

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 THE FAMILY

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
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Music Ronald Vengie Fabre

Custodian Ed Keenan

Caretaker Rosalie Tolentino

Cook Cristina Acosta



"The Family That Prays Together Stays Together" - Fr. Patrick Peyton, CSC

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**

Sundays

8 - 9:00 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

OFFICE HOURS

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

Sunday:
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JANUARY 15, 2017
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY**

On Family Prayer

Reflections by Fr. Wilson Andrade, CSC

A recent research by the Holy Cross Family ministries shows that 64% of the catholic families do not have family prayers. This is a sad reality of our modern day families. This year let us make a habit of praying together as a family. The Second Vatican Council asserts that "*a family is a domestic church*" then let's make our domestic church – a house of prayer and peace. Pope Francis in his address to the young families asked them "*to teach children with examples of faith.*" In fact this is the promise we take during every baptism celebration of the children. It is our Christian responsibility to teach everyone faith by our example and life. One of the best ways of *teaching faith by example* happens when families gather for prayer.

Family Prayer is a grace: God's grace is freely given to all. In our family prayer, we can acknowledge many God's graces we have received. Let our family prayer be genuine, said with simple words of gratitude and appreciation. There are traditional prayers or modern prayer that help us to begin our prayer life in the family, but those prayers must direct us to a true – heart to heart – conversation with God and others. Prayer leads us to share God's blessings with everyone especially with the younger generations. The blessings from the elders is a powerful expression God's grace to everyone.

Family Prayer is a discipline: It requires time, place, and motivation. It is always useful to find a suitable time to pray when everyone is together - before the meal or even while going to work. It is good to make a habit of praying – not once in a while but every day. Even though we are busy with many things in life, we can always find time to pray together. If someone is not physical present, still we can pray for that person!!

Family prayer brings Unity and Peace: Praying makes us humble. Humility helps us to acknowledge life and gifts of others in our life. Let prayer help us to experience a sense of freedom and love within our family and friends. Self-criticism or judging others is not a prayer. Prayer brings us peace by applying balm of forgiveness mixed with love. Prayer brings unity among the family members with better discernment for decision making, co-operation for the common good, understanding during failures, forgiveness for faults, support during times of struggles and laughter during joyful events.

May the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph guide us and May Sts. Anne and Joachim intercede for us. Amen

THANKS FOR 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The festive reception which I experienced at St. Ann Parish on the occasion of my 50th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood was indeed wonderful and a blessing for me. Thanks to all who planned it, prepared the delicious meal, worked hard in setting up, serving and cleaning up, prepared the Jeopardy game, did the presentations of gifts on behalf of St. Ann, St. Joseph and Native Peoples' Parish, and all who extended their congratulations through prayers, kind words, cards and gifts. I have been enormously blessed in my priesthood. I do hope to be able to continue to serve the People of God, in whatever place and in whatever time still left for me on this journey of grace.

Fr. Frank

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JANUARY 15, 2017 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY

Mass Intentions

(January 14 – January 20, 2017)

Sunday, January 15:

6:00 p.m.: + Cecilia Andrade Req. Virginia Sison

Tuesday, January 17:

8:00 a.m.: + Mita Hapal Req. Fe Santos

2017 Offertory Envelopes are ready

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.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



We encourage you to celebrate this week of prayer for the unity of all Christians (**January 18 – 25**), and its theme in a manner most appropriate for you. Christians around the world are invited to celebrate a week of prayer, to reflect on scripture together, participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and share fellowship. The theme for the 2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is *“Reconciliation - The love of Christ compels us”*.

Celebration for the Newly Baptized

On **Sunday, January 29**, St. Ann Parish will host a breakfast to celebrate this month's theme for the Newly Baptized. We invite everyone, especially those baptized this past year, to join us for the Sunday 10:30 a.m. mass, followed by a session on Baptism along with breakfast and fellowship.



Raise a Roof Jamaica 2017

This March, a group of 18 local teens, joined by Fr. Wilson and 5 other adult project leaders, will be headed to Jamaica to build houses for families in need. To fund this project, we are challenged with raising funds to cover the costs of travel and materials.

So far we have raised 75% of the goal, but still have quite a way to go. Please consider donating to this cause. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.



Bible Seminars at St. Joseph Parish



St. Joseph parish is hosting Bible seminars during 2017. We will begin exploring the Gospel of Mark, Matthew, Luke and John on four **Wednesdays in**

February (1, 8, 15 and 22) from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the church. If you wish to join please email: stjosephparishtoronto@gmail.com. or call (416) 466-7815

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS FOR THE WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2017

“Migration today is not a phenomenon limited to some areas of the planet. It affects all continents and is growing into a tragic situation of global proportions. Not only does this concern those looking for dignified work or better living conditions, but also men and women, the elderly and children, who are forced to leave their homes in the hope of finding safety, peace and security”

“Migration, climate change, and the environment are interrelated. Just as environmental degradation and disasters can cause migration, movement of people can also entail significant effects on surrounding ecosystems.”

(International Organization for Migration)
The World's Displaced Peoples (UNHCR: unhcr.ca)
United Nations Refugee Agency Canada:

“65.3 million people forcibly displaced worldwide; 21.3 million refugees; 10 million stateless people! Each of us can do our part to address the effects of climate change that is rapidly taking place in our world today. Let us consider what we can do to change our lifestyles to reduce the effects of climate change. Perhaps reducing the temperature in our homes when we are not there or at night when we are sleeping could be one small environmental action. By turning down the thermostat, we reduce the amount of carbon emissions that we emit into the atmosphere. One small collective action can go a long way to reduce the effects of climate change that so greatly impacts the lives of our poorest brothers and sisters in the developing world”



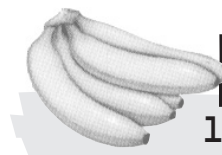
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