

The Parish Community of St. Ann

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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Monday - Friday



Holy Eucharist



Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am

Friday (Adoration) 6:00 pm
(Holy Eucharist) 7:00 pm

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

6:00 pm

Native Peoples' Mass 12:30 pm

Bridgepoint Hospital 2:30 pm

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY

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

Pastoral Staff	
Pastor	Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
In Residence	Fr. Francis Noronha CSC
Finance	Anne Francis
Pastoral Assistants	Maria Fernandes
Baptism	Fe Santos
RCIA	Rolly Cabas
Development & Peace	Catherine Barry
Food Bank	Carlos & Colette Carreiro
Music	Vengie Fabre
Custodian	Ed Keenan
Caretaker	Rosalie Tolentino
Cook	Cristina Acosta
Celebration of Sacraments	
Baptism: preparation required (please contact office)	
Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment	
Matrimony (couples contact office one year in advance)	

Parish Happenings
Sundays
10 am: Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary
10:30 am Mass: Pre-School and Children's Liturgy
4pm - 6pm: Handmaids of the Lord
11:30 am: 1st Sundays: Coffee Sunday
Development and Peace group
11:30 am: 2nd Sundays: Youth Activities
11:30 am: 3rd Sundays: Pastoral Council
11:30 am: 4th Sundays: Couples Group
Saturdays
8 - 9:00 am Tai Chi Group
10 -11:30am: Food Bank
4:15 pm: Novena to St. Bro. Andre
4:30 pm: Novena to St. Ann
6:00 pm: 1st Saturdays - Healing Service
6:00 - 8:00 pm: Holy Family Prayer Group
1st Wednesday: 7:00pm - GRIEF MINISTRY
Tuesdays: 1:00PM - SENIORS BINGO

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THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD: JANUARY 10, 2016
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY
Baptism of Our Lord – Reflections of Pope Francis

- The Second Vatican Council tells us that the Church herself is a “Sacrament”, a grace-filled sign which makes Christ’s saving work present in history, through the power of the Holy Spirit. And speaking of Baptism, the first of the Church’s seven Sacraments, Pope Francis said “it gives us new birth in Christ, makes us sharers in the mystery of his death and resurrection, grants the forgiveness of sin and brings us new freedom as God’s children and members of his Church”.
- “Our baptism has changed us, given us a new and glorious hope, and empowered us to bring God’s redeeming love to all, particularly the poor, in whom we see the face of Christ. Our baptism has also given us a share in the Church’s mission of evangelization; as disciples, we are also missionaries”
- In Baptism “we have all become new creatures in Christ, temples of the Spirit, adoptive children of the Father, members of the Church, brothers in faith and announcers of the Gospel, capable of forgiving and loving all, even our enemies”.
- Being Christian “is a gift that makes us go forward with the power of the Spirit in the proclamation of Jesus Christ. The baptism is enough, it is sufficient to evangelize,” to preach Christ even amidst persecution or when one lives in insecurity.
- After the Pentecost the apostles were simple faithful, baptized just a year or so, maybe. But they had the courage to go and proclaim. . Baptism gave them the courage, the strength of the Spirit.”
- For example: “In Japan, a fact happened ... The Catholic missionaries were driven out and the communities remained. For two hundred years they were left without priests. When after this time other missionaries arrived again, they found all the communities in place: all baptized, catechized, all married in the church, and those who were dead, all buried in a Christian manner. There is no priest ... Who did this? The baptized.”

Refugee Family Resettlement Committee

We will have our first refugee committee meeting on Sunday, January 17, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Should you be part of this committee, please attend the meeting to be held at the Parish Hall.

Offertory Dates	Total	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Canada The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Canada will be celebrated on January 18 - 25. This year’s theme is “ <i>Called to proclaim mighty acts of God</i> ” (1 Peter 2:9). I invite you to spend some time reflecting and praying for the unity among Christians in the world.
January 1, 2016	\$1,685.00	
January 3, 2016	\$ 1,266.35	

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Mass Intentions

(January 9 – January 15, 2016)

Friday, Jan. 1:

7:00 p.m.: + I Luke, Phero

Req. Bella Theresa

Tuesday, Jan. 12: *Saint Marguerite*

Bourgeois

Wednesday, Jan. 13: *St. Hilary Bishop and*

Doctor of the Church.

Friday, Jan. 15:

7:00 p.m.: + Cecilia Andrade

Thanksgiving Cristina Acosta

Req. Youth Group

Laudato Si- Care for our Common Home

St. Joseph Parish (162 Leslie Street) will be hosting a 5- Part workshop on Pope Francis' encyclical on **January 12, 19, 26, February 2 and 9, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.** For more information or to register please call: 416-466-7815 or email us at stjosephparishtoronto@gmail.com

Project Hope

In response to the global refugee crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has launched "Project Hope," a special emergency appeal. Visit: www.archtoronto.org to make a donation to support the appeal, or call (416) 934-3411. You can also donate through our parish with a cheque made payable to *Name of Parish – Project Hope – Refugee Sponsorship*. **Special envelopes will be handed out this weekend towards the funding of this project.** Those interested in assisting with volunteer committees should contact the Office for Refugees at 647-780-0827.

**“The Samaritan Church –
Welcoming the Stranger”**

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish (3055 Bloor St West, Toronto) will be presenting a public lecture by Mary Jo Leddy, PhD on **January 12, 2016 at 7:30 pm.** Dr. Mary Jo Leddy is the Founder of the Romero House Community for Refugees. Donations will be collected. For more information regarding the Refugee Sponsorship Campaign contact: studentlife.usmctheology@utoronto.ca or dominican.toronto@gmail.com or call 416-231-6016

Boxes of Offertory Envelopes for 2016

Make sure to pick up your box of offertory envelopes at the main entrance of the church. If you don't already have assigned an envelope number, please pick up one of the unlabelled boxes and write your contact information on the **Envelope Record Sheet**. We kindly ask you to also write down your name and full address on the envelopes for the first few weeks. This ensures the issue of tax receipts for donations at the year end.

“Let Go and Let God”

When you are troubled and worried
and sick at heart

And your plans are upset,
and your world falls apart,

Remember God's ready
and waiting to share

The burden you find
much too heavy to bear—

So with faith, “Let Go”
and “Let God” lead the way

Into a brighter and less-troubled day –

For God has a plan for everyone

If we learn to pray,
“Thy will be done”

For nothing in life

Is without God's design

For each life is fashioned
by the Hand That's Divine.

Marriage Sunday 2016

In 2016, the Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate Marriage Sunday at the parish level on the weekend of February 6/7. Cardinal Collins has also announced a special archdiocesan-wide gathering to honour married couples that will take place on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Andrew Kim Parish in North York.

His eminence extends an invitation to all married couples, in particular those who will celebrate their 25th, 40th or 50+ wedding anniversary anytime throughout 2016 to join him for Mass and a reception to honour their fidelity and faithfulness. Worldwide Marriage Encounter, a local lay movement, is helping to co-ordinate the gathering.

Loved ones and family members of those honored are most welcome to attend. To ensure special reserved seating for honored couples, pre-registration is required. Visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage to register and to find more information about Marriage Sunday and our archdiocesan celebration. Questions can also be directed to Dane & Anne MacCarthy at 416-964-8694.

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