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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 Saturday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm 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) **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 Friday 8:00 am and 7:00 pm

Wednesday (Iraqi - Rosary & Mass) 5:00 pm

8:30 am and 5:30 pm Saturday

**Public holidays** 8:00 am

# SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

8:00 am and 4:00 pm Saturday:

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Anytime by appointment

# **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am – 6:30 pm **1**<sup>st</sup> **Saturday Devotions** 9:30 am - 10:00 am

## **PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND**

Home visits: Please call the Parish office

## **PARISH TEAM**

Fr. George Kibura Njuguna imc, Pastor StAndrewsET@archtoronto.org

Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie, Permanent Deacon

Fr Alex Osei CSSp, Ghanaian Community

Mr. Martins Igbinoba, Parish Council

Mr. Joseph Fragomeni, Finance Council

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

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

# **BAPTISM (Children below 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 First Sunday of Advent - Year A



The Season of Advent places before us our destination as a pilgrim Church. The Christian community is on a journey to the heavenly kingdom. Our journey may, therefore, seem long and tiring. But, if we reflect a little bit more on our Christian experience, perhaps we have already experienced something about our final destination that makes it more familiar than previous imagined.

Throughout the four weeks of Advent, the prayer of the Church, the Scripture readings, ritual gestures and symbols, and our celebration of Eucharist hold before us our destination. It is not a geographical location, but a person: Jesus Christ. We believe that he has ushered in the Reign of God through his birth, life, death, resurrection and ascension. Jesus is the one we have come to know by his presence among us two thousand years ago and his continued presence among us through the power of the Holy Spirit. He is our final destination because he will present us to the Father at the end of time, but he also encourages us on our journey as he travels the road with us through his gracious Spirit.

Advent enables the faithful to enter more deeply into the mystery of our destination by celebrating the Christ who strengthens our steps: as we remember the events leading up to his first coming into the world; as we bid him to come into our lives today through his powerful Spirit; and as we long for his coming in glory at the end of time bringing the fullness of the Kingdom promised to us.

# Wake Up!

"Jesus said to his disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man." Matthew 24:37–39

Are you awake? Spiritually speaking? As we begin the liturgical season of Advent, we are given the future coming of the Son of God to ponder. As this passage goes on, Jesus says, "Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

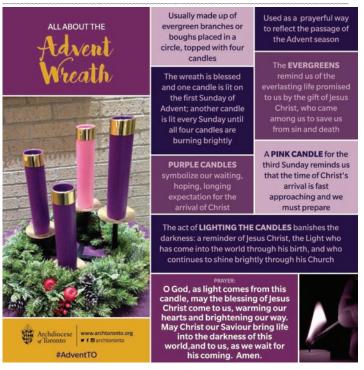
By the "day your Lord will come," we should understand three things. The first coming of Christ is obviously that which we most clearly ponder in Advent and Christmas. The unity of human nature with divine nature, in the Person of Jesus, is truly awe-inspiring. But that already took place long ago.

Thus, a second coming of Christ that we must continually ponder is His coming by grace, every moment of every day of our lives, once we have chosen to freely give our lives over to His service, for His glory, in accord with His will. When we live with such an interior disposition by which we seek His ongoing "coming" by grace, then we will find that we need to continually "stay awake!" If we do not, then we can be certain that we will miss countless opportunities to become more united to Christ every day and to be used as an instrument of that very grace for His service and glory. If we do not diligently build a habit of becoming attentive to every prompting of grace in our lives, then we will, unquestionably, begin to become "drowsy" and will fall asleep, spiritually speaking.

A wonderful measure of our daily attentiveness to the innumerable gifts of grace given to us every day is to also consider how attentive we are to the final and glorious coming of Christ at the end of time. Just as Jesus explains, most people will pay little attention to this final coming, presuming it will not even be in their lifetimes. But if you have that attitude, then you have completely missed the point. The point is preparedness today, tomorrow and always. True preparedness for the final coming of Christ will not only help you enter the mysteries of these Advent and Christmas seasons by which we ponder the first coming of Christ, it will also help you form a habit of daily attentiveness to grace.

Reflect, today, upon how ready you are for the final coming of Christ at the end of time. Are you ready if Christ were to come today? If not, understand that a lack of preparedness for the final coming also means a lack of preparedness to celebrate His first coming at Christmas long ago, as well as His daily comings by grace. Prepare today. Do not wait. If you do, God will daily transform you in ways that are glorious beyond comprehension.

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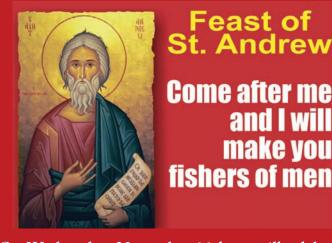
# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT | NOV 27, 2022 | ST. ANDREW CHURCH



# November 2022

### We would like to congratulate the Newly Baptized:

Alessandra Bless Dela Cruz Faustino, Natalee Marisa Joseph-Simpson, Ermagold Chioma Okeke, Avery Godson Owusu-Ansah, Giselle Gina Owusu-Ansah, Seraphim Eddy Owusu-Ansah, Ayomide Kelly Olakunle-Oke, Jamie Estrella Vieira, Anastazia Galang Tolentino and Sophia James Badali.

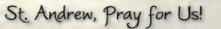


On Wednesday, November 30th we will celebrate the Feast Day of St. Andrew. The Holy Mass will be at 7:00pm. Please join us to celebrate our Patron Saint's Day.

# St. Andrew Prayer

O Christ, our Lord, you showered gifts upon your friend, St. Andrew, by giving him the grace of apostleship and the crown of martyrdom. It was by Andrew's promptings that his brother, St. Peter, came to know you and love you. You gave Andrew the mission to preach the mystery of the cross, and he glorified you by embracing death on a cross himself.

Through St. Andrew's intercession grant that we will become true lovers of your holy cross, and lead others to communion with you. Help us to deny ourselves and take up our cross to follow you, that by uniting our sufferings in this life with your passion, we may receive the joy of life everlasting. Amen.



## WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, Nov 26

8:30 am - †Fred Meimban (7yrs death anniver.), by Sue & Maria 5:30pm -†Deceased members of Joseph family,by Cowan family

### Sunday, Nov 27 – First Sunday of Advent

8 am - † Vince Merrick, by Carol Anne McAvoy

- 9:30 am *(Ital Mass)* † In memory of all deceased Consolata Missionaries, by parishioners of St. Andrew's
- 11 am For the people of the Parish
- 12:30pm -† Sarah, Khalil and Safwan Muasher, by Shadia Muasher and family
- 2 pm (*Twi Ghana*)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

### Monday, Nov 28

8 am - † Antonio Campese, by wife and family

7 pm - † Vittorio Bruni (1 month death anniversary), by Gaitana Bruni and family

#### Tuesday, Nov 29

- 8 am † Mercedes Pulla, by José Pulla
- 7 pm † Filomena Belligera, by family
- Wednesday, Nov 30 St. Andrew, Apostle
- 8 am Thanksgiving for Finn Roga Rabino Nicolas, by grandma, grandpa and family
- 7 pm **Feast of St. Andrew** Thanksgiving for Avah Shivmangal on her birthday,

by her godmother

## Thursday, Dec 1

- 8 am † Antonio Campese, by wife and family
- 7 pm † Gloria Pangan and Elenita Rosero, by Florencia Champion

#### Friday, Dec 2

8 am - † Mary Joseph, by family

- 7 pm † Emmanuel O. Anochie, by Anochie family
- Saturday, Dec 3 St. Francis Xavier
- 8:30 am † Deceased members of Angelo & Gonsalves families, by family
- 9:30 am First Saturday Devotions
- 5:30pm -† Angelo Sergnese, by family

#### Sunday, Dec 4 - Second Sunday of Advent

8 am - † Marie Fernando, by family

- 9:30 am *(Ital Mass)* † Constantino, Esterina & Rosario Furgiuele, Cecilia and Giovanni Settino, by family
- 11 am For the people of the Parish
- 12:30pm -† Edgar Falzon, by family
- 2 pm (Twi Ghana)
- 5:30 pm (Spanish Mass)

## St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship

Collection for Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Sunday Offertory \$ 6,945.00

