

# 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  
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Mr. Martins Igbinoba – Parish Council  
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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's

The Greatness of Holiness

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. [Mark 9:33-34](#)

One of the desires that we all have is for greatness. This is a good and natural desire. This desire is manifested in competitiveness in sports and games. It becomes a driving force in business and politics. It drives us to do better in life, such as in school, artistic endeavors, and hobbies, working hard to perfect various skills and talents so as to excel. The problem is that every good and natural desire we have is now disordered to a certain degree because of original sin. As a result, the desire we have for greatness can become an obsession, a cause of discouragement when we fail, a source of jealousy when others appear to do better, and can lead us to pursue empty and fleeting goals in life.

Even within the life of faith, we can be affected by both the natural desire for greatness and the fallenness of that desire. The natural desire for greatness, when mingled with faith, will lead us to the desire to be a saint and to do great things for the Kingdom of God. But as a fallen natural quality, we can also fall into the trap of seeing ourselves in competition with others within the Church, and we can become jealous of those who appear to be holy and who are recognized for their good work for Christ.

Just prior to the passage quoted above in which the disciples were discovered to have been arguing among themselves about who was the greatest, Jesus predicted to them, for the second time, that He would suffer and die. Recall that after the first prediction of His passion, Jesus took Peter, James and John up a high mountain and was transfigured before them. Perhaps some of the other disciples became jealous of this apparent special treatment. Then, after Jesus predicted His passion to them for the second time, they might have wondered if some of them would likewise share in a similar experience as the Transfiguration.

Regardless of what motivated the disciples to argue among themselves about who was the greatest, the fact remains that they did so. This was not the result of a holy and purified desire. It was the result of a good desire for greatness that became distorted and turned into an unholy competition based on jealousy and selfishness.

In Heaven, we will all know who is the greatest. Interestingly, the Scriptures, the official Church teachings, and many of the saints reveal to us that there will be levels of glory in Heaven. This is why Jesus said elsewhere, "Store up treasure in Heaven" ([Matthew 6:20](#)). In Heaven, each of us will be perfectly happy. But each of us will also share in God's glory in varying degrees, based upon the merit of our charity on earth. The classic example of this is that if every soul is like a glass of water in Heaven, then every glass will be full. But some glasses will be larger than others and will be able to contain more water (glory). For this reason, we must remember that the natural desire for greatness is good, but it must be properly ordered by grace. That desire must not become as it was among the disciples who saw each other as competitors. Instead, it must be directed to the deepest desire for holiness and charity. In Heaven, we will all be in awe of those holy souls who are filled with the greatest depths of glory forever. Most likely, they will be widely unknown on earth, but loved and admired in Heaven for the greatness of their holiness.

Reflect, today, upon the desire within your own soul for greatness. Pray that this desire will not fall into selfishness or lead you to see others as competitors. Instead, pray that your desire for greatness will lead you to holiness so that you will be able to store up for yourself the most abundant treasures in Heaven and radiate that glory forever.

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of    ♥ = Special Intention

<b>Saturday, Sep 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle</b>
8:30 am - † Linda Cal, by the Legion of Mary
5:30 pm - † Sister Mary Serene, by Aldous Pereira
<b>Sunday, Sep 22 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
8 am - † Gennaro Sestini, by daughter Pat
9:30 am - ( <i>Ital.Mass</i> ) † Mr. Nicola Sardella, by Maria Sardella & family
11 am - For the people of the Parish
12:30pm - † Edwin Mauricio, Jose Adriano Reyes & Armando Lopez, by family
2 pm - ( <i>Twi Ghana</i> )
5:30 pm - ( <i>Spanish Mass</i> )
<b>Monday, Sep 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina</b>
8 am - Thanksgiving for Marilyn Apilan, by family
7 pm - † Reynaldo Mejia, by Legion of Mary
<b>Tuesday, Sep 24</b>
8 am - Thanksgiving for Sabrina Brown on her birthday, by Alma & family
7 pm – Wedding Anniv (47 years) Louie/Luchie & Andrew's birthday, by family
<b>Wednesday, Sep 25</b>
8 am - † Sebamalai Veronica (7 years) , by family
7 pm - ( <i>No Intention</i> )
<b>Thursday, Sep 26 - Sts. Cosmas &amp; Damiam/Sts. John de Brébeuf &amp; Isaac Jogues</b>
8 am - ( <i>No Intention</i> )
7 pm - ( <i>No Intention</i> )
<b>Friday, Sep 27 - St. Vincent de Paul</b>
8 am – Thanksgiving for Sebastian family, by family
12 nn- Wedding- Nancy & Andrew
7 pm - Safe journey for Tonna Anochie, by Anochie family
<b>Saturday, Sep 28 - St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz &amp; Companions</b>
8:30 am - Thanksgiving for Patricia on her birthday, by family
5:30 pm - † Augustine Choong, by family
<b>Sunday, Sep 29 – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
8 am - † Sister Vicenzina Corvinelli, by family
9:30 am - ( <i>Ital.Mass</i> ) † Carlo Barei, by family
11 am - For the people of the Parish
12:30pm - † Essam Mikha, by family
2 pm - ( <i>Twi Ghana</i> )
5:30 pm - ( <i>Spanish Mass</i> ) † Mercedes Pulla, by José Pulla



St. Andrew's warmly welcomes everyone registered for the RCIA and RCIC programs. Please be reminded that classes will begin as follows:

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Sunday, September 22nd, 2024, at 9:00 am in the St. Cecilia Room.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC): Sunday, September 29th, 2024, at 9:00 am in the St. Padre Pio Room.

**PLEASE NOTE REGISTRATION IS CLOSED**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION**

We cordially invite you to register your child/children on Registration Nights which will be held at the Church Hall.



**FHC**

**Monday, September 16, 2024 and  
Thursday, September 19, 2024**  
from 5:00pm to 7:00pm



**CONFIRMATION**

**Friday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**  
From 4pm-8pm  
**Saturday November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**  
From 10am-2pm

**NOTE: Registrations at the parish office will start  
Monday, September 30, 2024**

**NOVENA TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**  
Patron of the Archdiocese of Toronto  
September 20 to 28, 2024



Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.*

Heavenly and Almighty Father, God of mercy and compassion, we give you thanks and praise for all your kindness and blessings which you bestow upon us, your beloved children, and for the opportunities of spiritual renewal which you provide out of the abundance of your unending love and graciousness. As we honour the glorious Archangel St. Michael, whose zeal for your almighty power obtains for us your own loving protection, in the name of Christ our Saviour and Brother and through your Holy Spirit, guide our steps along the path of holiness of life, and guard our thoughts as we journey through this life to our heavenly homeland. Confident of the powerful intercession of our patron saint St. Michael, we now ask for this grace (*say your intention*).

Inspire in us the same humility and thirst for justice and holiness which animated your great servant and angelic messenger. May our lives give glory to you, our families bear witness to your love and our communities of faith be filled with the grace and joys of your Kingdom. Amen.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

St. Michael, filled with the wisdom of God, pray for us.  
St. Michael, perfect adorer of the Incarnate Word, pray for us.  
St. Michael, crowned with honour and glory, pray for us.  
St. Michael, our help in all adversities, pray for us.

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*



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**Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund –  
Special Collection – October 5/6, 2024**

On the weekend of October 5/6, you will have the opportunity to participate in our annual collection to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. To date, in the Archdiocese of Toronto we have raised close to \$3 million towards our \$6 million pledge. Funds have been allocated to projects that are supporting culture and language revitalization, education, community building and support for Indigenous families who have been affected by suicide, violence or abuse.

**PARISH ANNUAL BAKE SALE**

St. Andrew's Parish Social and Hospitality Committee is holding its annual Bake Sale on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 after the Saturday and Sunday Masses while supplies last. As customary, we are asking for donations of sweet and savory baked goods. All are invited to participate in this community event. Please drop off your donations at the Church Hall on Saturday evening before the 5:30 pm Mass and on Sunday morning. Thanks in advance for your generous donations and participation. Funds raised will go to the Building Fund.

**CANONIZATION of Consolata Founder  
BLESSED JOSEPH ALLAMANO**  
Holy Mass: Sunday, October 20, 2024 at 10:30 AM  
St. Andrew's Parish  
Celebrant: Archbishop Francis Leo

Reception: The Venetian Event & Banquet at 1:00 PM  
219 Romina Drive, Concord, ON- \$100/person

*"First saints, then missionaries." Blessed Joseph Allamano*

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**CANONIZATION**  
of our founder  
**BLESSED JOSEPH ALLAMANO**  
SUNDAY OCTOBER 20, 2024

HOLY MASS 10:30AM	RECEPTION 1:00PM	LUNCH 2:00PM
MAIN CELEBRANT: ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO St. Andrew's Parish 2547 Kipling Avenue, Etobicoke	The Venetian Event & Banquet Centre 219 Romina Drive, Concord \$100.00 per person	

*For further information, please contact: (905)856-0405*

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**St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship**

Collection for Sep 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Sunday Offertory \$ 8,333.75



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