

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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Palm (Passion) Sunday: April 13, 2025



Saturday, April 12 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, April 13 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann*
Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 13 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's*
Mass – Everyone is welcome

Monday, April 14 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, April 15 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, April 16 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, April 17 at 8 pm Mass
Holy Thursday
St. Kateri Tekakwitha (M)

Friday, April 18 at 3 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of Word
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Good Friday

Saturday, April 19 at 8 p.m. Mass Easter Vigil
Holy Saturday

Easter Sunday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the*
Intentions of the Parishioners

Sunday, April 20 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's*
Mass – Everyone is welcome

Palm (Passion) Sunday



Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most important and solemn week of the Church's liturgical calendar. In the Gospel this Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the passion and death of

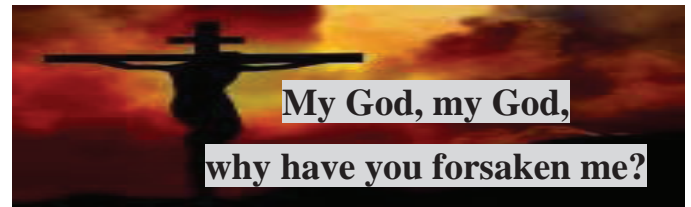
our Lord Jesus Christ. The cross is the most recognizable symbol of our Christian faith. We see crucifixes hanging in Churches, schools, homes and even worn around many people's necks. However, we can become so used to this constant presence of the crucifix that we become indifferent to what it signifies. Let us take a moment to grasp the beauty and truth found in the cross.

God became man and was willing to be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins. It is through the cross that Christ defeats Satan and triumphantly attains our salvation, allowing us to enter our heavenly home. The entire course of human history was dramatically altered because of the cross of Christ. As stewards, we should

always view the salvation won through the cross as the greatest gift that God has bestowed on us.

As we approach the Holy Triduum, let us take some time each day this week to reflect on the passion of Christ. Many great saints strongly promoted this practice of calling to mind the sufferings of Christ. We can do this in many ways, such as praying the Stations of the Cross or the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary, reading the passion narratives in the Bible, or simply gazing upon a crucifix. Let us never fail to appreciate the sublime beauty of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collection

Weekend of April 5//6

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Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!

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

Palm (Passion) Sunday: April 13, 2025

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

The “**Triduum**” is three days marking the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Holy Thursday: Commemorates the last supper and Jesus washing the disciples' feet, teaching humility and service.

Good Friday: Honors the crucifixion with solemn prayers, scripture readings and veneration of the cross. It's a day of fasting and penance, a time to reflect on Christ's ultimate sacrifice.

Holy Saturday: A day of reflection, culminating in the Easter Vigil, celebrating the Resurrection.

It's a sacred journey from sorrow to joy, symbolizing the heart of the Christian faith.

Join Us in Celebrating the Feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

We invite you to a special celebration honoring St. Kateri Tekakwitha, our beloved indigenous saint, on Sunday, April 27, 2025, at 12:30 PM. As Catholics in Canada, we recognize her significance in healing relationships with indigenous peoples and the earth. Since St. Kateri's feast day in Canada falls on April 17, which coincides with Holy Thursday in 2025, we will commemorate it with a special Mass on Sunday, April 27, 2025. After the Eucharistic celebration, we will gather for a potluck lunch in the hall. Come share a meal, meet new friends, and enjoy this joyful gathering! If you would like to bring a dish to share, please call the office at 416-4662127. Everyone is welcome! Bring your family and friends as we celebrate faith, unity, and the inspiring life of St. Kateri. We look forward to celebrating with you!



Easter Flower Donation

Bringing flowers for Easter is a cherished tradition of our church and a beautiful way to honor and remember our loved ones. If you would like to donate flowers, you are warmly invited to do so. For those unable to purchase or bring flowers, monetary donations toward Easter flowers are also appreciated.



Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity!

Special Collection

There will be a special collection for Needs of the Church in the Holy Land (**Good Friday**). Thank you for your continued support and your kind and generous contributions.

Holy Week Schedule



Holy Thursday: April 17

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

Good Friday: April 18

3 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Word

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Easter Vigil: April 19

8 p.m. Mass of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday: April 20

10:30 a.m. Mass

12:30 p.m. Mass

Easter Brunch



In celebration of the Resurrection of Christ, the Handmaids of the Lord will be hosting a joyful easter brunch right after **10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 20, 2025**, in the parish hall. Let's come together in faith, fellowship, and celebration! We will gather together with a delicious brunch – free for all! (*Free-will offerings are welcome*) We also had an easter egg hunt for the kids to have fun in the celebration. Let's celebrate the Risen Lord together. We can't wait to see you there!

Dinner and Dance

Once again, we are inviting you for a night to celebrate. St Ann Parish and the Native People's Mission are holding a dinner and dance “**Ticket to 80's and 90's**” on **May 31, 2025**, after 5 p.m. Mass. Come and join us for a fun and exciting night as we gather as one united community in our parish. Invite your family and friends to join us. Save the date, reserve your tickets now. The ticket cost is 25.00 dollars.



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