

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 & Thursday1st 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 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.

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS | Y-C | SEP 14, 2025 | ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Welcome back home to St. Andrew's

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of ■ = Special Intention

Saturday, Sep 13th – St. John Chrysostom

8:30 am – † Edward Gatitu, by family

- † Ernesto Paolucci, by Paolucci family

- Flora Charles (25th anniv. as a lay Carmelite), by VM of MC LLC

5:30pm – † Anna Paula & Virgino Pereira, by Aldous Pereira and family

Sunday, Sep 14th – EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS +

8 am – Birthday of Leandro Ibanez Sr., by Gardon family

9:30 am - (Ita. Mass) † Mr. Nicola Sardella, by family

11 am - For the people of the Parish

12:30pm - For the good health of Fadia, Nadia and Shadia Muasher, by Rana Muasher

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Spanish Mass)

Monday, Sep 15th – Our Lady of Sorrows

8 am – † Albert, Arulammah, Mary Alfred, by Sebastian family

7 pm – † Christian Andrew Ibanez, by Gardon family

Tuesday, Sep 16th - St. Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8 am – Antonio Concepcion, by Consolacion Concepcion

7 pm – Thanksgiving to St. Joseph, by Juliana

Wednesday, Sep 17th – St. Robert Bellarmine, St. Hildegard of Bingen

8 am – Thanksgiving for Tiffany & Reuben, by Sebastian family

7 pm – Wedding Anniversary of Joanne & Rammil Gardon, by Gardon family

Thursday, Sep 18th

8 am – † Joaquim & Maria D'Souza, by family

7 pm – † Giuseppe Di Lillo, by Di Lillo family

Friday, Sep 19th – St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

8 am – † Frank Joseph (40 days death anniv.), by Cheryl-Ann and Joseph family

7 pm – † Henry James McAvoy, by Carol Anne McAvoy

Saturday, Sep 20th - St's Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-Sang

8:30 am – † Mathew Jacob, by Mom Usha Jacob

5:30pm – (No Intention)

Sunday, Sep 21st – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am – † Gennaro Sestini, by Patricia

9:30 am - (*Ita.Mass*)

11 am – For the People of the Parish

12:30pm – † For the Soul of Mr. Albert & Cocess, David & Cecilia D'Souza

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span. Mass) † Juanita Gutierrez de Villada (1yr death anniv) by Villada Gutierrez

> Pope Leo XIV's September Prayer Intention is for relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that inspired by St. Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and

On this September 14th, we celebrate the birthday of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV's birthday, let us continue to pray for His Holiness as he continues to shepherd us in the Holy Catholic Church.



First Holy Communion Registration

All parents who are intending to register their children for FHC are required to attend a meeting on Sept. 24th at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall. Registrations will be on October 1st from 5:30pm - 7pm in the Hall, the closing date for registration will be October 31st. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



RCIA 2025–2026 Registration Process Update!

Following a recent meeting with our clergy and RCIA team, guidelines have been updated for the acceptance of candidates into the 2025-2026 RCIA/RCIC and Infant Baptism program's 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.

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. Thank you for your understanding.

Attention to those interested in joining RCIA this year

The 2025-26 RCIA program will start on Sunday, September 21, 2025, at 9:00am. In the St. Cecilia room. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.



CONFIRMATION

We warmly invite you to register your children during our Registration Nights, taking place in the Church Hall on September 17th, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

We kindly request you bring a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate and the \$75 offertory when registering.

NOTE: Registrations at the parish office are available during office hours.

Upcoming Special Collections at our Parish:

On September 28th, there will be a second collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. Extra envelopes will be available in the Church and in your envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS | Y-C | SEP 14, 2025 | ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH



The Knights of Columbus, Mother Teresa Council, is hosting a barbecue Next Sunday, September 21st, from 9 am to 2 pm. It will be a great way to celebrate the end of summer and to continue celebrating the 60th Anniversary of our Church. Prices are \$5 for a burger, \$5 for a hot dog, and \$10 for a chicken meal.

<u>Ticket sales will begin this weekend.</u> You can also request tickets by contacting <u>mcowan27@hotmail.com</u> Donations are welcome and greatly appreciated. If you're interested in donating or volunteering for the event, please feel free to reach out to the same email.

Some of the proceeds will go to the church building fund.



Attention to all parishioners!

Bingo is back at St. Andrew's, join us on Friday September 19th at 6pm in our Parish Hall. Entry tickets are being sold at \$5 and our Bingo Cards for \$2, per game. If you have any additional questions or concerns, contact the Parish Office.



Surprise Unveiled!

Devoted Parishioner of 32 years and classically-trained artist Rana Muasher has donated a charcoal drawing of our Patron Saint, Saint Andrew, in order to raise proceeds for our Church Building Fund. 100% of the proceeds will go towards the fund.

This is your opportunity to own an original piece of artwork by a artist valued at \$10,000 while helping our church.

Raffle tickets will be sold after all weekend masses by the Knights of Columbus and volunteers.

You may also call the parish office during regular weekday business hours to purchase tickets.

Ticket prices are: 1 for \$10, 2 for \$15, 3 for \$25.

Individual and group densitions are violated

Individual and group donations are welcome.

The Raffle winner will be announced on Sunday, November 23, 2025, after the 11am feast day mass celebrating our Patron Saint.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

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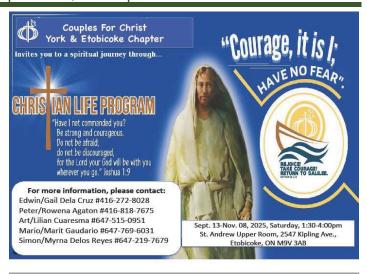
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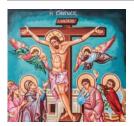
3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

- 1. scan the QR code
- 2. follow this QR link: grco.de/WebSept27
- 3. send an email to: $\underline{Development@ArchToronto.org}$ and write "webinar September 27" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Attention! Booking Masses for 2026

Our Mass Intentions book has arrived at the Parish Office! Using the Mass Intentions form located at the back of the Church, you can book Mass' for 2026. All Mass Intentions are first come, first served and currently set at \$20 per Mass. In addition, Masses are still available for 2025. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.





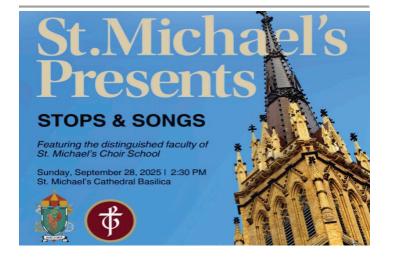
The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

One of twelve "Master feasts" celebrated in the Church to honor Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master. This feast is celebrated to memorialize the first installation of the remnants of the true cross of Jesus in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on Mount Calvary, September 14, AD 335, and its reinstallation on September 14, AD 630. The original cross on which Jesus was

crucified was excavated in AD 326 by a team led by St. Helena, the mother of the first Christian Roman Emperor, Constantine. The Emperor built the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on Calvary, it was consecrated on September 14, AD 335, and the remains of the cross were installed in it by Archbishop Maccharios of Jerusalem. After three centuries, the Persians invaded Jerusalem, plundered it of all valuables and took with them the relic of the Holy Cross. In AD 630, Emperor Heraclius II defeated the Persians, recaptured the casket containing the holy relic, and reinstalled it in the rebuilt Church, which was destroyed by Muslims in 1009. The crusaders rebuilt it as the present Church of the Holy Sepulcher in 1149. The largest fragment of the holy cross is now kept in Santa Croce Church in Rome.

A Message from Fr. Claude to our Parishioners

Fr. Claude would like to thank the parishioners who had taken him out for his 80th birthday and those who generously wished him a Happy Birthday, which was on September 11th. May the Lord continue to bless Fr. Claude and all the Parishioners of St. Andrew's



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