

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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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 5, 2025



Saturday, October 4, at 5 p.m. Mass
St. Francis of Assisi (M)

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***

Monday, October 6 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, October 7 at 8 a.m. Mass
Our Lady of the Rosary (M)

Wednesday, October 8 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, October 9, at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, October 10, at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour, 07 p.m.
Mass,
Mavic & Manny Galicia - Thanksgiving

Saturday, October 11, at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, October 12 at 10:30 a.m. Mass ***for the Parishioners of St. Ann***

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



How often do we pray to God for greater faith? The apostles in today's Gospel echo the words of Christians throughout the centuries, "increase our faith!"

Jesus was teaching messages that challenged their own preconceived notions and they recognized that they needed faith to be able to accept these truths. So too, it is often difficult in our own secular society to believe all of the increasingly counter-cultural teachings of the Church. In a culture that demands the stamp of scientific approval on all matters, it requires greater faith to believe certain sublime truths of the Church that cannot be proven in such a manner.

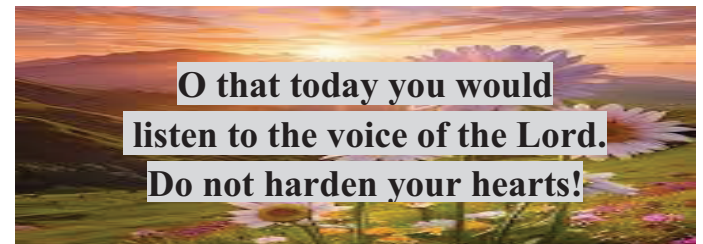
This is why we too need to earnestly implore the Lord for more faith. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* claims that "faith is a gift of God, a supernatural virtue infused by Him." (CCC 153). This understanding is important in realizing that while we

can perform acts that help cultivate our faith, it ultimately remains a pure gift of grace from God. This lens allows us to remain humble in times when our faith is strong, for we realize that we are constantly being sustained by grace. This should spur us on to greater gratitude to God.

By recognizing our great need for the pure gift of faith, we should strive to return to the core act of our discipleship, namely, prayer. Let us set aside time each day to pray to the Father the words found in the Gospel of Mark, "I believe, help my unbelief." Let us then move outwards and pray for others to be strengthened in their faith, especially those whom we know are struggling,

Summary

It is often difficult in our own secular society to believe all of the increasingly counter-cultural teachings of the Church. This is why we, too, need to earnestly implore the Lord for more faith. Let us set aside time each day to pray to the Father the same words found in the Gospel today, "increase our faith!"
-*Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



Offertory Collection

Weekend of September 27/28

Envelopes (50) \$ 890.00

Loose \$ 470.00

PAG \$ 524.25

Special Collection:

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\$ 395.00



ShareLife: Help fill plates with hope this Thanksgiving

This Thanksgiving, gratitude comes with a challenge — families are struggling to put food on the table. ShareLife has pledged \$800,000 through its Food Security Grants to bring warm meals to those who need them most.

Will you share your blessings with our parish's ShareLife Campaign? Please give with love, sharelife.org/donate or to our parish with a ShareLife envelope.

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 **October**, let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Christian Life Program



The Handmaids of the Lord warmly invite you to a **Christian Life Program**, starting today **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 or call 41695548320, or the office at 4164662127.

Donate Online

Don't carry cash or do not have cheques? Visiting St. Ann and want to donate to St. Ann Church? Want to collect miles or points on your credit card? A single or monthly donation through your credit card is a great option. Tax receipts are issued immediately for a single donation and at the end of the year for a recurring gift. Select the **Donate** button at <https://stannsto.archtoronto.org/> or scan the QR Code. Please ensure that St. Ann Parish is selected from the parish drop-down menu when you sign up. **You can also consider PAG (pre-authorized Giving).**



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 9th after the 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.

All Souls Day



We will start the yearly tradition of remembering the deceased family members and friends. You can begin to write the deceased's names on the memorial book at the entrance of the church. This year,

All Souls Day falls on the weekend, and so we will remember all the deceased in all the masses on **Nov 01, at 5 p.m. and on Nov 02 at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.**

You can purchase a candle before the mass, and the suggested donation is \$ 5 for a candle. and you can buy any number of candles, and during the mass you will be allowed to think of your loved ones, especially and bring the candles in procession and place them in front of the altar.

You can begin writing the names of your deceased family members who have **died this past year only**.

Sisterhood Women's Overnight Retreat

On Friday, October 24, 2025, 09:00 AM - Sunday, October 26, 2025, 05:00 PM at Mount Mary Retreat Center. A weekend retreat for women to encounter God through prayer, silence and fellowship, under the guidance of the Oratorian Fathers. Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, come let your heart speak to His.

Marian Growth Retreat 2025

We warmly invite you to come and join us at **Divine Retreat Centre, Toronto, 69 William St., Toronto**, for the **Marian Growth Retreat on October 11th and 12th, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM**

NOTE: The retreat will consist of Spiritual Talks, Holy Mass, Confession, and Eucharistic Adoration. Please bring along with you a Bible, a Book and a pen. Registration fee is \$20.00 (**No Refunds**) Register at Email: enquirydrct@gmail.com or Call: +1 (647) 949-4932 /+1 (647) 660-1314



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