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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
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
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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 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

Seeking the Full Truth

MAR 17 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Suffering Jesus,
draw us into your way of living.
Teach us to desire a clean heart
more than comfort or relief.
Help us to follow you to eternal life.
Amen.

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ShareLife

THIS WEEKEND IS SHARELIFE SUNDAY

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign.

Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Our parish goal this year is **\$50,800**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." John 12:27-28

Our Lord's human soul was "troubled." Other translations state that His soul was in agony. After expressing His interior suffering, Jesus identified the human temptation caused by this suffering: to flee from His "hour." Of course Jesus dismisses this temptation as a way of teaching us a lesson from His human experience.

As God, Jesus had perfect strength and always remained faithful to the mission He received from the Father. But as a human, Jesus permitted Himself to experience temptation and human suffering for many reasons. One reason was so that He could relate to us in every way. That includes being able to relate to interior human suffering. In doing so, Jesus also made it possible for us to imitate Him and to share in the strength and determination He had as He perfectly fulfilled the will of the Father. Jesus allowed Himself to endure the agony caused by foreseen suffering because we will endure similar temptations through life.

What is it that causes you fear and anxiety as you look into the future? If there is something that immediately comes to mind, try to look at that within the light of Jesus' own experience above. The first thing Jesus does is identify the temptation to fear. He does this by identifying the interior suffering He experiences and then by looking at the cause: His coming "hour." The "hour" of Jesus in the Gospel of John is a reference to His crucifixion and death. This was the reason He came to us. He came to suffer the consequences of our sins and to destroy death itself. But this mission of His was the cause of true human suffering and was also a temptation toward fear. But it was a fear that He perfectly overcame.

As you look at anything that tempts you to give into fear and anxiety, first ask yourself whether it is the will of God that you fulfill that action. If we are fearful of something that is not the will of the Father, then we should reject it. But very often the plan God has for our lives will include acting with courage in the face of some pending cross and suffering. Experiencing fear is normal, but fear will not turn into anxiety if we imitate our Lord and choose the will of God no matter the cost.

Jesus also embraced His Cross by looking at it through the lens of glory. He understood that His suffering and death would glorify the Father in Heaven. Therefore, He allowed Himself to see the Cross as a glorification of the Father. The same must happen in our lives. No matter what we face in life, no matter the cross we are given, if it is the will of God that we embrace it, then we must see it not only as a suffering we must endure but primarily as an act by which God will be glorified in our lives. This truer perspective will bring with it hope, joy and strength which will free us from anxiety caused by fear.

Reflect, today, upon the ways in which God is calling you to the cross. As you do, don't allow fear to deter you. Instead, look at every pending suffering as an opportunity to glorify God in your life. See your crosses with gratitude and joy, and allow this new perspective to give you the strength you need to fulfill the mission given to you by the Father in Heaven.

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH
HOLY WEEK
2024 SCHEDULE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY AT 6:15 PM FOLLOWED BY MASS

HOLY THURSDAY (MARCH 28)
8:00 AM - MORNING PRAYER (LITURGY OF THE HOURS)
7:00 PM - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (FOLLOWED BY ADORATION IN THE PARISH HALL)

GOOD FRIDAY (MARCH 29)
11:00 AM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS
3:00 PM - THE LORD'S PASSION (ENGLISH)
5:00 PM - THE LORD'S PASSION (ENGLISH)
7:00 PM - LA PASSIONE DEL SIGNORE (ITALIAN)

EASTER VIGIL (MARCH 30)
9:00 AM - MORNING PRAYERS (LITURGY OF THE HOURS)
9:30 AM - ROSARY OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS
9:00 PM - EASTER VIGIL MASS

EASTER SUNDAY (MARCH 31)
REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE

EASTER MONDAY (APRIL 1)
8AM MASS (PARISH OFFICE CLOSED) NO MASS AT 7PM

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of ♥ = Special Intention

Saturday, Mar 16

8:30 am - † Christiana Edokwe, by Felicia Edokwe
5:30 pm - † Julie Fiorucci, by Layden family and friends

Sunday, Mar 17 - 5th Sunday of Lent

8 am - Special Intention for Marcellina, by family
9:30 am - *(Ital. Mass)* † Giuseppe Marrello & in honour of St. Giuseppe, by family
11 am - For the people of the Parish - 3rd Scrutiny (RCIA)
12:30pm - Thanksgiving for Jonathan Annobil, by Annobil family
2 pm - *(Twi Ghana)*
5:30 pm - *(Spanish Mass)*

Monday, Mar 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8 am - Thanksgiving for Manuel Rabino & Gemma Charles on their birthday, by Rose Rabino
10:15 am - Revera Westside Mass
7 pm - *(No Intention)*

Tuesday, Mar 19 - St. Joseph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 am - † Emilia and Romilio Caputo, by Rose
7 pm - † Irene Selvamani Pillai and Tony Ansalam Laity Ramanatha, by Pillai family

Wednesday, Mar 20

8 am - *(No Intention)*
7 pm - † Roberto, Cesare and Carolina, by family

Thursday, Mar 21

8 am - *(No Intention)*
7 pm - † Noel David death anniversary, by Jennifer and Quinn

Friday, Mar 22

8 am - † Zenaida Canonizado Fernandez, by family
- Thanksgiving for the gift of life of Lilian Cuaresma, by family
6:15 pm - Stations of the Cross
7 pm - Thanksgiving for Sylvia Jagdeo on her birthday, by friends

Saturday, Mar 23 - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

8:30 am - *(No Intention)*
5:30 pm - † Elias Cowan and souls in Purgatory, by family

Sunday, Mar 24 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8 am - Thanksgiving for family's health, by Mr & Mrs Regina Gasper
9:30 am - *(Ital. Mass)* In honour the Madonna Addolorata Di Castel Petroso, by Maria & Tony Della Posta
11 am - For the people of the Parish - 3rd Scrutiny (RCIA)
12:30pm - † Robert and Josephine Rosario, by Ivan & Anta
2 pm - *(Twi Ghana)*
5:30 pm - *(Spanish Mass)*

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS - 2023

Income Tax Receipts are ready for pick up. Please pick it up at the Parish Office or, if you wish, please place a stamped self-addressed envelope in the collection basket on Sunday, and it will be mailed to you. *Thank you.*

St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship

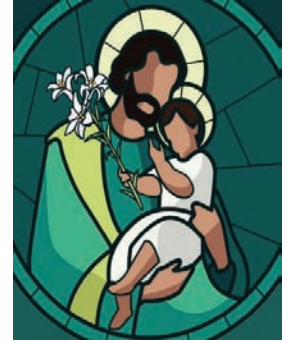
Collection for Mar 10th, 2024

Sunday Offertory \$ 6,937.00

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

We are honouring St. Joseph with a novena that takes place at the 8:00 a.m. Mass ending on Monday, March 18.

Tuesday, March 19 the feast will be celebrated at the 7:00 p.m. Mass followed by fellowship in the parish hall. You are all invited to participate and bring finger food to share with the community.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent, the Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:15pm (in English), followed by Holy Mass at 7pm.



February 2024

We would like to congratulate the parents of the Newly Baptized Children
Blake Caisip Constantino, Drake Caisip Constantino, Liliana Diaz Sanchez and Samuel Omore Aderinsola Uwagbale.

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