

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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1st Sunday of Advent: November 30, 2025



Saturday, November 29, at 5 p.m. Mass
Luis Diego – +

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

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

Monday, December 1, at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, December 2, at 8 a.m. Mass
Vivien Marie Barrairo & Nikki Diego – I

Wednesday, December 3 at 8 a.m. Mass
St. Francis Xavier (M)

Thursday, December 4 at 8 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, December 5, at 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour,
07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, December 6, at 5 p.m. Mass
Jackie Barrairo – +

Sunday, December 7, at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the*
Parishioner of St. Ann
St Ambroise (M)

Sunday, December 7, at 12:30 p.m. **Native**
People's Mass – Everyone is welcome

1st Sunday of Advent



This Sunday marks the beginning of the beautiful season of Advent, a time to deepen our relationship with Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus exhorts us to “keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day

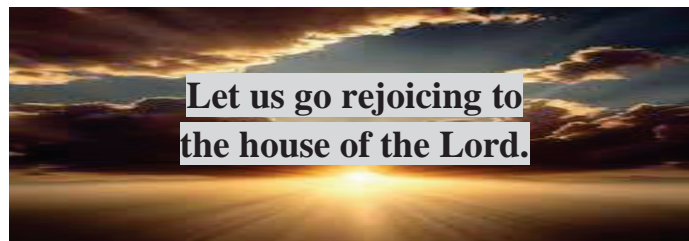
your Lord is coming.” This exhortation doesn’t imply that we are expected to never sleep or sin again, but that we must consistently strive to move from a life of running towards sin to a life of running away from sin. One tremendous way we can do this is to receive God’s merciful love in the sacrament of reconciliation. It is important to remember that the Lord eagerly and lovingly awaits to forgive us. The whole purpose of the Incarnation was for this reason, as St. John says in his first letter, “in this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.” Jesus became man for our

salvation. In going to confession, we are enabling the Lord to fulfill His salvific mission in our lives, which brings Him boundless joy. This cleansing of our sins will greatly help us live out our lives as stewards by infusing all of our actions with the grace that flows from the sacrament. In order to receive the graces well, let us foster a sense of contrition for our sins, a firm purpose of amendment for our lives and a commitment to penance. All parishes in the Archdiocese will be hosting an Advent Day of Confessions to make it easier for us to avail ourselves of this sacrament. Let us take this season of preparation to become better stewards by properly preparing our own souls for the coming of Christ in our lives.

Summary

Jesus exhorts us to “keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.” One tremendous way we can keep awake is to receive God’s merciful love in the sacrament of reconciliation, especially this Advent. Let us take this season of preparation to become better stewards by properly preparing our own souls for the coming of Christ in our lives.

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collections

Weekend of **November 22/23**

Envelopes (49)	\$ 851.00
Loose	\$ 340.50
PAG	\$ 419.40



ShareLife

Make your gift to ShareLife today for twice the impact!

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From November 3 until year's end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

Across Ontario, our brothers and sisters are facing hunger, uncertainty, and growing need. Children go to bed hungry, families struggle to put food on the table, and seniors worry about their next meal. New data shows that more than four million visits took place

1st Sunday of Advent: November 30, 2025

across Toronto food banks this year, with an increase of half a million visits from last year!

ShareLife and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto are back for a third year with Food Security Grants, now partnering with two generous anonymous donors to pledge \$800,000 to help your neighbours most in need. With your compassionate support, we can continue our shared commitment to fight against hunger. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Praise and Worship **ADORATION**

Please join us this first Friday, December 5th at 6 pm for praise & worship and adoration. Followed by 7 pm Holy Eucharist.

Christmas Pageant

The Christmas pageant is one of the important ways we invite the children to participate as we celebrate Christmas. It helps the children to enter into the mystery of Jesus' birth. We invite the parents to encourage their children to participate. There will be practice today, Sunday, **November 30th** and Sunday, **December 7th**, after the 10:30 a.m. mass - downstairs in the hall. A costume fitting with **Pat** will be held on **December 14th**, followed by the final rehearsal on **December 21st**, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the church. Let us all come together to make this year's pageant a joyful celebration.

REJOICE! St. Michael's Choir School Christmas Concert

St. Michael's Choir School presents REJOICE! Jubilee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall! Saturday, December 13, 2025, at 7 PM.

This year's Christmas concert, REJOICE! Jubilee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall marks a sacred milestone in the life of St. Michael's Choir School and our wider community. As we celebrate six decades of music in this historic space, we embrace the spirit of the Jubilee Year - a time of hope, renewal, and joy in Christ's birth. Let this evening be a song of

gratitude for the past, a proclamation of joy in the present, and a prayerful step into the future.

Tickets are now available at www.masseyhall.com. Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT. For ticket information, please call the Massey Hall Box Office at 416-872-4255.

New Sunday Missal & Advent Candle



If you would like a personal copy of the **2025-2026 Sunday Missal**, they are available for purchase in the church foyer after Mass for \$5.00. **Advent candles** are also available in the foyer for **\$10.00** – perfect for family devotions as we prepare for the coming of Christ.

Parish Administration: Please update your contact information



If you or any member of your household has changed address or contact information for this year 2025, please inform the parish office at 4164662127 so that you will not have a problem receiving your tax receipt next year. Thank you for your support and generosity to our parish.

Christmas Ornaments



Help us decorate the Christmas tree by purchasing Christmas ornaments and placing them on the tree. Christmas ornaments will be available for purchase for **\$5.00** and will be available at the back of the church, which includes a raffle ticket for **Christmas baskets** to be drawn on the **21st of December** at the 10:30 am mass.



Christmas Flowers

This year, as Christmas is approaching, if you would like to offer flowers (**Poinsettia**) to decorate the Altar, you are most welcome to do so. You can offer them as a memorial to your loved one in your family. Please bring the flowers to the church on the 21st of December 2025.



Coffee Sunday

Please join us this coming Sunday, December 7, 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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