

# 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 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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Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator 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's Reconciled & Filled by the Holy Spirit

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." John 20:21–23

Happy Pentecost! Today, throughout the world, our Church celebrates the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' first followers and upon all of us. Why do we need the Holy Spirit in our lives? This is an important question to ponder. Today, as always, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit work as One God. It is the Father Who wills that we be reconciled to Him; it was the Son Who made this reconciliation possible; and it is the Holy Spirit Who now accomplishes the completion of this act in our lives. At the heart of that gift of salvation is the remission of our sins. The passage above clearly reveals to us that Jesus bestowed a unique gift of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, His first bishops, entrusting them with the ability to forgive sins in His name and by His power.

As we celebrate Pentecost, it is a good opportunity to prayerfully consider the action of the Holy Spirit in your life. One of the greatest ways that the Holy Spirit is potentially active in your life is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Through that Sacrament, the Holy Spirit draws you to the Father and enables you to see and understand His perfect will, living more fully in union with the Son as a member of His Body.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit are some of the other ways that the Holy Spirit helps us in our Christian walk. However, these gifts would be ineffective in our lives if we did not first receive the gift of forgiveness given through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. That is the first and most foundational action of the Holy Spirit and opens the door to every other gift. Perhaps that is why Jesus' first bestowal of the Holy Spirit focused upon the power given to His Apostles to forgive sins in His name.

Once we are reconciled to the Father and begin to live in a state of grace, the Holy Spirit will continue to deepen His relationship with us and bestow His help upon us for our Christian journey. This especially happens through the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts most affecting our intellect are the Gifts of Wisdom, Understanding and Knowledge. Wisdom helps us to understand the inner life of the Trinity more clearly. Understanding helps us to make sense of our lives and mission in the light of the Gospel. Knowledge helps us make practical decisions in accord with God's will.

The gifts of Fear of the Lord and Piety assist us in our love of God. Fear of the Lord helps us to see how our actions help or hinder our relationship with God, helping to motivate us to avoid all that harms this relationship and choose all that strengthens it. Piety helps us to see the great dignity and beauty of God and enables us to have a deep reverence for Him and for all of His people.

Counsel and Fortitude are also given by the Holy Spirit and help us to firmly move forward in faith and love. Counsel especially helps us with love of neighbor, and Fortitude adds the strength we need to do all that we are called to do in love with unwavering commitment.

As we celebrate the great Solemnity of Pentecost, reflect, today, upon the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. If you want to be open to the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit in your life and receive the many gifts you need for your journey of faith, then begin with the most fundamental gift. Begin with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Ponder the words Jesus spoke in our Gospel today and know that by entrusting the grace to forgive sins in His name to His first priests, Jesus was also calling you to embrace that gift. The Holy Spirit wants you to be cleansed of all sin. Allow Him to do so and you will be amazed at all the grace that follows.

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## Marylake

### LADIES RETREAT at MARYLAKE, KING CITY

Ladies please come and join us for a retreat at Marylake Retreat House, from Friday May 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, May 26, 2024. To register please call the Parish Office.





**CONFIRMATION** ceremony will be on Saturday, June 15, 2024 at 10:00 am. (All schools)

If you have any questions - please do not hesitate to reach out to us by email on Flocknote.

### PENTECOST SUNDAY | MAY 19, 2024 | ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH



MAY 2024

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

Joanita Ansong, Stella Kali Vergara Elaydo, Nathan Ryan Joseph-Simpson, Abraham Noah Lee Ah Yen, Ava Shiloh Lee Ah Yen, Sofia Konadu Mayoras, David Ainose Odigie, Brianna Hope Ssemakula and Aaron Evan Ssemakula

### WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

 $\dagger$  = For the soul of

**♥** = Special Intention

### Saturday, May 18 - St. John I

8:30 am - †Consolata Missionary Fr. Matteo Pettinari (1 month death anniversary.), by friends

5:30 pm - † Gary Speed, by Sarah Mikha

### Sunday, May 19 - PENTECOST SUNDAY

8 am - †Giuseppe, Antonietta, Vincenzo & Maria, by Cerullo family

9:30 am - (Ital.Mass) † Guliermo Testani, by Luisa Testani

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - †Fr. Stephen Kopfensteiner, by parishioners of St. Andrew's

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass) † Ruben Saez, ofrece Mayela Alfonsin

### Monday, May 20 - Victoria Day - Holiday

8 am - † Felipe Ugo, by family

7 pm - (No Mass)

### Tuesday, May 21 - St. Christopher Magallanes

8 am - Blessings for Jaroslaw Kolodziej, by Bronislawa

7 pm - † Ernesto and Maria Paolucci, by Paolucci family

### Wednesday, May 22 - St. Rita of Cascia

8 am - Thanksgiving for Monique and Roger Chan, by Belen family

7 pm - (No Intention)

### Thursday, May 23

8 am - † Mary Kuriah, by Mary and family

7 pm - (No Intention)

### Friday, May 24

8 am - Thanksgiving for Avis Morgan, by Alma and family

7 pm - Thanksgiving for Mary Help of Christians, by Aquino Annobil family

### Saturday, May 25 - St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII & St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi

8:30 am - † Gaetano Parone, by family

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

### Sunday, May 26 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8 am -† Francisca, Filomeno, Roger Santos & Arthur Las Marias, by family

9:30 am - (Ital. Mass) † Giuseppe Marello, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - † Lilia Joseph and Saturine Jain, by Anita Noel

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)



The Knights of Columbus Mother Teresa Council would like to thank everyone at St Andrew's Parish for their strong support of the Mother's Day Breakfast. Thank you

to all the moms who came out and had a great time. We generated \$971 in revenue with a profit of \$751. We plan to donate \$250 to the church building fund.

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