

# The Parish Community of St. Ann

Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

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## 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.

## THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

### 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

### Pastoral Staff

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
<b>In Residence</b>	Fr. Francis Noronha, CSC
<b>Native Mission Coordinator:</b>	Sr. Patricia Lao, RNDM
<b>Secretary</b>	Aymara Toro
<b>Finance</b>	Anne Francis
<b>Pastoral Assistant</b>	Maria Fernandes
<b>Baptism</b>	Fe Santos
<b>RCIA</b>	Rolly Cabas
<b>Development &amp; Peace</b>	Catherine Barry
<b>Food Bank</b>	Carlos & Colette Carreiro
<b>Music</b>	Ronald Vengie Fabre
<b>Custodian</b>	Ed Keenan
<b>Cook</b>	Cristina Acosta
<b>Caretaker</b>	Rosalie Tolentino

### 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)

### UNITY IN DIVERSITY

### - Mission Statement

"Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We value our diversity"



Care for our  
Common Home

CWL Logo

**“The creation waits with eager longing for the revelation of the Children of God” (Cf. Romans 8: 19)**

### Saturdays

9:30 - 11:00 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

9:15 a.m.: **Divine Mercy & Rosary**  
 10:30 a.m. Mass: **Children's Liturgy**  
**1st Sundays**  
 11:30 a.m.: Fair trade - Coffee Sunday  
 7:00 p.m.: **Youth Discernment Program**  
**4th Sundays**  
 3:00 p.m.: **Rosary Makers Program**

### Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council  
 Finance Council  
 St. Ann Food Bank  
 Holy Cross Family Ministry – Canada  
 Liturgy/Faith Formation  
 Music Ministry  
 Altar Servers  
 Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers  
 Collection Counters  
 Hospitality committee  
 Development and Peace  
 Refugee Resettlement Group  
 Holy Family Prayer Group  
 Holy Cross Youth Movement  
 Handmaids of the Lord  
 Grief Ministry

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 15, 2019

## CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF JOY

### Mass Intentions

(December 13 – December 20, 2019)

**Sunday, December 15:** 6:00 p.m.

Intentions of **Santos Serrantes & Masongsong Families**,  
Req. Santos Family

**Monday, December 16:** 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving for **Elvira Milaya**, Req. Elvira Milaya

**Tuesday, December 17:** 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving for **Genny Romero**, Req. Daniel Romero

**Wednesday, December 18:** 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving: **Richard Campayne**, Req. Daniel Romero

**Wednesday, December 18:** 7:00 p.m.

Intentions of Holy Cross Family Ministry

### Year of Joy: 2019 - FAMILY

We begin the celebration of the YEAR OF JOY with the words of Pope Francis: “*The Joy of Love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church.*” (Amoris Laetitia 1:1) This month of December, we shall dedicate to all the families and all people of God that Joy of Christ may radiate in our families, Church, Communities and the world. Let this Christmas may be a time for all to share the true joy and peace of Jesus to all.

### Children’s Christmas Pageant

Rehearsals for the children’s Christmas Pageant will start the first week in December. We are beginning the Rehearsal this Sunday.



If you have any questions or would like to sign up please feel free to contact Melody or Nancy McMullan or send an email to [melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca](mailto:melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca)  
Thank you for your support.

### Christmas Donation to the Poor

The donations from the following items will be given to the poor and needy who come to the Rectory door.



2020 Calendar: \$ 1:00

Missals: \$ 5:00

Christmas Ornaments: \$ 2:00

Thank you for your contributions.

### Parish Picture Directory

In 2014, we published our Parish Picture Directory as a part of our 100 Years of Celebration. This picture directory gave us an opportunity to gather the information about our parish, history and people. If you would like to be part this picture directory and have your family included in the St. Ann Parish Picture Directory, Please fill the write your name in the Form provided at the entrance of the church, when we have more than 20 names we will choose date for the picture taking. For more information contact: Maria Fernandes or call the office.

### St. Ann’s Resettlement Committee

We confirm that our Syrian family has made the final decision to move from Toronto to Laval, Quebec on November 27, 2019.

We wish them all the best in their new home and as they settle down. We would like to thank all the members of the Resettlement committee for your active role in helping the family in their nine months stay in Toronto. Thank you for your generosity, commitment and leadership in helping the family to resettle in Canada.

### CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS SCHEDULE - 2019

**Tuesday, Dec. 24**

**7:00 p.m.:** Family Mass

**11:30 p.m.:** Christmas Carols

**12:00 a.m.:** Midnight Mass

**Wednesday, Dec. 25**

**10:30 a.m.:** Christmas  
Mass

**Saturday, Dec. 28**

**5:00 p.m.:** Feast of the  
Holy Family Mass

**6:30 p.m.:**

Festival of Families

**Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019**

**5:00 p.m.:** Family Mass

**11:00 p.m.:** Midnight mass

**Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020**

**10:30 a.m.:** Thanksgiving

### Sharelife: We did it together

It’s impossible to quantify how you, the parishioners of the Archdiocese of Toronto, are making your communities more caring and compassionate. But there is a number worth celebrating: \$13 million. That is how much was raised by thousands of people in over 200 parishes through the 2019 ShareLife Parish Campaign. The Holy Spirit inspired you to reach out to those in need, and you responded generously. You have lived the Gospel and, on behalf of ShareLife agencies and those they serve, we can never thank you enough.

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 15, 2019

## CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF JOY

### “Rejoice in the Lord!”



By Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

The Third Sunday in Advent is called the *Gaudete* Sunday, where we are called to *Rejoice* because “The Kingdom of God is near.” *Gaudete* (means Rejoice) taken from the Latin translation of Phil 4: 4-5, sets a tone of joyful expectation of the Lord’s Birth and Second Coming. During this time our expectations become intense as we use the “O” Antiphons as often we sing the beautiful liturgical hymns like “*O come, O Come Emmanuel.*”

The readings help us to reflect on the beauty of the season as Prophet Isaiah invites us to reflect on this **theme of Rejoice** as he says “*the desert will be glad and blossom.*” He foretells what is going to come **in the days of the Lord** – ‘*the blind will see, deaf hear and dumb sing for joy, and there will be no more sorrow.*’ This prophesy has come true because Jesus was born and lived on the earth. The Gospel narratives are full of stories of healings and miracles. This prophesy is confirmed by the powerful presence of John the Baptist, who even rejoiced and “*leaped for joy*” in the womb, upon the arrival of the Messiah. We are called to believe that our Lord is always with us and “**is already at the door.**” So let’s open the stubborn doors of our hearts and rigid minds to see and rejoice in the Lord.

“**Rejoice in the Lord**” these words are taken from the letter of St. Paul, who, for us, is the model of true discipleship. St. Paul, after his conversion, becomes the joyful witness of Jesus Christ – who by his preaching as a missionary and his teaching as a writer still inspires many generations to follow Jesus and find fulfillment and salvation in God’s love.

We are invited in the liturgy to gather in faith and sing songs of Rejoicing. All the moments of our life - in the presence of the community or alone in our rooms, - let’s sing aloud – shouting or in silence – ***O’ Come, O’ Come Emmanuel.....*** carolling away our earthly cares, as we are filled with the beauty of heaven on earth.

*Lord, help me to Rejoice in you always. Amen.*

### FESTIVAL OF FAMILIES – 2019

Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada would like to invite you for a formal Fundraising Event to support our work of promoting family prayer and Rosary Makers. So far we have distributed 49,035 rosaries in 21 mission countries. The Event will be on **Saturday, December 28, 2019.**

The formal reception and dinner will be held in the Hall at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00.

**A family that prays together, stays together.**



### Advent Confessions/Mass

Advent is a time for Prayer as we prepare for Christmas

#### Confessions:

Dec. 15, Sunday Time: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 20, Friday Time: 04:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 21, Saturday Time: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### Advent Evening Adoration and Mass

We will have 9 Evening Masses before Christmas day, **from December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 24<sup>th</sup>**, if you would like to Mass for a special intentions, please contact Fe Santos. Please follow the Advent Schedule Handout.

**There will be no morning weekday Masses from December 16 to December 25, 2019**



### Envelopes for 2020

Envelopes for 2020 are now available at the back of the church. If you would like to contribute through PAG, please fill out and submit the respective form. If you change of address for 2019 or phone number, please inform the Parish office. Thank you for your support.

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