

# The Parish Community of St. Ann

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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

UNITY IN DIVERSITY "Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We value our diversity" (Mission Statement)

<b>Pastoral Staff</b>	
<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
<b>In Residence</b>	Fr. Francis Noronha CSC Fr. Roshan D'Souza, CSC
<b>Finance</b>	Anne Francis
<b>Pastoral Assistants</b>	Maria Fernandes
<b>Baptism</b>	Fe Santos
<b>RCIA</b>	Rolly Cabas
<b>Development &amp; Peace</b>	Catherine Barry
<b>Food Bank</b>	Carlos & Colette Carreiro
<b>Music</b>	Vengie Fabre
<b>Custodian</b>	Ed Keenan
<b>Caretaker</b>	Rosalie Tolentino
<b>Cook</b>	Cristina Acosta
<b>Celebration of Sacraments</b>	
<b>Baptism:</b> preparation required (please contact office)	
<b>Reconciliation:</b> Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment	
<b>Matrimony</b> (couples contact office one year in advance)	

<b>Parish Happenings</b>
<b>Sundays</b>
10 am: <b>Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary</b>
10:30 am Mass: <b>Pre-School and Children's Liturgy</b>
4pm - 6pm: <b>Handmaids of the Lord</b>
11:30 am: 1st Sundays: <b>Coffee Sunday</b>
<b>Development and Peace group</b>
11:30 am: 2nd Sundays: <b>Youth Activities</b>
11:30 am: 3rd Sundays: <b>Pastoral Council</b>
11:30 am: 4th Sundays: <b>Couples Group</b>
<b>Saturdays</b>
8 - 9:00 am <b>Tai Chi Group</b>
10 -11:30am: <b>Food Bank</b>
4:15 pm: <b>Novena to St. Bro. Andre</b>
4:30 pm: <b>Novena to St. Ann</b>
6:00 pm: 1st Saturdays - <b>Healing Service</b>
6:00 - 8:00 pm: <b>Holy Family Prayer Group</b>
<b>1st Wednesday: 7:00pm - GRIEF MINISTRY</b>
<b>Tuesdays: 1:00PM - SENIORS BINGO</b>

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**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SEPTEMBER 4, 2016**  
**CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY**

**September 8: The Feast of the Birth of Mother Mary**

The Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary has been celebrated in the Church at least since the 8th Century. The Church's calendar observes the birthdays of only two saints: Saint John the Baptist (June 24), and Mary, Mother of Jesus.

John the Baptist is considered especially sanctified even before his birth. His birth to Elizabeth and Zachariah is foretold in the first chapter of Luke, and it is also recorded (Lk 1:41) that Elizabeth felt the infant John "leap in her womb" when Mary approached her soon after the Annunciation.


The birth of Mary was also miraculous. She was conceived without sin as a special grace because God had selected her to become the mother of His Son (the feast of her Immaculate Conception is celebrated on December 8). The dogma of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, though generally believed throughout the Church for many centuries, was formally declared by Pope Pius IX in 1854.

There is nothing contained in Scripture about the birth of Mary or her parentage, though Joseph's lineage is given in the first chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. The names of Mary's parents, Joachim and Anna, appear in the apocryphal "Gospel of James", a book dating from the 2nd Century AD, not part of the authentic canon of Scripture. According to this account, Joachim and Anna were also beyond the years of child-bearing, but prayed and fasted that God would grant their desire for a child.

According to one tradition, the house in which Mary was born in Nazareth is the same one in which the Annunciation took place. By another tradition, the Annunciation site is beneath the Crusader church of Saint Anna in Jerusalem, under a 3rd Century oratory known as the "Gate of Mary". St. Andrew of Crete in the beginning of the eight century preached several sermons on this feast.



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	<p><b>Coffee Sunday</b></p> <p><b>Next Sunday, September 11</b>, is Development and Peace's Coffee Sunday. Please join us at the hall after the 10:30 a.m. mass for a cup of freshly made coffee and fellowship. Fairtrade products will also be available for sale.</p>
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August 28, 2016	Total
Offertory - Envelopes	\$827.00
Offertory - Loose	\$227.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$1,054.00</b>

As **Mother Teresa of Calcutta** is elevated to sainthood this weekend, we pray in thanksgiving for her life of service and for the grace to follow her example to serve the poor among us.

**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 3 – September 9, 2016)

**Saturday, September 3:** *St. Gregory the Great*  
**5:00 p.m.:** Thanksgiving for Brian & Wendy Scully  
Req. Margaret Anderson

**Sunday, September 4:**  
**6:00 p.m.:** + Lilia Diego  
Req. Mavic Ignacio

**Monday, September 5:**  
**8:00 a.m.:** Thanksgiving for Ena Francis  
Req. Ena Francis

### Martyrs' Shrine Pilgrimage



A Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine will be held on **September 17, 2016** from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$45.00 per person. Holy Mass will be celebrated. Stations of the Cross and the Holy Rosary will be recited. For information please contact Maria Fernandes at (416) 469-5277 or Fr. Wilson Andrade at (416) 466-2127.

### The Children's Liturgy Program



We welcome back those of you who have been away on holidays as we return to some of our church activities. The children programs which are held during the 10:30 am mass will resume next Sunday, **September 11, 2016.**

### 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 Hall new sound system



### Archdiocese Family of Faith Campaign

The Archdiocese of Toronto has completed its \$105 million Family of Faith campaign, an effort to support new parishes, the restoration of St. Michael's Cathedral, Catholic formation and leadership, youth and young adult ministry, and campus chaplaincy in addition to local parish projects. This important campaign has raised over \$164 million in cash and pledges, or 156% of its original goal. It now bears the distinction of the most funds raised by any faith-based fundraising initiative in Canadian history. All together more than 3,000 volunteers from among 225 parishes were recruited, all of whom helped solicit a total of 41,821 gifts. Many thanks to all our parishioners who dedicated their time and treasure to the campaign.

### Society of Sharing: Inner-city Volunteers

A ShareLife member agency, is currently seeking volunteers for various positions, including friendly visitors, social group facilitators and medical/shopping escorts. You can make a difference in the life of a senior, or an adult with a physical disability, who is isolated and living in downtown Toronto. For more information, please contact our Recruitment & Training Specialist at 416-413-0380 or email [donnett@societyofsharing.org](mailto:donnett@societyofsharing.org). You can also visit our webpage [www.societyofsharing.org](http://www.societyofsharing.org) for more information about our organization and programs.

### Bulletin



### Bulletin Notices

If you would like to put any notices in our weekly bulletin, please send it to the office by Monday afternoon through our parish email [stannparishtoronto@gmail.com](mailto:stannparishtoronto@gmail.com)



### RCIA Process

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process through 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.



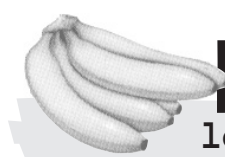
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