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# THE CONSOLATA MISSIONARIES SERVE ST. ANDREW'S COMMUNITY SINCE 2003

St. Andrew's is a diversified Community that actively includes all members and shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ with those who have fallen away or do not belong to any Church. It is a parish of families and individuals, of priests and lay leaders. St. Andrew's is a Community that understands and values the diversity of cultures, striving to accomplish its mission in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

# **OFFICE HOURS**

 Monday to Friday
 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

 Saturday
 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

# **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm (English) Sunday

8:00 am (English)
9:30 am (Italian)
11:00 am (English - Livestreamed)
12:30 pm (English)
2:00 pm (Twi) Ghanaian Community
5:30 pm (Spanish)

Children's Sunday Liturgy: 11 am, 12:30 pm

# WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday8:00 am and 7:00 pmSaturday8:30 am and 5:30 pmPublic holidays8:00 am

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

**Saturday:** 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Anytime by appointment

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (Temporary cancelled)

Tuesday-Wednesday8:30 am - 6:30 pm1st Thursday6:00 pm - 7:00 pm1st Friday5:30 pm - 6:30 pmPASTORAL CARE OF THE SICKOR HOMEBOUND (Temporary cancelled)

**Healing Service:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 6:30 pm **Home visits:** Please call the Parish office

#### **PARISH TEAM**

Fr. Peter Ssekajugo imc, Pastor standrewspastor2021@gmail.com

Fr George Kibura Njuguna imc, Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie, Permanent Deacon

Fr Alex Osei CSSp, Ghanaian Community

Mr. Anthony Joseph, Parish Council

Mr. Joseph Fragomeni, Finance Council

Mrs. Cora deNully, Parish Office standrewspar@yahoo.ca

Miss Carolina Chavez, Parish Office standrewparish.office@gmail.com

#### BAPTISM (Children up to 7 years old)

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month at 10:00am. Please contact the Parish Office at least 1 month in advance.

## MARRIAGE

Couples planning to get married must contact the Pastor, at least one year in advance, to set the wedding date.

## RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA)

Interested in becoming a Catholic? Please contact the Pastor.

# **NEW PARISHIONER? BE MOST WELCOME!**

Welcome to St. Andrew! We'd like you to know that we are here to support you and, together, become closer to Christ. Please introduce yourself to the Priests or any of the Ministers.

Pick up a membership form at the entrance of the church, complete it and submit it to the Parish office. Thank you!

OUR LADY CONSOLATA – PRAY FOR US

# Welcome home to St. Andrew Fourth Sunday of Advent – Year C

# The Witness of Mary and Joseph

"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." <u>Luke 1:45</u>

As we enter into the fourth week of Advent, we are given our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph to reflect upon. Though our Blessed Mother was perfect, and St. Joseph was a deeply virtuous man, they were both still fully human and would have walked through Mary's pregnancy and Jesus' birth with every human emotion and experience.

St. Joseph was faced with an extraordinary mystery as he discovered his wife was pregnant. He knew her to be a woman of exceptional virtue and holiness and had to reconcile that with her surprising pregnancy. Even after the angel appeared to him in a dream he would have had questions arise in his mind as he faced this situation.

Our Blessed Mother was also invited by God to face her pregnancy in faith. Her response was perfect, "Let it be done to me according to your word." She could not explain nor understand what was happening but, nonetheless, she knew deep in her soul that God was in charge leading all to His glory.

Both Mary and Joseph are wonderful models of faith and obedience. They were obedient to the will of God despite the fact that the will of God drew them into an incredible and unfathomable mystery. They were firsthand witnesses to the salvation of the world and to the greatest act ever known. And they both embraced this mystery and accepted it in faith.

Reflect, today, upon your own invitations from God to embrace the mysteries of life. God's ways are often more than we can comprehend and figure out. Mary and Joseph give us the witness of how we are to handle every mystery God invites us to participate in. Say "Yes" to the will of God just as this holy couple did.

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# WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

 $\dagger =$  For the soul of  $\bullet =$  Special Intention

Saturday, Dec 18

- 5:30 Mass at Dawn
- 8:30 am † Ruby, Caetaina, Soccor, Rosy, Fenil and Anthony, by Dias family

5:30 pm - † Jhon Thomas Lobo, by Spencer Lobo and family

## Sunday, Dec 19 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:30 - Mass at Dawn
8 am - † Giulia De Rose, by Ippolito and Virginia Spagnuolo
9:30 am - (*Ital Mass*)
11 am - For the people of the Parish – Livestreamed
12:30pm - † Alphonsus Azike, by family
2 pm - (*Twi Ghana*) Mass Livestreamed
5:30 pm - (*Spanish Mass*)
Monday, Dec 20
5:30 - Mass at Dawn

8 am - (*No Intention*)

7 pm - (*No Intention*)

### Tuesday, Dec 21 - St. Peter Canisius

- 5:30 Mass at Dawn
- 8 am † Amy Davern we remember mother 68yrs still in our prayers, by Eveline and family
- 7 pm Thanksgiving for Michael Champion on his 31<sup>st</sup> birthday, by Florencia Champion

# Wednesday, Dec 22

5:30 - Mass at Dawn

- 8 am Thanksgiving for Jaxton Grant on his 5<sup>th</sup>birthday, by Alma
- 7 pm † Alfred, Mary Theresa and Arulammah, by Sebastian family

# Thursday, Dec 23 - St. John of Kanty

- 5:30 Mass at Dawn
- 8 am Thanksgiving for Christine Morgan, by Alma and family
- 7 pm † Braz D'Cruz, by Mary D'Cruz and family

# Friday, Dec 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

5:30 - Mass at Dawn

- 8 am (No Mass)
- 5:30 pm Family Mass / † Harry and Anne McAvoy, by Carol Anne McAvoy
- 7 pm (No Mass)
- 10:30 pm Christmas Carols
- 11:30 pm Midnight Mass (No personal Intentions)

# Saturday, Dec 25 - THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(Christmas Day)

- 8 am † Gertrude Morgan (10th year death anniversary), by Alma and family
- 9:30 am (*Ital Mass*)

11 am - For the people of the Parish – Livestreamed

12:30pm - † Mercedes Pulla, by José Pulla

2 pm - (Twi Ghana) Mass Livestreamed

5:30 pm - (No Mass)

# Sunday, Dec 26 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Boxing Day)

8 am - † Giulia De Rose, by John and Margherita Carino 9:30 am - (*Ital Mass*)

11 am - For the people of the Parish - Livestreamed

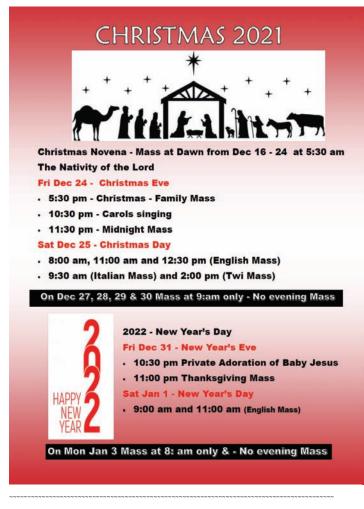
12:30pm - † Julia Sealy, by Dianne Ali

2 pm - (Twi Ghana) Mass Livestreamed

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)



You are all invited to Mass at Dawn, Simbang Gabi - we are celebrating the novena of Holy Masses in preparation for the birth of Baby Jesus, at 5:30am every day until December 24. The Masses are followed by fellowship. Everyone is welcome!



# SACRAMENTAL LIFE AT ST. ANDREW 2021-2022 CONFIRMATION

Parents who would like to enroll their children for 2021-2022 Confirmation program, we are registering at the **Parish Office during Office Hours**: Monday to Saturday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (Not On Public Holidays).

For more information contact the church office or email <u>standrewparish.office@gmail.com</u>

# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus are having a raffle for turkey and ham. Prices are 3 tickets for \$5, 7 tickets for \$10 and 15 tickets for \$20. You can contact Marlon Cowan at 647-383-6725 or by email at <u>mcowan27@hotmail.com</u>. Some of the proceeds will be donated to St Vincent De Paul.

# This is a continuation on the teaching of the catechism of the Catholic Church

# II. THE MYSTERIES OF JESUS' INFANCY AND HIDDEN LIFE

The preparations

524 When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Saviour's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming.200 By celebrating the precursor's birth and martyrdom, the Church unites herself to his desire: "He must increase, but I must decrease."201

The Christmas mystery

525 Jesus was born in a humble stable, into a poor family.202 Simple shepherds were the first witnesses to this event. In this poverty heaven's glory was made manifest.203 The Church never tires of singing the glory of this night: The Virgin today brings into the world the Eternal and the earth offers a cave to the Inaccessible. The angels and shepherds praise him and the magi advance with the star, for you are born for us, Little Child, God eternal! 204



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