

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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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JANUARY 24, 2016
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Reflections on the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.” (1 Peter 2:9)

What does it mean to be “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people”? Much too often, Christians have used this passage from 1 Peter to exalt the Church and to claim a privileged place for it in society. Yet the biblical answer to this question is “to proclaim the mighty acts of God who has called us out of darkness and into his marvelous light”. This “marvelous light” is not a light of privilege or triumph for the Church, but a light of humble servant-hood. As Christians, we are called to shine the love and justice of God into all cracks and crevices for the sake of all people.

The calling of that royal priesthood, the definition of being holy, chosen and God’s own people, is that the mighty acts of God may be proclaimed. In the language of the Old Testament, which reverberates down to us today, it meant proclaiming God as the Creator of the heavens and earth and all that they contain; it meant proclaiming God as the Liberator of his people from slavery; it meant proclaiming the close – challenged and challenging, but close – relationship of God and the people of Israel as they established themselves in cities and communities with social structures and rulers. It meant proclaiming God as the God who wills justice, mercy, faithfulness and compassion for all people of the earth.

Now, for the people receiving and reading the letter called 1 Peter, it meant adding the life, ministry, suffering, death and glorious Resurrection of Jesus Christ to that list of the mighty acts of God. They are to proclaim that great, good news, and they are to live it even in and through suffering and persecution. They are to live for others. The comforting news is that they are indeed empowered to do so, and that God, in marvelous light, will be with them as they do.

Handmaids of the Lord Brunch Sunday

Next **Sunday, January 31**, the Handmaids of the Lord will be hosting a Brunch Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. mass. Please join us at the hall to enjoy a nice meal and fellowship. Donations are welcomed.

January 17, 2016	Total
Offertory - Envelopes	\$1,010.00
Offertory - Loose	\$239.55
Total Offertory	\$ 1,249.55

Valentine’s Dinner/Dance

The Youth of St. Ann’s Parish is hosting a Valentine’s Day Dinner & Dance at St. Ann’s Parish hall on **February 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.** The ticket is \$15 Adults, Children (12 & under) are free. Includes wine and cheese, 3 course dinner buffet. There will be music, prizes and fun games for all.

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Mass Intentions

(January 23 – January 29, 2016)

Sunday, Jan. 24:

6:00 p.m.: + John Edward McGregor

Req. Helen Cuneo

+ Carmelita Hapal

Req. Fe Santos

Thanksgiving Anniversary Mass

Req. Handmaids of the Lord

Monday, Jan. 25: *The conversion of St. Paul*

8:00 a.m.: + Carmelita Hapal

Req. Fe Santos

Thursday, Jan. 28: *St. Thomas Aquinas*

8:00 a.m.: + Anthony Fernandes

Req. Maria Rodrigues

Friday, Jan. 29:

7:00 p.m.: + Pilar M. Monitfar

Req. Myrna Montifar & Family

CHALICE Appeal with Deacon Philip Allard

On January 30 & 31, please welcome Deacon Philip Allard who will speak about **CHALICE**, a Canadian, Catholic sponsorship program. He will explain how you can help a destitute child at one of 56 mission sites in 15 developing countries. The website is www.chalice.ca. Deacon Philip Allard was ordained in 2000 for the Archdiocese of Toronto. He was raised in Toronto and has been married to Arlene for 30 years. Arlene and Philip have dependent children in their 20's that are living at home and engaged in post-secondary studies. Philip has served in the same Scarborough parish since his ordination, and also ministers in a residential treatment centre for women with additions and emotional problems. Philip enjoys singing and playing guitar and has used this talent in various music ministries. Philip is employed as a social worker in a long-term care facility in Toronto where he has worked for the last 25 years.

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 are available towards the funding of this project.**

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Ecumenical Prayer Service**

Today **Sunday, January 24, 2016 at 4 p.m.** is the ecumenical prayer service with special concern for refugees, led by Roman Catholic Archbishop Thomas Cardinal Collins (homilist), and other city-wide religious leaders at *Good Shepherd Chaldean Catholic Cathedral, 2 High Meadow Place (north-west of Finch Ave. and Hwy 400)*. Ample parking is available, refreshments to follow. For more information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at (416) 934-3400 ext. 344 or ext. 527

**Mass for World Day of Prayer
for Consecrated Life**

On February 2, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. In closing this Jubilee Year, there will be a special Mass on **Sunday, January 31, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica**. Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at the Mass in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas

A special classical concert will take place on **Thursday, January 28, 7:00 p.m.** at Newman Centre (89 St. George St., Toronto) to celebrate the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas. Renowned pianists, Christina Labriola and Erik Lawrence, will perform and a reception follows the concert. Free admission. Donations welcome. All are welcome.

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.

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