

Holy Eucharist

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| 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 Parish Community of St. Ann

Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

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CELEBRATING THE YEAR FOR CARE FOR CREATION

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

Secretary Aymara Toro

Finance Anne Francis

Pastoral Assistant
Maria Fernandes

Baptism Fe Santos

RCIA Rolly Cabas

Development & Peace
Catherine Barry

Food Bank
Carlos & Colette Carreiro

Music Ronald Vengie Fabre

Custodian Ed Keenan

Caretaker Rosalie Tolentino

Cook Cristina Acosta

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



"Many Ministries for one mission of Jesus Christ" (Cf. 1 Cor. 12)

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**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: **Holy Family Prayer Group**

Sundays

9 - 10:00 a.m.: **Tai Chi Group**

9:15 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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 24, 2019

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Mass Intentions (March 22 – March 29, 2019)

Friday, March 22: 7:00 p.m.

+ Anne & Kevin Scully *Req. Aine Scully*

Thanksgiving for Rolando Tecson *Req. Tecson Family*

Saturday, March 23: 5:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving for Mary Ilagan *Req. Mary Ilagan*

Tuesday, March 26: 8:00 a.m.

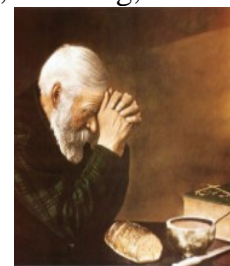
+Devdit Fernandes *Req. Maria Fernandes*

The vigil light will be lit in memory of the deceased relatives and friends of Vida Jan. We remember them in prayers.

Care for Creation – March, 2019

As we commence the year of Care for Creation, the month of March is dedicated to the Reflection on the Food as we enter into the season of Lent and invited to keep the traditional spiritual activities of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving.

We will specially focus practicing concrete ways to care for the **Food** as we Pray – Give us today our Daily Bread. May God continue to bless and guide us in caring for the Creation.



Holy Cross Family Ministries –Canada: Lenten Retreat



Join Holy Cross Family Ministries in prayer for all Families this Lenten season. We will have presentations by Fr. Wilson Andrade, Marian Procession with Rosary, and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Lunch and Dinner tickets are \$20.00. All are welcome

Date: Saturday, March 30, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Confessions Lent – 2019

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| March 30 | Saturday | 10 am to 6 pm |
| March 31 | Sunday | 10 am to 7 pm |
| April 05 | Friday | 4 pm to 8 pm |
| April 06 | Saturday | 4 pm to 7 pm |

HOLD Sunday Breakfast



Join us **next Sunday, March 31**, for the Handmaids of the Lord monthly Sunday Breakfast. Please come down to the hall after the 10:30 a.m. mass and join us for a freshly made breakfast and fellowship.

Become a Rosary Maker

Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada at St. Ann Parish will be hosting our next group of Rosary Makers Training event **today Sunday, March 24, 2019 at 3:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. If you would like to be a Rosary maker, please fill out the Registration Form. We are planning to make 50,000 rosaries to distributed to churches, hospitals, schools and missions in the world. Thank you for helping us spread God's message of love in the families.



Fridays in Lent

6:00 pm: Adoration
6:30 pm: Way of the Cross
7:00 pm: Holy Eucharist



ShareLife 2019

How can you "Live the Gospel" when life is so busy? Many people help those in need by volunteering at a local organization. But if your schedule doesn't allow for it, you can still make a huge impact in your community by supporting ShareLife-funded agencies. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, please reflect on your ability to "Live the Gospel" by making a sacrificial gift to our parish ShareLife campaign.

Next Sunday, March 31 is ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.

St. Ann's Resettlement Committee's Giving Campaign

Thank you for your ongoing support and prayers as our Syrian family settles in our neighbourhood.

Gift Cards: If you have gift cards you are not using or would like to make a gift card donation please do so **today Sunday March 24, 2019**. Cards from grocery stores, discount fashion stores, drug stores and ones that sell household items would be appreciated. Please put the gift cards in the regular collection. Thank you to all those who made a gift card contribution on February 24th.

Committee Volunteer: If you would like to become a committee volunteer you are welcome to attend our meetings which are held on the third Sunday of the month after the 10:30am mass.

If you wish to be a committee volunteer please contact Theresa at 416-700-3358 or theresa.spohn@icloud.com.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 24, 2019 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CARE FOR CREATION

A Call to Conversion through the Sacrament of Confession

Jesus is the Lamb of God who came to take away the sins of the world (Jn 1:29). His first public words were “Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand” (Mt 4:17). He healed the sins of the paralyzed man and of the woman caught in adultery (Mk 2:5; Jn 8:11). He preached on God’s desire to reconcile us with the beautiful images of the lost sheep, lost coin and lost son (Lk 15). He taught us how to be brutal toward sin, instructing us in the Sermon on the Mount that it would be better to rip out our eyes or cut off our hands if they were leading us to sin than to do nothing and lose our bodies and souls forever in Hell (Mt 5:29-30). He taught us to pray to the Father to forgive us our sins and to bring us to forgive the relatively smaller debts of those who sin against us (Mt 6:12; 18:21-35). On the Cross, as he prepared to die to take away our sins, Jesus’ salvific words were, first for sinners in general, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing,” and then for one sinner, the Good Thief, in particular (Lk 23:34,43). After his resurrection, not only did Jesus give the apostles the ability to forgive sins in his name but commanded them to preach “repentance and forgiveness of sins” to all nations (Jn 20:21-23; Lk 24:47). That’s what the Church continues through preaching the need for repentance and making Jesus’ mercy available through the Sacrament of Penance.

The Sacrament of Penance is a spiritual resurrection bringing us to life again after we were dead through mortal sin (Lk 15:24). It reconciles us with God in loving friendship and restores us to his grace. It is normally followed by peace, joy, serenity and spiritual consolation. The sacrament also reconciles us with the Church, repairing or restoring the damage our sins have done to our communion with others. The sinner also auspiciously anticipates the judgment that will come at the end of his life, choosing the path of life over the path of death (CCC 1468-1470). A good confession is humble, sincere and complete. It’s humble when we accuse ourselves of our sins with a deep sorrow for having offended the Lord while imploring his loving mercy. It’s sincere when we tell all of our sins honestly and truthfully, without exaggerating or excusing them. It’s complete when we confess all of our mortal sins, including the number of times we have committed each one.

“Jesus in the confessional is not a dry cleaner: it is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us just as we are. Is going to confession like a torture session? No! It is going to praise God, because I, a sinner, have been saved by God. And is God waiting to beat me? No, God waits with tenderness to forgive me. And if tomorrow I do the same? Go again, and go and go and go. God always waits for us.” - Pope Francis.

From **March 31-April 6, 2019**, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a **Day of**

Confessions. Confessions at our parish will be available by appointment. Please call the office. Lenten Retreat on March 30, 10 am to 6 pm and confessions on March 31, 2019, Sunday Time: 10 am to 7 pm. Taken from www.archtoronto.ca

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day Celebration

Join us in celebrating the feast of our beloved indigenous saint, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, on **Saturday, April 27, 2019**, from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. The theme of our celebration is “St. Kateri Tekakwitha: Building Bridges to Reconciliation.” We wish to honor her relevance for us as Catholics in Canada in healing and fostering relationships with indigenous peoples and the Earth. After the Eucharistic celebration, there will be an hour session discussing the theme with Tom Dearhouse and a festive dinner. Dinner tickets are available for \$20.00 Please contact: Sr. Petite Lao, RNDM Phone: 647-762-9664 e-mail: petitelao@gmail.com, web: <https://stkateri.eventbrite.com>



Join our Parish Team for the Development & Peace 'Share the Journey' Walk A Fundraiser in Support of ShareLife

When: April 7th, 2019 at 2:00pm

Where: High Park, followed by a reception at St. Cecilia's Parish Hall (1161 Annette Street)

31 people are forced to flee their home every minute. The causes of forced migration in the world are many, but the human suffering is always the same. No one should be forced to flee their home. Join us as we *Share the Journey* with migrants and raise funds for ShareLife.

To register for our Parish team, please contact our parish office at stannparishtoronto@gmail.com

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