

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 Sunday

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

11:00am & 12:30pm

5:30pm

Children's Sunday Liturgy

- WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday Wednesday

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

CONFESSIONS

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

— ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT -

Tuesday & Thursday8:30am to 6:30pm1st Saturday Devotions9:30am to 10:00am

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND _

Home visits: Please call the Parish Office

OUR LADY CONSOLATA, PRAY FOR US

PARISH TEAM -

Fr. George Kibura Njuguna, IMC – Pastor <u>StAndrewsET@archtoronto.org</u>
Fr. Timothy Kinyua Gatitu, IMC – Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie – Permanent Deacon
Fr. Alex Osei CSSp – Ghanaian Community
Mr. Martins Igbinoba – Parish Council
Mrs. Mina Moraes – Finance Council

Ms. Carolina Chavez – Parish Office standrewparish.office@gmail.com

Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator sprince@archtoronto.org

BAPTISM (CHILDREN UNDER 7 YEARS OLD)

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2^{nd} 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.

Welcome home to St. Andrew's

Rejecting False Accusations

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. <u>Mark 7:1–2</u>

What a foolish thing for these Pharisees and scribes to be concerned about! They were in the presence of the Son of God, the Savior of the World, a man of perfect virtue and pure goodness, and all they could do was to observe that some of Jesus' disciples failed to follow the scrupulous teaching on how they should wash their hands before a meal. The reason for this was their pride. These teachers of Israel had devised a large body of detailed, unwritten, human laws that they treated with the same binding force as the Law of Moses that they received from God. But the scribes' and Pharisees' human traditions were not from God; they were a body of regulations flowing from their own self-righteous need to act as interpreters of the Law. Therefore, whenever someone failed to follow the traditions the Pharisees and scribes taught as binding, they took it personally and reacted with judgment.

One lesson we can learn from these religious leaders is that we should never take things personally. Allowing ourselves to become personally offended at anything at all is, in fact, an act of our own pride. We do need to have sorrow for the sin we see, but that is different than allowing ourselves to become personally offended. For example, even if we were to teach the very Law of God and someone rejects that teaching, our response must be sorrow for them as we reject their error.

Jesus went on to respond to the Pharisees and scribes by quoting to them the Prophet Isaiah: "*This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts*" (See Isaiah 29:13). What's interesting is that Jesus didn't really engage them in conversation about this, defending Himself or His disciples in their eyes. Instead, He rebuked the Pharisees and scribes in a general way so as to dismiss their criticism as false, and then turned away from them and addressed the crowds.

We will all experience unjust condemnation at times. If we are in the wrong, then we must receive the condemnation as if it were from God and repent. But if the condemnation flows from someone's wounded pride or error, then Jesus set the example on how we ought to respond. The best response is to reject their error and then refuse to become engaged in the conversation further. Too often when we are criticized unjustly, we also take it personally. We tend to fight back and justify ourselves, trying to prove that the other person is wrong. But when we do that, we are most likely acting out of our own wounded pride. This will result in angry sulking feelings and the experience of oppression that the evil one inflicts upon us. Jesus' model is to reject the lie and then refuse to engage it further. The reason for this is that the unjust condemnation is actually the seed of the evil one. The person delivering it is only the instrument. So we rebuke the lie of the evil one and refuse to get into a personal battle with the person delivering the lie. Doing so brings freedom from oppression and allows our hearts to remain at peace, no matter what we endure.

Reflect, today, upon any ways that you have taken some conversation personally, allowing it to oppress you with anger, becoming defensive or argumentative. Know that whenever that happens, this is an attack from the evil one as he seeks to oppress you. Do not accept that abuse. The guide for each of us is the peace and joy that comes from the Holy Spirit. Even the greatest martyrs remained at peace and felt joy in the midst of their persecution. Reflect upon any ways that you have allowed the evil one to agitate you and leave you upset with your wounded pride. Do not fall into his trap. Hold on to the truth and remain at peace, and that will be all the defense you need to make.

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St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship Collection for Aug 25th, 2024 Sunday Offertory \$ 3,811.00

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

 $\dagger = For the soul of \quad \bullet = Special Intention$

Saturday, Aug 31

8:30 am - † Maria Parone, by family

5:30 pm - † Asuncion Gonzales, by Gloria Aquino

Sunday, Sep 1 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

8 am - † Kevin Lobo (1yr death anniv.), by Spenser Lobo & family 9:30 am - *(Ital.Mass)* † Remembering Bruno Vettorello, by Eveline & family 11 am - For the people of the Parish 12:30pm - † Eduardo Laolao, by family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (*Span. Mass*) † Maria Margarita Villegas (1 año de fallecida.), ofrece su hijo y la familia

Monday, Sep 2 – Labour Day

8 am - Thanksgiving & successful school year for all students, by Eloho 7 pm – (No Mass)

Tuesday, Sep 3 - St. Gregory the Great

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

Wednesday, Sep 4

- 8 am † Constantino, Esterina & Rosario Furgiuele, Cecilia & Giovanni Settino, by family
- 7 pm † Milton and Mary Fernando, by family

Thursday, Sep 5

8 am - † Gertrude and Meredith Morgan, by Alma and family

7 pm - (No Intention)

Friday, Sep 6

 $8\ {\rm am}-{\rm Thanksgiving}$ to Our Lady of Fátima, by Anthony and family

7 pm - (No Intention) Saturday, Sep 7

8:30 am - † Mathew Jacob, by family

5:30 pm - † Maria Ester Andrade (1 month death anniv.), by family

Sunday, Sep 8 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am - † Maria Carmela Sestini, by Blake family

9:30 am - (Ital. Mass) † Rocco Rositano, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - (No Intention)

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)



To purchase your ticket please contact: Arthur – (647) 515-0951 or Lilian – (416) 427-9274

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR-B | SEP 1, 2024 | ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The program is designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God and enter the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts. By God's help they will be strengthened spiritually during their preparation and at the proper time will receive the sacraments fruitfully.

RCIA is offered for anyone who feels called to the Catholic faith:

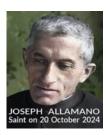
- Those who have never been baptized as Christians
- Those who have been baptized in another Christian faith who are now interested in the Catholic tradition.
- Those who have been baptized in the Catholic tradition but have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation (fully initiated into the Catholic faith).

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program for 2024-2025 will start on **Sunday**, September 22nd, 2024, in the St. Cecilia Room at 9:00 am, and will continue every Sunday until Easter next year.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)

The RCIC is not a course, but a journey for children to enter into the life of the Catholic Church. Children, ages 6-12, who are unbaptized, who are baptized in another faith and desire to become Catholic. During this journey, the children will receive a better understanding of what it means to know and love God and how they can be active members of the Catholic Church. Program will start on **Sunday, September 29th**, **2024, in the St. Padre Pio Room at 9:00 am.**

Please register at the Parish Office to join these programs.



CANONIZATION OF BLESSED JOSEPH ALLAMANO

Pilgrimage to Rome and Turin

From October 16 to 27, 2024 - 12 days/10 nights **Departing from Toronto** Deposit of \$1,000 required at time of confirmation **After Aug 15/ 2024** DBL occ: \$4,649 pp TPL occ: \$4,499 pp

SGL occ: \$5,124

Package includes:

- . Airfare & taxes (1 piece of luggage)
- . Hotel accommodations in 3 and 4 star Hotels (5 nts in Rome, 4 nts in Turin and 1 nt in Milan) and Hotel taxes
- . Meals (all breakfast +10 lunches +10 dinners/ Meals include coffee or tea, (wine or other drinks are to be paid directly to the restaurant by traveler)
- . Luxury Motorcoach transportation
- . City tour & some visits (see itinerary for details)
- . Canonization Ceremony at the Vatican followed by a reception
- . 1 Tour leader + 1 Group Coordinator + 1 Spiritual guide.
- . All applicable taxes
- . Bus driver & tour guide gratuity NOT included
- . Entrance to sites or museum are NOT included (to be paid by traveler if applicable).
- *All information and itinerary can be found on the website www.consolata.qc.ca/pilgrimage-to

*All prices are in CA dollars

*Airline fuel surcharge is included (+ \$350CA pp)

To confirm your participation to our pilgrimage, **please contact Consolata Missionaries** – 1 Director Court, Suite 102, Woodbridge, ON L4L 4S5, Canada, Tel. 905 856-0405 - Reservations: 514-898-1262

Package prepared by America's Travel & Moreno Tours - Ontario travel agent permit and US SOT.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH – SEPTEMBER 2024

The Knights of Columbus and St. Andrew's Parish congratulate **Tony and Helen Joseph** for being nominated as the Family of The Month for September 2024.

Tony and Helen have a long history of devoted and unstinted service to St. Andrew's Church and community. They serve as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Tony has spearheaded several initiatives, including the Parish Council, Financial Committee, Building Renovation Project, the 25th and 50th Anniversary Parish Photo directories, the Family of Faith initiative, the Social Committee and several other projects. Over the years, Helen could always be seen either working independently or alongside Tony on various projects. We deeply appreciate everything you have done and continue to do for us.



Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG)

The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan, authorized and supported by the Archdiocese of Toronto, is a direct debit program allowing you to support our Parish through an automatic monthly withdrawal from your bank account. Now you can lend us your support in the same manner that you currently pay many of your current financial obligations without writing cheques or searching your wallet for cash every Sunday.

To enroll in this convenient program, simply fill out the form, attach a void cheque and mail it to the Parish Office or you can do it online on the Archdiocese of Toronto website.

https://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-parish-offertory/

A tax receipt will be issued to you for the donations you contribute for that year. You can find the forms at the entrance of the Church.



REMEMBERING REVEREND FATHER ANDREW (Andy) MACBETH June 20, 1948 – August 15, 2024

Fr. Andy Macbeth passed away on August 15, 2024 at Cardinal Ambrozic Houses of Providence in Scarborough, Ontario. During the hyphen between his birth date and date of death, the following occurred: Fr. Andy was born in Oshawa and lived his early years with

his adopting parents, Jack and Virginia (Pegi) Macbeth; and brother, Michael, in Leaside. Ongoing Journey for Learning: St. Anselm's, K-7; St. Bonaventure's, 8; Christian Brothers Junior Novitiate, 9-11; De La Salle Oaklands, 12; St. Augustine's College, '66-'69; St. Augustine's Seminary, BA '70; U of T, M Div., '73; TST, Santa Barbara Sabbatical, '93; Good Leaders / Good Shepherds, '15 (and continuing ...). Ordained a Deacon on April 22, 1973, and a Priest on April 26, 1975, at St. Andrew's parish, Rexdale, by Archbishop Pocock. Fr. Andy served as an Associate Pastor in: St. Andrew's Rexdale, '73-'78; St. John's, Kingston Rd., '78-'79; Nativity Parish, Etobicoke, '79-'82; St. Patrick's, Mississauga, '82-'83. He served as Pastor at: St. Patrick's, Stayner and St. Noel Chabanel, Wasaga Beach, '83-'88; Our Lady of Assumption/RC Mission, Iqaluit, NWT '88-'91; St. John the Evangelist, Whitby, '91-'03; St. Margaret of Scotland, Toronto, '03-'22. In addition to his parish ministry, Fr. Andy provided service as: Chaplain: Guelph Correctional Centre; Notre Dame; Madonna and Philip Pocock, High Schools; and Marygrove Camp; Civilian Chaplain to CFB Borden and CFB Chilliwack, RCMP Iqaluit (G Div.). As well, Rotary Club - Paul Harris Fellow, Iqaluit '88-'91; SAS Priests' Alumni 9 yrs. Priests Council '79-'84, '91-'93. Priests' Seminar Committee: Member '92-'95, '02-'03 and Chair '04-'07. Upon retirement, in 2022, Fr. Andy moved to Marion Place in Oshawa and subsequently to Cardinal Ambrozic Houses of Providence in Scarborough. Fr. Andy's remaining family are his brother, Mike; and his nieces and nephews, Robyn, Katie, Jeffrey and William. Famous Last Saying: "Thanks for the Memories" and don't forget "Life is not a Problem to be Solved, but a Mystery to be Lived"! Online condolences may be found at www.catholic-cemeteries.com.

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