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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday & 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sunday



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

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Pastoral Staff	
Pastor	Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
In Residence	Fr. Francis Noronha CSC Fr. Roshan D'Souza, 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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**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: NOVEMBER 6, 2016
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All Souls Day

Why do Catholic Christians commemorate the dead during the month of November? The feast of All Souls and the month of November is a source of consolation for each of us. If our hearts are broken and suffering about the loss of loved ones, or if we are dealing with unresolved issues about good-byes that were not said, peace that was not made, gratitude that was not expressed, let us ask the faithful departed to intercede for us and for our own peace. The consoling doctrine of the Communion of Saints allows us to feel ever close to those who have died and gives us much hope in moments of despair and sadness.

As he was dying in the fall of 1996, the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of Chicago wrote a moving, personal testament, ***The Gift of Peace***, that speaks powerfully about death and life: *Many people have asked me to tell them about heaven and the afterlife. I sometimes smile at the request because I do not know any more than they do. Yet, when one young man asked if I looked forward to being united with God and all those who have gone before me, I made a connection to something I said earlier in this book. The first time I traveled with my mother and sister to my parents' homeland of Tonadico di Primiero, in northern Italy, I felt as if I had been there before. After years of looking through my mother's photo albums, I knew the mountains, the land, the houses, the people. As soon as we entered the valley, I said, "My God, I know this place. I am home." Somehow I think crossing from this life into eternal life will be similar. I will be home. [pp. 152-153]*

May I suggest that each of you do the following during these days of November. Spend some time reflecting on those who have been close to you, who have died, and are now with the Lord.

- ❖ Slowly read this scripture passage -- **Wisdom 3:1-3**: *But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.*
- ❖ Remember one person close to you who has died. Bring this person's image into your mind's eye. As you remember his or her life, imagine the Lord Jesus escorting the person into heaven at the time of death. Finally, imagine this loved one waiting for you. Know that when your time of passing comes, the Lord and your loved ones who have gone before you will escort you into the kingdom of heaven.
- ❖ End your short remembering with this prayer: *Lord, you are the resurrection and the life. You promised that whoever believes in you will never die. Lord, through the power of your rising, help me believe in my own resurrection. Amen.*


May we spend our earthly pilgrimage filling our minds with the thoughts of heaven, so that when we finally cross over into eternal life, the images we see may not be foreign, startling or strange. Let us pray that we, too, may be able to say: ***"My God, I know this place. I am home."***

-Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation

October 30, 2016	Total
Offertory - Envelopes	\$619.00
Offertory - Loose	\$366.70
Total Offertory	\$985.70

Development and Peace Coffee Sunday

Today Sunday, November 6, is Development and Peace Coffee Sunday. Please join us at the Hall after the 10:30 a.m. mass for a fresh cup of coffee and fellowship. Fairtrade products will be available for sale.



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Mass Intentions

(November 5 – November 11, 2016)

Sunday, November 6: Daylight Savings Time Ends
6:00 p.m.: + **Barbara Pereira**

Req. Celina Pereira

+ **Cecilia Kosar & Frank Sehovic**

Req. Mary Sehovic & Family

Monday, November 7:

8:00 a.m.: + **Bernard Pereira**

Req. Celina Pereira

Thanksgiving for Nubia Gutierrez

Req. Toro Young Family

ShareLife 2016

Giving hope to those in our families...

Last year nearly 20,000 people received effective outreach and counseling services from ShareLife-supported Catholic Family Services agencies from across the archdiocese. Our Family Service agencies have created walk-in clinics to help clients access service faster, reduce stress about a host of issues, and improve their sense of well-being. Clients report these sessions provide practical coping skills to help them deal with issues, and they feel more hopeful about their situation. Your support of ShareLife has made it possible for individuals to receive immediate help through walk-in clinic counseling. Thank you for helping to provide this service to those in need!

Understanding of Afterlife

Matthew Hendzel SJ will be giving a presentation on the Church's teaching on the afterlife, and how it is understood within Catholicism today. This presentation will take place **today Sunday, November 6th** after the 10:30 a.m. mass. You are welcomed to bring goodies to share with others. All are welcome.

Christmas Play

Sign-ups for the Christmas pageant will start this weekend **Sunday November 6th** at the Hall, after 10:30 a.m. mass. Rehearsals begin on November 20th and will be every Sunday until Christmas Eve. For more information or to sign up, please email Nancy and Melody McMullan at melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca

Shepherds' Trust collection

Called by God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families, in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherds' Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity. The collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese during the **weekend of November 12/13**. This fund does more than just support our priests in their retirement years; it represents a very tangible gesture of thanks for the blessings we have received. Envelopes can be found at pews or at the back of the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

November 26, 2016 - Parish Ministry Day.

St. Ann's Parish Ministry Day is back! Please join us on **November 26** for a wonderful evening celebrating our Parish Ministries and Volunteers. Invitations will be handed out by Ministry Coordinators this week.

Holy Cross Youth Group Christmas Raffle



St. Ann Parish Youth is organizing a Christmas Raffle to be drawn on Christmas day (after the 10:30 a.m. mass). There will be 10 prizes to be raffled and prize details can be found at the back of each ticket. Tickets will be available at \$5, with proceeds going to parish projects. More information to follow in coming days.

Congratulations, Altar Servers!

St. Ann Parish congratulates and celebrates this year's recipients of the **Bishop's Altar Server Award for Service**, for their constant and dedicated service to the Church. Special commendation goes out to our Altar Servers: **Jason Saraiva, Gisele Saraiva, Leenele Tolentino and Marie-Chantal Salla**. They were recognized by the Most Reverend Robert Kasun, Auxiliary Bishop at St. Paul's Basilica, the past Saturday, October 29, 2016. Congratulations!

Humanitarian Relief - Haiti Emergency

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief following the devastation caused by Hurricane Matthew in Haiti on October 4, 2016. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. We offer our prayers for the victims of this natural disaster and those who have been displaced. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to help those in crisis in Haiti.



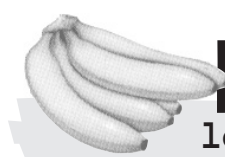
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