

Holy Eucharist

Daily Mass	
Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday (Adoration)	6:00 p.m.
(Holy Eucharist)	7:00 p.m.
Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
	6:00 p.m.
Native Peoples' Mass	12:30 p.m.
Bridgepoint Hospital	2:30 p.m.

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CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MINISTRY

UNITY IN DIVERSITY: "Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We value our diversity" (Mission Statement)

Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism: preparation required (please contact office)

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Matrimony: (couple contacts office one year in advance)

Pastoral Staff

Pastor Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
In Residence

Fr. Francis Noronha, CSC

Secretary Aymara Toro

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Deacon Roshan Kiro, SJ
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Development & Peace

Catherine Barry

Food Bank

Carlos & Colette Carreiro

Music Ronald Vengie Fabre

Custodian Ed Keenan

Caretaker Rosalie Tolentino

Cook Cristina Acosta

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday – Tuesday:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday:

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday: Closed



"Many Ministries for one mission of Jesus Christ" (Cf. 1 Cor. 12)

Saturdays

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.: **Food Bank**

4:15 p.m.: **Novena to St. Bro. Andre**

4:30 p.m.: **Novena to St. Ann**

6:00 p.m.: 1st Saturdays - **Healing Service**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: **Holy Family Prayer Group**

Sundays

9 - 10:00 a.m.: **Tai Chi Group**

10:00 a.m.: **Divine Mercy & Rosary**

10:30 a.m. Mass: **Children's Liturgy**

11:30 a.m.: 1st Sunday **Coffee Sunday**

Tuesdays:

1:00 p.m.: **Seniors' Group**

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council

Finance Council

Liturgy/Faith Formation

Altar Servers

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Collection Counters

Hospitality committee

Development and Peace

Refugee Resettlement Group

Holy Family Prayer Group

Holy Cross Youth Group

Handmaids of the Lord

Couples Ministry

Music Ministry

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 10, 2017
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MINISTRY**

Second Sunday of Advent

Pastoral Reflections by Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

As we light the second candle in the Advent Wreath, from the scriptures we are reminded the powerful call of St. John the Baptist: **“Prepare the Way of the Lord.”** We begin to prepare for Christmas the birth of our saviour, so let’s make a list for celebration, that we may not miss most important things in our celebration. When the world dazzles around selling the best products, *let’s dare ourselves to silence and quiet prayers.* When the world bundles around the glowing packages, *let’s take a brave step to unpack our souls* – our sinful behaviours, our burdened hearts – so that **“our paths are straight”** for our Lord **“to live among us.”** This message is addressed in the Collect prayer saying **“may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out to meet Our Lord.”** So this Sunday may be a time for us to prepare well to meet our Lord Jesus.

Let us not put any hindrance before our encounter with Jesus. When we encounter and experience the presence of Jesus then **Isaiah’s image of perfect living** becomes a reality. Everyone would live in harmony with each other like ‘wolf with lamb, leopard with kid, calf with lion.’ (Is. 11:8-9) This harmonious living is expressed in welcoming and respecting one another in Jesus Christ who came to proclaim **“kingdom of God.”**

If we want to live in harmony within the kingdom of God then we listen to that Voice in the Desert: **“Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven has come near.”** Let us prepare our hearts and minds so that we are ready to welcome Jesus in our hearts, into our homes, in our society and the world. Let us prepare ourselves to receive Jesus, Our saviour and Lord.

ADVENT SEASON MASS SCHEDULE - 2017

<u>Sunday, Dec. 24</u>	<u>Monday, Dec. 25</u>	<u>Saturday, Dec. 30</u>	<u>Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017</u>
10:30 a.m.: Advent Mass	10:30 a.m.: Christmas Mass	5:00 p.m.: Feast of the Holy Family Mass	10:30 a.m.: Feast of the Holy Family Mass
12:30 p.m.: Native Mass		6:00 p.m.: Family Potluck Fellowship	12:30 p.m.: Native Mass
2:30 p.m.: Bridgepoint Mass			6:00 p.m.: Family Mass
3:30 p.m.: Hospital Carols			11:00 p.m.: Midnight mass
7:00 p.m.: Family Mass	6:00 p.m.: NO Mass		
9:00 p.m.: Native Senior			
11:30 p.m.: Christmas carols			<u>Monday, Jan. 1, 2018</u>
12:00 a.m.: Midnight mass			10:30 a.m.: Thanksgiving Mass

Christmas Collection for Resettlement Committee

Our refugee family of four (a mother, father and two children) are living in Lebanon after fleeing conflict in their native Syria. The Resettlement Committee has worked with the Archdiocese, the local MP’s office and two very dedicated translators, to assist our family in completing their paperwork and preparing for their immigration interview. It’s anticipated the family will be arriving in September 2018. Your donation this holiday season will make a powerful difference to our refugee family who want to build a new life in Canada after facing the pain of war and displacement. Please use the yellow Humanitarian Relief Envelopes found at the back of the church for your donations towards this collection.

Advent Reconciliation

Days of Individual Confessions:

Dec. 10, Sunday Time: 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Dec. 12, Tuesday Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Dec. 16, Saturday Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Day of Communal Reconciliation Preparation:

Monday, Dec. 18 Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Advent Adoration/Prayer

Advent is a time for Prayer. We will have 9 Evening Masses before Christmas day, **from December 16th to December 24th**

Please follow the Advent Schedule Handout

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 10, 2017 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MINISTRY

Mass Intentions

(December 8 – December 15, 2017)

Friday, December 8: *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

7:00 p.m.: +Therese Wong Req. Agnes Lam

Thanksgiving Req. Mary Chen

Intentions of Paola Loduca Req. Paolo Loduca

Saturday, December 9:

5:00 p.m.: + Remejo Millare Req. Virgie Sison

Thanksgiving Req. Mary Chen

Sunday, December 10:

6:00 p.m.: + Kathryn A. Loures Req. Helen Cuneo

+ Frank Sehovic, Ivanka & Leo Gorse Req. Mary Sehovic

Monday, December 11: *St. Damasus I*

8:00 a.m.: Intentions of Mary Chen Req. Mary Chen

Thanksgiving Req. Jiang Yuming

Tuesday, December 12: *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

8:00 a.m.: + Yan Qin Chen Req. Wang Zhu Mei

Intentions of Anna & Onofrio Req. Paolo Loduca

Wednesday, December 13: *St. Lucy*

8:00 a.m.: +Ren Jie Chen Req. Wang Zhu Mei

Intentions of Mary Chen Req. Mary Chen

Thursday, December 14: *St. John of the Cross*

8:00 a.m.: Intentions of Paolo Palma & Fransca Paolo

Req. Paolo Loduca

Friday, December 15:

7:00 p.m.: Intentions of Mary Chen Req. Mary Chen

Intentions of Francesco & Teresa Stina Req. Paolo

Loduca

Thanksgiving for Ann Dunn Req. Dunn & Toro Family

Thank you, Deacon Roshan Kiro, SJ



We would like to thank Deacon Roshan Kiro, SJ, for his ministry at St. Ann Parish. He will be travelling to India and will be ordained to priesthood on **December 28, 2017**. Please continue to support him with your prayers. Best wishes.

Christmas Donations to the poor

There are a number of items that are displayed at the entrance of the Church. Donations made from these items will be used to help the poor with food and clothing during the winter season.

- ♥ 2018 Calendars: \$1.00
- ♥ New Missals: \$ 5.00
- ♥ Family Prayer Book: \$ 5.00
- ♥ Christmas Ornaments: \$ 2.00



Envelops will be distributed to buy the flowers and liturgical items to make a beautiful Christmas Crib and decorate the Altar.

2017 National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

The National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples has been celebrated since 2002 on **December 12** by the Church in Canada. On this date, let us join the Aboriginal People of the Americas to pray for greater solidarity among us, and together, to bring peace to the Americas.

Major Fundraiser Activity

After the consultation with the Finance Council, we will begin our Major Fundraiser Activity and will be distributing Donation envelops to the members of the parish. There is a letter of Request for Donation and pledge card. Please do take one. You are welcome to give it to those whom you think could be potential donors to support our Fund Raising Activities.



Christmas Ornament

Help decorate the church by purchasing a Christmas ornament and placing it on our Christmas tree. Ornaments are \$5 and being sold at the front entrance.

Envelopes for 2018

Envelopes for 2018 are now available at the back of the church. If you would like an envelope box, or to contribute through P.A.G., please fill out and submit the respective form. Those who have given the form for Envelopes, can now receive them at the entrance.

Children's Christmas pageant

Rehearsals will continue every Sunday until Christmas Eve. For more info, email Nancy and Melody McMullan at melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca



Development & Peace: Thank you!



On behalf of all women who build peace in their communities, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada thanks you for your continued commitment. At our parish, we raised \$250 towards the Rohingya Refugee Crisis and the Government has committed to match this donation. Together, we have the power to change things! For more information on D&P work, please go to devp.org/membership.



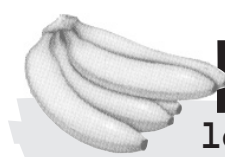
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