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Welcome home to St. Andrew  
Pentecost Sunday – Year A

The Age of the Holy Spirit

And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Acts 2:2-4

And with that, the Church was born. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost which, in many ways, was the culmination of the mission of Christ. The pinnacle of His mission will come at the end of time when He returns in all His glory to judge the living and the dead and to establish His permanent Kingdom. But for now, we live under the rule of the Holy Spirit Who has descended upon us in full form, transforming us and making it possible to prepare for Jesus’ final and glorious coming.

The Trinity is truly a Mystery of Faith. In our limited way, we understand that God is Three in One. He is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each a distinct Person. Each fully sharing in the one divine nature. Though They act in perfect unison, They each fulfill Their unique mission. The Father is the one Who sent the Son into the world and willed that He give His life for the salvation of all. The Son was sent and perfectly fulfilled the will of the Father, uniting humanity with divinity. The Holy Spirit is the Promise of Father and Son Who proceeds from Them and descends upon us, animating us and making it possible for us to share in the life of the Most Holy Trinity.

If that is hard to comprehend, it should be. Our limited intellects can only grasp a shadow of the reality of God. That fact, however, should not discourage us. On the contrary, it should inspire us to anticipate that day when we will see God face to face and enter more deeply into the mystery of His divine life.

Today we especially focus upon the Third Person of the Most Holy Trinity: The Holy Spirit. It is an incredible gift we have been given to live in this age of the Holy Spirit. Perhaps you have thought to yourself that it would have been nice to live during the time that Jesus walked the earth. But Jesus Himself said that it was good that He go. Why? Because then He would send His Advocate, the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, Who will lead you into all Truth. Thus, the age in which we now live, the age of the Holy Spirit, is the most blessed age the world has ever seen. This is because we are now able to receive the indwelling of the Most Holy Trinity by the power of the Holy Spirit. God is no longer spoken only through the prophets. He is no longer revealed only through the Person of the Son in Jesus Christ. He is now also able to live within us, making our very souls His dwelling place. Heaven and earth unite within our souls. There could be nothing greater than this.

As the Holy Spirit descends upon you, He brings the presence of the Father and the Son. They are inseparable. Therefore, as we prayerfully look within ourselves, we discover the Voice of the Father, leading us into His holy will. We discover the Person of the Son to Whom we are called to be conformed in every way, living as members of His very body on earth. This is made possible because the Holy Spirit descends upon us in a way similar to the way the Holy Spirit overshadowed our Blessed Mother, conceiving within her the Son of God. As the Holy Spirit overshadows us, God is conceived within our souls, and we begin to share in the very life of God here and now.

Reflect, today, upon these holy mysteries of our faith. See the actions of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit as a true mystery. The only way we will be able to begin to probe these mysteries is through prayerful pondering. We must look for the workings of God within, see Him at work within our souls, savor His presence, rejoice in it and keep our eyes firmly

fixed on Him. We must see the fruit of God’s presence in our lives, such as the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Below is a full list of these Gifts. Ponder them today. As you do, and as you see these Gifts within you, you will be seeing God Himself, the Holy Spirit, alive and living within the depths of your soul.

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WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of ♥ = Special Intention

Saturday, May 27 - St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:30 am - Thanksgiving for Fr. Timothy Kinyua on his birthday, by staff and parishioners

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

Sunday, May 28 - PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

9:30 am - (Ital Mass) † Joe Marelo, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - Special Intention for Gina Principe, by Rose & family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

Monday, May 29 - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8 am - † Mercedes Pulla, by José Pulla

7 pm - † Felipe Ugo, by family

Tuesday, May 30

8 am - Thanksgiving for Sharon, by Alex family

7 pm - (No Intention)

Wednesday, May 31 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

Thursday, June 1 - St. Justin

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

Friday, June 2 - Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

Saturday, June 3 - St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

8:30 am - † Christina Giammattolo, by Carmie and family

9:30 am - First Saturday Devotions

5:30 pm - Thanksgiving for Cowan family, by family - Ugandan Martyrs Celebration

Sunday, June 4 - The Most Holy Trinity

8 am - † Paul and Assis Sequeira, by Janet

9:30 am - (Ital Mass) † Constantino, Esterina and Rosario Furguele, Cecilia and Giovanni Settino, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - (No Intention)

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

St. Andrew’s Parish Stewardship

Sale of Roses on Mother’s Day - \$1,373.00

Collection for May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 - Sun. Offertory \$6,595.70

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3RD JUNE 2023

2:00PM

**UGANDA MARTYRS DAY**  
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# Confirmation

**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.

After the Holy Mass for the Ugandan Martyrs, we are all invited to a reception in the Parish Hall to celebrate this feast. Please bring your favourite finger food to share with the community.



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## Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

◆ On behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Society here at St. Andrew's Church, we would like to thank our parishioners for all of their donations for the recent Bundle Up Weekend. As in the past your support was greatly appreciated as these items will be used to support the less fortunate in our communities. God Bless.

◆ St. Vincent de Paul Society is accepting registrations for Marygrove Camp for Girls ages 5 to 13 for a period of a week starting Friday July 7 to August 30 and Camp Ozanam for boys ages 7 to 12 for a period of a week starting July 27 to August 24. These camps provide a camping experience for children who may not otherwise have the opportunity to enjoy a camping adventure. Families who are experiencing financial or domestic hardship may contact St. Andrew's SSVP at 416-747-7384 and leave their name and number requesting information for our camps. If you know of a child or children who may benefit from this experience please call with their contact information. Each camper's holiday is fully subsidized through the generous support of an annual Camp Collection held in the parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto.

*Happy Birthday*

On behalf of all the parishioners and staff of St. Andrew's Church, we would like to wish Fr. Timothy Kinyua many blessings on his birthday. May God continue to watch over you with love, today and each day to come.

## ShareLife Corporate Golf Tournament

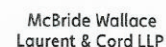
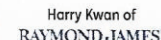
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