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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**st **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 2nd 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 5th Sunday of Lent - Year A

Total Freedom from Sin

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"Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." John 11:43–44

The death of Lazarus can be seen as a symbolic representation of the soul that has died from mortal sin. This is similar to the fact that leprosy, physical ailments and the like are also symbols of sin. For that reason, Jesus' initial reactions reveal how we should respond to serious sin in our lives. When Jesus faced the death of Lazarus, "he became perturbed and deeply troubled," "Jesus wept," He became "perturbed again" and He "cried out in a loud voice." Though Jesus was God, He freely chose to assume human nature and to experience human emotions and passions to teach us how we should react. In this case, He chose to become perturbed, deeply troubled, to weep and to cry out to show us how we should react to grave sin. Grave sin kills the spirit. As a result, we must be deeply affected if we commit or witness a grave sin.

One lesson we can take from this passage is that when you or a loved one falls into grave sin, it must not be ignored. Final impenitence is a sin by which a person fails to have appropriate remorse for sin and reacts to it in a dismissive and casual manner. This cannot be our reaction. Begin by considering the great value of taking sin seriously, reacting to it with passion and emotion, and crying out to God for forgiveness.

When Jesus cried out, commanding Lazarus to come out of the tomb, the details were added that Lazarus did come forth but was still bound "hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth." Saint Augustine teaches that, in part, this symbolizes the entire process of confession and the forgiveness of sins. First, no person is capable of confessing their sins by their own effort. It must be that they are moved by grace and the command of our Lord to come forth to show themselves in their bound state to God. Lazarus' obedience to Jesus' command symbolizes the Christian's response to God when called to repentance. When our Lord says, "Untie him and let him go," this symbolizes the unmerited effect of the Sacrament of Confession and the power it has to release a person not only from their sins but also from the ongoing effects of those sins.

Our Church teaches that sin has a double consequence. First, it keeps us from eternal salvation. This effect is remedied through Confession and forgiveness. However, there is a second effect called "temporal punishment" (see the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1471–1473). This "punishment" is not from God, but from sin. It means that when we sin, even in a less serious way, we become attached to that sin and that the ongoing temptation to return to it is strengthened. Thus, ongoing conversion also means we hear our Lord say, "Untie him and let him go." This is especially accomplished by ongoing conversion and growth in virtue.

Reflect, today, upon the rich symbolism found in the story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. As you do, listen for the passionate voice of Jesus who calls to you, "Come out!" What sin is Jesus calling you to be free from? Identify that sin and repent of it with the same passion that our Lord exhibits. From there, consider any ongoing temptation you struggle with and any attachment you still have toward a particular sin. Jesus desires that you be completely unbound and set free. Be open to that grace and do all you can to accept it.

SL ShareLife

Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers and sisters

This is ShareLife Sunday (March 26) and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities. As a parish, this is our opportunity to live the Gospel!

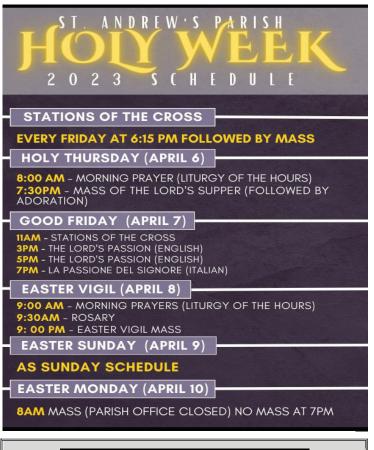
Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or online at <u>www.sharelife.org/donate</u>.



March 2023

We would like to congratulate the parents of the Newly Baptized Children.

Matteo Joseph Zelenka and Noah Juan Manuel Medeiros.





5th SUNDAY OF LENT | MAR 26, 2023 | ST. ANDREW CHURCH

DAY OF CONFESSIONS FOR LENT

St. And rew Parish is having the Day of Confessions for Lent on Thursday, March 30th from 9 am to 12 pm, and from 4 pm to 7 pm.

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday, Mar 25 - The Annunciation of the Lord

8:30 am - † Claudio Depellegrin, by family

5:30pm - Thanksgiving for Claudia and Mateo, by family

Sunday, Mar 26 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8 am - Thanksgiving for Carvalho and Soriano families, by Anthony and Laura

9:30 am - (Ital Mass)

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - † Guillermo Regala, by Regala family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (*Spanish Mass*) † Lucy Villada (1er aniversario de su muerte), ofrece familia Villada Gutierrez

Monday, Mar 27

8 am - † Teresa Parise, by sister and family

7 pm - (No Intention)

Tuesday, Mar 28

8 am - † Rev. Lawrence Cahill, by Hewlett family

7 pm - Special Intention for Ye Ni Sie, by family

Wednesday, Mar 29

8 am - † Mercedes Pulla, by José Pulla

7 pm - (No Intention)

Thursday, Mar 30

8 am - Thanksgiving, by Chan family

9am - 12pm - Lenten Confessions

4pm - 7pm - *Lenten Confessions*

7 pm - Thanksgiving for Peter Agaton on his birthday, by family

Friday, Mar 31

8 am - (*No Intention*)

7 pm -† Elenita Rocero & all souls in purgatory, by Florencia Champion

Saturday, Apr 1

8:30 am - (No Intention)

9:30 am - First Saturday Devotions

5:30pm - † Michel and Anne Ah-Fat, by Chan family

Sunday, Apr 2 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8 am - † Fr. Peter Schiavinato, by parishioners

9:30 am - (Ital Mass) † Pietro, Giulio, Sandra and Giacinto

Di Massimo, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - † Yousef Hattar, by Mary Hattar

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

PLEASE NOTE: Fr. George is inviting Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Tony Joseph (Social committee), Lilian Cuaresma (Liturgical committee) and Yulian Kidane (Altar servers) to a meeting taking place this Monday, March 27 at 7:45 pm in St. Cecilia's room.



<u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</u> Masses will be celebrated on **Saturday, April 22, 2023**. Please see the details below to locate your child's mass times. More details are to follow in the coming weeks.

• Mass at 10am

Schools: St. Andrew, St. Dorothy and St. John Vianney

Students must be dropped off and registered at 9am: location to be announced in the upcoming weeks

• Mass at 2pm:

Schools: Msgr. John Corrigan, St. Angela and Alternate Schools

Students must be dropped off and registered at 1pm: location to be announced in the upcoming weeks

<u>CONFIRMATION CEREMONY</u> will be on **Saturday**, **June 17**, **2023**. There will be two Masses for Confirmation celebrated by His Eminence Bishop Ivan Camilleri.

• Mass at 10:00am

Schools: St. Andrew, St. Dorothy and Msgr. John Corrigan

Mass at 12:00pm

Schools: St. Angela, St. John Vianney and Alternate Schools

More information regarding time of arrival and dress code will be sent out closer to the date. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out to us by email on Flocknote.

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Invite you to a:

PASSOVER DINNER

The Symbolism of the Jewish Passover Meal, over which Jesus instituted the Eucharist, can enrich Your Easter Celebration



Saturday April 1st, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Fontana Gardens Banquet Halls 7400 Keele St., Concord, ON \$80.00 per person For tickets please call (905)856-0405

