

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 – 4:00 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) 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

Saturday 8:30 am and 5:30 pm

Public holidays 8:00 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

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am - 6:30 pm **1st 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 4th Sunday of Easter – Year A

Hearing and Following His Voice

Jesus said: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." John 10:1–3

The people of Jesus' time would have easily understood this story. It was common practice for shepherds to talk to their sheep throughout the day so that the sheep became familiar with the shepherd's voice as he led them through various pastures for grazing. At night, several shepherds would bring their sheep together within secured gates for safety. In the morning, each shepherd would then call to his sheep and, because they knew their shepherd's voice, the sheep would follow their own shepherd and not the others.

The first question for each of us to ask ourselves today is this: Do I know the voice of the Shepherd? Have I become so familiar with His voice that I can clearly distinguish His voice from others? Try to imagine the image of several shepherds all calling their sheep at once. This is an image of the competing voices we encounter in our lives. But only one of those voices is the voice of God. Do you know His voice? Or do you become confused with the many other impulses, desires and attractions that vie for your attention?

Jesus continued his teaching by saying that He is not only the Shepherd whose voice is known by the sheep, but He is also the gate. "I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." What does our Lord mean when He calls Himself the gate?

As the Gate, He is the Word of God, revealed to us through the Scriptures. Fidelity to the Word of God is one of the surest ways to the life of grace. He is the Word of Truth as it is handed down and expounded upon by the Magisterium, the teaching authority of the Church. Fidelity to the authentic teaching of the Magisterium, especially when the Holy Father speaks in union with the bishops, will help us navigate the many errors of our age. Jesus is made present to us through the Sacraments, which are the door to His grace and the entryway to the food for our spiritual lives. Furthermore, any time our Lord comes to us, through holy preaching, the witness and teaching of the saints, and the life of prayer within the Church, or in any other way, we enter the gate and are admitted into His verdant pastures.

Jesus is the gate, not only for the sheep but for each of the shepherds who lead the sheep in His name. These are the pastors of the Church who have been entrusted with the mission of Christ to lead God's people. Today, if a shepherd of the Church fails to preach Jesus Christ, then that shepherd "comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy." Pastors of the Church must humbly listen carefully to these words so that they never fail to shepherd God's people by leading them through the Gate, Who is Christ Himself. They must all be faithful to the whole Tradition of our Church, handed on throughout the ages, and not deviate from the pure and holy deposit of faith. If they preach their own

gospel, or are negligent or misleading in their preaching, then they are not true shepherds. God's true sheep will not recognize them. But if they are faithful to all that Jesus has taught, then they will lead the sheep through the gate and become shepherds in union with the Heart of the Good Shepherd.

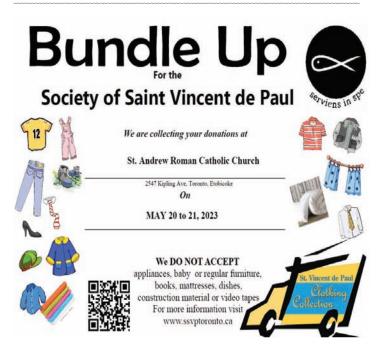
Reflect, today, upon the image of Christ the Good Shepherd, calling to us in a variety of ways. We must learn His true voice through faith and prayer. Once we recognize His voice, we will more easily discover Him ministering to us, inspiring us, and inviting us to the life of grace by encountering Him as the source and way to this new life.

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We also congratulate the children from the **RCIC** program who received the Sacraments on Saturday, 15th.

Joseph Ireayomi Osinowo, Rhoda Irekunumi Osinowo, Victoria Osinowo, Gabrielle Abigail Solas, Olivia Oghaleoghene Ewhoforama, Violeta Fabiana Lencina-Hidalgo, Kamila Soledad Salgues, Abel Isaias Rodriguez, Jaden Keith Kettle, Ayan Siraj, Samuel Siraj, Oluwasekemi Jadesola Falabi, Oluwaseyi Oluwajomiloju Falabi, Erin Seyram Kofi Hodgi, Joane Jayakumar, Madisson Jayakumar and Olivia Jayakuma.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting **All Clothing** (any condition), all **Footwear** (any condition), **Bedding** (any condition), **Drapery/Towels** and **Toys** (new or nearly new).

Please bring your donations to the Society's truck the weekend of May 20-21, placed in the church's parking lot.

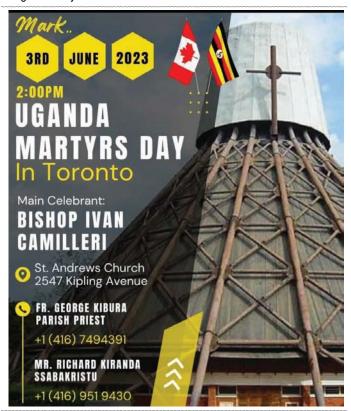
Items NOT ACCEPTED: Books, Construction Material, Dishes, Furniture, Cassettes (Video/Audio).

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER | APR 30, 2023 | ST. ANDREW CHURCH



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

Amelia Myah Mathurin, Kimora Delanya Opoku-Fofie, Noah Patrick Thomas Opoku-Fofie, Harlow Avaya Pantig, Ricardo Anthony Purcell, Gabriel John Morales Yambao, Abigail Mary Younan and Joshua James Falabi.





CONFIRMATION CEREMONY 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.

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

 \dagger = For the soul of \mathbf{v} = Special Intention

Saturday, Apr 29 - St. Catherine of Siena

8 am - † Mercedes Pulla, by José Pulla

5:30 pm - † Mercedes Dias Autencion, by Vina

Sunday, Apr 30 – 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 am - † Ronald Joseph, by family

9:30 am - (Ita. M.)†Anna, Nicola, Franco & Filippo Zampino, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - † Epifania and Nicolas Labastilla, by Aster Labastilla

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

Monday, May 1 - St. Joseph the Worker

8 am - †In loving memory of Amy Davernet,by Eveline & family 7 pm - (*No Intention*)

Tuesday, May 2 - St. Athanasius

8 am - For successful surgery & speedy recovery, by Lili Sabado 7 pm - (No Intention)

Wednesday, May 3 - Sts. Philip and James

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Mass)

Thursday, May 4

8 am - † Constantino, Esterina and Rosario Furgiuele, Cecilia and Giovanni Settino, by family

7 pm - (No Intention)

Friday, May 5

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm – Thanksgiving for Tracy Blake, by family

Saturday, May 6

8 am - (No Intention)

9:30am - First Saturday Devotions

5:30 pm - † Gudrun Schmitz, Sarah Mikha

Sunday, May 7 – 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 am - † All souls in purgatory, by Alex family

9:30 am - (Ital Mass) † Giuseppe Galati, by Anna Galati

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - † For the deceased members of the Regala family, by Regala family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

LADIES RETREAT at MARYLAKE, KING CITY



Ladies please come and join us for a retreat at Marylake Retreat House, from Friday May 19th to Sunday, May 21st, 2023. We will meet at St. Andrew parking lot at 5 pm on Friday, and car pool to King City. To register and for more information, please call Cora deNully at the Parish Office.

St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship

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