

# 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

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## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 28, 2025



Saturday, September 27 at 5 p.m. Mass  
**Tony Dabrowski – +**

Sunday, September 28 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the*  
**Parishioners of St. Ann**

Sunday, September 28 at 12:30 p.m. **Native People's**  
**Mass – Everyone is welcome**

Monday, September 29 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, September 30 at 8 a.m. Mass  
**St. Jerome (M)**

Wednesday, October 1 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, October 2 at 8 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, October 3 at 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour,  
07 p.m. Mass,  
**Alexander Rodrigues – +**

Saturday, October 4 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, October 5 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the*  
**Parishioners of St. Ann**

Sunday, October 5 at 12:30 p.m. **Native People's**  
**Mass – Everyone is welcome**

### 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time



**All of us love a good story that involves a fierce battle between two opposing sides where goodness ultimately triumphs over evil. We get exactly this story in the first reading from the Book**

of Revelation, in which the war between St. Michael and the angels and the devil and his army is depicted. Often in our lives as disciples, we too seek to take up arms and fight the good fight to overcome the evilness that pervades our society.

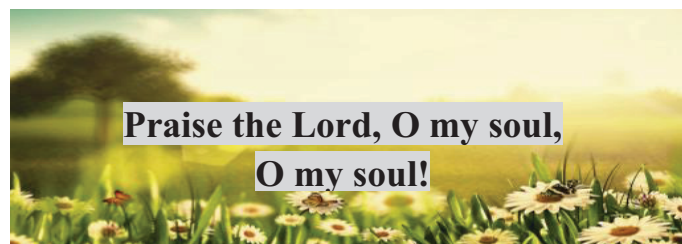
This desire is inherently good, but how can we live this out practically. A good, albeit unexpected, way in which we can join the heavenly armies is by taking up the consistent, daily practice of prayer. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states that prayer “always presupposes effort ... prayer is a battle. Against whom? Against ourselves and against the wiles of the tempter who does all he can to turn man away from prayer, away from union with God” (CCC 2725).

The Church herself describes prayer inherently as a battle. We can thus channel our desire for a celestial combat into our taking up the arms of prayer. How often do we fight to make time for prayer each day? How often do we recognize how efficacious prayer is for the good of our soul and the Church as a whole? Perhaps one practice we can adopt as stewards is to offer God the first and last thoughts of our day. Let us strive to commit to praying daily, safeguarding this practice from all competing distractions for our time and in doing so, enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

#### Summary

As we contemplate the celestial battle between the angels and demons, we should ask ourselves, how can we join the fight? A good, albeit unexpected, way in which we can join the heavenly armies is by taking up the consistent, daily practice of prayer, which the catechism describes as a battle. Let us strive to commit to praying daily and in doing so, enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

*-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



### Offertory Collection

Weekend of **September 20/21**

Envelopes (48) \$ 1,275.00

Loose \$ 356.10

PAG \$ 524.25



### Share Life: Archbishop Leo encourages you to help your neighbour

"We see and feel the pain of those struggling to feed their families, and it moves us deeply," says Archbishop Francis Leo. "Proverbs 22:9 reminds us, 'The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.' Our faith calls and challenges us to be the beating heart and outstretched hands of Christ himself, extending his love and compassion to those in need. Together, we will continue to bring hope and dignity to our community, to those who suffer thus making a concrete difference in the lives of our neighbours." Please share your blessings through our Food Bank. Thank you for living the Gospel.

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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 **September**, let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

### *Praise and Worship* **ADORATION**

Please join us on this first Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm for praise & worship and adoration. Followed by 7 pm Holy Eucharist.



### Christian Life Program



The Handmaids of the Lord warmly invite you to a **Christian Life Program**, starting on **October 5, 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](mailto:rmnobleza56@gmail.com) or call 41695548320, the office at 4164662127.

### Altar Servers

We invite parents to encourage their children in **grade 4 or above** to volunteer as altar servers. **Training will be provided on November 9<sup>th</sup> after 10:30 am mass** – no experience needed, just a willing heart to serve. Ask us how to sign up!



### 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 speak to Fr. Francis to explore this further.

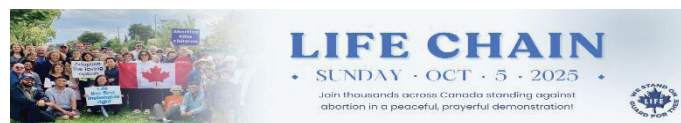
### Online Bereavement Introductory Program

October 8, 2025 @ 7:00 pm Register at: <https://nbb1025.eventbrite.ca> For more information please contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, MACP, RP (Qualifying) [alimanni@cfstoronto.com](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com) (647) 215-3978

### Men and Women Retreat: Christ Enlightens His Disciples: An

### Exploration of St Matthew's Gospel

Men & Women Ignatian Retreat: In November, the Church will begin to read Matthew's Gospel at Sunday Mass. The retreat will explore themes of discipleship in the Sermon on the Mount and other passages in Matthew's Gospel, touching on creation, redemption, reconciliation and spiritual growth, in light of the Spiritual Exercises and works. This SILENT retreat begins on Friday evening, October 17, 6:30 PM and runs to Sunday, October 19, 1 PM. The suggested offering is \$270 per person which includes your two night's accommodation, meals, spiritual direction and retreat program. Facilitated by: Terrence Prendergast, SJ - Emeritus Archbishop - Archdiocese of Ottawa – Cornwall. Register at [manresaregister@outlook.com](mailto:manresaregister@outlook.com) or call 905-839-2864



**Life Chain** is a public witness to the sanctity of human life that takes place annually on the first Sunday, October 5th at 2 pm - 3 pm across North America. Visit the website below for the details of your local Life Chain.

CONTACT: Campaign Life Coalition, Email: [lifechain@campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain](mailto:lifechain@campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain). Phone: 416-204-9749.

### Special Collection:

There will be a special collection on the weekend of **October 5/6 for Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation**. Please pick up a special envelope at the back of the church. Thank you for your generous donations.

### Coffee Sunday

**Come together!** Please join us on the coming Sunday of **October 5th, 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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