

# 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**1st Saturday Devotions

8:30am to 6:30pm
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

Fr. Alex Osei CSSp – Ghanaian Community

Mr. Martins Igbinoba – Parish Council Mrs. Mina Moraes – Finance Council

Ms. Carolina Chavez – Parish Office

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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**

# 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR-B | OCT 6, 2024 | ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

# Welcome home to St. Andrew's

# **Authentic Love**

The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. Mark 10:2 The Pharisees were not interested in the deepest truths of God. They were only interested in twisting God's truths in an attempt to prove their own self-righteousness. The question they posed to Jesus was a trap, but Jesus doesn't fall into it. He asks them what Moses taught about the love in marriage and then explains that their understanding of Moses' teaching was based on the hardness of their hearts and not the original intent of God as was revealed in the beginning.

Our Church's teaching regarding the indissolubility of marriage flows from the teachings found in the Book of Genesis, subsequently confirmed and clarified by Jesus in today's Gospel. When a true marriage bond is established by the free and total consent of a man and woman, that bond can only be separated by death

From a much broader perspective, the marriage bond of which Jesus speaks also reveals to us the depth of commitment that God has made to each one of us and the reciprocal commitment He invites us to make. God's covenant offered to us is freely given, total, and irrevocable. This is important to understand. God will never change His mind when it comes to the commitment He has made to each one of us. For our part, we must continuously seek to reciprocate that commitment by giving ourselves to the will of God in the same way.

Though much more could be said about this exchange between Jesus and the Pharisees regarding earthly marriage, we must also see in this exchange a common trap that we will encounter in our marital covenant with God and our love of others. Just as the Pharisees used the law of marriage to try to trap Jesus in His speech, caring nothing about the deeper truths that this teaching revealed, we can also use the Law of God in a way that reveals our own hardness of heart. Love, be it that of marriage or the love that is the basis of our union with God, can easily be used as a weapon rather than a source of unity. Regarding others, we can easily fall into the trap of using the precepts of love as a source of manipulation and persuasion. "If you loved me, then you would..." Regarding our love of God, we can often reduce our love into a reluctant following of God's most basic laws, such as "I have to go to church."

If love is to be pure and holy, it must rise above erroneous interpretations of love and be lived in the way it was intended to be lived. Pure love is always self-giving. It is sacrificial. It always looks to the good of the other. Love is total and must be irrevocable. Love forges a bond that should never be broken. It must endure everything and is possible only when it is grounded in the love that God has for us.

Reflect, today, upon the way that you love. Does the hardness of your heart lead you to misrepresent the love God wants you to share with others? Do you minimize the requirements of love? Is your love total, irrevocable, and freely given? Is your love self-seeking or self-giving? Reflect upon the pure and holy nature of the love God has offered to you, and recommit yourself to offer this same depth of love to God and to others so that the covenants that result from your love will always endure.

# WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

 $\dagger$  = For the soul of

**♥** = Special Intention

#### Saturday, Oct 5 - St. Faustina Kowalska

8:30 am - † Clyde Saunders, by family

5:30 pm - † Peter Cheong Youhong, by family

# Sunday, Oct 6 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am - † Francisca Dela Rosa (1 yr death anniversary), by family

9:30 am - (Ital. Mass) † Maria Notarianni, by Mary Notarianni

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm -†Virgilio Buenaobra (14th death anniv.),by Gilbert & Mary Anne

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

## Monday, Oct 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

8 am - † Francisca Dela Rosa (1 yr death anniversary), by family

10:15 am - Mass - Humber Valley Terrace

7 pm - † In memory of Joseph, by Duraisamy family

### Tuesday, Oct 8

8 am - † Nadia Suraci, by friend

7 pm - (No Intention)

### Wednesday, Oct 9 - St. Denis & Companions, St. John Leonardi

8 am - † In memory of John Stefaniuk & Adelaide Wharton, by Rosa

7 pm - (No Intention)

### Thursday, Oct 10

8 am - (No Intention)

7 pm - (No Intention)

# Friday, Oct 11 - St. John XXIII

 $8\ \mathrm{am}$  -Safe journey for Tonna & Emmanuel Anochie, by Anochie family

7 pm - (No Intention)

#### Saturday, Oct 12

 $8\!:\!30$  am - Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, by Anthony & family

5:30 pm - † For all souls in Purgatory, by Sarah Mikha

# Sunday, Oct 13-28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am – Thanksgiving for Duraisamy family, by Mary Thavarajah

9:30 am - (Ital. Mass) † La Carpia family, by Perrone family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - (No Intention)

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (*Span.Mass*) † Maria Adela Yon (1 año de fallecida), ofrece la familia



# Parish Annual Bake Sale

St. Andrew's Parish Social and Hospitality Committee is holding its annual Bake Sale this October 5th and 6th, 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. Please feel free to contact members of the Committee or the Church Office, if you need additional information.



# The Knights of Columbus Mother **Teresa Council - Announces**

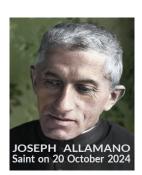
- The membership drive on Sunday, October 6th, following all Masses. A guest speaker, Bruce Poulin, will also be present.
- The annual Life Chain event taking place this Sunday October 6th from 2pm to 3pm at Kipling Ave and Albion Road where we stand up for the rights of the unborn you are all invited to join us.

We will be selling small roses at the weekend masses. Any donation is accepted.

# Offering to the Consolata Missionaries Special Collection - October 12/13, 2024

The Consolata Missionaries are at the service of St. Andrew's Parish since 2003: a journey done together in the proclamation of the Gospel here at St. Andrew's and throughout the missionary world. On the weekend of October 12-13, we ask your help to support us in our missionary ministry. Envelopes for second collection are available at the church doors. Be assured of our gratitude. our affection, and our prayers.

### **CANONIZATION OF 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 For more details, please call (905)-856-0405.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

#### **3 WAYS TO REGISTER:**

- 1. scan this QR code:
- 2. follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebOct19
- 3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar October 19" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



# CONFIRMATION

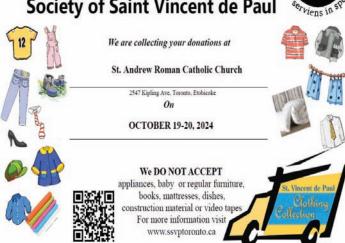
We cordially invite you to register your child/children at the Church Hall on Friday November 1st, 2024 From 4pm-8pm & Saturday November 2nd, 2024 From 10am-2pm

**NOTE: Registrations for First Holy Communion and** Confirmation are available at the parish office during regular hours.

St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship Collection for Sep 29th, 2024 Sunday Offertory \$ 9,023.60

# Bundle Up

# Society of Saint Vincent de Paul





Join us for an exciting evening showcasing the diverse talents of our parish community! St. Andrew's Got Talent will be held on Saturday November 23rd at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

This is a wonderful opportunity to support your fellow parishioners and enjoy music, dance, art, and more.

If you would like to participate, please sign up by October 19th by following the information found on the posters around the Church or contact the Parish Office!

Everyone ages 5 and up are welcome to participate! We look forward to celebrating the amazing talents within our

For more information, please contact Sharanka Prince or Marlon Cowan.

# **MULTIPLE MASS INTENTIONS** FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY MASSES

Beginning the New Liturgical Year that starts on December 1, 2024, the 8:00 am Friday Mass and the 8:30 am Saturday Mass will accept multiple announced mass intentions, up to a maximum of 20. Please call or visit the parish office for more information.

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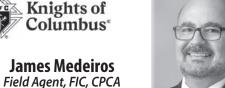
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