



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
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Fr. Timothy Kinyua Gatitu, IMC – Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie – Permanent Deacon
Fr. Alex Osei CSSp – Ghanaian Community
Mr. Martins Igbino – Parish Council
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Ms. Carolina Chavez – Parish Office
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Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator
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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 back home to St. Andrew's



Excerpt from *Abandonment to Divine Providence* by Fr. De Caussade

"The increase of the desire to consecrate yourself to God is an additional grace of His mercy. To suffer all the pain of being unable to accomplish these ardent desires is, inasmuch as you bear it with resignation, to correspond well with this grace, and to merit its continuance. The interior effort to maintain yourself in this state of resignation is a sort of martyrdom that will, sooner or later, be rewarded. God will carry out the pious design with which He has inspired you, the delay is intend to try your fidelity. If, in the meantime, you are getting on in years, you need not consider that, because you already possess the best part of what you wish for, which the strong desire to consecrate yourself to God is. This desire is, in the sight of God, the best part of the sacrifice, or, to speak correctly, it is the entire sacrifice since you have already given yourself to Him, in heart and soul, and are now sacrificing your most earnest desires in awaiting patiently the time chosen by His providence. Possibly this last sacrifice is of more value than the first, since by it you renounce more entirely your own will. Therefore be at peace and quite tranquil in the presence of Him who sees to the bottom of our hearts and who takes all your good desires for performance.

He has no need of anything that you could give Him; but He loves a heart that is ready and willing to sacrifice all. The fear of death and of the judgments of God is a good thing as long as it does not go so far as to cause you trouble and anxiety; then it would be an illusion of the devil. For, what is it that makes you afraid? Is it because you have not yet done what you have not been able to do? Does God require what is impossible? Is it, as you add, because you have, as yet, done nothing for heaven? Be careful again in this; it is a delicate subject for it seems as if you wanted to acquire merit for your own assurance. This is not real confidence which can only be founded on the mercy of God, and the infinite merits of Jesus Christ. Any other confidence would be vain and presumptuous, since it would rest on your own nothingness, and I know not what wretched works which have no value in the sight of God.

Without depending in any way on ourselves let us try and accomplish, with the help of God's grace, all that He demands of us, and hope only in His goodness and in the merits of Jesus Christ, His Son. You are right in saying that more grace is required to save us in the world than in religion. From this I form the opinion that, evidently, a much more distinct vocation is necessary for those who have to remain in the world, than for the religious state; but, at the same time there are particular graces given to those who, against their will, have to remain in the world. God is then, as it were, obliged to take care of them. Therefore fear nothing, you are already a Religious in heart and soul. Try to subject your mind, feelings, and actions to the spirit of the rules of this holy state, by a humble resignation and a perfect confidence in the fatherly goodness and power of that heavenly Spouse whom you have chosen. He, also, regards you as His beloved Spouse."

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of ♥ = Special Intention

Saturday, Aug 2nd – St. Eusebius & Peter Julian Eymard

8:30 am – † For aunt Eveline, by sister Leilia and friends
5:30pm – † Deceased members of Naranjo family (Magdaleno, Aurora & Antonio), by Jesse & Quilma
- Thanksgiving for Nathan Dias on his birthday, by family

Sunday, Aug 3rd – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am – † Veda Bhola (death anniv.), by Mary
9:30 am - *(Ita.Mass)*
11 am - For the people of the Parish
12:30pm – † Shashidavan Mehta, by family
2 pm - *(Twi Ghana)*
5:30 pm - *(Span.Mass)*

Monday, Aug 4th – CIVIC HOLIDAY (St. John Vianney, Priest)

8 am – Thanksgiving for Henry Bellerive, by family
7 pm – (NO MASS)

Tuesday, Aug 5th – Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8 am – (No Intention)
7 pm – Thanksgiving for answered prayers, by Gardon family

Wednesday, Aug 6th – The Transfiguration of the LORD

8 am – (No Intention)
7 pm – † Giuseppe Siciliano, by family

Thursday, Aug 7th – St. Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

8 am – † Ye Kee Main, by family
7 pm – † Renata Kozibroda, by Bronislawa

Friday, Aug 8th – St. Dominic, Priest

8 am – Thanksgiving to God for children's (Afua & Naana Ohene - Darkohs) studies success, by family
7 pm – † Esther Andrade, by family

Saturday, Aug 9th – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 am – (No Intention)
5:30pm – † Felcy Gomes, Joseph Ludiwina, Santana and Luiza Pontes, by Dias family

Sunday, Aug 10th – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am – † Renan Munoz, by Estella and Aldren Munoz
9:30 am - *(Ita.Mass)*
11 am - For the people of the Parish
12:30pm – Thanksgiving, by Mr. and Mrs. Jacinto Simangan & family
2 pm - *(Twi Ghana)*
5:30 pm - *(Span.Mass)*



A Passage of Hope:

John 16:33; Psalm 34:6-8

"I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." "This poor man called, and the LORD heard Him; he saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him.



Pope Leo XIV's August Prayer Intention is for **Mutual Coexistence**. Let us pray that where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



Thanksgiving for St. Andrew's BBQ on July 27th, 2025!

A heartfelt *thank you* to everyone who came out and helped make our St. Andrew's Parish BBQ a wonderful success! We raised approximately \$3500, which will go to our Church Building Fund. We were blessed with good weather, great food, and even better company. Thank you to all our volunteers, grill masters, setup crews, and community members who shared their time and talents. Events like these remind us how joyful it is to gather as one parish family in faith and fellowship and makes us excited for more to come. May God continue to bless our St. Andrew's community!



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES FUNERAL SERVICES ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

The Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 13, 2025 at 7:00pm**. 7 cemeteries will offer Mass' throughout the Archdiocese, His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo will offer Mass at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Woodbridge. In the event of rain, it will be held at St. Anthony's Mausoleum Chapel at Queen of Heaven Cemetery. If you would like more information, please refer to the Parish Boards. We hope to see you there.



Upcoming Collections at our Parish:

There will be a Special Second Collection for the Canadian Missions on **August 16th and 17th**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish Office. Have a blessed week.



RCIA 2025–2026 Registration Process Update

Following a recent meeting with our clergy and RCIA team, guidelines have been reinforced for the acceptance of candidates into the 2025–2026 RCIA program at St. Andrew's Parish.

To ensure sincere faith formation, all prospective RCIA candidates will now be referred to the Pastor or Associate Pastor for a personal interview prior to registration. A registration form will only be given at the discretion of the interviewing priest.

The following guidelines apply:

For those residing within parish boundaries: Candidates may be registered after the interview or asked to actively participate in parish life for a certain period of time before joining the program. Children will only be eligible for the RCIC Baptism program after their parents have received the Sacraments of Initiation.

For those living outside the parish: *Candidates will generally be encouraged to register for RCIA at their local parish.*



Civic Holiday: On Monday August 4th, the Parish Office will be closed due to the Civic Holiday. In addition, as per our usual holiday schedule, there will only be one Mass at 8AM and the 7PM Mass will not occur. Have a blessed week.



August 6th: Transfiguration of the LORD

This week, the Catholic Church celebrates the Transfiguration of the LORD, a mysterious but very important part of the Gospel.

The primary purpose of the glory of Jesus shown [shone] to Peter, James, and John was meant as a means to prepare them for the glorification of God after the Resurrection and to hint at the beauty of transfigured humanity. According to Saint Pope Saint John Paul II in his 1999 homily for the Feast of the Transfiguration, "In the event of the Transfiguration we contemplate the mysterious encounter between history, which is being built every day, and the blessed inheritance that awaits us in heaven in full union with Christ, the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End."



Important Announcement about Parking at the Parish

Our Parking Lot will be re-paved and re-marked very soon. For this project and after it's completion, unauthorized vehicles will be ticked and/or towed. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our parking areas accessible, safe and clean!



Attention for those looking to book Masses for 2026

Our Mass Intentions book has arrived to the Parish Office! Using the Mass Intentions form located in the back of the Church, you may now book Mass intentions in advance. All Mass Intentions are first come, first serve and the offering is \$20 per Mass. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.



Remember us this Summer

Sadly, parish expenses do not take a summer holiday and still need to be paid. Please continue to support us throughout the summer while you are on vacation. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday, please remember your sunscreen and your Rosary.



Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine

16163 Highway 12 West, Midland, Ontario

During this Jubilee Year, join us for a pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine, a national holy and historic space honouring the lives of the Canadian Martyrs.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER:

www.archtoronto.org/jubilee

ENTRANCE FEE (PAYABLE ON ARRIVAL)

Adults: \$10 / Youth (0-18): Free / Bus: \$200*

*Bus admissions are charged as a flat rate and exclude complimentary admissions



PROGRAM

9:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Arrival and personal time to explore and discover the grounds; Sacrament of Reconciliation offered

11:00 a.m.

Holy Mass with Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto

12:30 p.m.

Lunch (you are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch – limited catering available onsite)

1:30 p.m.

Rosary Procession

2:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

2:45 p.m.

Benediction

3:00 p.m.

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