

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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Saturday, February 14 at 5 p.m. Mass

St. Cyril and St Methodius (M)

Aimee Diego & Ruel Julian – Thanksgiving Birthday

Sunday, February 15 at 10:30 a.m. Mass **for the Parishioners of St. Ann**

Sunday, February 15 at 12:30 p.m. **Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome**

Monday, February 16 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, February 17 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, February 18 at 8 a.m. Mass
7 p.m. Mass – **Ash Wednesday**

Thursday, February 19 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. Station of the Cross,
07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, February 21 at 5 p.m. Mass
St. Peter Damian (M)

Sunday, February 22 at 10:30 a.m. Mass **for the Parishioners of St. Ann**
Mavic and Manny Galicia – I
For the living and deceased members of the Velasquez-Ignacio Clan – I

Sunday, February 22 at 12:30 p.m. **Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome**

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel we hear some of Jesus' bold proclamations to the people of Israel which are still applicable to us 2000 years later.

Jesus says "You have heard what was said to those of ancient times

... but I say to you..." He challenges his followers to go above and beyond their limits of charity and to not settle for their old previous notions of what it meant to love.

This is an important lesson for us as stewards who strive to follow Christ and serve Him and the Church. We should not just offer our gifts to our parish community in a mediocre way, but strive to do so as generously as possible. Cardinal Collins in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship** says that "as good

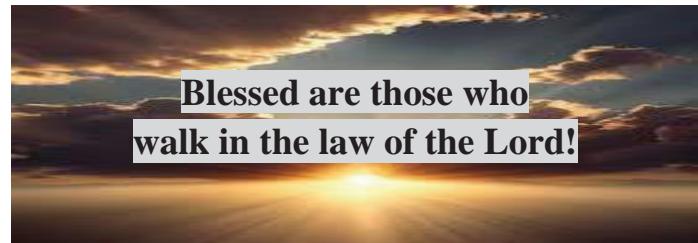
stewards, we are meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." The key word in the Cardinal's exhortation is "increase."

How often do we go the extra mile in our sharing of our time and talent? How often do we surpass our comfortable notions of how much we want to love? Jesus is asking all of His stewards to give of themselves generously. Perhaps we can try to take a little more time this week for prayer and commit more wholeheartedly to the ministries we are involved in. Let us always strive to be better and remember the words of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI who said, "You were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."

Summary

In today's Gospel Jesus boldly says "You have heard what was said to those of ancient times ... but I say to you..." He challenges his followers to go above and beyond their limits of charity and to not settle for their old previous notions of what it meant to love. As stewards we should not just offer our gifts of our time and talents to our parish community in a mediocre way, but strive to do so as generously as possible.

-*Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



Offertory Collection

Weekend of **February 07/08**

Envelopes (40) **\$ 1,188.00**

Loose **\$ 225.55**

PAG **\$ 525.25**



ShareLife

ShareLife Turns 50: Announcing the 2026 ShareLife Campaign

2026 marks the 50th anniversary of ShareLife. As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection on March 22, let us come together in celebration and compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal.

By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- uplift young mothers and their babies
- enable more men to pursue priestly vocations

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- connect seniors with dignity-affirming resources
- fight against hunger in our communities
- help families in times of need

Your support of **ShareLife** makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Tax Receipt 2025



Thank you for your continued financial support to the parish. Your **2025 annual tax receipt** will be mailed directly to you. Please watch for it, and if you do not receive it by the first or second week of March, kindly contact the parish office 4164662127. We are truly grateful for your generosity and faithful dedication to our parish.

Pope's Prayer Intention 2026

The Pope's prayer intention for 2026 addresses challenges facing humanity and assists the mission of the church. These intentions serve as principles guiding our lives and mission. In **February**, let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Women Silent Retreat- An Ignatian Experience of Sacred Earth

Women Ignatian Retreat: The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius reveal, in and for a new time, a vibrant ecological dimension. In particular, the Exercises invite us to deepen our contemplative experience of Creation revealing God the loving Creator, the historical Jesus, Incarnate Word of God and the eternally present Cosmic Christ. They call for an ecological conversion in this, our time of global crisis.

During the retreat we will reflect together on the unfolding and nurturing dynamic of the Spiritual Exercises toward deeper intimacy with God in daily life. From the heart of prayer, we will listen for God's call for right relationship and action for the Earth in a spirit of trust, gratitude and joy. All welcome to a time of "universal sacredness."

This SILENT retreat begins on Friday evening, **March 13, 2026, 6:30 PM** to Sunday, **March 15, 2026, 1:30 PM** with lunch. The suggested offering is \$280 per person which includes two nights' accommodation, meals, spiritual direction and retreat

program. Facilitated by: Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ.
REGISTER: Via email at manresaregistration@outlook.com, online at <https://manresa-canada.ca> or call 905-839-2864.

Ash Wednesday Mass

Wednesday – February 18, 2026

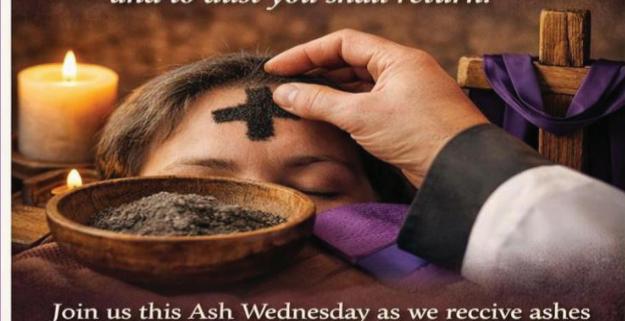
8:00 AM Wednesday

7:00 PM Wednesday

All are invited to begin the Lenten journey with prayer, fasting and repentance.

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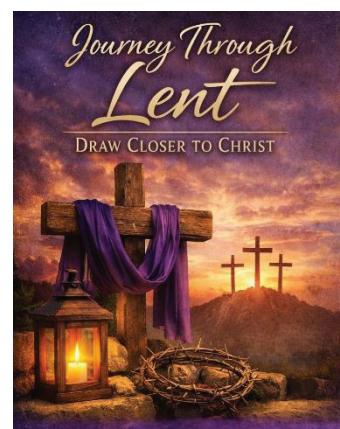
"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."



Join us this Ash Wednesday as we receive ashes and open our hearts to renewal, grace, and conversion.

Let this sacred day mark a humble beginning to our Lenten journey.

Stations of the Cross



Join us on Fridays during the season of Lent, we will have the **Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM**. Come and meditate on the Way of the Cross as we prayerfully reflect on the passion of our Lord. It will be followed by the celebration of the **Holy Eucharist at 7:00 PM**.

Let us gather as a parish family to journey with Christ in this sacred season of prayer, sacrifice, and renewal.



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