# 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

120 First Avenue, Toronto, ON. M4M 1X1 (Corner Gerrard East & Degrassi St).

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Website: nativepeoplesmission.archtoronto.org



Saturday, May 24 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, May 25 at 10:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann

Sunday, May 25 at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome* 

Monday, May 26 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, May 27 at 8 a.m. Mass Emer Lucy Kiernan – Thanksgiving Birthday

Wednesday, May 28 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, May 29 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, May 30 at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour 07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, May 31 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, June 1 at 10.30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of St. Ann

Sunday, June 2 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's*Mass – Everyone is welcome

#### 6th Sunday of Easter



The life of the Christian disciple should be filled with great peace. However, peace does not mean the absence of difficulties or trials. Rather, true peace is living in joy despite the

turbulences we may experience. The Gospel reminds us that we can only receive this peace from Jesus. He tells us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives." How does the world give peace? The world tells us that if we have lots of money in the bank, a fancy car, an extravagant house and perfect looks, then we will be at peace. It promotes peace as something that is through achieved exterior possessions circumstances. However, what does the world offer us when difficulties arise? How does the world teach peace in the midst of tough financial situations or an unfavourable medical diagnosis? This is where the peace of Christ triumphs.

We can achieve a sense of interior peace despite the exterior sufferings when we fix our minds on things that are heavenly. We can always draw great strength from realizing our identity as beloved children of God. God loves us. This reality alone has the profound effect of easing the greatest of crosses. St. Teresa of Avila says, "Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything." God is always faithful to us. The next time we're in a moment that threatens to rob us of our peace, let us take a deep breath, call to mind the smiling gaze of Christ towards us, and pray, "Jesus, I love you."

#### **Summary**

Jesus tells us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives." The world promotes peace as something that is achieved through exterior possessions or circumstances, yet it offers no remedy for times of great trial. On the other hand, with Jesus, the next time we're in a moment that threatens to rob us of our peace, let us take a deep breath, call to mind the smiling gaze of Christ towards us, and pray, "Jesus, I love you."

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



#### **Offertory Collection**

Weekend of **May 17/18**Envelopes (45) \$ 722.00
Loose \$ 385.25

PAG \$ 525.25



# Share Life: Your love can help others thrive.

Mental health challenges can impact anyone, whether you're personally navigating them or supporting someone who is. These struggles transcend age and circumstance. Brenda was weighed down by shame, having battled anxiety and depression for decades. Through your support, she found a new perspective at a Catholic Family Services agency funded by ShareLife, where counselling lifted her up and allowed her to see her own worth. Your compassion is instrumental in helping others see themselves as God sees them: loving, important, and enough.

Thank you for living the Gospel by helping relieve the pain of those facing silent battles. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, or online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

6th Sunday of Easter: May 25, 2025

#### **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 May, let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized. - Pope Francis

#### Support Sharelife Campaign

ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as a Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Over 40 ShareLife agencies serve tens of thousands of people locally and countless more around the world, regardless of religious affiliation. Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need. Please give generously. Our Sharelife Sunday Special Collection is on June 8, 2025.

#### **Martyr Shrine Spring Gala**

The National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs is delighted to invite you to our 2025 Spring Gala: Pilgrims of Hope, in honour of the Jubilee Holy Year. The Shrine has been serving millions of pilgrims for the past hundred years, and we are continuing to raise funds for the revitalization of our church and grounds. His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo, will join us for a unique and interactive evening as we journey to various pilgrim stations, learn about a variety of Shrine pilgrimages and sample appetizers from different countries. This immersive experience will conclude with an elegant dinner. Tickets are \$200.

Contact: Martyr Shrine, Phone: 705-526-3788, Toll-

free: 855-526-3788

Email:communications@martyrs-shrine.com

#### **Donating Securities to the Archdiocese** of Toronto

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a greater tax break for you and increased support of various archdiocesan charities such as your Parish, Sharelife, St. Augustine's Seminary and many others. For further information, contact the Development Office at 416-934-3400 ext. 561 or email development@archtoronto.org

#### **Dinner and Dance**

Join us for a night of celebration! St Ann Parish and the Native People's Mission invite you to an unforgettable evening of dinner and dancing at our "Ticket to the 80s and 90s" event on May 31, 2025. Get ready for a fun and exciting night as we come together as one united community in our parish. Bring your family and friends for an unforgettable evening with us. Save the date and purchase your ticket for a chance to win an amazing prize sponsored by Specsavers - Gerrard Square Branch. Ticket cost is \$25.00.

#### Time away from the Parish



Fr. Francis Salasiar CSC, our pastor, will be travelling to India from June 2 to July 4, 2025, to visit his family, and take part in several important events: an Ordination to the Priesthood, a Jubilee of

Religious Profession, four First Holy communions, and the celebration of his village feast of St. John the **Baptist**. During his absence, other visiting priests will celebrate all the scheduled Masses. If you require any emergency sacramental assistance during this time. please contact the Parish Office at 416 466 2127.

#### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING **WEBINAR**

Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn: How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection

- How to create your own legacy
- **About our Catholic traditions around** cremation, burials and funerals

#### 3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

- 1. Scan the QR code
- 2. Follow this QR link: grco.de/WebJune7
- 3. send an email to:



Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 1" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

#### **Coffee Sunday**

Come together! Please join us this coming Sunday, June 1, 2025, for a coffee and fellowship with our parish community immediately following the



10:30 a.m. mass at the back of the church. All are welcome!



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