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**THE CONSOLATA MISSIONARIES HAS BEEN SERVING
THE ST. ANDREW'S COMMUNITY SINCE 2003**

We are a parish that strives to experience God's grace and faithfully embody His love for one another by intertwining our cultures with His teachings! Our mission as followers of Christ is to synthesize the energies, talents and abilities of everyone of every age to fulfill our vision for a Christ-centered world. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our patron St. Andrew, may we beautify the mystery of faith by humbly denying ourselves to follow Christ. Amen

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00am – 4:30pm
Saturday 9:00am – 4:30pm

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday
8:00am (English) 2:00pm (Twi)
9:30 am (Italian) 5:30pm (Spanish)
11:00am (English)
12:30pm (English)

Children's Sunday Liturgy 11:00am & 12:30pm

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday 8:00am & 7:00pm
Wednesday Iraqi – Rosary and Mass at 5pm
Saturday 8:30am & 5:30pm
Public Holidays 8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 8:00am & 4:00pm
Wednesday 7:30am
Anytime by Appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENTS

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am to 6:30pm
1st Saturday Devotions 9:30am to 10:00am

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Home visits: Please call the Parish Office

PARISH TEAM

Fr. George Kibura Njuguna, IMC – Pastor
StAndrewsET@archtoronto.org

Fr. Timothy Kinyua Gatitu, IMC – Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie – Permanent Deacon
Fr. Alex Osei CSSp – Ghanaian Community
Mr. Martins Igbino – Parish Council
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Ms. Carolina Chavez – Parish Office
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Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator
sprince@archtoronto.org

BAPTISM (CHILDREN UNDER 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

MARRIAGE

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

RCIA

Rite of Initiation of Adults into the Christian Faith. 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.

OUR LADY CONSOLATA, PRAY FOR US

Welcome home to St. Andrew

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Growing Rich in Grace

“To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand.” Matthew 13:12-13

How is it that someone can look without seeing or hear without listening or understanding? This is only possible when one’s eyes and ears are working properly, but the mind is distracted, not attentive to what is seen or heard. For example, say you were listening to a book being read and suddenly you realized that even though you heard what was read, your mind was elsewhere and you had no idea what was spoken. This is a common experience for everyone from time to time.

This portion of the Gospel quoted above comes immediately after Jesus spoke the Parable of the Sower to the crowds from a boat. In that parable, seed fell on the path, on rocky ground, among thorns and in rich soil. Only the seed on the rich soil grew and produced good fruit. Therefore, Jesus’ teaching quoted above, as well as His parable spoken before it, teach that there were many who heard the Word of God and witnessed Jesus’ miracles but failed to allow His teachings and miracles to produce faith in their hearts.

This Gospel passage is especially important for those who have been Catholics for many years but have become stagnant in their faith. When someone goes to Mass every week, listens to the Gospel and shares in the Eucharist but fails to continually grow in holiness and understanding of the Mysteries of Heaven, then they will slowly lose even the little faith they have. They will become lukewarm Catholics who go through the motions but fail to produce the good fruit that comes from authentic faith.

When you look back at your life as a practicing Catholic, what do you see from year to year? Was there a time when you were strong in faith but have slowly closed your ears to the Gospel and have drifted away from a deep and prayerful interior engagement with our Lord? Or when you look back do you see that the Lord has continuously given you more and more, leading you to a life of true spiritual riches? Has the Gospel entered not only your ears, but also your mind and your understanding? Do you both see and perceive the action of God in your life and in the world around you? Are you actively engaged with the life of grace and find that you grow closer to God every day? Or, sadly, have you lost interest and zeal and now find yourself slowly drifting away from the fruitful practice of your faith?

Reflect, today, upon these important questions and strive to answer them honestly. If you do not see yourself growing in faith every year and becoming truly rich in the grace of God, then know that something needs to change. Stagnation and lukewarmness in the faith are not good. They lead to the slow loss of everything. As you reflect upon your own faith journey, recommit yourself to a zealous embrace of the Gospel so that your soul will be truly rich soil that continually produces an abundance of good fruit.

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JUNIOR AND YOUTH GROUP

SUMMER EVENTS OF 2023!

THE CHOSEN MOVIE NIGHTS

JULY 8, JULY 15, AUG 5, AUG 12
ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE PARISH HALL AT 8PM TO WATCH THE FIRST-EVER MULTI-SEASON SERIES ABOUT THE LIFE OF CHRIST. ADMISSION FEE WILL BE \$5.00/ADULTS AND \$2.00/CHILD UNDER (UNDER 16)

GAME DAY AND BBQ

JULY 29 @ 10AM
ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTHS ARE INVITED TO A CHILL DAY OF PLAYING GAMES, MAKING FRIENDS AND ENJOYING GREAT FOOD AT THE BASKETBALL COURT BESIDE OUR CHURCH!

MULTI-CULTURAL CONCERT

AUGUST 19 @ 7PM
ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE PARISH HALL TO WATCH OUR CHILDREN/YOUTH CELEBRATE AND SHOWCASE THEIR CULTURES! TICKETS WILL BE SOLD FOR \$2.00 AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH!



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Parish Registration

The office is continuously working on updating the parishioner database. If you/family are attending mass regularly here at St. Andrew’s however are not registered with the parish, or if you have recently moved, we ask that you please fill out a Membership Registration Form located at the main entrance of the Church.

15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 16, 2023 | ST. ANDREW CHURCH

The Knights of Columbus Mother Teresa Council are hosting a movie night on Saturday July 29th at 7pm in the church hall. The movie is called Mother Teresa. Admission is free which includes popcorn and pop/water.

Monetary Donations will be accepted. Tickets will be handing out at the weekend Masses starting on July 15th and 16th. You can contact Marlon Cowan at mcowan27@hotmail.com for more information.



Proceeds will go towards the building and renovation fund.

MISSION APPEAL – AUG 5 & 6, 2023

A yellow form for a 'MISSION CO-OP Offering'. It features a graphic of a cross and a hand holding a coin. The form includes fields for 'Name:', 'Phone:', 'Address:', 'Postal Code:', and 'Amount \$'. There is also a field for 'Env #'.

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Offering

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

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The goals of the Mission Cooperative Program of the Archdiocese of Toronto are to provide for food and medical care for the poor, as well as, support the education of Missionaries.

The Mission Appeal in our parish will take place at all Masses in English on the weekend of Aug 5th & 6th. Special marked envelopes are available by the doors of our parish. Thank you for your support to this worthy cause.



ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

Cemetery locations and Celebrants for this year's Annual Mass are as follows:

CEMETERY	CELEBRANT
Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga	Most Rev. Frank Leo, Archbishop of Toronto
Christ the King Cemetery, Markham	Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill	Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau
Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto	Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB
Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge	Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri
Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby	Rev. Fr. Dominic Barber
St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie	Rev. Fr. Laurence J. Leger

IN THE EVENT OF RAIN, MASSES WILL BE HELD IN:

Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum at Assumption Cemetery
Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery
St. Anthony's Mausoleum at Queen of Heaven Cemetery
Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum at Resurrection Cemetery
Christ the King Cemetery will celebrate Mass in the Reception Centre at the cemetery office
Mount Hope Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave. Toronto
St. Mary's Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Mary's Parish, 65 Amelia Street in Barrie.

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of ♥ = Special Intention

Saturday, July 15 - St. Bonaventure

8:30 am - (No Intention)

5:30 pm - † Batool and Raed Bedawid, by Sarah Mikha

Sunday, July 16 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am - † Antonio Concepcion, by Consolacion Concepcion

9:30 am - (Ital Mass)

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - (No Intention)

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

Monday, July 17

8 am - † Diego and Jasmine Campos, by Anthony and family

10:15 am - Revera Westside Mass

7 pm - (No Intention)

Tuesday, July 18

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

Wednesday, July 19

8 am - Bradley and Joan Blake Wedding Anniversary, by family

7 pm - † José, Delfina, by family

Thursday, July 20 - St. Apollinaris

8 am - † Antonio Concepcion, by Consolacion Concepcion

7 pm - (No Intention)

Friday, July 21 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi & Blessed Francis Jordan

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

Saturday, July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene

8:30 am - † Edmund deNully, by family

5:30 pm - † Antonio Concepcion, by Consolacion Concepcion

Sunday, July 23 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time –

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

8 am - (No Intention)

9:30 am - (Ital Mass) † Frank Pisanti, 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

Collection for July 9th, 2023

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Offertory Envelopes

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