## The Parish Community of St. Ann

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RECTORY **Phone:** (416) 466-2127 **Fax:** (416) 778-6545 **Native Peoples' Parish:** (416) 463-2500 **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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(Mission Statement)

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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		
<b>Pastoral Assistants</b>	Maria Fernandes		
Baptism	Fe Santos		
RCIA	Rolly Cabas		
<b>Development &amp; Peace</b>	Catherine Barry		
Food Bank	Carlos & Colette Carreiro		
Music	Vengie Fabre		
Custodian	Ed Keenan		
Caretaker	Rosalie Tolentino		
Cook	Cristina Acosta		
Celebration of Sacran	Celebration of Sacraments		
Baptism: preparation required (please contact office)			

Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Matrimony (couples contact office one year in advance)

**Reconciliation:** 

### **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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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY

#### **Prudent Stewards**

Reflections by Scott Hahn cf. St. Paul's Center for Biblical Theology

The steward in today's Gospel confronts the reality that he can't go on living the way he has been. He is under judgment, must give account for what he has done.

The exploiters of the poor in today's First Reading are also about to be pulled down, thrust from their stations (see <u>Isaiah 22:19</u>). Servants of mammon or money, they're so in love with wealth that they reduce the poor to objects, despise the new moons and Sabbaths—the observances and holy days of God (see <u>Leviticus 23:24</u>; <u>Exodus 20:8</u>).

Their only hope is to follow the steward's path. He is no model of repentance. But he makes a prudent calculation—to use his last hours in charge of his master's property to show mercy to others, to relieve their debts.

He is a child of this world, driven by a purely selfish motive—to make friends and be welcomed into the homes of his master's debtors. Yet his prudence is commended as an example to us, the children of light (see <u>1 Thessalonians 5:5</u>; <u>Ephesians 5:8</u>). We too must realize, as the steward does, that what we have is not honestly ours, but what in truth belongs to another, our Master.

All the mammon in the world could not have paid the debt we owe our Master. Jesus paid it for us, gave His life as a ransom for all, as we hear in today's Epistle.

God wants everyone to be saved, even kings and princes, even the lovers of money (see <u>Luke 16:14</u>). But we cannot serve two Masters. By his grace, we should choose to be, as we sing in today's Psalm—"servants of the Lord."

We serve Him by using what He has entrusted us with to give alms, to lift the lowly from the dust and dunghills of this world. By this we will gain what is ours, be welcomed into eternal dwellings, the many mansions of the Father's house (see <u>John 14:2</u>).

#### **Thoughts from the Saints**

- \* "At the end of our life, we shall all be judged by charity." St. John of the Cross
- ❖ "It is better to be the child of God than king of the whole world." St. Aloysius Gonzaga
- \* "Those whose hearts are pure are temples of the Holy Spirit." -- St. Lucy
- ❖ "We always find that those who walked closest to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest trials." *St. Teresa of Avila*

September 11, 2016	Total
Offertory - Envelopes	\$644.00
Offertory - Loose	\$325.20
Total Offertory	\$969.20

A **Pastoral Council Meeting** will be held **today Sunday**, **September 18** after the 10:30 a.m. mass. Council members are asked to attend to review parish activities.

New to this parish or coming for a period of time, and would like to use envelopes for offertory, please take one from the back of the church and write down your name and full address so we can give you a tax receipt at the end of the year.

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#### **Mass Intentions**

(September 17 – September 23, 2016)

Saturday, September 17: St. Robert Bellarmine 5:00 p.m.: + Paddy Gillen Req. Alice Gillen

: Thanksgiving for Agnes Caruana

Req. Agnes Caruana

**Sunday, September 18:** 

6:00 p.m.: Thanksgiving for Mauricio Ignacio

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: + Joseph Fernandes

Req. Maria Fernandes

Monday, September 19: St. Januarius

8:00 a.m.: Thanksgiving for Fr. Andrew Morasse

Req. Maria Fernandes

**Thursday, September 22:** 

8:00 a.m.: Thanksgiving for Jackie Fernandes

Req. Maria Fernandes

Friday, September 23: St. Pius of Pietrelcina

7:00 p.m.: + Ignatius Joseph

Req. Maria Fernandes

#### **Townhall on Faith and Climate Change**

The Sisters of St. Joseph are sponsoring a Townhall Meeting on Faith and Climate Change on Saturday, **October 1, from noon – 3 p.m**. At Loretto College (70 St. Mary Street) FREE. For info. see bulletin board or Sr. Gwen or Sr. Mary.

#### **Kelly Library Used Book Sale**

From Tuesday September 27<sup>th</sup> until Friday September 30th, a Giant Used Book Sale is being held at the Kelly Library (113 St. Joseph St.) to raise funds for the Kelly Library at Saint Michael's College at the U of T. Choose from the largest selection of Catholic books in the GTA and a full selection of subjects such as French, Italian, Art, Celtic Studies, and children's books. More info at www.stmikes.utoronto.ca/booksale. The closest major intersection is Bay and Bloor.

#### ShareLife 2016

#### Fulfilling the ShareLife mission in our community...

They have ears, but do not hear (Psalm 115:6) There are many people in our society who suffer from disabilities that affect their daily living. At Silent Voice, the deaf community can access services to help both them and their families cope with their situation. Tavis was a student who, with his mother's encouragement, participated in the basketball fun day for the deaf community hosted by Silent Voice, a ShareLife funded agency. Soon after, he joined a sports team for the deaf, and helped host sports clinics and events with the support of our agency. Tavis was eventually hired as a counselor for the Silent Voice Sign Language Summer Day Camp. Today, he says "I want to be a role model for deaf kids and I'm grateful for how much Silent Voice has changed my life." Last year, Silent Voice provided services to over 750 people. Your support for ShareLife has helped to make this possible... you have worked wonders!

#### **Holy Cross Youth Dinner & Dance**

Come and join us to celebrate St. Ann's Youth group 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary on **Saturday, October 1**, starting **at 6:30 p.m.** There will be lots of games, prizes and fun for the whole family. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 6 to 12. Funds will go towards the Parish Projects.



#### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! On **October 21-23**, (Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga). More information and application, please go to www.wwme.org



#### **RCIA Process**

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process though which interested adults are gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life. It involves the actual practice of study, belonging, prayer and service. The formal process of RCIA starts in September. For more information about becoming a Roman Catholic, contact Fr. Wilson after mass or call the parish office at 416-466-2127.



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