

# ST. ANDREW'S PARISH BULLETIN

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**THE CONSOLATA MISSIONARIES HAVE 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 9:30am – 1:30pm  
2:30pm – 5:30pm

## 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 SACRAMENT

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am to 6:30pm  
1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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  
Mr. Joseph Fragomeni – Finance Council

Ms. Carolina Chavez – Parish Office  
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Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator  
[sprince@archtoronto.org](mailto:sprince@archtoronto.org)

## BAPTISM (CHILDREN UNDER 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.

## 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 come 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**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year B**

**WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS**

† = For the soul of      ♥ = Special Intention

**True Fulfillment**

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: “This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.” Mark 1:14–15

Jesus begins His public ministry immediately after being<sup>8</sup> tempted by the devil while in the desert for forty days. As He begins His ministry, He declares: “This is the time of fulfillment.” First, the beginning of Jesus’ public ministry was, historically speaking, the “time of fulfillment,” in that the new era of the Gospel and grace had just begun. But the “time of fulfillment” of which Jesus speaks also refers to each and every time that we hear the Gospel and respond. We do this by sincerely repenting of our sins and by becoming a fuller member of God’s Kingdom. But ponder for a moment the specific word “fulfillment.” What does this mean?

The word “fulfilled” can be contrasted with its opposite “unfulfilled.” To be unfulfilled is always undesirable. In this world, many people find themselves unfulfilled and try to fill this void with many things. Interestingly, the three temptations that Jesus had just experienced in the desert are among the temptations that so many people give into during their search for fulfillment in life.

First, Jesus was hungry, and the devil tempted Him to turn stones into bread to satiate that hunger. This is a temptation to fleshly fulfillment. Second, the devil tempted Jesus to throw Himself off the pinnacle of the Temple to prove He was the Son of God. This is a temptation to fulfillment by pride—pride to convince another of one’s importance and identity. Third, the devil showed Jesus all the nations of the world and promised them to our Lord if Jesus worshiped him. This is a temptation to fulfillment by obtaining earthly wealth and power. Of course, Jesus rejected all three temptations as a way of showing that none of these truly fulfill us. And He did this just prior to the beginning of His public ministry so as to then go forth preaching the true message of fulfillment. “This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.<sup>8</sup> Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

True fulfillment is only found in the Gospel, the message of Truth that Jesus shared during His three years of public ministry and then brought to completion by His sacrificial death and resurrection. Only those who heed His words and open themselves to the grace poured forth from the Cross are able to find the fulfillment that they seek.

Reflect, today, upon your own interior desire for fulfillment in life. How do you try to satiate this desire? Do you allow the evil one to trick you into thinking that fleshly desires, pride or wealth are the answer? Reject those temptations with our Lord and then immerse yourself in His Gospel message, which is the only source of fulfillment in life.

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**Saturday, Jan 20 - St. Fabian and St. Sebastian**

8:30 am - † Essam Mikha (19 yrs death anniversary), by family  
10:30 am - Rosary & Mass - **Feast of Sto. Niño**  
5:30 pm - † In memory of Antonio Campese, by wife and family

**Sunday, Jan 21 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8 am - † For the deceased members of Kokoszka family, by Bronislawa  
9:30 am - *(Ital.Mass)* † Francesco Pisanti (20yrs death anniversary), by family  
11 am - For the people of the Parish  
12:30pm - † Antonio Campese (2yrs death anniv.), by wife & family  
2 pm - *(Twi Ghana)*  
5:30 pm - *(Spanish Mass)*

**Monday, Jan 22 St. - Vincent and St. Marianne Cope**

8 am - † Koloolziej family and Puziou family, by Bronislawa  
7 pm - Thanksgiving for Elizabeth Adigun on her birthday, by family

**Tuesday, Jan 23**

8 am - *(No Intention)*  
7 pm - † Maria Nasella, by sister Betty Nasella

**Wednesday, Jan 24 - St. Francis de Sales**

8 am - † Rev. father Leon Salvador Boni, by family  
7 pm - † Antonio Campese, by wife and family

**Thursday, Jan 25 - The Conversion of St. Paul**

8 am - Thanksgiving, by Alex family  
7 pm - Thanksgiving for 21yrs Wedding Anniversary of Dilasha & Kenneth, by family

**Friday, Jan 26 - St. Timothy and St. Titus**

8 am - *(No Intention)*  
7 pm - † Jose V. Dabu, Linda D. Bergenholtz, Lina D. Feliciano & Primo Sanpedro, by Nora Taculad

**Saturday, Jan 27 - St. Angela Merici**

8:30 am - *(No Intention)*  
5:30 pm - † Lu Yun Hsiang, by family

**Sunday, Jan 28 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8 am - Thanksgiving for father George for his 25th anniversary as a priest, by Tony & Kathy Rea  
9:30 am - *(Ital.Mass)* †Fr. Peter Tomaino, by parishioners of St.Andrew’s  
11 am - For the people of the Parish  
12:30pm - † Mylvaganam Canapathy (7 months death anniversary), by family  
2 pm - *(Twi Ghana)*  
5:30 pm - *(Spanish Mass)*

**St. Andrew’s Parish Stewardship**

**Collection for Jan 14th, 2024**

**Sunday Offertory \$ 7,085.45**

St. Andrew's would like to Congratulate **Joseph, Ursula and Adrian Williams** on being the **Family of the Month in January**.

Joseph is a member of the Knights of Columbus and Ursula is a Catechist and both are involved with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (serves the poor of our community). Adrian is also a member of the children's choir.

**Thank you for your involvement in the parish community.**



## Handicraft Holy Land Christians



On the weekend of January 20-21, we will welcome our special guest Paul from Sebastien Cardinal's team, representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

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## Annual GTA Prayer Service Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024

Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 4:00 pm at St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral (455 Ferrier St., Markham). This year's theme: "You shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour as yourself" (Lk 10:27) Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.

Livestream available at:  
<https://bit.ly/WPCU2024live>

## Sunday of the Word of God

The "Sunday of the Word of God" is observed on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time and was established by the Holy Father on September 30, 2019, through his Motu proprio Apostolic Letter, "Aperuit illis." This year, January 20/21, 2024 will be designated as "Sunday of the Word of God" and is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God.

We recall the importance given by the Second Vatican Council to rediscovering Sacred Scripture for the life of the Church. In his apostolic letter, the Holy Father tells us that the celebration has "ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity." Parishes are invited to acknowledge the importance of the Word of God in our faith journey and to consider ways to mark this weekend with an appreciation for the richness of the ongoing dialogue between the Lord and his people. You can access the Apostolic Letter "Aperuit illis" from Pope Francis by visiting:

[https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/motu\\_proprio/documents/papa-francesco-motu-proprio-20190930\\_aperuit-illis.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/motu_proprio/documents/papa-francesco-motu-proprio-20190930_aperuit-illis.html)



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## TALLERES DE ORACION Y VIDA

### TALLER DE ORACION

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Lugar: St Andrew's Church ,salon Sta Cecilia

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