ST. ANN PARISH

& 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)

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

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Finance Anne Francis **Secretary** Cristina Biason

Pastoral Assistant

Maria Fernandes

Food Bank

Carlos & Colette Carreiro

Music Vengie 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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2nd Sunday of Lent: March 16, 2025



Saturday, March 15 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 16 at 10:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann Rogelio Nobleza Jr. – +

Sunday, March 16 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's*Mass – Everyone is welcome

Monday, March 17 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 18 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 19 at 8 a.m. Mass St. Joseph Spouse of the BVM (S)

Thursday, March 20 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, March 21 at 6:30 Station of the Cross, 07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 22 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 23 at 10.30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann Ellen Santos Galicia – +

Sunday, March 23 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's* Mass – *Everyone is welcome*

2nd Sunday of Lent



Every Second Sunday of Lent the Church invites us to reflect on the account of the Transfiguration of Christ. This passage describes how Jesus went up a mountain with Peter, James and John, and was transfigured

before them, revealing His divine glory. The apostles, although wanting to stay on the mountain, are brought back down into the real world. These two movements, of ascent and descent, are critical in the lives of stewards.

Firstly, we too are invited to ascend the heights of mountain-top spiritual experiences. To ascend the mountain is to take some time away from the noise of the world to experience the glory and majesty of Christ. Sometimes this involves large mountains such as attending retreats or conferences. However, we can also ascend the mountain every time we turn to prayer and build up our relationship with God. All these

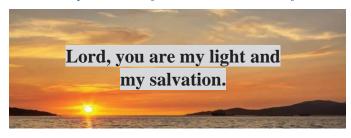
moments are essential in keeping our faith alive and active.

However, this is where the second aspect of descent becomes so important. Unless we are called to live as a brother or sister in a contemplative religious order, we are not called to always remain tucked away in retreats or prayer. Instead, we are called to be strengthened through our mountain-top experiences so that we will have the grace to go out into the world and spread the Gospel. This Lent, let us take some time to be nourished on the mountain so that we will be all the more ready to proclaim the Good News.

Summary

Just as the apostles were invited to ascend the mountain for the Lord's transfiguration, we too are called to ascend our mountains. We can do this whenever we take some time away from the noise of the world so that we may experience the glory and majesty of Christ in prayer. We are then called to descend the mountain and use the grace of our mountain-top experiences to spread the Gospel in the world

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collection

Weekend of **March 8/9**Envelopes (64) \$ **815.00**Loose \$ **285.00**

PAG \$419.25



SL ShareLife

Show love through Sharelife

Sharelife Sunday is **March 30th**. Our parish goal is **\$6,800.00**. Through your kindness, over 40 catholic organizations and social service agencies can help marginalized members of our community. No one is turned away due to inability to pay. This is all possible through your support. Last year, **St. Ann Food Bank** was one of the beneficiaries as well.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Make a sacrificing contribution through this season of lent for this worthy cause.

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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**

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.



Walking the passion of Jesus is one of the oldest devotions of the Catholic Church, which provides us with the opportunity to meditate on the love of God. Please come and join us as we walk the stations together.

Lift Jesus Higher Rally- 2025

Theme of Adult and Youth Rally: "POWER FROM ON HIGH"

Saturday, March 29, 2025, 09:00 AM - Saturday, March 29, 2025, 05:30 PM, Metro Toronto Convention Centre

Speakers: Bishop Scott McCaig, Fr. Rasto Dluhy, Deacon Larry Oney, Peter Herbeck and Katey Norman

Adult Mass (with Sunday readings) - celebrated by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins Youth Mass (with Sunday readings) - celebrated by Bishop Scott McCaig at a separate adjacent youth event (13 to 18 years) Powerful Praise & Worship Music, Prayer Ministry for Healing & Empowerment, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

Tickets can be purchased ONLINE at our website: www.ljhr.ca COST: Adult \$49 and Youth \$25 CONTACT: Catholic Renewal Ministries. PHONE: 647-559-8384

Jesus Heals at St. Francis Xavier Parish

Bring your struggles to Jesus Heals, a Shalom World Conference healing program, and be transformed in body, mind and soul. This is a free event, and all are welcome! Led by Fr. Julian Studden, a gifted priest and global speaker. This event includes Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, spiritual talk and special prayers for healing and blessing the sick. Wednesday,

March 26, 2025, 07:00 - 09:00 PM St Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga. More information is available at https://conferences.shalomworld.org/.

CONTACT: Shalom Media Canada

Touching the Wounds: Truth and Reconciliation Lesson for a Pilgrim Church

A silent Ignatian retreat for men & women - Touching the wounds: truth and reconciliation lessons for a pilgrim church. Fr. Peter will share insights into the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. Facilitated by Fr. Peter Bisson, SJ.

This silent weekend retreat begins on Friday evening and runs to Sunday with lunch. Friday, March 28, 2025, 07:00 PM - Sunday, March 30, 2025, 01:30 PM Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. The suggested offering is \$260 per person which includes two nights' accommodation with meals, spiritual direction and retreat program.

CONTACT: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. **REGISTER:**

Email <u>manresaregistration@outlook.com</u>, visit <u>https://manresa-canada.ca</u> or call 905-839-2864.

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 a husband 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

Year of Jubilee: Pilgrimage for Young Adults 2025

Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a lifetime! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from July 23rd to August 5th, 2025. Please contact youth@archtoronto.org to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary.



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