Holy Eucharist

The Parish Community of St. Ann

Daily Mass

8:00 a.m. Monday-Thursday 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 In Residence

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:

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

Sunday:

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





"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

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: JANUARY 8, 2017 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY

"We are God's Family"

Reflections by Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The term epiphany comes from the Greek term *epiphaneia*, which means "*manifestation*, *striking appearance*." For us it is to say that God manifested or appeared in Jesus Christ. This feast is powerfully symbolized in the 'arrival of the three wise men who offered gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.' That is to proclaim the child born to Mary in Bethlehem is the 'long awaited Messiah and King.'

We know and experience creation, especially our surrounding nature, as an Epiphany of God. Creation reveals God's presence. Great mystics of our times have said that the *world is charged with God* (Gerard Hopkins) and saw *creation as the Divine milieu* (Teilhard de Chardin). We realize that we are created *in the image and likeness of God*, so we reveal God's presence. We belong to God and we are an *epiphaneia – a striking image* of God. In the Scriptures especially St. John often refers to each one of us as God's Children. We belong to God and truly the family of God. Do we live like God's Children? That question each one of us has to answer before God. So let's live as the children of God, accepting everyone as our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ.

Today, God becoming one like us in Jesus Christ helps us to deepen our awareness of God's presence. As Christ fully revealed God's presence, and as we *baptized Christians are called reveal and proclaim the presence of Christ to all*. May the feast of the Epiphany deepen our awareness of God's presence in this world. We may become God's instruments of love, peace and joy to everyone in this world.

O' Come Let us adore Christ our Lord

St. Bro. Andre, CSC – Pray for us

On 7th of January in Canada, we celebrate the Feast of St. Bro. Andre, CSC. A favorite Canadian saint and a member of the Congregation of Holy Cross, Bro. Andre is known as the founder of Saint Joseph's Oratory and for his healing ministry. Today St. Joseph's Oratory welcomes more than two million visitors each year. St. Andre is the *Patron of Family Caregivers* in Canada as he welcomed the sick and afflicted and made a habit of praying with them through the intercession of Saint Joseph. Bro. Andre was a man of prayer and Prayer was at the heart of his healing ministry. As we celebrate feast day of Bro. Andre, we pray for healing within our families.



Celebrating 50th Years of Development and Peace

Please, take some time to read this week's bulletin insert on Development & Peace 50th anniversary "50 Years of Solidarity"

January 1, 2016	Total
Offertory - Envelopes	\$2,736.00
Offertory - Loose	\$465.70
Total Offertory	\$3,201.70



Development and Peace Coffee Sunday

Today, is Development and Peace Coffee Sunday. We will be selling fair trade coffee, tea and chocolate. Please come down after mass, share a cup of coffee or tea and socialize with fellow parishioners and the D&P group members.

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Mass Intentions

(January 6 – January 13, 2017)

Friday, January 6:

7:00 p.m.: Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of

Jesus Req. Maria Fernandes

Saturday, January 7:

5:00 p.m.: Thanksgiving to the Immaculate Heart

of Mary Req. Maria Fernandes

Sunday, January 8:

6:00 p.m.: Mass to the Holy Souls

Req. Maria Fernandes

Tuesday, January 10:

8:00 a.m.: Thanksgiving for Mariana Chumana

Req. Mariana Chumana & Family

: Thanksgiving for Ena Francis

Req. Ena Francis

Wednesday, January 11:

8:00 a.m.: +Reginald Malcom Francis

Req. Ena Francis

Friday, January 13:

7:00 p.m.: + Sylvia Philomena Req. Ena Francis

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 55% 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.

Research on Family Prayer

A recent research done in USA by the Holy Cross Family Ministries shows that 64% of the families do not have family prayer. Prayers have become individualized.

During this year of the Family we invite you reflect on your prayer life in your homes. Do make an effort to pray as a family and for families. We also encourage everyone to have a Bible, a Rosary, and a Family Prayer book in your homes. "Lord, Teach us to Pray."

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



Every year, between **January 18 and January 25**, Christians around the world are invited to celebrate a week of prayer for the unity of all Christians, 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". We encourage you to celebrate this week of prayer and its theme in a manner most appropriate for you.

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 and followed by a session on Baptism along with breakfast and fellowship.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees

On 15th of January 2017, Pope Francis invites everyone to remember and support the migrants and Refugees in the world. The United Nations estimates more than 60 million people around the world are forced to flee their homelands because of persecution, conflict and war.

Welcoming the stranger is a Gospel call for all the Christians to follow. We individually and as a community of faith, can make a difference in the lives of refugees through prayer, support, and sponsoring families.

We invite you to pray and support our St. Ann parish Resettlement committee in their ministry of sponsoring the family from Syria – family of Samir, his wife and five months baby girl. We request you to keep this family in your prayers as we begin the paper work of helping them to resettle in Canada.



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