobicoke The exhibit, which was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, features panels that each tell the story of a Eucharistic miracle and allow you to "virtually visit" the places where the miracles took place. The exhibit's purpose is to increase awareness of the Real Presence of our Lord in the Eucharist and promote Eucharistic Adoration. Join us at 7 p.m. for a prayerful evening of Adoration with Praise & Worship led by the youth. Following Adoration, we will have time to venerate the relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati and watch a short video on Blessed Carlo Acutis. CONTACT: St. Benedict Parish Office **PHONE:** 416-743-3830

EMAIL: office@stbenedicts.ca

#### **Come & See – Discernment Weekend**

Retreat – March 14 to March 16, 2025 The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, March 14 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, March 16 (2 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information. please: vocations@archtoronto.org.

# **Christian Life Program**



The Handmaids of the Lord warmly invites you to a Christian Life Program, starting on March 30, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. at St Ann Parish Hall. This life-enriching program will run for 8 consecutive

Sundays and is open to women who are: single parents, separated or divorced, unmarried mature single, widows, married with husbands working overseas or those women whose husbands are incapacitated or at the moment are not ready yet for religious affiliations. **NO FEES** required. We look forward to sharing this spiritual journey with you. For more details please email: rmnobleza56@gmail.com or call 41695548320, the office at 4164662127.

#### **Offertory Envelopes for 2025**

NOTICE

Offertory envelopes for 2025 are no longer available in the church. If you would like to pick up your envelope for this year, please speak to an usher or

contact the parish office. If you have changed your address or contact number, kindly inform the parish office at 4164662127 so we can update our records.

Alternatively, you may choose to contribute through our **Pre-authorized Giving Plan** (direct debit) monthly. For more details, please reach out to the parish office by phone or email.

