

# ST. ANN PARISH

## & Native Peoples' Mission

*Served by the Holy Cross Fathers*



### 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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## The Ascension of the Lord: May 17, 2026



Saturday, May 16, at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann Leon Victor Aureus – Thanksgiving Birthday*

Sunday, May 17, at 12:30 p.m. *Native Peoples Mass – Everyone is welcome*

Monday, May 18 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, May 19 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, May 20 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, May 21 at 8 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour,  
07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, May 23, at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, May 24 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Intention of the Parishioners Emer Lucy Kiernan – Thanksgiving Birthday*

Sunday, May 24 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome*

### Ascension of the Lord

Reflection  
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**This Sunday, we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of the Lord, which is ripe with spiritual importance and depth.**

Let us examine how the Lord's ascension affects us as stewards.

Firstly, when the apostles watched the Lord ascend into heaven, two angels appeared and asked them, "why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" The apostles were not meant to stay there constantly gazing heavenward. Instead, they, like us, are called to live firmly on this earth with our whole purpose set on reaching heaven and leading as many people with us as possible.

We see this at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel when Jesus gives the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action. A call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. We do this through the strength of Christ within us, who says "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

It is now up to us to cooperate with the Spirit and make disciples of the whole world. Let us end by pondering the beautiful saying of St. Teresa of Avila. "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

#### Summary

Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action, for at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel, He gives us the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." This is a call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. Let us strive to do this through the strength of Christ within us, who says "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

-*Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



### Offertory Collection

Weekend of **May 9/10**

Envelopes (44) \$ 1,025.00

Loose \$ 365.00

PAG \$ 419.40



### Share Life

#### Through ShareLife, you support human connection

On the 60<sup>th</sup> World Day of Social Communication, we are invited to pause and connect with each other—for the Church, for the world, and for the future we are helping to shape together. In this moment, one truth remains clear: the Church endures because of the strength and love of parishioners like you.

Your support of ShareLife supports human connection across the world, making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in our community and beyond—funding more than 40 agencies, which help children and youth, families in crisis, seniors, immigrants and refugees, people with special needs, international development and missions, and vocations.

The **third ShareLife Sunday is May 31**. Please give

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at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### 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 **May**, let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoiding wasting food and to ensuring that everyone has access to quality food.

### Securities as a Charitable Gift Option

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded 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 great tax break for you and more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St Augustine's Seminary, The Sheperds' Trust, and many others.

To donate securities, follow this link: **Archdiocese of Toronto – Gift of Securities ([archtoronto.org](http://archtoronto.org))** and download: **How to Gift Securities Info Sheet and Letter of Direction**. For more information, contact our office at [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org)

### 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). 2026**



### Women's Silent Ignatian Retreat

Women's Ignatian Retreat: When the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus' disciples, it freed them from fear and filled them with a bold, loving purpose. This retreat is an invitation to enter that same movement

from fear to freedom. Through silence and prayer, we will contemplate and seek the Holy Spirit's transforming gifts. This SILENT retreat begins on Friday, **May 22, 2026, 06:30 PM - Sunday, May 24, 2026, 01:00 PM** at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. The suggested offering is \$280 per person, facilitated by Fr. Chris Llanos, SJ. Register at [manresaregistration@outlook.com](mailto:manresaregistration@outlook.com) or call 905-8392864

### A Day with Mary



Archdiocese of Toronto invites you On Saturday, May 30, 2026, **11:00 AM - 04:00 PM**, Villanova College, King City. This family-friendly day will include Holy Mass with His **Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo**, the Rosary, confessions, a keynote address, and children's catechesis. Enjoy music, fellowship and more. Admission is free, but registration is required. All are welcome! **REGISTER:** <https://bit.ly/DWM-Event>

### Pre-Planning Seminar

Planning ahead is one of the most thoughtful and compassionate decisions you can make for your family. Join us for an informative seminar designed to help you understand your options.

#### Learn about:

- Funeral and burial options
- Planning in advance to ease the burden on loved ones
- Catholic teachings on cremation
- Flexible payment options (*including 0% financing options*)

**Date & Location: Saturday, May 30, 2026, at 9:00 AM, Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home, 211 Langstaff Rd E, Thornhill.** You must RSVP to attend at 905-889-7467 ext. 1 or by email at [holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca](mailto:holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca)

### Dinner and Dance



St. Ann Parish and the Native People's Mission invite you to **"Let the Good Times Roll"** on **Saturday, June 20, 2026, at 6:30 PM** in the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy an evening of good food, music, and dancing. Bring your family and friends as we gather together in unity and celebration. You can purchase your ticket now. Tickets are **\$25.00** and include a chance to win raffle prizes. Let's celebrate, connect, and create beautiful memories in our parish.



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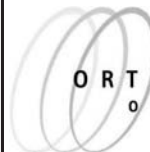
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